

# The Heart of the Pointes, the Village has something for everyone!

Unique and diverse businesses, family-friendly community events and welcoming art-filled public spaces, the Village Downtown Grosse Pointe is the perfect combination of tradition and trendsetting.



# State of **DOWNTOWN**



# Grosse Pointe Main Street is making a BIG difference.

The Village Downtown Grosse Pointe is a lively, vibrant destination of visually appealing and historic storefronts and streetscapes; welcoming everyone into its community of art-filled public spaces, creative, locally owned enterprises and respected national chains—all intentionally connected through the innovative use of 21st century technologies.

### **Downtown's Goals**

- $\cdot$  Experience-based retail economy
- Create a visually appealing and vibrant physical environment that honors the district's history and embraces 21st century technology.
- Expand the mix of businesses and activities to create desired experiences that appeal to people of all ages in and beyond the Pointes.
- Develop a cohesive identity for the district to reflect a welcoming and connected community.



Select Level Main Street

# **TRANSFORMING GROSSE POINTE'S DOWNTOWN**



The Main Street Mini Masters, an 18-hole miniature golf tournament on Kercheval in the heart of The Village attracted hundreds of golfers of all ages for a day of fun, community and connection.

### REINVESTMENT **STATS 2023-2024**

## PRIVATE INVESTMENT 618.674



**Façade & Building** Improvements Program to date: 35



### **Community Profile**

#### City of Grosse Pointe | 2024













Median Age



44.1 years



94% Housing is occupied FOR RENT 79% Owner-occupied 15% Renter-occupied



Each year, The Village hosts a variety of events. In 2024, a child-specific zone called "Main Street's Little Village." was created to provide children's activities and create a welcoming, comfortable, and safe space for children and their caregivers to enjoy these events and our downtown.



Grosse Pointe was selected to pilot a retail merchandising program by Michigan Main Street that allowed six businesses to receive onsite one-on-one consultations to prepare and educate them on retail merchandising basics and preparing displays.

# **Main Street is Helping Businesses Thrive**

- Small Business Saturday Champion
  Special events
- Monthly business round table
- Website and social media marketing
- The Loop Social District

- Business education and training opportunities
- Market and visitor data
- Local shopping events

"The big deciding factor when I purchased Posterity Gallery two years ago was learning The Village was a Michigan Main Street-accredited city. Today, I serve on the Main Street Grosse Pointe board and am proud to be a small part of the invaluable work Main Street does for our downtown district and local community."

-Michelle Boggess-Nunley, Owner, Posterity Art and Framing Gallery; Main Street Grosse Pointe Board Member

### **Downtown Drive Time Markets**

	5 Minutes	10 Minutes	20 Minutes
Population	29,198	88,967	494,022
Households	11,701	34,489	206,956
Median HH Income	\$111,631	\$66,766	\$53,738

# **In-demand Businesses**

#### **Food & Drink**

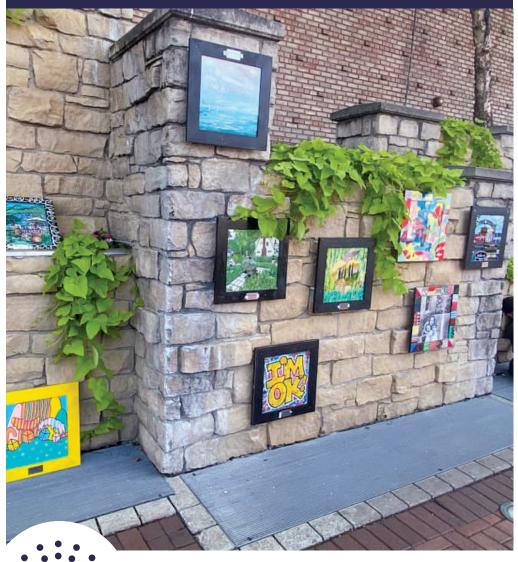
Breakfast/brunch restaurant Mexican restaurant Deli/sandwich shop Brewery or brewpub Casual dining eatery

#### **Shopping & Retail**

Bookstore Men's clothing Health and beauty Women's clothing General/variety store

# 'It Takes A Village' Community Art Exhibition

When circumstances and creativity meet, great things can happen. Faced with costly repairs needed to existing fountains and utilizing Vibrancy Grant funds, the space was recreated into an outdoor art gallery exhibit, "It Takes a Village," that represents the vision of artists who answered the call to interpret the meaning of community and what it takes to create a welcoming, inclusive and cultural downtown district.



# **WOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT**

"I've been a resident of Grosse Pointe for 30+ years, but grew up coming to The Village and have wonderful memories of all of it. After retiring, I wanted to give back to the community I have always loved and be a part of making new memories and traditions."

> – Kelly Moore, resident; Volunteer Promotions Committee



### 2024 Pulse of Downtown

86% Visit most

Visit downtown Grosse Pointe most often for shopping

40%

Described recent trends in downtown Grosse Pointe as improving or making progress



Said the frequency of their visits to downtown Grosse Pointe increased or stayed the same during the past year.





8,155+ Facebook Followers



**1,630+** Instagram Followers





**1,35** 

**1,557** Volunteer hours in 2023–2024



**4,702** Volunteer hours (Program to date)

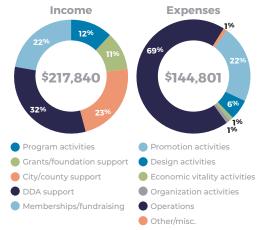


**\$42,868** Volunteer value in 2023–2024



**\$148,536** Volunteer value (Program to date)

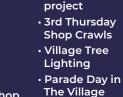




# DOWNTOWN Grosse Pointe Main Street Events 2023-24

Est. event attendance

- Music on the Plaza Streetside
- Sale-ebration
- Main Street
- Mini Masters
- Main-Opoly
- fundraiser
- Santa's Workshop



Art Takeover

"Michigan Main Street has been a valued partner in helping us create a longterm direction for the betterment of our city and the commercial district. Learning from their experts and from shared experiences has allowed us to adapt what works best for our civic personality, business mix and residents." —Hans Brieden, Main Street Grosse Pointe Board Chair

### **Grosse Pointe's Board of Directors**

\$49,135,925

Private Investment

\$473,749.204

2023–24 Total

Program to date

30,094

2023-24

Chair: Hans Brieden Vice Chair: Anne Murphy Secretary: Lanna Young Treasurer: Christopher Moyer Mayor: Sheila Tomkowiak

Wayne County Rep.: June Lee Director: Kasey Malley Director: Michelle Boggess-Nunley Director: Didi DeBoer

Director:

Susan Stefani-Bohrer City manager/ex officio: Joseph Valentine Exec. Director: Cindy Willcock

# MICHIGAN MAIN STREE

A Network of Leaders in Grassroots Economic Development

# **Real Impact.** | The numbers prove it!

136

2023-24





3rd Thursday Shop Crawls



Fundraise



Volunteer New Hours **Businesses** 922.796 2.033Program to date Program to date **Michigan Main Street** MICHIGAN provides technical assistance to local communities as

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they implement the Main Street Four-Point

Approach<sup>®</sup>, a community-driven, comprehensive strategy encouraging economic development through historic preservation in ways appropriate for the modern marketplace. The program aims to create communities distinguished by economically vital and vibrant commercial districts and downtowns, thereby making the state economically stronger and culturally diverse.



**MICHIGAN ECONOMIC** ELOPMENT CORPORATION

\$5,855,343 2023–24 Total **Public Investment** 

> \$152.552.988 Program to date

> > 117 2023-24 Façade & Building Improvements

2.934 Program to date

### **Our MMS** Communities

8 Master Level

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Streetside Sale-ebration