



## BENEFITS OF CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP

The primary responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce is to support and promote economic development, tourism, and community development in Calhoun County and the surrounding area.

Our Chamber is made up of businesses, non-profit organizations, and individuals. Members range from small business owners to large institutions to dedicated individuals. We are united in a common purpose: to support local businesses, enhance and promote local resources, and do all we can to keep our community vibrant.

Membership in the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce means greater access to new opportunities and enhanced exposure, which can help you improve your bottom line. In short, we work to promote all of Calhoun County's resources, including members of the Chamber.

As soon as a member joins they are featured on the Chamber website, on social media, and entered into the online membership directory. We invite all new members to take advantage of membership benefits such as events, trainings, and workshops.

Here are just a few more advantages to Chamber membership:

- Complete business listing on the Chamber's website and online directory, as well as featured as our newest member – [www.calhounco.org](http://www.calhounco.org).
- Opportunity to promote sales, specials, discounts, events, news, and promotions through the Chamber's social media efforts.
- Assistance with your promotions, advertising efforts, marketing, and outreach.
- SHOP/DO BUSINESS LOCAL events which push customers towards your business for special services, promotions and sales.
- Guest speakers, networking, and promotional opportunities at the monthly membership meeting held the third Tuesday of each month.
- Email newsletters and updates that keep members "in the know" about happenings in Calhoun County.
- Membership certificate and decal for display in your organization or business.
- Opportunity to list commercial properties for sale/rent on Chamber's online commercial property listings, which will list you as the contact person for more information.
- Partnership with other local and regional businesses as we work together to support our community and our local economy.
- A pledge of your support for Calhoun County's efforts towards tourism and economic development!



## CHAMBER INITIATIVES AND EVENTS

Monthly Membership Meetings featuring local and regional speakers of interest

Annual Christmas parades in Altha and Blountstown

Super Council meetings every six months  
(Council includes County Commission, School Board, Blountstown City Council, and Altha Town Council)

Coordinate ribbon-cuttings for new businesses that join the Chamber

Swamp & Stomp Mud Run held every September in Altha

Annual Membership & Awards Banquet

Local tourism promotion and development

Spring and holiday Business Bounce events, which promote shopping local

Annual Wildflower Festival held in April

Weekly e-Updates featuring Chamber and membership news distributed to more than 700 email addresses

Facilitate local tourism events such as hosting of Bike Florida cycling tour and RiverTrek kayak adventure

Serve as the Economic Development Organization for Calhoun County

Coordinate annual Legislative Delegates Meeting with local legislators

Maintain Chamber website, as well as various social media accounts used to promote Calhoun County and Chamber members (facebook, instagram, twitter)

Coordinate special trainings and workshops of interest to members

Coordination and hosting of annual LEADERCAST leadership training event

Partnership with RiverWay South to support natural resource and eco-tourism across the region

Partnership with CareerSource Chipola to assist in local workforce development initiatives

Partnership with Opportunity Florida to promote and facilitate economic development progress



# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**For membership year beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016**

**Contact information will be listed on our website as listed on your application.  
All mailed correspondence, as well as annual board of director election ballots will be sent to the contact listed, and all email updates will be sent to the email address(es) listed below.**

Business/Individual/Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address, if different than above \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Web address \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Business \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Membership (See chart below) \_\_\_\_\_

## **ANNUAL RENEWAL RATES**

- Business .....\$150.00
- Banks, Utilities & Hospitals .....\$400.00
- Non-Profit Organization .....\$75.00
- \*Associate Member .....\$50.00
- Individual (non business owner) .....\$25.00

\* Associate Members are alternate contacts for an active Chamber membership such as a business, bank, utility company, hospital or non-profit organization.\*

*Please send your check or money order to:*

Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce  
20816 Central Avenue East, Suite 2  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank you for investing in Calhoun County!*