



# Chamber Connection

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## Chamber Partners:

We are writing to share exciting news regarding a new sponsorship package that will be effective starting January 2026. This package has been thoughtfully designed to enhance the opportunities for our valued chamber members and to foster greater collaboration within our community.

As a member of the Trotwood Chamber of Commerce, your participation in this program can significantly benefit your organization while also contributing to the growth and development of our local business environment. The details of the new sponsorship package is in this newsletter.

The common practice for chamber sponsorship and membership fees is that they are generally treated as **separate** financial contributions, with sponsorship being an investment that is **incremental** to a company's annual membership dues.

Here is a breakdown of the common practice:

- **Sponsorship as Non-Dues Revenue:** Sponsorships are a critical part of a chamber's **non-dues revenue**, which is income generated beyond standard membership fees through events, services, and partnerships. Chambers rely on non-dues revenue to ensure financial sustainability and fund programs, as membership dues alone may not be enough to sustain long-term growth.
- **Membership is Often a Prerequisite:** A business must typically be an **active Chamber member** in good standing to qualify for and participate in the sponsorship program.

## Distinct Purposes:

- **Membership Dues** are the fee a

member pays to receive standard member benefits (e.g., directory listing, networking access).

- **Sponsorship** is an investment that provides the partner with enhanced benefits such as increased visibility, brand recognition, and association with specific chamber programs or events, which goes *beyond* the general membership benefits.
- **Flexibility for Top Tiers:** While the two are usually separate, some top-tier annual sponsorship programs may offer the flexibility to apply a portion of the sponsorship credit toward the company's membership dues.

Should you have questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to call the Chamber at 937-837-1484 or [mbattle@trotwoodchamber.org](mailto:mbattle@trotwoodchamber.org). We are eager to support you in making the most of this opportunity.

Welcome our newest member Melinda Mays. She is the Founder and Principal HR/Business Consultant at Melinda Mays Consulting Group,.

With over 30 years of Human Resources leadership experience, she specialize in simplifying the complex areas that often overwhelm business owners.

She offers:

- ◆ Full service Payroll Management , HR shared Services,
- ◆ Legal & Regulatory Compliance
- ◆ Tax Preparation & Filing Support
- ◆ Strategic HR & Business Consulting for Startups and growing organizations
- ◆ Veteran Support

For more information contact Melinda Melinda Mays, CEO/Owner, Melinda Mays Consulting Group

928-432-5577 (cell)

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## January 2026 Officers

### President

Sean Freeman  
Sean Freeman Enterprises

### Vice-President

Marlon Howard  
TM Schools

### Secretary

Mindy M. Shelley  
Premier Health

### Treasurer

Sandra Monaghan  
Retired

## Board of Directors

### LaVar Glover

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### Zach Logan

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### Yvette Page

City of Trotwood

## Executive Director

Marie Battle, CAP

## Membership Renew 2025

Premier Health/MVH  
Salem Bend Condominium

## Membership Renewals 2026

AMS

Brunner Literacy Center

City of Trotwood

Dayton Nutra Foods

Gill Mart

Heard Management

H. H. Roberts Mortuary

Hunter Consulting Co.

K.M. Ingersoll & Son

Korreck Inc.

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## Newsletter Includes: Executive Director's Info.

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Trotwood Chamber of Commerce  
Sponsorship Package 2026

Should you have questions, email  
mbattle@trotwoodchamber.org.  
Chamber office hours are 8 a.m.  
until noon Monday thru Friday. The  
phone number for the Chamber is  
937-837-1484.

Sponsorship  
Package



Bronze Package

Recognition at all events

Name recognition in  
monthly newsletter

Sponsor Mother's Day  
Event

\$300



Silver Package

Name/logo at all events

Recognition in monthly  
newsletter

Advertising on Chamber's  
website

Sponsor Mother's Day  
Event

Listed on Social Media

\$700

Sponsorship  
Package



Gold Package

Name/logo at all events

Recognition in monthly  
newsletter

Two complementary ticket  
to the annual dinner

Sponsor Mother's Day  
Event

Advertising on Chamber's  
website

Listed on Social Media

Sponsor Business  
Showcase/Job Fair

Sponsor Annual Dinner

\$1500



Platinum  
Package

Name/logo at all events

Recognition in monthly  
newsletter

Two complementary tickets  
to the annual dinner

Advertising on Chamber's  
website

Display your banner at  
events

Four tickets to the golf  
outing

Event sponsor sign at  
golf outing

Listed on Social Media

Sponsor Mother's Day  
Event

\$2000

# CITY OF TROTWOOD VACANCY NOTICE

## Parks and Recreation Board

Trotwood, Ohio [01/13/2026] – The City of Trotwood Parks and Recreation Board has a vacant seat and is seeking a volunteer to serve the remainder of an unexpired term, ending April 3, 2027. The Parks and Recreation Board is mandated by the Trotwood City Charter to recommend programs to the City Manager for the conduct of public parks and recreation facilities and programs. The Board consists of five (5) members who meet on the third Thursday of each month.

You must be an elector of the City to be considered for this volunteer position. Volunteer applications may be found on the City's website or by clicking this link: [Volunteer Application](#). Completed applications should be submitted to the Clerk of Council by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 23, 2026. You may submit your application in person on the second floor of the Government Center during business hours or by U.S. mail, fax, or e-mail.

For more information about this volunteer opportunity, please contact Marketing Coordinator Charles Wheeler at 937-854-7228 during regular business hours or by e-mail, [chwheeler@trotwood.org](mailto:chwheeler@trotwood.org).

## CITY OF TROTWOOD—Black History Month “Expression Contest”

Trotwood, Ohio [01/06/2026] – The City of Trotwood, Ohio, will host a student arts expression contest—including but not limited to music, visual arts, and performing arts- to commemorate Black History Month!

Students in grades 3 – 12 from ALL schools within the City of Trotwood are encouraged to submit an original expression piece of their choice, inspired by the theme: **“A Century of Black History Commemorations.”** Submissions will be divided into three groups: 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade, & 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade. There will be 9 winners total, 3 winners selected from each group; winners will receive a cash prize, an award of excellence, and recognition on Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, during the monthly City Council meeting.  
1<sup>st</sup> place - \$75; 2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$50; 3<sup>rd</sup> place - \$25

Contest entries must be submitted to Charles Wheeler III, Parks & Recreation Marketing Coordinator, via email at [chwheeler@trotwood.org](mailto:chwheeler@trotwood.org), by **Monday, February 16, 2026. Submissions must be original work and include the student's name, school, grade, and parents' contact information.**

Please contact Parks and Recreation Marketing Coordinator Charles Wheeler III at 937-854-7228 with questions regarding the competition.



3rd Annual  
**Real Talk**  
Teen Mental Health Summit  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2026  
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
PHILLIPS TEMPLE CHURCH  
(3620 SHILOH SPRINGS RD, TROTWOOD, OH)

Registration



Target Audience: Teens 13 - 17 Years Old  
Respected Guest Speakers  
Doors Open at 8 am  
Breakfast & Registration from 8 am to 9 am  
Lunch Included



The SOCA Benefit Plan administered by Anthem is a multiple employer welfare arrangement (MEWA) that allows small businesses and sole proprietors to join together in a self-funded group to access health benefits typically reserved for large employers.

Members share in the overall claims risk—helping to keep rates more stable and affordable. As part of a large, self-funded pool, you'll also get the peace of mind that comes with Anthem's stop-loss coverage. Which protects the group financially if claims are higher than expected.

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## **2026 Ohio Safety Congress & Expo®**

### **Ready to elevate your safety game? OSC26® registration is now open!**

Ready to swap safety tips and make some new connections? The 2026 Ohio Safety Congress & Expo® (OSC26®) registration is officially **OPEN** – and it's your pass to one of the biggest **FREE** safety events around.

### **[Ohio Safety Congress & Expo®](#)**

**Greater Columbus Convention Center**

**March 11-13, 2026**

OSC26® is about future-proofing safety — protecting every worker, at every age, in every role. We challenge every attendee to think bigger, lead boldly, and walk away with solutions that make an impact. Stop by the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) booth to connect with our experts and explore real tools for real results.

What's waiting for you at OSC26®? Glad you asked!

- 150+ sessions packed with practical tips and fresh ideas you can actually use
- An Expo Marketplace with 300+ exhibitors and packed with the coolest safety gear (you *know* you want to check it out)

Keynotes so good, you'll want to take notes – or at least brag about them later

[Register now!](#)

### **Did you know?... Many employers prefer Occupational Medical Facilities for their employees, and here's why:**

- Work Injury Expertise – Clinics understand workers' comp paperwork.
- Better Coordination – They manage follow-up care and return-to-work plans.
- Faster Care – Shorter wait times; ER can take hours.
- Keeps Productivity Up – Less downtime and fewer claim delays.
- Lower Cost – Clinics are generally cheaper than ER visits.

Additional Services – Drug testing, physicals, and return-to-work exams.

**Important:** Injured workers have the right to choose their medical provider as long as the provider is BWC-certified. However, employers can suggest a trusted provider with a strong reputation who will ensure the employee receives the care they need

### **Attention Public Employers – 2025 Payroll True-Up is Now Open**

Public employer true-up will be available beginning Jan. 1, 2026, and is due by Feb. 28, 2026. There is no grace period for true-up as of Jan. 1, 2026. This applies to true-up for policy year Jan. 1, 2025, and moving forward.

*Special Thanks to Our  
Wonderful Sponsors*

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Your sponsorship makes a difference, again, thank you so very much!