



ERIE COUNTY CHAMBER of COMMERCE

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ERIE COUNTY CHAMBER BOARD VOTES TO OPPOSE “ISSUE 1”, WHICH RESTRICTS FUTURE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

On December 13, 2022, the Erie County Chamber of Commerce discussed in detail the proposed ballot issue that will go before Sandusky voters on February 28th that could significantly inhibit the tremendous development and enhancement of public parks and city owned property that has given the city a new sense of momentum. The Board voted unanimously to oppose the issue that does not yet have an official ballot number. The Chamber also voted to provide financial support to Sandusky United, the campaign organization that will officially oppose the issue and will urge others to do the same. Individual and corporate contributions are permitted and can be mailed to: Sandusky United, 615 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio 44870.

Over the summer and fall, proponents of the measure successfully gained enough signatures to force a special election vote on the measure that would require all proposed economic development projects slated for future city owned parks and potentially other spaces to receive a majority vote from the public before proceeding. In addition to being an extremely vague proposal that might threaten a broader array of development, such a measure would be very unique in the region and would likely cause potential developers to skip over Sandusky when considering economic development projects.

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IMPORTANT UPDATE:

Our offices will be closed from Monday, December 26, 2022 to January 2, 2023.


We will reopen on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

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Underlying the proponent's argument is a false narrative that suggests the duly elected Sandusky City Commissioners cannot be trusted with deciding how best to utilize city property for the good of the entire city. Previous developments like Jackson Street Pier might never have happened with this kind of law in place and future developments like the \$200 million Battery Park project certainly could be in jeopardy. No evidence of the city misusing public park space has been provided by the proponents of the issue and some efforts by leaders of the group to seek public office themselves have never received a majority of voter's support.

Sandusky's development momentum over the past decade has been both catalytic and responsible and must continue. Voters can continue to elect city commissioners that they have trust in to lead the city in the right direction and can always change their slate of commissioners every two years! That provides significant oversight without sending a signal to the economic development world that even considering investment here might come at great risk. A risk that Sandusky and Erie County cannot afford to take.

Vote no on Issue 1 on February 28th or seek to vote early though all the means available here in Sandusky. Don't sit this one out!



***“SUCCESS ISN'T
OVERNIGHT. IT'S WHEN
EVERYDAY YOU GET A
LITTLE BETTER THAN THE
DAY BEFORE. IT ALL ADDS
UP.”***

– DWAYNE JOHNSON

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The application deadline is **5 p.m. Thursday, June 1, 2023**. Our scholarship is based on field of study, merit, financial need and community involvement. The decision is final and will be announced in late June. The scholarship will be paid to the school (not to an individual or bookstore) in one installment.

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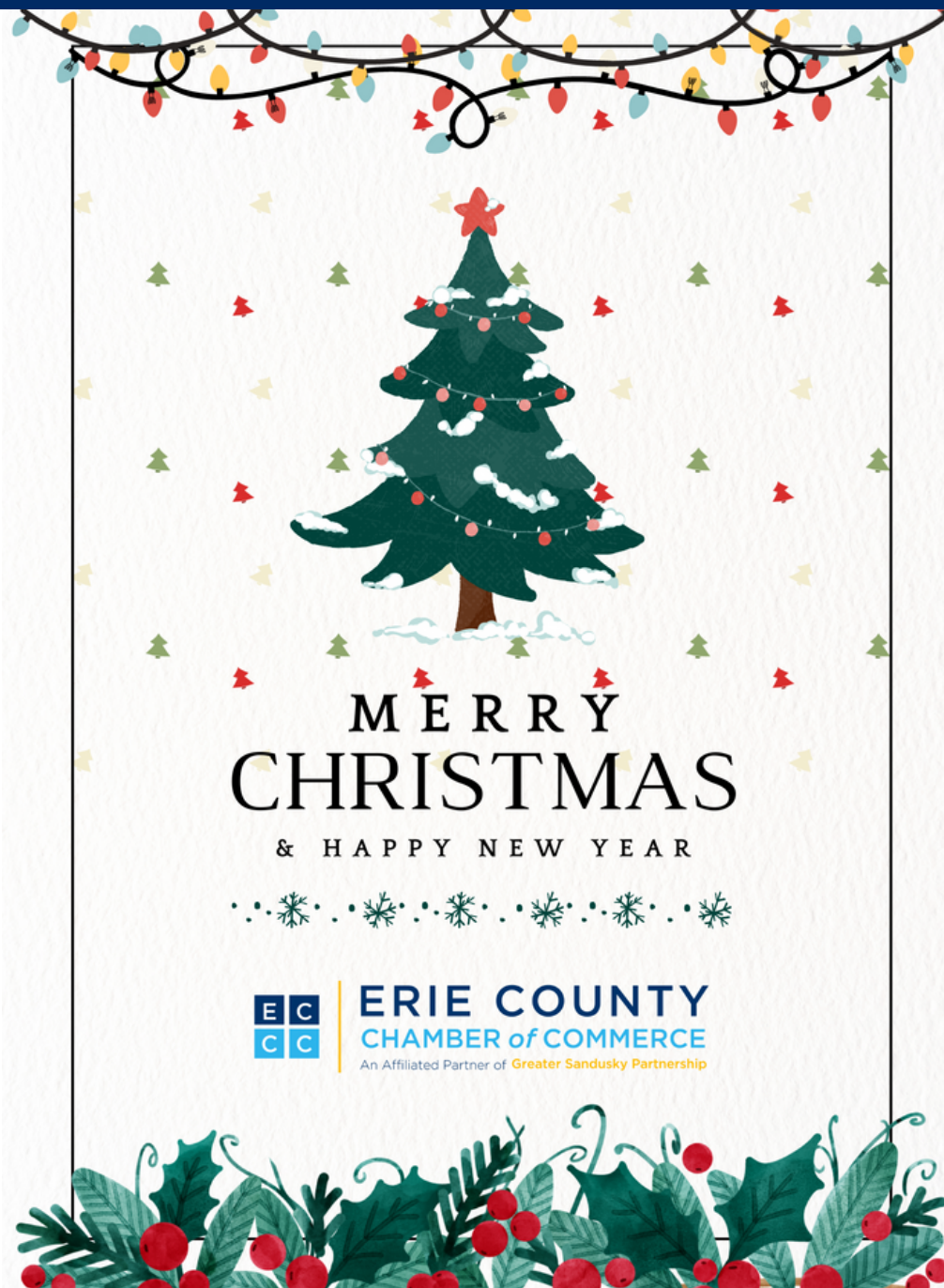
All completed applications should be submitted to the Huron County Community Foundation, 12 Benedict Ave., Norwalk, Ohio 44857.



**"SUCCESS ISN'T ALWAYS
ABOUT GREATNESS. IT'S
ABOUT CONSISTENCY.
CONSISTENT HARD WORK
LEADS TO SUCCESS.
GREATNESS WILL COME."
-DWAYNE JOHNSON**



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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

The Erie County Chamber of Commerce's success and achievements during 2022 have only been possible through the united commitment of our team, board, members, community leaders, and partners and a shared vision to advocate for economic prosperity throughout our region.

Thank you for working with us this year. We hope you enjoy the holidays with family and friends and look forward to continuing our work together in 2023.

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RIBBON CUTTING AREA

Erie County Chamber Members

Congratulations!

Package 1

2 - 8' Columns

Ribbon to cut*

6 clusters for outside

\$250

*Scissors upon request

Package 2

2 - 8' Columns

Ribbon to cut*

\$200

*Scissors upon request



ABOUT UNITED WAY OF ERIE COUNTY

**“When we Live United, we don’t just change lives.
We change what’s possible.”**

Nonprofit organizations are faced with shrinking resources, limited fundraising opportunities and are being forced to do more with less. The United Way is rebuilding in a changing nonprofit environment, and reaching back out into the community to develop new and enhance existing relationships and partnerships with agencies, organizations, businesses and concerned local individuals. We are working to build a network of connections and partnerships from Castalia to Vermillion, serving as many people as possible in Erie County.



EDUCATION • INCOME • HEALTH • SAFETY NET

United Way is independently operated and governed. This allows us to best serve the individual and varied needs here in Erie County. We serve and support the following communities: Sandusky, Castalia, Milan, Huron, Vermillion, Berlin Heights, Bellevue, Bay View, and Kelleys Island.



“What does United Way do?” “Who are we?” United Way creates the opportunity for a better life for all by building stronger communities where people work together and live united. We partner with people like you, and the institutions you are part of such as employers, faith organizations, educators, health providers, community leaders, youth and more.

Education, Financial Stability, and Health are the pillars of our work. Big challenges aren’t solved one nonprofit at a time—it takes many organizations and individuals to serve those who need it the most. Our partner agencies rely on the funds and support we provide them. We have the ability to help change the system so more entities in our very own communities can thrive. When United Way receives corporate sponsorships, donations, pledges, legacy gifts, alongside employers’ participation in our workplace giving program, it helps assure the availability of an entire network of services that no one agency alone can provide. With those contributions Erie County agencies are able to flourish.

2022 FUNDED PARTNER AGENCIES

Community Youth Mentoring- School Buddies Program
Kiwanis Club of Sandusky- Imagination Library Program
Ebenezer Baptist Church- Lifelong Learners Program
Erie County Senior Center- Meals on Wheels Program
Catholic Charities- Adult Advocacy Services Program
Boys & Girls Club- Youth Mental Health/Substance Abuse Prevention Program
Goodwill- Employee Wellness Program

American Red Cross- Disaster Services Program
Volunteers of America- Crossroad Emergency Shelter
Salvation Army-Sandusky – Emergency Services (SAFES) Program
Safe Harbour Domestic Violence Shelter – Shelter & Outreach Services Program
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2023 ADDITIONAL PARTNERS:

Cancer Services
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February 11, 2023**6-10 pm | Sawmill Creek Convention Center****SPONSORSHIP**

It's the 100th anniversary of the United Way of Erie County and we invite you to leave your medical mask behind and join us for our Magic Masquerade on Saturday, February 11, 2023 at Sawmill Creek Convention Center. This black-tie-optional fundraising and community celebration evening will be a magical affair with dinner, music with DJ Mooshoo, dancing, professional photography, a performance by Magician & Mentalist Jeff Kowalk, as well as the presentation of Erie County's 2023 Lavender Award to an exceptional Erie County nonprofit organization.



The United Way of Erie County has a new director and almost all-new board of directors and we are focused on ways we can help Erie County for the next 100 years through our four pillars of Education, Income, Health and Safety Net. Help us help Erie County in 2023 and for decades to come.

Premier Sponsor | \$3000 & up

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- 16 tickets (two tables)
- Erie County-opoloy game per couple
- Extra drink ticket per person
- Sponsor special gift
- Logo on website and social media
- Signage at the event
- Logo on every table at the event

Abracadabra Sponsor | \$1500

- 8 tickets (one table)
- Erie County-opoloy game per couple
- Extra drink ticket per person
- Sponsor special gift
- Listing on website and social media
- Signage at the event

Table Sponsor | \$1000

- 8 tickets (one table)
- Erie County-opoloy game per couple
- Recognition at the event

What is raised in Erie County, stays in Erie County.

**WE COULDN'T DO WHAT WE DO
WITHOUT YOU!**

LIVE UNITED with us and consider sponsoring the United Way of Erie County through our Magic Masquerade, as we get back out in the community and **unmask the magic** that will help our community prepare for the next 100 years.

SPONSORSHIP FORM

☐ **Yes!** I want to support United Way of Erie County as a *Magic Masquerade* Sponsor.

☐ **Premier Sponsor: \$3000+**

(Please contact me to customize sponsorship.)

☐ **Century Sponsor: \$2500**

☐ **Abracadabra Sponsor: \$1500**

☐ **Table Sponsor: \$1000**

I wish to contribute in another manner:

☐ **Contribute \$** _____

☐ **Silent Auction Package.** I would like to donate a silent auction item/package. Please contact me about my donation for the event auction.

For more information about ways you can support United Way of Erie County, please go online to **uweriecounty.org**.

For **individual tickets - \$100** (\$85 through 12/31/2022) and more information about the event: scan the code —>> or go to **uweriecounty.org**



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