

# 2025 Marketing Guide

At the O'Fallon-Shiloh Chamber of Commerce, our mission is simple: to strengthen and promote our local business community. With over 550 member businesses and professionals, we work together to create opportunities that support growth, foster connections, and drive success for each of our members. Guided by our elected Board of Directors and supported by our dedicated office team, we are committed to offering resources and programs that meet the evolving needs of our business community.

This guide highlights the many opportunities for advertising, branding, and networking available through your Chamber membership. With an extensive range of sponsorships and events, it's our pleasure to offer platforms that connect you with our vibrant local business community. Whether you're looking to promote your brand, market your products, or grow your professional network, there is truly something here for every member and business.

Use this guide to plan your marketing budget and discover ways we can support your growth. With some sponsor-ships limited, we encourage early selection to secure your place in popular events. Explore the benefits and services that membership in the O'Fallon-Shiloh Chamber offers—your gateway to strengthening connections, enhancing visibility, and building leadership in our thriving community.

## **Get Connected**

Our Chamber offers a variety of opportunities to engage with fellow members, share your business, and expand your network. Here are some tips to make the most of your involvement:

- **Invite Guests**: Many of our events are open to potential members and your employees. Feel free to bring them along to experience the Chamber's community firsthand. Just remember to RSVP for your guests as you would for yourself.
- Cancellation Policy: If you've RSVP'd for an event with a meal but find you can't attend, please let us know as soon as possible. If the Chamber has to cover your meal cost, you'll receive an invoice for the expense.
- **Networking Essentials**: Bring plenty of business cards to each event. We also feature a member business card wall at the Chamber office, so be sure to leave a stack of cards with us for added visibility.
- Name Tags: Wearing a name tag with your company's logo helps others remember who you are and where you're from—an easy way to make a lasting impression!
- **Membership Plaque & Window Cling**: Promote your Chamber membership proudly! With 63% of consumers preferring to buy from a Chamber member, display your membership plaque and window cling to show your support and credibility.

Each event and connection is an opportunity to showcase your business and become part of our thriving community.

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We welcome, unite and promote business.

We serve as "The Voice of Business" for the O'Fallon-Shiloh communities.





### **Be an Active Chamber Member**

Joining the O'Fallon-Shiloh Chamber of Commerce and getting involved can be a powerful boost for your business. Here's how:

- **Business-to-Business Referrals**: People do business with those they trust. By attending Chamber events, you'll build valuable connections and become a trusted resource for others—leading to referrals within our community.
- **Learning Opportunities**: Our meetings often offer insights on business management, professional growth, and community updates—all for little to no cost.
- **Volunteer Opportunities**: Make a difference in our community by serving on committees or volunteering at events. Together, we create a thriving local economy.

Get involved and see the benefits firsthand!

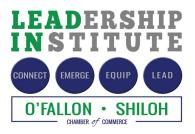
#### Committees and Involvement

Our Chamber committees drive many of the events and benefits we provide. Serving on a committee allows you to shape the Chamber's efforts and gain visibility for your business. Each committee meets on a set schedule; call the Chamber office if you're interested in joining.

- Ambassadors: Our goodwill team of up to 20 members who welcome new members and assist at events.
- Golf: Plans and hosts the annual Chamber golf outing for members and guests.
- **Education**: Bridges communication between schools and the business community. Key projects include the 8th Grade Career Fair and OTHS Job Fair.
- Military Affairs: Builds ties with the military community through programs like Military Appreciation Days and charitable outreach. Sponsorships: Friends of Scott \$500, Scott Wingman \$280.
- Economic Development: Fosters a robust economic environment in the community.
- Government Affairs: Advocates for the business community on key issues at local, state, and national levels.
- Healthcare & Wellness: Focuses on promoting health and wellness through partnerships, education, and advocacy.
- Emerging Leaders: Connects young professionals under 40 through social, educational, and service events.
- Downtown District: Supports businesses in the downtown area through specialized initiatives.

Explore ways to engage and make a difference in our community!

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



#### **Lead In: Chamber Leadership Institute**

Our Lead In program is a unique opportunity for young professionals (ages 21-40) living or working in O'Fallon or Shiloh to grow as community leaders. This program connects you with new faces and provides insights into our community beyond the typical professional experience.

Lead In meets monthly from February to October, with a tuition of \$399. Applications are accepted year-round, with selections made in January. Learn more and apply online: of allonchamber.com/leadin.

### **MONTHLY/QUARTERLY NETWORKING EVENTS**



#### **Business Over Breakfast (BOB)**

Join us for a relaxed morning of networking over a complimentary continental breakfast! BOB is typically held the last Friday of specific months from 8-9 a.m. at the Public Safety Building. Two speakers each get 12 minutes to present and share the cost of breakfast items. Average attendance: 55+



#### **Restaurant Roulette**

Enjoy a small-group lunch with fellow Chamber members, where location and lunch partners are selected at random the day before. This is a fun way to support local restaurants and make new connections. Typically held the second Thursday of specific months, 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

You pay for your own lunch. Average attendance: 6 per location



#### **Business After Hours (BAH)**

A premier networking event hosted by a Chamber member, BAH provides exposure to potential clients on-site. Typically held on the third Tuesday of select months from 5-6:30 p.m., hosts provide food, drinks, and prizes, plus a \$125 fee for "Save the Date" cards. Average attendance: 70+



#### Maximize Your Membership (MAX)

Perfect for new, current, and prospective members, this quarterly session helps you get the most out of your Chamber benefits. Typically held the last Tuesday of specific months, 8-9 a.m.

### **SALUTE TO BUSINESS AWARDS—May 20**

Table Sponsor — \$500

• Table of 4

Annual Salute to Business Awards Luncheon—celebrating achievements in business with 200+ attendees.

#### Event Sponsor — \$750

- Table of 8
- Recognition in all pre-event advertising and during event
- Logo on table tents, program, and at entry/registration
- Recognition at entry/registration table

#### Awards Sponsor —-\$250

• Recognition in all pre-event advertising, during event, and in program

#### Signature Event

### 8TH GRADE CAREER EXPLORATION FAIR-Apr 10

Join us for our Annual Career Exploration Fair, open to all O'Fallon-Shiloh public and private school 8th graders. Over 600 students attend, meeting with 65+ career role models. Students are bused in for 1.5 hours of hands-on exploration. No fee to participate as a role model.

#### Lunch Sponsor \$600 (2 available)

- Name/logo in all printed materials (program books for 65+ role models and 600+ students)
- Name/logo in all pre-event advertising
- Full page ad in 600+ student program books
  - · Recognition at event entry



#### Golden Apple Sponsor \$500

- · Name/logo in all printed materials
- Name/logo in all pre-event advertising
- Half-page ad in 600+ student program books (limit of 4 sponsors)
- Recognition at event entry

#### Red Apple Sponsor \$250

• Recognition at entry/registration table

• Name/logo in all printed materials

Recognition in all pre-event advertising and during event

• Placement on table tent at each table | Recognition in program

- Name/logo in all pre-event advertising
- Quarter page ad in 600+ student program books
- · Recognition at event entry

#### Green Apple Sponsor \$100



- Name/logo in all pre-event advertising
- Recognition at event entry



#### Signature Event

### **ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY-Dec 9**

Become a sponsor for our Holiday Party and enjoy various levels of pre- and post-event advertising and signage. This is a fantastic opportunity to promote your business to over 200 attendees each year!

#### \$2,000 Event Sponsor (Multiple available):

- Special recognition at the event
- Option to display/give out promo items at registration table
- Option to greet guests at the door
- 6 complimentary tickets

#### <u>\$750 Signature Drink Sponsor (| available)</u>

- Help plan the drink and name for the signature drink
- Provide provide cups with your logo for the drink (optional)
- Drink available for purchase at a lower cost
- · Name/logo displayed at each bar

#### \$400 Centerpiece Sponsor (2 available)

Name/logo at each table with a centerpiece (approx. 10 tables)

#### \$500 Welcome Punch (2 available)

• Name/logo displayed at welcome punch station. Welcome punch is complimentary for all in attendance.

#### \$300 Appetizer sponsors

Name/logo displayed at appetizer table

#### \$300 Dessert sponsors

• Name/logo displayed at dessert table

#### \$300 Entertainment Sponsor (I available)

• Name/logo displayed next to the music entertainment

#### **Every sponsorship level includes:**

- Advertising in our weekly e-news and on our website
- Promotion on the holiday party event page
- Logo on event posters
- 4 Slideshow featuring your logo at the event

#### **Signature Event**

### **CHAMBER ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT—SEP 9**

Join us for the Annual Golf Outing, a premier event for key business leaders in the region! Attracting over 250 golfers and volunteers, this tournament is known for its networking, camaraderie, and fun. As the Chamber's primary fundraiser, proceeds support our Programs & Activities, making it a fantastic opportunity to showcase your products, services, and team.

The tournament features a shotgun start with multiple prizes. There are two sessions:

Morning: Limited to 20 teams

Afternoon: Limited to 32 teams

Separate prizes and contests are held for each session!

#### <u>Tournament Gift Sponsor</u> — \$3000

- Chamber purchases tournament gift
- Complimentary foursome/cart
- Sponsor logo/name on tournament gift
- Signage on hole with logo; logo on Event Banner

#### Putting Challenge Sponsor — \$800

- 2 meal/drink tickets per session for helpers
- Sponsor provides tent at the hole
- Signage on hole with logo; logo on Event Banner
- Add a four player team for \$450

#### <u> Platinum Hole Sponsors — \$800</u>

- Exclusive use of one golf cart all day (add'l carts \$75)
- 2 meal/drink tickets per session for helpers
- Vegas Game available to host
- Sponsor provides tent at hole
- Signage on hole with logo; logo on Event Banner
- Add a four player team for \$450

#### Club-Level Sponsors — \$550

- Close to clubhouse from 10 a.m. 3 p.m.
- Sponsor provides tent at location
- 2 meal/drink tickets per session for helpers
- Signage on hole with logo; logo on Event Banner

#### Pin Flag Sponsor — \$400

- Custom pin flag with corporate recognition
- Exclusive—only 18 available (first-come basis)
- Sponsor retains flags as keepsakes
- Must commit by August 1st
- Logo on Event Banner

#### <u>Awards Sponsor</u> ——— \$250 or \$125

- Option 1—\$250: Sponsor pays for flight prizes. Business name in program
- Option 2—\$125: Sponsor provides 2 dozen high quality golf balls as part of golf prizes (may include company logo). Business name in golf program

#### Gold Hole Sponsor—\$250

- Signage on hole with logo
- Company Name on Event Banner

#### Silver Hole Sponsor—\$125

• Signage at hole with name of business

#### H2O Sponsor—\$350 (4 available: 2 each session)

- Each sponsor provided a golf cart, cooler and water
- One sponsor covers the Front 9, one covers the Back 9.
- Signage at event and on cart
- Each sponsor provides 8 cases of water

### <u>Bunker Beers Sponsor—\$500 (4 available: 2 each session)</u>

- Each sponsor provides a tent at the hole
- No beer tickets accepted
- Signage at hole with logo
- Morning session 10 am to 12 pm; Afternoon session 2-5 pm
- Each sponsor provides 5 cases of domestic beer cans

#### Snack Attack Sponsor \$250 (2 available)

- Each sponsor provides 120 bags of snacks (pretzels, granola bars etc.); logo may be on the bags
- Chamber staff will place bags in carts at send off
- Company name in the program

#### Hole in One Sponsor

- Signage at hole/location
- Logo on Event Banner

#### Meal Sponsors (call or email for details)

• Multiple sponsorships available

Note: Other sponsorships may become available closer to event.

### WING WALK PROMOTION

#### Wings Event: Get Creative!

Wings can be any type—Butterfly, Angel, or even Chicken wings!

#### **Event Details:**

The community is encouraged to take selfies with participating wings and upload them to Facebook. Each uploaded selfie enters the individual for a chance to win cash prizes: \$250, \$200, and \$100. Participating businesses will also compete for a prize.

#### **Boost Foot Traffic:**

This holiday season, we're aiming to attract more customers and visitors to the O'Fallon and Shiloh communities. An increased flow of foot traffic means more potential customers for your business and

fellow businesses!

**Business Entry Fee: \$40** 

**Business Prize:** Most selfies: One 618 Now Podcast Sponsor Spot

(\$100 value)

### **The 618 Now Podcast**



#### Tune in to The 618 Now!

Join us every Friday morning for a snapshot of what's happening in the O'Fallon and Shiloh (Illinois) area. We'll highlight new developments, upcoming events, and share good news from our community!

#### Stay Informed:

Listen to The 618 Now, a podcast by the O'Fallon-Shiloh Chamber of Commerce and O'Fallon Weekly. Subscribe wherever you listen to podcasts.

#### **Become a Podcast Sponsor:**

\$200 for one 30-second spots.

https://ofallonchamber.com/assets/618NowMediaKit.pdf

### Ribbon Cuttings and/or Groundbreakings



Celebrate your new business with a ribbon cutting ceremony! Membership in our Chamber is required to receive this service. Whether you've just opened, changed ownership, under new management, remodeled, or are celebrating a milestone anniversary, contact us to schedule your event.

#### **Key Details:**

- When: Typically held Tuesday to Thursday, with lunchtime being ideal.
- What to Prepare:

Tour of your business
Light refreshments
Short speech
Press release for the Chamber

We'll create a promotional video, send your press release and photos to the media, and advertise on our website. The Chamber provides oversized scissors, ribbon, and Ambassadors. Attend to connect with the community and support a new business!

### **BILLBOARD ADVERTISING-Runs April to March**

**Location:** East St. Louis Interstate 55/64 at Collinsville Ave & Martin Luther King Dr. (Eastbound, Into IL)

Type: Digital

Size of Billboard: 14' by 49'

Traffic Count: 133,110 Vehicles Daily

Ad Count: 40 spots per day

Ad Duration: 10 Seconds

Ad Specifications 416 PX by 1504 PX, 72 DPI, RGB Color in JPEG

**Prices** 

52 weeks: \$1,600 32 weeks: \$1,200 20 weeks: \$900

- Ads can be updated and changed once per quarter. The Chamber can design your ad for a fee of \$100
- Additional Exposure: Ad runs for one quarter as a rotating banner on the chamber website.

If interested, please contact the Chamber by February 15.

Note: All Ads must be approved by the O'Fallon-Shiloh Chamber of

Commerce, which reserves the right to refuse/reject any ad.



### O'Fallon Weekly Advertising-Runs Oct to Sep

#### **GET AN AD IN THE O'FALLON WEEKLY**

The Chamber has a monthly one-page spread in the O'Fallon Weekly to promote community events and information.

As a Chamber Member, you can have a business card-sized ad on these pages for only \$350 a year!

Email: Communications@OFallonChamber.com to get yours!



### **Advertise on the Rotary Van Wheels Van!**



For **\$60 per month**, your business can advertise on the Rotary Wheels Van for one to twelve months.

Larger ads displayed on the vehicle or windows are billed quarterly at \$1,200 a year.

The Rotary Wheels Van, operated by O'Fallon Township, O'Fallon Rotary, City of O'Fallon, and the O'Fallon-Shiloh Chamber of Commerce, provides low-cost or free transportation for residents in need within O'Fallon city limits.

For more advertising information, call the O'Fallon Township office at 618-632-3517.

### OTHER ADVERTISING THROUGH THE CHAMBER

<u>Weekly E-News</u> Receive our **Weekly E-News** every Wednesday via email! It features member information, meeting schedules, announcements, and upcoming chamber activities.

Complimentary for members! Submit your flyers/ads for inclusion by the preceding **Monday** (end of day). Submit as **JPG or PDF.** Flyers will run until the event date or up to three times if no date is specified. Our E-News is sent to over **1,200 emails**!

**Monthly Newsletter** Chamber Tracks is our monthly newsletter distributed the first week of each month via e-mail and the Chamber's website. Content includes event photos and recap, new Chamber member listings, relevant business and health/wellness articles and more!

- Sponsor Ad(\$100) or Full Page (\$50) Insert:
   Full page, 8.5 x 11 (1275x1650 pixels ) at 150 dpi / vertical orientation
- Half Page Ad (\$35)Insert:
   8 x 5 (1200x 750 pixels) at 150 dpi / horizontal orientation
- Quarter Page (\$25) Insert:

4 x 5 (600x750 pixels) at 150 dpi / vertical or horizontal orientation

Submit ads pdf or jpg format to communications@ofallonchamber.com Deadline to submit ad is the 25th of the month prior to publication.

### Mailing labels available for \$40.

Member Directory/Mailing Labels

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Get a listing of Chamber members and their contact infor-

mation—one **Member Directory** per year per business.

#### <u>Chamber Website</u> Advertise on the Chamber's website and reach 3,000+ unique visitors per month! Options include:

- Home Page Ad & Weekly E-News Rotation: Annual placement with clickable links to your website or landing page.
- **Sole Banner Ad:** Featured on every page of the website for one quarter.

Submit ads in **PDF or JPG** format to: <a href="mailto:communications@ofallonchamber.com">communications@ofallonchamber.com</a>.

As a member, you also have access to your own business profile, allowing you to update information, add photos, and post job listings and special offers. Listings often appear on the first page of Google searches. Use your login/password to RSVP for events or sign up for sponsorships. Need help? Call us at the Chamber!

#### Banner Ad (\$250/Quarter)

Appears on all pages of our website with 3,000+ visits per month.

Links to your website.

Specs: 582x100 pixels (8x1 inches) at 72 dpi

Rotates with one other ad.

#### Square Ad (\$350/Year)

Appears on our website homepage and rotates as E-news Sponsor every 4–5 weeks.

3,000+ website visits/month and E-news sent to 1,400+ emails/week. Links to your website. Specs: 400x400 pixels (6x6 inches) at 72 dpi.

### **CHAMBER RESOURCES**

O'Fallon-Shiloh Community Guide/Map Available in the Chamber office and on our website.

Relocation Packets Resources on O'Fallon-Shiloh for prospective residents and visitors.

**Restaurant Guide** Quarterly guide listing all restaurants in O'Fallon-Shiloh, with emphasis on Chamber members. Printed and available on our website.

<u>Meeting Spaces, Receptions & Events Guide</u> A complete resource for venues to host meetings, luncheons and events. Access online or pick up at Chamber office.

#### **Checklist**

- Are you receiving Chamber e-mails on upcoming events?
- Are you getting the Monday morning Inside Track?
- Receiving the E-News each Wednesday?
- Have you received your member plaque and window cling?
- Do you have your Chamber website login/password?
- Have you updated your business info on our website?
- Posted a job opening on our website?
- Need a member directory?
- Want to purchase mailing labels?

#### \*\*\*\*This guide covers \*\*\*\*

Your key marketing opportunities as a member!

Note: All pricing is subject to change.

Look out for new marketing and sponsorship options throughout the year.