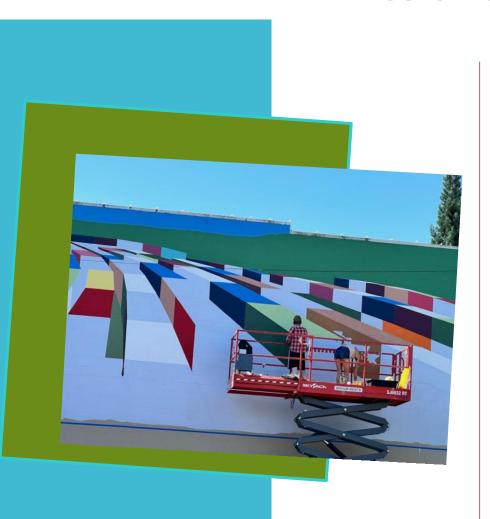




# **2025 Sponsorships & Tax Incentive Program**

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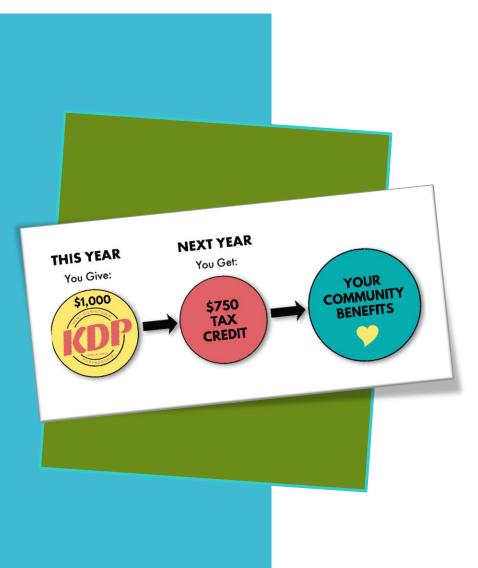
### **MISSION & VISION**



Kent Downtown Partnership is a 501C3 non-profit organization dedicated to revitalization of Historic Downtown Kent.

Our vision is rooted in the belief that by preserving the unique charm and character of our historic district, we can create a thriving and sustainable urban center that resonates with the spirit of the past and propels us into the future.

## Main Street Tax Incentive Program



## MAIN STREET TAX CREDIT INCENTIVE PROGRAM (75% TAX CREDIT)

#### Available to all businesses who pay State B&O Tax!

Kent Downtown Partnership is a Nationally Accredited Main Street Community. This means you can self direct your B&O tax or Public Utility tax to stay in the Kent community.

The tax credit incentive program provides a 75% B&O or PUT credit for the following year. Contributions must be received by Nov 15 and can be split into multiple payments.

Contributions are also tax deduction as a chartable donation to a 501c3 non-profit.

Businesses participating in this program keep their dollars in the Kent community. Funds to towards events, program and operations.

- ✓ Economic Vitality
- ✓ Programs
- ✓ Events
- ✓ Operations

Tax credit contributors make big impacts on our downtown. Learn how you can do something good for you *and* your community.

Downtown Kent **Beautification Sponsor** 



KDP takes pride in our downtown and prioritizes beautification. Projects are aimed at improving the downtown neighborhood aesthetics. Clean and inviting communities contribute to the well-being of businesses and residents, environmental stewardship and new business attraction.

#### **Projects include:**

- √ Hanging flower baskets
- ✓ Illuminate Downtown Lighting Project
- √ Holiday décor
- ✓ Street Pole Banners
- ✓ Murals and art installations

Please call to discuss options!

## **Community Connections**

Spring & Fall



Community Connections is a casual networking event for businesses, city officials and partners to meet each other stay updated on what's happening downtown and surrounding areas. The event could be after work, lunch time or breakfast; includes hor'oeuvres & beverages

**Demographics:** Local and regional businesses, City/State officials, community leaders

#### Annual Sponsor - \$1500 (2 events)

- ✓ Logo on website
- ✓ Logo on creative collateral
- ✓ Sponsor recognition posts on social media, E-Blasts
- Company spotlight at event and KDP website
- ✓ Speaker option available
- ✓ Booth/table at event
- ✓ Presenting Sponsor \$750 (per event)
- ✓ Logo on website
- ✓ Logo on creative collateral
- ✓ Sponsor recognition on social & Eblasts
- ✓ Booth/table at event

#### **Nerd Party** promotes small business by highlighting our "cool nerd" culture in downtown Kent.

There's noting wrong with being a nerd and we're not afraid to show it! Our goal is to bring nerds from all walks of life together to freely celebrate their love all things nerd, art, books, movies, games, robotics one of kind products, artists, authors, Cosplay and niche nerdy culture.

#### Attendance: 2000+

**Demographics:** Local and Regional adults, STEM



# Kent Nerd Party June 7, 2025

#### Title Sponsor - \$3000 (one opportunity)

- Exclusive title sponsorships and brand visability "Nerd Party brought to you by (insert your company name)
- Category exclusivity no competing business will be
- Premier logo placement featured on website
- Premium marketing placement on all event relamedia, newsletters, press release brochure and applicable)
- ✓ Prime booth space (10x10) in prominent location

#### Presenting Sponsor - \$1000 (4 opportunities)

- Logo placement featured on website, event posters, across social media and newsletters
- ✓ Banner placement throughout event
- ✓ Booth space (10x10)

#### Community Sponsor - \$500 (4 opportunities)

- Logo placement; featured on event poster/socia
- ✓ Vendor Booth (10x10)



Vendor Table - \$100 Author Table - \$50 Food Trucks/Tents - \$250 CosPlay contest sponsor - \$500



**Cajun Food & Music Festival** is a Louisiana style food and music festival with live music, cajun/soul food vendors, beer garden, a second line parade, vendors, kids activities & family fun!

The target audience is families and outdoor and live music enthusiasts intended to appeal to residents and visitors of all ages through variation in music, entertainment and attractions.

We partner with City of Kent and Altha's Louisiana Cajun Spices to bring authenticity to this event.

Attendance: 5000+

**Demographics:** Local and regional residents, families, music enthusiasts, artists

## **CAJUN & CREOLE FEST**

### Saturday, August 9, 2025

#### Title Sponsor - \$10,000 (1 opportunity)

- Exclusive title sponsor; "Cajun Fest brought to you by (insert your business name)
- Category Exclusivity: No competing businesses in the same category will be allowed to sponsor
- ✓ Stage Representation: Only your brand displayed on the stage
- Premier logo placement featured on all festival signage.
- Live recognition; Emcee frequently acknowledges your brand throughout the event.
- ✓ Speaking opportunity to address the audience from the stage
- ✓ Prime booth placement -- enjoy a 10′ x 10′ booth space
- Premium marketing placement; your logo will be featured prominently on all eventrelated marketing and promotions

#### Premier Sponsor - \$5000 (4 opportunities)

- Spotlight on all event materials as the sponsor of a feature of your choice, i.e. beer garden, T-shirts, kid zone, brought to you by (insert your business name)
- Opportunity to hang banner in your sponsored area
- Frequent live recognition of your brand by the Emcee throughout the event
- Complementary booth space (10' x 10')
- Premier placement of company name and logo on all materials related to event, including all social media/newsletter campaigns, promotion materials, posters, brochures, press releases.

#### Presenting Sponsor - \$2000 (4 opportunities)

- Live Sponsor Recognition, receive live mention as a sponsor
- ✓ Logo featured on website, event poster, social platforms and newsletters
- ✓ Banner placement throughout event with your logo
- ✓ Booth Space: Enjoy a 10' x 10' booth space

#### Community Sponsor - \$850 (4 opportunities)

- Live sponsor mentions during event
- Logo featured on event poster and social media platforms and newsletters
- Booth space (10x10)

#### OTHER:

IN KIND: Can you offer volunteer staff, a product or a service that can benefit the event?

- ✓ SPONSOR AN ACTIVITY: Would you like to sponsor a specific activity
- ✓ VOLUNTEER PERKS: Help thank volunteers by donating Gift certificates and food, etc.

## Cider & Ale Trail (Fridays: March 7 & Sept 12, 2025)

**Cider & Ale Trail:** This event will offer an impressive array of **beer** and hard **ciders** from the Kent Valley and beyond. In addition to the sampling of **craft beers**, attendees can purchase food from local restaurants and enjoy live music and other **beer-centric** activities.

Attendance: 500+

**Demographics:** local and regional community, Adults 60% female, 40% male, attracts younger (29-39 yrs) audience



#### Title Sponsor - \$1750

- ✓ Logo on website
- ✓ Logo on creative collateral (posters/counter cards/program guide)
- ✓ Social media mentions
- ✓ Vendor table
- √ 4 complimentary tickets (\$140 value)

#### **Presenting Sponsor - \$875**

- ✓ Logo on website
- ✓ Logo on creative collateral (posters/counter cards/program guide)
- ✓ Social media mentions
- ✓ Vendor table
- √ 2 complimentary tickets (\$70 value)

#### **Community Sponsor – \$450**

- ✓ Logo on program guide
- ✓ Logo on website
- ✓ Vendor table

## Street of Treats Autumn Fest Saturday, Oct 25

**Street of Treats** celebrates the harvest season while kids in costume of all ages take control of the Historic downtown!

Kids and families have fun exploring downtown and visiting participating merchants and treat stops throughout downtown.

Costumes, kid's activities, face painting, photo opportunities and more!

Attendance: 1300+

**Demographics:** Local and Regional

families



#### Community Sponsor - \$500

- ✓ Premium logo on website
- ✓ Premium logo placement on creative collateral (posters/counter cards)
- ✓ Sponsor recognition in social media, website, e-newsletter
- ✓ Press release mentions
- ✓ Live mention at event (if applicable)
- ✓ Vendor booth

#### Vendor Table - \$175

✓ Vendor must provide treat or activity

**Wine Walk** transforms downtown businesses into wine tasting venues for the night. Enjoy wine, live music in multiple locations downtown.

Attendance: 1000+ per season

**Demographics:** local and regional community, Adults 60% female, 40% male



## Wine & Spirit Walk (Date: TBD Fall 2025)

#### Annual Sponsor - \$3000 (includes Wine event(s) AND Cider & Ale Trail

- √ Logo on website
- ✓ Logo on ALL creative collateral (posters/counter cards/program guide)
- Social media mentions
- ✓ Vendor table
- ✓ 6 complimentary tickets at each event (\$420 value)

#### Title Sponsor - \$1,000

- ✓ Logo on website
- ✓ Logo on creative collateral (posters/counter cards/program guide)
- ✓ Social media mentions
- ✓ Vendor table
- √ 4 complimentary tickets (\$ 140 value)

#### **Presenting Sponsor - \$750**

- ✓ Logo on website
- ✓ Logo on creative collateral (posters/counter cards/program guide)
- ✓ Social media mentions

#### **Community Sponsor - \$350**

- ✓ Logo on program guide
- ✓ Logo on website
- ✓ Vendor table



Sponsorships can be tailored to fit your company needs and budget.

Your sponsorship is Tax Deductible!

Kent Downtown Partnership is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization recognized by the IRS:

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