

## PARTNERS IN PROGRESS

20th Century Club  
A&B Distributing Company  
American Legion  
American Red Cross  
An American Locksmith  
Artbone Creative Design  
& Printing  
Ellen Ayers  
B&B Concreate Company  
B&G Equipment of Iuka  
Bay Springs Visitor Center  
Belmont Parts Supply  
Belmont Pharmacy  
Belmont Promotional Association  
Belmont-Tishomingo Journal  
Big Star of Belmont  
Eddie Bobo Gunsmithing  
BMSI, Inc.  
Boyce Hollingsworth State Farm  
Boys & Girls Club of Iuka  
Bridge House  
Burnsville Chamber of Commerce  
Burnsville City  
CADENCE BANK  
Carly Carman, Attorney at Law  
John Castleberry  
Cedar Creek Ridge Farms  
Thomas E. Childs, Jr.  
Community Spirit Bank  
Cook Coggin Engineers, Inc.  
Ken & Shelia Cooley  
Ryan Cooley  
Cooper Timberlands Corp.  
Corinth Coca-Cola Bottling  
Cornerstone Insurance & Financial  
Curated Cottage  
D. L. & Irene Cutshall  
Cutshall Funeral Home  
Deaton Funeral Home  
Deb Daniel  
Neil & Beth Davis  
Dean McRae Engineering  
Deaton Funeral Home  
DHP, LLC  
Ken Dulaney  
Ronnie Eaton  
Fairless Hardware  
Ralph Farr  
FerrouSouth  
First Franklin Financial Corp.  
Paul Fisher Oil Company  
Fite Building Company  
Forest Resource Advisors  
Friends of Tishomingo State Park  
Harbin Heating & Air  
G & G Steel Mississippi Works  
Gatlin's Pharmacy  
Harold Gist  
Golden City  
Guaranty Bank  
HAGO Automotive  
Hamilton-Ryker  
Hampton Inn of Corinth  
Heritage Place Hotel Iuka  
High Point Timber Management  
IDEA Group  
Iuka Animal Clinic  
Iuka City  
Iuka Discount Drugs  
Iuka Family Dental PLLC  
Iuka Heritage Festival  
Iuka Medical Clinic  
JC Media LLC  
J. P. Coleman State Park  
John's Garage  
Jourdan Lumber Company  
Junior Auxilliary  
Keep Iuka Beautiful  
Brenda Kennedy

## TISHOMINGO COUNTY UPDATE

Second Quarter 2024



**FUNDING FOR HOMES AND BUSINESSES.** Cadence Bank has funded a two page flyer that summarizes sources of financing for homes and small businesses in Tishomingo County. Free copies of the funding flyer are available at banks, libraries, the courthouse, and city halls. Tishomingo County School District also shared copies with students to take home. Special funding sources are set aside for low and moderate income families and women and minorities.

The flyer can also be found at [www.tishomingo.org](http://www.tishomingo.org).



**WILLOW CABINETS.** Friends and family gathered for a ribbon cutting and grand opening for Willow Cabinets. Owned by the Ray Henderson family of Iuka, the new business is located on Highway 72 in Glen.

Owner Ray Henderson reported that "we saw a need for high quality cabinets at modest prices in the Tri-State region. We offer a full line of ready made and custom kitchen and bathroom cabinets that can be delivered and installed within two weeks and one day. Our cabinets are extremely well built and have features found only on the most expensive custom made cabinets but for a fraction of the cost. Our state-of-the-art 3D design service lets you see what your cabinets will look like in your home. Visit our web site to read testimonials from our delighted customers. We invite you to come by and check out our tremendous variety of cabinets at modest prices."

Willow Cabinets is located at 2408 Highway 72 East in Glen. The telephone number is 601-819-0375, e-mail is [willowcabinets@aol.com](mailto:willowcabinets@aol.com), and web site is [www.willowcabinetsms.com](http://www.willowcabinetsms.com).

## PARTNERS IN PROGRESS

Dr. Ben Kitchens  
Littrell Lumber Mill, Inc.  
Harold Lomenick State Farm  
McWright Insurance Group LLC  
Dennie & Mike McRee  
Meeks Roofing & Home Services  
Mia Marlie's  
Mike Nelson Contractors, Inc.  
Mississippi Silicon  
Toney Mobley  
Mike Montgomery  
Moore Automotive Supply/NAPA  
Moore's Jewelers, Inc.  
Northeast Mississippi  
Community Services  
Northrop Grumman  
NUCOR Skyline Steel  
Scott & Lisa Nunley  
Nunley Trucking Company  
Office Pro  
Ole Country Store  
Old Courthouse Museum  
Paden Town  
Pickwick Cabin Rentals LLC  
Piggly Wiggly--Belmont  
Piggly Wiggly--Iuka  
Pilot Club  
Plant Process Support, Inc.  
Property Pros  
Billy Rainey  
Jimmy Ramsey  
Reconnect 4 Autism  
Redmont Heating & Cooling  
Renasant Bank  
RWF Roll Off Dumpster Service  
Samuel Roll Form Group  
Segars Clinic  
Sid's Trading Company  
Silver Dollar Sales/Sparks, Inc.  
Sonic Drive In of Belmont  
Sonic Drive In of Iuka  
Southeast Auto Direct  
South Tishomingo County Museum  
Sparks CPA Firm PC  
Square Pharmacy and Gifts  
Sun-air Products, Inc.  
Table 127  
Tempur Sealy  
Tennessee Valley Authority  
Dr. Don Thompson  
Timbes Tire & Wrecker Service  
Kaila Timbs  
Tishomingo Arts Council  
Tishomingo City  
Tishomingo Chamber of Commerce  
Tishomingo Connect LLC  
Tishomingo County Board  
of Supervisors  
Tishomingo County  
Community Coalition  
Tishomingo County Electric  
Power Association  
Tishomingo County Foster Care  
Tishomingo County Historical &  
Genealogical Society  
Tishomingo County Master  
Gardeners  
Tishomingo County News  
Tishomingo County Youth Services  
Tishomingo State Park  
Triple D Hardware and Supply  
Tri-State Educational Foundation  
Tri-State Profile LLC  
Veterans of Foreign Wars  
Wealth Strategies  
Willow Cabinets  
Shea'a Wilson  
Yellow Creek Coating Services

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**2024 TISHOMINGO COUNTY  
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**TRIPLE D'S HARDWARE & SUPPLY.** Local officials, friends, and family gathered for a ribbon cutting and grand opening for Triple D's Hardware & Supply.

The new owners are Dustin, Barney, and Brandon Dick.

Dustin Dick reported that "we saw a need for homeowners and contractors to have a convenient and economical hardware and building supply store. We have expanded our line of merchandise with patio furniture, storm shelters, septic tanks, a plant section, black mulch, equipment rentals, and much more too numerous to list. We intend to offer the best in hardware and building supplies with the best service anywhere."

Triple D's Hardware & Supply is located at 1510 Battleground Drive in Iuka. The telephone number is 662-423-1222 and e-mail is [triplehardware@gmail.com](mailto:triplehardware@gmail.com). Find us on Facebook.



**TABLE 127.** Local officials, friends, and family gathered for a ribbon cutting and grand opening for Table 127.

Owner Anna Helton reported that "we recognized the need for an upscale but relaxed atmosphere for fine dining. We offer the best in steaks, burgers, salads, and lots of other options. Thursdays are our burger nights from 5 PM to 10 PM. Our cheese cake has been wildly popular. We also cater to parties, weddings, reunions, and other special events. We invite everyone to visit and we promise you will be pleased."

Table 127 is located at 127 South Fulton Street in Iuka. Open days and hours are Monday thru Saturday lunch 11 AM to 2 PM and dinner Monday 5 PM to 10 PM and Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 5PM to 10 PM. Open days and hours may vary. The telephone number is 662-443-2964 and e-mail is [table127iuka@gmail.com](mailto:table127iuka@gmail.com). Find us on Facebook.



Tishomingo County Development Foundation, Tishomingo County's public/private economic development team:

- 3,600 new manufacturing jobs & over \$600 million in private investment.
- Rated TOP TEN industrial sites in the southern USA in 2012.
- Rated TOP TEN rural sites in the southern USA for reshored industry in 2013.
- National Economic Development INNOVATION AWARDS in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2018, and 2020.
- Rated TOP TEN "Comeback Kids" in the southern USA in 2015.
- TCDF rated one of the best economic development agencies in the southern USA in 2015 and 2020.
- Tishomingo County rated among the top three counties in the USA in cost efficient government in 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019.
- In 2017 Tishomingo County rated 1st in the south for new manufacturing jobs per capita over the last decade.
- In 2019 Tishomingo County was rated number three in the state in economic improvement over the past ten years.

We still have a lot of work to do, but just about every citizen has family or friends working at one of the companies that have been recruited to, or has expanded in, Tishomingo County. Most businesses have customers that get their paychecks from these companies, or sell products or services to these companies.

Be sure to thank our TCDF Partners in Progress and do business with those businesses that support economic development. A listing of these partners is on the front page of this update. You can learn more about these community minded businesses at <http://www.tishomingo.org/PDFs/Partners%20in%20Progress.pdf>.

Remember to thank our TCDF, TCEDA, and TCTC board member volunteers who serve the community without compensation.



**PROPERTY PROS.** Local officials, owners, and friends gathered to cut the ribbon for the new office of Property Pros.

Owner Debra Kay stated "we decided to move our real estate business to the center of the county to better cover the Tri-State region and to build a demo home that is modern, convenient, and affordable. We invite all to visit and tour our new office and to see us for your real estate needs."

Property Pros is located at 1840 Highway 25 about halfway between Iuka and Tishomingo. Business hours are Monday thru Friday, 9 AM to 5 PM and other hours by appointment. The telephone number is 662-279-5045 and the e-mail is [debratlawiuka@gmail.com](mailto:debratlawiuka@gmail.com). Find us on Facebook.



**SHARE WITH THE STUDENTS IN YOUR LIFE.** If you do not plan to pursue a college degree, there is a rewarding career in manufacturing and trades that often pays more than careers that require a college degree. Learn more at [www.tishomingo.org](http://www.tishomingo.org) "We Have a Career for You" or <https://mspathfinder.org>.



**VESTA HOMES.** Vesta is seeking general construction workers, carpenters, tile/brick layers, roofers, siding & vinyl specialists, flooring installers, and painters. For more information, contact Larry Robbins at 601- 259-3050 or Julien Raynard at 786-201-8463.



**RAILMARK.** Railmark Industrial Railway has been named the operator and developer for the eleven mile industrial rail line in Tishomingo County that interchanges with the Norfolk Southern Railroad and the Tenn-Tom Waterway via barge port. Railmark's strategy involves integrating road, barge, and rail transportation to develop a critical corridor with access to international shipping routes. Railmark will also establish its eighth Rail Service Center there, offering its best-in-class rail services in logistics, mechanical and track maintenance services, as well as providing local training and employment opportunities.

Railmark Holdings Incorporated, known for its integrative approach to rail development, is committed to the success of this crucial project. "We are driven primarily by community and economic development centered around rail and consider this opportunity a privilege. We commend the county leadership for its outlook on rail as a keystone for building stronger communities and have pledged to support the county's endeavors," stated B. Allen Brown II, CEO of Railmark.

For more information on Railmark, visit the web site at [www.railmark.com](http://www.railmark.com).

**SALES GROWTH.** From \$268,759 in 2015 in sales per business to \$456,993 in 2023, sales growth for Tishomingo County businesses has increased during this time period greater than any other time period since records have been kept. Most of the municipalities are doing well in attracting sales. The two exceptions are Belmont and Paden although Belmont is projected to be the largest municipality in population in the county by the time of the next census.

The growth of manufacturing jobs, increase in incomes, increase in visitors and growth in visitor spending, and the hard work and competitiveness of local businesses to meet the needs and expectations of customers are the factors that yield sales growth. Visitors and residents are earning more, spending more, and most importantly, spending more money in Tishomingo County.

| County Total Sales Subject to Sales Tax Analysis |               |       |                |                  |             |                  |                     |                           |
|--|---------------|-------|----------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Fiscal Year                                      | Actual Sales* | Firms | Sales per Firm | Per Capita Sales | Pull Factor | Potential Sales* | Surplus/ (Leakage)* | S/(L) as pct of Potential |
| 2015   | \$142.71      | 531   | \$268,759      | \$7,304          | 0.57        | \$252.30         | (\$109.59)          | (43.44%)                  |
| 2016   | \$159.88      | 543   | \$294,438      | \$7,304          | 0.63        | \$255.68         | (\$95.80)           | (37.47%)                  |
| 2017   | \$162.41      | 529   | \$307,013      | \$8,338          | 0.56        | \$291.05         | (\$128.64)          | (44.20%)                  |
| 2018   | \$166.93      | 537   | \$310,857      | \$8,354          | 0.55        | \$305.22         | (\$138.29)          | (44.20%)                  |
| 2019   | \$181.31      | 531   | \$341,450      | \$8,373          | 0.59        | \$306.70         | (\$125.39)          | (40.88%)                  |
| 2020   | \$179.69      | 534   | \$336,498      | \$8,811          | 0.60        | \$300.81         | (\$121.12)          | (40.27%)                  |
| 2021   | \$212.82      | 548   | \$388,358      | \$9,539          | 0.63        | \$337.77         | (\$124.95)          | (36.99%)                  |
| 2022   | \$234.09      | 565   | \$414,319      | \$12,427         | 0.65        | \$358.96         | (\$124.87)          | (34.79%)                  |
| 2023   | \$261.40      | 572   | \$456,993      | \$13,993         | 0.70        | \$373.97         | (\$112.57)          | (30.10%)                  |

\*Actual Sales, Potential Sales, and Surplus/Leakage are reported in millions of dollars.

| Population | Municipality | 2023 Sales    | Surplus/Leakage | Pull Factor |
|------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 2,760      | Belmont      | \$ 33,924,273 | -\$21,327,646   | 0.61        |
| 786        | Burnsville   | \$ 20,166,104 | +\$ 4,431,318   | 1.28        |
| 211        | Golden       | \$ 7,879,037  | +\$ 3,655,068   | 1.87        |
| 3,153      | Iuka         | \$105,770,145 | +\$43,650,833   | 1.68        |
| 92         | Paden        | 0             | -\$ 1,841,731   | 0           |
| 560        | Tishomingo   | \$ 21,109,111 | +\$ 9,898,577   | 1.88        |

Source: Dr. Alan Barefield, Mississippi State University (Sales do not include services and construction.)

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# Tishomingo County



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