

JANUARY 2024

Happy New Year, everyone!

I hope that you had a wonderful holiday season with your family, friends, and loved ones. 2023 was a year of successes and achievements for Historic Downtown Oxford. We welcomed five new businesses to our district, funded five façade improvement projects, coordinated six annual events, hosted three business development workshops, sponsored ten bronze plaques, and much more! 2024 marks the 10-year anniversary of our Main Street program and we have much more planned to accomplish.

THINK LOCAL. SHOP LOCAL. BUY LOCAL.



2023 Year-End Report

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC DOLLARS **INVESTED**

PRIVATE DOLLARS **INVESTED**

VOLUNTEER HOURS

\$17,050 \$194,982 596.5

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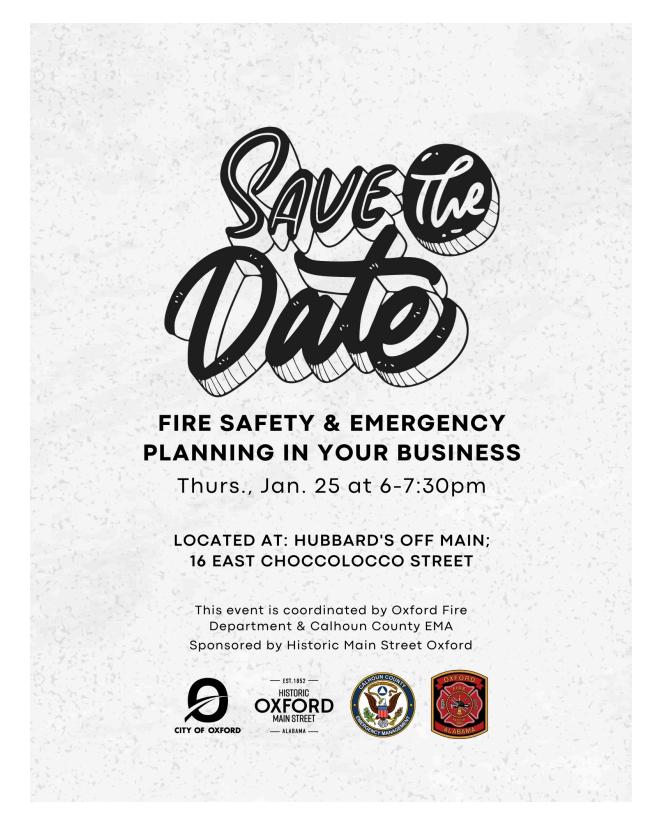
Business Development Workshop

Please make plans to join us as we host our first business development workshop for the new year!

Oxford Fire Department and Calhoun County EMA presents Fire Safety & Emergency Planning for Your Business on Thursday, January 25, 2024 from 6 PM - 7:30 PM at Hubbard's Off Main.

There is no charge to attend, however, we request that all participants register ahead of time. Light refreshments will be provided.

Register here!



Oxford Performing Arts Center- Spring 2024 Series

Oxford Performing Arts Center has announced its Spring 2024 Series. More details can be found here!

Spotlight Organization of the Month - First Baptist Church Oxford

Located at 95 East Oak Street, the First Baptist Church has served the Oxford community since 1836. In 1860, the congregation moved to its current location in Historic Downtown Oxford. In March 1910, construction commenced on a new brick church to the east of the original 1860 structure. Lakeview Baptist Church, Blue Springs Baptist Church, and Meadowbrook Baptist Church were established as missions of First Baptist. Today, the congregation continues to thrive with growing ministries for all ages.

"We are a Family focusing on Loving God and Connecting People; by being Together in Worship, Growing as Disciples, Serving in Ministry, and Going to the Community to make Jesus known."

firstbaptistoxford.org

95 East Oak Street Oxford, AL 36203 256-831-1121 Facebook & Instagram- @FBC Oxford Sundays- 10:30 AM





Calendar of HMSO Events & Committee Meetings

To stay up-to-date with all things happening in Historic Downtown Oxford, please checkout our newly improved calendar <u>here!</u>

Dine, Shop, & Explore!

Historic Downtown Oxford offers a unique experience for everyone including, but no limited to a first class performing arts center, a locally owned and operated coffee shop, variety of speciality shops, a Southern home-cooking restaurant also locally owned and operated, two art galleries, three historic churches, and walking distance to homes listed on the Alabama Register of Landmarks & Heritage and National Register of Historic Places.

A full directory listing can be found <u>here</u>.

About Historic Main Street Oxford (HMSO):

Historic Main Street Oxford (HMSO) is an economic and community development organization that focuses on the Four Point Approach strategy of organization, promotion, design, and economic vitality as outlined by Main Street America. The Four Point Approach makes Main Street an effective tool for a community-based, volunteer-driven, grassroots revitalization efforts. HMSO was created in 2014 when Oxford became a Designated Main Street Community by Main Street Alabama.

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Our Team:

Brad Cleghorn, owner of Southern Girl Coffee Co.

Jeremy Farr, downtown resident

Charlotte Hubbard, city council member & owner of Hubbard's Off Main

Robin Leonard, board secretary & downtown resident

Gerry Lyons, Oxford Police Department

Karen Grammer, owner of The Main Olive

Debbie Nothdurft, retired Oxford City Schools

Gwen Parrish, board chair & owner of The Vine Chiropractic

Ben Stewart, Oxford Fire Department

Hunter Gentry, director

Donna Timmons, board secretary assistant



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