

NOVEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

A digital look at your local business community

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COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS

[Click here for information and resources](#)

The Macomb Area Chamber of Commerce has created a dedicated website to provide local business operations, state and local information, and health notifications to assist you and the business community during the transition this unprecedented pandemic. We will update this list as new information is available.

As we move within our respective Restore Illinois phase, area businesses will be able to remain open under specific circumstances. To help you and your business, the Chamber has compiled a resource page of Business Guidance for Safely Reopening During COVID-19. As guidelines change we will regularly update the information.

Please note, that we are not government experts, lawyers, or bankers; however, we will certainly do our best to connect you the vital resources that you need at this time. If there is anything missing, please let us know and we will see to it that you get the appropriate information. Thank you.

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Restore Illinois

As McDonough County looks at moving out of Phase 4 of the Restore Illinois plan, we invite you to visit the links below to keep up on the latest reopening information and resources.

To assist businesses and employers with continuing to implement the safety guidelines and to ensure safety in the

workplace, the State of Illinois - Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) has developed a business toolkit complete with signage, training checklists, and other resources to ensure business and activities are conducted in accordance with the latest public health recommendations.

RESTORE ILLINOIS

A Public Health Approach To Safely Reopen Our State

Phase guidelines are broken down by industry and several of them may directly apply to your respective business or organization. These are intended to be a general set of rules and may need to be further personalized to fit your employees and work environment.

The DCEO has updated their [FAQ document](#) for Phase 4 with additional information. Please continue to check their website as they are frequently updating information. All of the Phase 4 guidance can be found [here](#) and at the links below.

Region 2 Joins Every Region of Illinois Under COVID-19 Mitigations

Restrictions take effect on **Wednesday, Nov. 4** in North-Central Illinois.

Tier 1 mitigations are currently in effect in Regions 3-11.

Tier 2 mitigations are currently in effect in Region 1.



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Executive Director Letter

Hello Chamber Members,

It is November and most people are starting their holiday shopping. I strongly encourage you to **SHOP LOCAL** and #keepitinmacomb. Keep our businesses in Macomb. Keep our tax dollars in Macomb. Keep our community strong and vibrant.

The last seven months have been incredibly hard for our locally owned small businesses, so please give them your business this holiday season. It is so much more fun to pick out the perfect gift for your loved ones, rather than click a button online. More importantly, you are supporting your friends and neighbors. Check out our [online directory](#) to find the perfect place to purchase a gift or gift certificate. Not sure what to buy? Purchase a Chamber Gift Certificate at our office and your recipient can use it locally for whatever it is they want.

There are still grant and loan options available out there if your business has been affected by COVID-19. Another round of the Business Interruption Grants (BIG) Program has opened, so head over to [their website](#) to apply. There is also a [Simpler Loan Forgiveness Application](#) if you received the PPP loan. See [5 Tips About PPP Forgiveness](#) for more information. Visit www.macombareachamber.com/coronavirus for additional grant and loan information, as well as other useful tools and information related to COVID-19.

As always, contact me at any time by emailing lauren@macombareachamber.com or calling the Chamber office at (309) 837-4855. I always welcome your questions, comments, and concerns.

Lauren Merritt
Executive Director

Email Lauren

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Marketing Director Letter

Hello,

I get it, you probably want to gloss right over this letter. You have already read so much and the valuable information in this newsletter can feel like a lot to take in, but I promise I won't hit you with "unprecedented times" or the "new normal." I won't rehash the election, come at you with a political agenda, or offer up the latest pandemic numbers in our county. I will unapologetically suggest you wear a mask for the good of those who most need protection in our

community, but all I can do is try to lead by example and hope you do the same.

We are approaching the Holiday season and if we are honest with ourselves, we pretty much thought this thing would be over by now. Clearly we are still in the thick of it, so our usual lighthearted "Shop Local - #keepitnmacomb" message may feel a little different this year too.



The truth is, many of our small businesses have been so drastically impacted in the past few months that they are wondering if they can keep the lights on and their doors open. While regulations and guidelines have kept everyone safe - it has also kept them home and made it essential for small businesses to get more creative to stay alive.

So we're taking our usual message a step further and there is no whimsical way to say that if we don't start shopping local right now, we won't have many local places left. Your favorite coffee shop, hair stylist, corner bar, fitness class - are all at risk of the dreaded "Going out of Business" sign if we don't rally around them and show a whole lot of local love right now.

Our local businesses are working diligently to ensure that you can pick up items with minimal contact, attend events virtually, and even have things delivered right to your front door. So take advantage of the conveniences that are being offered. With curbside delivery - you don't have to get out of a warm car. With virtual meetings - you can keep the sweatpants on and only get fancy from the waist up. There are hidden blessings in all of the mess.

So what can you do to help? We love when you spend local, but maybe you are struggling right now. Maybe your paycheck was impacted too and extras seem really extra right now. Maybe the thought of leaving the house is too much for you today. You can still support local businesses. Here are a few ideas:

10 WAYS TO **SUPPORT A SMALL BUSINESS**

WITHOUT SPENDING MONEY

1. **FOLLOW** them on social media
2. **LIKE** their posts
3. **SHARE** their posts
4. **COMMENT** on their posts
5. **TAG** friends who would like them
6. **POST** photos of their products, tag them and use their hashtag
7. **TELL** friends about their products and encourage them to shop there
8. **WRITE** reviews
9. **SIGN-UP** for email
10. **SEND** a message or email and tell them you appreciate what they do

Despite it all, we hope you have a very joyous holiday season. We will keep coming up with ideas to help you live and love local. We welcome you to share yours with us at any time. And if I can be of any help, personally or professionally, I'd love to talk to you via email at shay@macombareachamber.com or schedule an office time. Thank you.

Be well and be well to others.

Shay Holland
Marketing Director

Email Shay

CHAMBER EMAIL BLASTS

The daily Chamber email blast is a single email image sent to 800+ inboxes! This very popular feature is a cost-effective way to reach several members of the community and market your business with the push of a button!

- **STEP 1 - RESERVATIONS:** Reserve your email blast on a first come, first-serve basis via phone or email. Chamber members may reserve ONE date per month.
- **STEP 2 - INVOICE:** Email blasts are \$35. Invoices will be issued when the email blast date is reserved. Invoices will only be sent to the Chamber member listed within our records. The invoice serves as your ONLY reminder for the reserved date, so mark your personal calendar.
- **STEP 3 - DESIGN:** The Chamber will not design or edit email blast content. Please provide the email document exactly as you wish it to appear. The email blast document must clearly include the member logo/state the member affiliation.
- **STEP 4 - SUBMITTING:** All email blast content must be received within 48 hours of the scheduled blast date. The chamber will ONLY accept electronic JPG formatted documents. NO Word/PDF/paper documents. If the email blast content is not received in a timely manner, the scheduled date will be forfeited and the invoice must still be paid.
- **STEP 4 - EMAIL SENT:** All email blasts will be sent ONE time only. Please double check all spelling, contact information, and other details before submitting your document to our office. We track every email blast sent and will gladly share with you the open rate of your individual blast so you can see just how big your audience reach can be!



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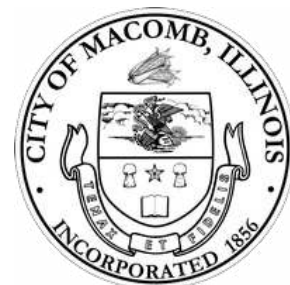
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The City of Macomb

The City of Macomb is actively working with several local agencies and state authorities to provide the clearest and most up-to-date information for all citizens. To find a list of resources, visit their website.

City of Macomb Mayor Mike Inman is also routinely sharing COVID-19 updates via a series of YouTube videos which can be viewed on Facebook and via the City of Macomb YouTube channel.



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McDonough District Hospital

McDonough District Hospital is working with the McDonough County Health Department, McDonough County Emergency Services, and the City of Macomb during the COVID-19 crisis

For the latest updates and specifics on screening hours, visitor restrictions, and health safety practices please view the MDH website below.



[MDH.org](http://www.mdh.org)

McDonough County Health Department

Working directly with McDonough District Hospital and the City of Macomb, the McDonough County Health Department is actively working to update the community on confirmed COVID-19 cases and provide contact tracing and health resource information. The latest numbers for McDonough County are provided at the website below:



[Health Department](#)

10 things you can do to manage your health at home

If you have possible or confirmed COVID-19:

1. **Stay home** from work, school, and away from other public places. If you must go out, avoid using any kind of public transportation, ridesharing, or taxis.



2. **Monitor your symptoms** carefully. If your symptoms get worse, call your healthcare provider immediately.



3. **Get rest and stay hydrated.**



4. If you have a medical appointment, **call the healthcare provider** ahead of time and tell them that you have or may have COVID-19.



5. For medical emergencies, call 911 and **notify the dispatch personnel** that you have or may have COVID-19.



6. **Cover your cough and sneezes.**



7. **Wash your hands often** with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.



8. As much as possible, **stay** in a specific room and **away from other people** in your home. Also, you should use a separate bathroom, if available. If you need to be around other people in or outside of the home, wear a facemask.



9. **Avoid sharing personal items** with other people in your household, like dishes, towels, and bedding.



10. **Clean all surfaces** that are touched often, like counters, tabletops, and doorknobs. Use household cleaning sprays or wipes according to the label instructions.



Please go to www.cdc.gov/covid19-symptoms for information on COVID-19 symptoms.



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Business Assistance

Under the direction of Governor JB Pritzker, the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity is working with partners to launch emergency assistance programs for Illinois small

businesses. These initiatives include Illinois Small Business Emergency Loan Fund, and Downstate Small Business Stabilization Program, Small Business Administration Disaster loans, Economic Injury Disaster Loans Advance Grants, and Paycheck Protection Programs.



We will continue to email the latest business resource updates to you as they are available. We urge you to research your options carefully; however, note that many of these resources are time sensitive and require applications be submitted by set state and federal deadlines.

For business assistance resources, please visit our website.

Macomb Area Chamber

Business Grants

Announcements & Opportunities

New position created for Macomb PD

A new position in the Macomb Police Department will focus on diversifying the department's workforce. The person hired will also serve as a liaison between people in need and the community's social service agencies. City Administrator Scott Coker said the person hired for the Community Service, Diversity, Recruitment position will not be a sworn officer in the department. For more information:



Diversity Position

Chamber meets with Congressman Darin LaHood

The Macomb Area Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee hosted a virtual meeting with Congressman Darin LaHood on October 27. View the full question and answer session below as he discusses issues and resources vital to our region.



LaHood

WIU Athletics forms Black Athlete Association

Western Illinois Athletics announced the formation of the Black Athlete Association (BAA), a newly-formed student group that intends to promote and further the values of inclusivity, diversity, and social justice on the campus of Western Illinois University, the surrounding Macomb community and beyond.



WIU Athletics

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SEXUAL HARASSMENT TRAINING



The Illinois Human Rights Act ("IHRA") has recent been amended and is now requiring: Illinois employers to provide annual sexual harassment prevention training by December 31, 2020 and annually thereafter. It does not matter how big or small your business is, you must provide sexual harassment training to all employees. The Illinois Department of Human Rights (IDHR) has a Power Point or PDF training model that you can use and includes a certificate for each employee to fill out upon completion. You can use their model or create your own training.

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- Application of the method in training
- Video analysis and correction

Information and Registration:



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Register

Local community leader chooses Macomb as his "Forever Home"



This is the ninth installment in the Western Illinois University series, "Forever Home," which features video interviews with those who have chosen to make Maccomb (and/or WIU) their home. John Biernbaum is the Associate Vice President of Student Services University Housing/Dining Services at WIU, a Maccomb Area Chamber Board member, and is dedicated to the Humane Society and several other local organizations.

Interview

Local business awarded facade grant



Lara Dively, Owner of Nostalgia on the Square (129 N. Randolph Street), is presented with a check for \$5,050.67 for the completion of renovation work at the business in Maccomb's Historic Downtown Square. The improvement project included replacing the front and back door and several windows. The Downtown Renovation Grant program is funded through the Downtown TIF (Tax Increment Finance) District. "The Downtown Renovation Grant Program was specifically designed to incent private property owners to maintain and renovate properties in our Historic Downtown", said Maccomb Mayor Mike Inman. "Mrs. & Mr. Dively have made significant improvements over the years by taking this opportunity to collaborate with the City on making these improvements on their

building in our historic downtown”, Inman added.

Info

MDH appoints new Chief of Pathology

McDonough District Hospital announced the appointment of Jennifer Jones, M.D. as Department Chairperson and Medical Director of the Pathology Department. A Fellow of the College of American Pathologists and the American Society of Clinical Pathologists, Dr. Jones joined MDH in September 2014.

Dr. Jones completed a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology at Western Illinois University before receiving her medical degree from Southern Illinois University School of Medicine in Springfield. She worked at Ball Memorial Hospital during her residency and completed a fellowship at the Indiana University Medical Center.



MDH

Member Anniversaries

We love to see our Chamber members succeed and help celebrate the wins with you. Share your business anniversaries with us and we'll feature them in our next newsletter.

- The Crafty Coop, LLC (206 N. Lafayette Street) recently celebrated their two-year anniversary.
- King Family Chiropractic (6 Doctors Lane, #2N) turned eleven during the month of October.



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Calendar of Events

Welcome to November 2020. While your local events may not be exactly the same, there is still plenty happening online and in person (with proper social distancing). You will find this calendar in the newsletter each month, on social media, on our website, and in print in our office.

As a FREE member benefit, we invite you to send your events to us for our online/print calendar. Whether virtual or in person, we want to help get the word out about the new ways you are helping us all #keepitnmacomb!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<p>Boots for Kids Fundraiser Deadline Donate to Century 21, RE/MAX, Key Realtors; info: (309) 837-6464</p> <p>Chronic Pain Management Group MDH, Eight week course, 1-2 pm Info: (309) 836-1582</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Ends</p>	<p>Roots for Kids Fundraiser Deadline Donate to Century 21, RE/MAX, Key Realtors; info: (309) 837-6464</p> <p>Chronic Pain Management Group MDH, Eight week course, 1-2 pm Info: (309) 836-1582</p>	<p>ELECTION DAY</p> <p>Macomb 185 Schools—No School</p>	<p>Mighty Yoga Free Range/Virtual, Wed. & Fri., 10 am Register: freerangeyoga.us</p> <p>Anger Management MDH, Wednesdays, 3-4:30 pm Register: (309) 836-1582</p> <p>Block the Bite: Ticks & Protection U of I Ext., Online, Noon Register: extension.illinois.edu</p>	<p>Chair Yoga Free Range/Virtual, Tues. & Thurs. 10 am; Yoga for all, Tues. & Thurs., 5:15 pm Register: freerangeyoga.us</p> <p>Rib Fest Haymakers, 11 am-1 pm, 4-7 pm info: gohaymakers.com</p>	<p>Feel Good Friday WIU Multicultural Center, 12-4 pm Info: wiu.edu</p>	<p>Running Clinic YMCA, Nov. 7-8, 8 am-3 pm Register: macombymca.org</p> <p>BBBS Bowl for Kids' Sake Diggers, 9 am-4 pm Register: bbbismv.org</p> <p>Holiday Open House 309 Wild Daisies, 10 am Info: Follow on Facebook</p>
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
<p>Deer Hunter Open Range Day Hosted by Macomb Police Dept. Spring Lake, 9 am-1 pm Info: macombpolice.com</p>	<p>Reinvention Support Group MDH, Mondays, 3-4 pm Info: (309) 836-1543</p>	<p>VETERANS DAY CHAMBER OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>Diet Defense: Nutrition Immunity U of I Ext., Online, Noon Register: extension.illinois.edu</p> <p>Dual Enrollment Info Session WIU Admissions, Online, 6-7 pm Info: wiu.edu</p>	<p>VETERANS DAY CHAMBER OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>Diet Defense: Nutrition Immunity U of I Ext., Online, Noon Register: extension.illinois.edu</p> <p>Dual Enrollment Info Session WIU Admissions, Online, 6-7 pm Info: wiu.edu</p>	<p>WIU Rockythor Spaghetti Dinner American Legion, 4-8 pm Carry Out/Drive thru Info: rockythor@wiu.edu</p>	<p>Teacher Institute Macomb 185 Schools—No School</p>	<p>Nature Area Guided Tour Lakeview Nature Center, 10 am Register: (309) 836-4562</p>
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<p>MACC Ambassadors Mtg. Virtual, Noon</p>	<p>Ribbon Cutting Free Range, 118 N. Lafayette St. 11:30 am, info: (309) 837-4855</p>	<p>Board of Directors Mtg. Virtual, 7:30 am Staying Sharp: Brain Health & Age U of I Ext., Online, Noon Register: extension.illinois.edu</p> <p>Dual Enrollment Info Session WIU Admissions, Online, 6-7 pm Info: wiu.edu</p> <p>Business After Hours CANCELED</p>	<p>Board of Directors Mtg. Virtual, 7:30 am Staying Sharp: Brain Health & Age U of I Ext., Online, Noon Register: extension.illinois.edu</p> <p>Dual Enrollment Info Session WIU Admissions, Online, 6-7 pm Info: wiu.edu</p> <p>Business After Hours CANCELED</p>	<p>Breastfeeding Class MDH, 6:30-8:30 pm Carry Out/Drive thru Register: (309) 833-4101</p>	<p>MACC Executive Board Virtual, 11 am</p> <p>Trans Day of Remembrance WIU Multicultural Center, 4:30-6 pm, Info: wiu.edu</p>	<p>Nature Area Guided Tour Lakeview Nature Center, 10 am Register: (309) 836-7095</p>
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				CHAMBER OFFICE CLOSED		Small Business Saturday
29	30	<p>TO BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT CALENDAR SEND EVENTS TO: shay@macombareachamber.com</p> <p>Due to COVID-19, events may be cancelled or postponed without prior warning at any time. We suggest contacting the host listed for updates before attending any event.</p>		<p>BUY CHAMBER GIFT CERTIFICATES</p> <p>at any of these convenient locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Macomb Area Chamber of Commerce • Citizens Bank • First Bankers Trust Company • Farmers Bank • MidAmerica National Bank • United Community Bank 		

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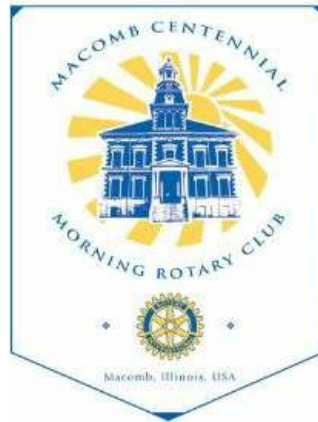
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Thank you to our members who have continued their annual investment with the Macomb Area Chamber of Commerce in the month of

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WIU and COVID-19

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WIU



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Spoon River College has created a dedicated website to provide updates and information on the controlled reopening of their campus locations to students, staff, and the general public. For details on business operations with complete safety guidelines, please visit their website.



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Job Postings

With several industries and career opportunities in our region, the Job Postings section on the Macomb Area Chamber website has become a one-stop shop for posting and finding quality positions and ideal candidates right in the immediate area. You can find these job openings and more on our website below.



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Ribbon Cuttings



Jackson Street Market: The Ambassador Committee of the Macomb Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting on October 8 for long-standing Chamber member, Jackson Street Market (1601 W. Jackson St., Macomb) who is locally owned and family operated. Jackson street market offers a wide variety of grocery, fresh meat, produce, liquor, and deli needs. Home to Chairman's Reserve Premium Choice Beef which they hail as "The Best Beef in Town." They accept cash, check (phone number required), Visa, Mastercard, Discover, LINK, WIC, and Chamber gift certificates. Hours are Mon.-Sat. 7 am to 10 pm; Sunday 8 am-9 pm.
Information: [Jackson Street Market](#)



Clean Getaway: The Macomb Area Economic Development Corporation (MAEDCO) held a ribbon cutting on October 13 to welcome **Clean Getaway Express Tunnel Wash** (1631 East Jackson Street) to Macomb. After breaking ground in December 2019, the fully automated, belt-driven tunnel car wash is a \$3M investment to our community.

MAEDCO



DRDC: The Ambassador Committee of the Macomb Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting on October 27 for the Downtown Residential Development Corporation (DRDC) as they celebrated the completion of a new private residence above MidAmerica National Bank (130 N. Side Square). The DRDC is a private corporation with the mission “to develop moderate to upscale residential living space within the designated downtown Macomb area, prioritizing on increasing property values, securing occupancy, and promoting economic growth.”

Their vision is to help Downtown Macomb to become a more vibrant place to live, work and shop, and the more people of means living Downtown, the better to achieve this goal. Renovating downtown spaces for residential purposes has become a national trend, even in towns the size of Macomb. It has led to the revitalization of downtown business districts including the restoration of building facades and the opening of new businesses. There are several suitable buildings on the Courthouse Square with upper floors that could make for future potential residences.

DRDC



Ladner and Jain Orthodontics: The Ambassador Committee of the Macomb Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting on October 29 for Ladner and Jain Orthodontics, LLP (908 E. Jackson St.), who welcomed Dr. Erin E. Jain to the practice in January 2020. Ladner and Jain Orthodontics has been providing orthodontic care for over 45 year, creating smiles you can smile about, with oral healthcare, conventional braces, and Invisalign systems.

Both doctors are members of the American Dental Association and its components, the Illinois State Dental Society and the Prairie Valley Dental Society. Additionally, they belong to the American Association of Orthodontists and its components, the Mid-western Society of Orthodontists and the Illinois Society of Orthodontists.

When the doctors are not at the office, they provide educational onsite classes to local dentists and to the hygienist program at Carl Sandburg College.

Ladner & Jain

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AMBASSADORS Will follow all safety precautions	SAFETY Masks/social distancing	NEWSLETTER Featured Business Mention
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Chamber Member Spotlight

For those of you who have been with us for years, you may remember a little feature called "The Spotlight." In response to recent events, we are ready to celebrate all things local with you, our members, by giving you this space for **FREE** to highlight all the hard work, dedication, and passion that you pour into your business or organization. We will feature one (or a few) members as a way to support all the cool ways that you

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MACOMB MEDICAL ... your local source for medical equipment & supplies

Macomb Medical Equipment & Supply, 531 E. Grant St., has a proven record as the community's leader in providing customers with health-related products. Serving our area for more than 40 years, they have been honored with McDonough Co VOICE designation as "Best of the Best" in medical supplies.

Store Manager Julie Morarend, LRCP, has a respiratory background and is especially passionate about the home oxygen and CPAP/BiPAP services offered. "Having a full-time respiratory therapist sets us apart," commented Morarend. "It allows us to take a personal approach in helping each customer as they adapt to their respiratory equipment."

In addition to home oxygen and sleep apnea equipment, Macomb Medical offers a full line of compression stockings, incontinent supplies, ostomy products, breast pumps and accessories, power recliners, commodes, canes, walkers ... you name it and it is likely you will find it.

"Our personal service sets us apart," said Morarend. "Our customer service representatives are knowledgeable on the equipment we offer. And, our delivery technicians have a combined 28 years of experience delivering products and ensuring our customers are properly trained."

The end of the calendar year is an especially busy time for Macomb Medical, and important to customers. As insurance deductibles are met and some people having health savings/flex spending funds, it's imperative to consider purchasing supplies - whether it be PAP supplies or compression socks or some other health/wellness product. "Many of our insurance customers ask us to see whether their PAP rental units can be purchased before the end of the year, rather than their having to start monthly payments over with new deductibles", Morarend explained.

Macomb Medical is ACHC accredited, licensed in the state of Illinois and offers billing to Medicare, Medicaid, and most insurances. The store is part of the Denman Services' family of medical equipment stores.

Store hours are Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm and Saturday, 9 am - Noon. We can be reached at (837) 6161 or by emailing our office. 24-hour emergency service is available. Follow us on Facebook!



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Local Stats

A monthly look at the city/region

TAXES

SEPTEMBER 2020

- SALES: \$236,006.37
- BED: \$16,115.61
- MOTOR FUEL:
\$30,241.41

Source: City of Macomb,
Business Office

AIRPORT

SEPTEMBER 2020

- LANDINGS: 521
- FUEL SOLD (gallons):
13,756

Source: Macomb Municipal
Airport

BUILDING PERMITS

SEPTEMBER 2020

- TOTAL ISSUED: 41

Source: City of Macomb,
Zoning Office

LABOR FORCE

(Macomb Micropolitan Area)
JULY 2020

- LABOR FORCE: 11,794
- UNEMPLOYMENT: 9.6%

Source: Illinois Dept.
of Employment Security



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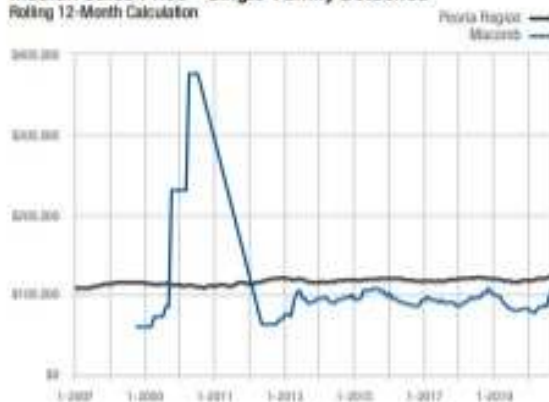
Single-Family Detached	September			Year to Date		
	2019	2020	% Change	Thru 9-2019	Thru 9-2020	% Change
Key Metrics						
New Listings	19	34	+ 78.9%	181	187	+ 3.3%
Pending Sales	11	14	+ 27.3%	107	107	0.0%
Closed Sales	8	8	0.0%	99	96	- 3.0%
Cumulative Days on Market Until Sale	135	125	- 7.4%	171	168	- 1.8%
Median Sales Price*	\$77,450	\$150,000	+ 93.7%	\$81,350	\$108,750	+ 33.7%
Average Sales Price*	\$86,613	\$182,125	+ 88.5%	\$98,851	\$111,956	+ 13.3%
Percent of Original List Price Received*	84.4%	92.7%	+ 9.8%	85.9%	89.6%	+ 4.3%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	130	120	- 7.7%	---	---	---
Months Supply of Inventory	12.0	10.4	- 13.3%	---	---	---

Single-Family Attached	September			Year to Date		
	2019	2020	% Change	Thru 9-2019	Thru 9-2020	% Change
Key Metrics						
New Listings	4	5	+ 25.0%	31	26	- 16.1%
Pending Sales	2	2	0.0%	21	21	0.0%
Closed Sales	2	3	+ 50.0%	19	20	+ 5.3%
Cumulative Days on Market Until Sale	106	196	+ 84.9%	253	212	- 16.2%
Median Sales Price*	\$78,350	\$111,000	+ 45.6%	\$89,900	\$108,750	+ 21.0%
Average Sales Price*	\$76,250	\$101,500	+ 33.1%	\$100,211	\$101,420	+ 1.2%
Percent of Original List Price Received*	80.5%	87.9%	+ 9.2%	85.3%	87.6%	+ 2.7%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	24	14	- 41.7%	---	---	---
Months Supply of Inventory	9.9	6.1	- 38.4%	---	---	---

* Does not account for sale concessions and/or financing assistance. | Percent changes are calculated using rounded figures and can sometimes look extreme due to small sample size.

Median Sales Price - Single-Family Detached

Rolling 12-Month Calculation



Median Sales Price - Single-Family Attached

Rolling 12-Month Calculation



A rolling 12-month calculation represents the current month and the 11 months prior in a single data point. Five activity occurred during a month, the line extends to the next available data point.

McDonough County

Single-Family Detached	September			Year to Date		
	2019	2020	% Change	Thru 9-2019	Thru 9-2020	% Change
New Listings	21	40	+ 90.5%	246	255	+ 3.7%
Pending Sales	17	22	+ 29.4%	158	153	- 3.2%
Closed Sales	16	13	- 18.8%	147	131	- 10.9%
Cumulative Days on Market Until Sale	165	113	- 31.5%	168	158	- 6.0%
Median Sales Price*	\$75,900	\$125,000	+ 64.7%	\$75,000	\$85,000	+ 13.3%
Average Sales Price*	\$91,309	\$137,115	+ 50.2%	\$94,726	\$96,984	+ 2.4%
Percent of Original List Price Received*	85.4%	81.1%	+ 6.7%	85.7%	88.7%	+ 3.5%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	168	153	- 8.9%	---	---	---
Months Supply of Inventory	10.5	9.4	- 10.5%	---	---	---

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Median Sales Price - Single-Family Detached



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Median Sales Price - Single-Family Attached



Current as of October 5, 2020. All data from RMLS Alliance Report of 2020 Housing Trends.

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