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Orton Family Foundation Grant



Community Heart & Soul™ Is Here in McComb

The contract has been signed and we are in the process of selecting our Community Advisory Board. After the board is chosen we will conduct interviews for the Project Coordinator.

We are all anxious to get started, but this is a process so we need to take our time and do everything right.

We will need lots of volunteers to get through these next two years. This is for everyone in the McComb School district, we need input from each segment of residents.

The grant is from the Orton Family Foundation, it is called "Community Heart & Soul" it will be administered by The Hancock County Community Foundation.

The Orton Family Foundation believes that the strength of a community lies in the hands and the hearts of the people who live there, and that the community's heart and soul is the common cause that they will rally around. Communities that acknowledge and value their heart and soul are able to take action to strengthen it.

Whether they are places, traditions, or attitudes, these community characteristics ae the things that really matter to people. They draw people to a place and make them care about where they live. Such characteristics are a community's heart and soul.

The Community Heart & Soul process cultivates a permanent shift toward more effective and participatory decision making. It anticipates this shift by including leadership development and skill building in each activity.

Heart & Soul Key Principles

- 1. Involve Everyone
- 2. Focus on What Matters
- 3. Play the Long Game

Membership Drive for 2015

We are having our 2015 Membership Drive. The fees for membership are the same this year as last year. The exception is, there will be **NO half price** memberships this year. If you join this year, you will receive a **FREE SPACE** at our 2nd Annual Business Expo. **The Expo will be held on Saturday, July 11th from 9am to 4pm.**

You can join by sending your check to: McComb EDO, PO Box 340, McComb, OH.

Soul Proprietor & Individual \$100.00

Civic, Educational or Religious \$150.00

Sm. Business (2-10 employees \$250.00

Med Business (11-75) employees \$500.00

Large Business (over 75) employees \$1000.00

Business Spotlight - Primrose Flowers & Gifts



155 E Main St.

McComb, OH 45858

419-293-3125 or 1-800-785-4513

Primrose opened its doors on March 28, 1992. It began as an Antiques & Flower Shop and operated as such until near 1998. In 2008 it turned to the Flowers & Gifts. Spring & early Summer offers outdoor gardening items like Geraniums, Bedding Plants, Garden Vegetables, Hanging Baskets & Patio Pots. Fall items turns into Mums, Pumpkins & Gourdes. Winter time offers fresh greens for office, home cemetery (Blankets & Wreaths) etc. Year round offering include fresh cut flowers, Silk arrangements, Garden Angels, Benches, Stones, Wind Chimes, Cotton Afghans & many other choices suitable for all occasions, (i.e. Birthdays, Anniversaries, Get Wells, Funeral & other special occasions. Services provided include (but not limited to) Local & County Wide delivery, In-House pickup, perpetual care of cemetery lots(spring, summer, fall & winter) with fresh and silk as needed, Holiday Bouquets (i.e.. Valentines, Easter, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Weddings, surprise parties & so much more.

Stop in and talk to Ed about that special occasion or just to pick up <u>a</u> flower to "Brighten" someone's day. Open 9 to 5 Mon.-Fri. 9-12 on Sat. or call to schedule an appointment.

Business Spotlight - Shady Acres Golf Course



Marty and Connie Panning purchased Shady Acres Golf Course in March, 2013. They both enjoy the game of golf and saw the opportunity to take their love of the game and inspiration to provide golfers of all ages and skill set an opportunity to step away from life's demands to enjoy a round of golf in a pleasant atmosphere.

Once you've played a round of golf at Shady Acres, you're going to want to return again and again. For more information, please call 419-293-9656.

They have Men's League on Thursday Night, Ladies League on Tuesday Night. The Men's Organizational Meeting will be on 4/30/2015. 1st night of Play 5/7/15 Shady Ladies Organizational Meeting will be on 5/5/2015 @ 6pm Play 5/12/15 They have several tournaments scheduled this year

Business Spotlight - McComb Food Pantry 419-788-5513

112 W. Main St McComb, Ohio 419-788-5513

The Outreach to Native Americans Food Pantry is a nonprofit organization with a 501c3. They help people with food, clothing, household items, and now they can help people with home improvements items. They help over 400 people a month.

They offer classes to help them grow such as: learning how to can, gardening, recycling, budgeting, cheap and healthy meals, new parenting classes, and many more.

They supply 48 backpacks this year to elementary kids to help them with meals on the weekends. They also help with clothes, toys, blankets, coats, and household items at Christmas time as well. They have their food hand outs every 3rd Saturday of the month at 1:00. Their current needs are for boxed food, and personal hygiene products and paper products. If anyone has an emergency they can help them within 24 hours. Call 419-788-5513 they will return your call within 15 minutes..

They are open on Tuesday nights to receive donations. Cash Donations may be mailed to PO Box 502, McComb, Oh.

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2nd Annual Business Expo will be July 11th on the NORTH side of E. Main Street in the Main Bennett Building

Housing Available in McComb

There seems to be more houses for sale now in McComb. Most of them are listed at http://www.zillow.com/mccomb-oh/

On this site there are lots for sale as well as houses. They have pictures, prices and contact numbers.

Not ready for a house yet, what about an apartment?

Joe Wasson is renovating two loft apartments above the old Sleep Shop at the corner of W. Main and Todd Street. I hear they are going to be very, very nice. There will be a 1 Bedroom and a 3 Bedroom. The walls have been painted by Silvio Jimenez. He has done his FAUX Finishes on some of the walls and he will be painting the outside of the building, much the way he did at his Gallery. Contact Joe Wasson at 419-348-2071

Apartments above the Food Pantry will be renovated soon, so there will be more living space there. This is the beginning of making our Village a place to live, work and play.

Getting Started. Resources for new business ideas!

To register a business name:	To obtain a vendor's license:	To get planning and funding:	Ohio has a business gate-
Ohio Secretary of State	Hancock County Court-	Small Business Re-	way with lots of information on starting a new business.
30 E. Broad Street	house	source Center	
Columbus, Ohio 43215	304 S Main Street	Dan Sheaffer	1.11
614-466-3910	Rm 21	123 E Main Cross St	http:// www.business.ohio.go
www.state.oh.us/sos	Findlay, Ohio 45840	Findlay, Ohio 45840	WWW.business.onio.go

Something New & Exciting Could be Coming to McComb

FLEA MARKET

Are you a person that loves to go to Flea Markets? We had one here last year when we held the 1st Business Expo. It was a huge success and we are thinking about having one year round.

We would like for all interested parties to contact us if you would be interested in having a permanent space set up here in McComb, so you don't have to set-up and tear down every week-end.

We could have it in the space we had last year. If you are interested would like more information, please contact us at: mccombedo@gmail.com or Carol Cary at carolcary26@yahoo.com or 419-250-9062 cell. Leave your name and email address and how much space you would require.

McComb Economic Development Organization

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EDO Members and Other Interested People

PROMOTING-SUPPORTING-ASSISTING-ATTRACTING



Visit our Web page villageofmccomboh.gov

Land available for development



State Route 613 runs east-west through the Village as our Main Street and along the southern border of a proposed industrial site on the west side of the Village.

It is important to note that these sites are adjacent to the railroad tracks running east and west. The Village is about 6 miles from the CSX Intermodal Rail Yards in North Baltimore OH, via St Rt 235, and approximately 8 miles east, State Route 613 intersects with Interstate 75, the busiest north-south highway in the country.



State Route 186 enters the Village in the southeast corner and passes by a Village owned 43 acre parcel, this parcel is beside and behind the Dollar general Store. 186 continues due north, ending at Main Street.



State Route 235 runs northsouth, adjacent to a proposed industrial site for the area