



# BATTLE CREEK AREA

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



## NEWS RELEASE

Battle Creek Area Chamber of Commerce

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### RE: The Places Calhoun County Residents LOVE to Eat, Explore, Live, Play & Shop

**Battle Creek, MI** – In February of 2021, the Battle Creek Area Chamber of Commerce launched a social media campaign, LOVE Battle Creek & Calhoun County, to spread the love of our local businesses throughout the county. To start the campaign, the Chamber asked county residents to nominate Battle Creek and Calhoun County businesses where they LOVE to Eat, Explore, Live, Play and Shop. Nominations were received in all 110 categories within the Chamber's 2021 social media campaign. Following nominations, the Chamber opened voting in all 110 categories and received an overwhelming response with over 3,000 votes within its inaugural year. Winners were announced via Facebook Live in February and today we ask that you help us to continue spreading the LOVE of where Battle Creek and Calhoun County residents LOVE to Eat, Explore, Live, Play and Shop:

### EAT | The Best of Food & Dining in Battle Creek & Calhoun County

- Who is the best Chef
- Where is the best place for a Date Night
- Where is the best place for Girls Night Out
- Where is the best Family Friendly Restaurant
- Where do you find the best Brunch
- Who has the best Smoothie | Juice Bar
- Who is the best Bakery
- Where is the best Deli | Market
- Who has the best Food Truck
- Where is the best Fine Dining
- Where is the best BBQ
- Who has the best Burger
- Where is the best Sushi
- Where is the best Mexican

Tony Davis, Kitchen Proper  
Kitchen Proper  
Downtown Marshall  
Cornwell's Turkeyville  
Clara's on the River  
Tropical Smoothie Café  
Continental Bakery  
Horrock's  
Hogzilla  
Nibi, FireKeepers  
OT's Up in Smoke  
Albion Malleable Brewery  
Sakura  
Taqueria San Francisco





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- Where is the best Pizza
- Where is the best Vegetarian
- Where is the best Coffee Shop
- Who has the best Donut Shop
- Who serves the best Bagel
- Who makes the best Custom Cakes
- Who serves the best Ice Cream
- Where do you find the best Unique Treats
- Who is the best Chocolate Shop
- Steve's
- Umami Ramen
- Café Rica
- Sweetwater's
- Panera
- Continental Bakery
- Station 66
- Simply Sensational Berries
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### EXPLORE | The Best of Arts, Culture & Entertainment

- Where is the best Public Art
- Who has the best Wearable Art
- Where is the best Outdoor Playground
- Who has the best Theatre Company
- Where do you find the best Live Music
- Who has the best Radio Show
- Who has the best local Brewery to Explore
- Who is the best local Podcast
- Who is the best Weather Forecaster
- Who is the best local News
- Who is the best Reporter
- Who has the best Art Gallery
- Where is the best Museum
- Who is the best Band | Musician
- Who has the best DIY Studio | Class | Workshop
- What is the best Festival
- What is the best Family Attraction
- What is the best Historical Attraction
- What is the best Pop-Up Event
- Color the Creek Murals
- Out of Line Vintage
- Anybody's Playground
- What A Do Theatre
- The Music Factory
- WKFR 103.3
- Territorial Brewery
- Café Rica
- Keith Thompson, WMMT
- News 3 WMMT
- Kate Siefert, WMMT
- Art Center of Battle Creek
- Kingman Museum
- Brass Band of Battle Creek
- Southern Exposure
- Balloon Festival, Field of Flight
- Binder Park Zoo
- Sojourner Truth Monument
- Food Truck Fridays

### LIVE | The Best of Health, Wellness, Kids & Family

- Where is the best Yoga Studio
- Where is the best place for Pilates | Barre Studio
- Where is the best Cardio Workout Class
- Where is the best Boutique Gym
- Where do you find the best Women's Salon & Barber
- Battle Creek YMCA
- Fit in 30
- Burn Boot Camp
- Burn Boot Camp
- LynnIvan Salon





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- Where do you find the best Manicure | Pedicure
  - Who does the best Lashes & Brows
  - Who has the best Dance Fitness Class
  - Where is the best place to Splash with the family
  - Where is the best place for Hair Removal | Wax
  - Where is the best Day Spa
  - Who is the best Chiropractor
  - Where is the best place for Physical Therapy
  - Who offers the best Massage
  - Where is the best place to Hike
  - Where is the best place to play 9 Holes
  - Who serves up the best Family Fun Adventures
- BC Nails
  - Lovely Lashes by Chas
  - Zumba, Minges Creek Athletic Club
  - Full Blast
  - Minges Creek Salon
  - Minges Creek Salon
  - Myers Chiropractic
  - Bronson
  - Shelly, Prebish Chiropractic
  - Fort Custer Recreational Area
  - Binder Park Golf Course
  - Binder Park Zoo

### PLAY | The Best of Beer, Wine, Cocktails & Going Out

- Where is the best Cozy Spot for a Drink
  - Who is the best Cocktail Scene Newcomer
  - Where is the best Wine List
  - Who had the best Brewery Expansion
  - Where do you find the best Trivia Night
  - Who has the best Spot for a Surprise Cocktail
  - Who is the best Local Brewery
  - Who is the Underrated Brewery
  - Who has the best Boozy Breakfast Menu
  - Where is the best Dive Bar
  - Where is the best Sports Bar
  - Who has the best Craft Cocktail
  - Where is the best Nightclub
  - Who is the best Bartender
  - Who has the best Happy Hour
  - Who has the best Darts
- Handmap Brewery
  - Café Rica
  - Mega-Bev
  - Territorial Brewery
  - J.B. Whiskey
  - Cricket Club
  - Handmap Brewery
  - Handmap Brewery
  - Clara's on the River
  - Lakeview Lounge
  - Miller's Time Out
  - Cricket Club
  - FireKeepers Casino Hotel
  - JB, Cricket Club
  - Cricket Club
  - Cricket Club

### SHOP | The Best of Style, Shopping & Services

- Who has the best Plant Shop
  - Who is the best Florist
  - Who is the best Travel Agency
  - Where is the best Women's Boutique
- Horrock's
  - Plumeria
  - Ermisch Travel Agency
  - Mole Hole, Wind in the Willows





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- Where do you find the best Men's Clothing
  - Who has the best store for Local & Michigan Apparel
  - Who has the best local Fine Jewelry | Jewelry Design
  - Where is the best local Gift Shop
  - Who has the best Pet Supplies
  - Where is the best Wine Store | Craft Beer
  - Where is the best Home Furnishings | Décor
  - Who has the best Auto Dealership
  - Where is the best Independent Bookstore
  - Where is the best place to shop for CBD
  - Who is the best Financial Advisor | Wealth Management
  - Where is the best Assisted Living | Retirement Community
  - Where is the best Law Firm
  - Who is the best Videographer
  - Who has the best Auto Repair
  - Who has the best Landscaping
  - Who is the best Residential Remodeling
  - Where do you find the best Kitchen | Bathroom Supplies
  - Who is the best Plumbing Service
  - Who has the best Hair Salon | Barber Shop
  - Who has the best Heating & Cooling
  - Who has the best Tax Preparation
  - Who is the best Photographer
  - Who is the best Tattoo Parlor
  - Where is the best Pet Boarding | Daycare
  - Who is the best Veterinarian
  - Who is the best Dog Trainer
- Kohl's
- CVB, Welcome Center
- King Jewelers
- Mole Hole
- Pet Supplies Plus
- Horrock's
- Russell's Country Store
- Lakeview Ford Lincoln
- New Story Community Books
- Great Lakes Holistic
- Wells Fargo
- Lakeview Assisted Living
- Vandervoort, Christ & Fischer
- Moments Forever Photography
- Rusty's Auto Shop
- Greenscape Services
- Roach Home Improvement
- Menards
- Walter's Plumbing
- LynnIvan Salon
- Hodgson's
- H&R Block, Marshall
- Sam Page Photography
- Cereal City Tattoo & Piercing
- Doggie Spa & Playcare
- Dickman Road Veterinarian
- Dog Zone

Congratulations to all the 2021 nominees and award winner in each category. You are what keeps Battle Creek and Calhoun County strong while creating opportunities. When businesses thrive, communities thrive, and that is good for everyone.

2021 LOVE Battle Creek & Calhoun County Award winners can pick-up their swag bag from the Battle Creek Area Chamber of Commerce located at 34. W. Jackson





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Street, Suite 3A, Battle Creek, Michigan Monday through Thursday between 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Please call 269.962.4076 to schedule a pick-up time.

### About the Chamber

The Battle Creek Area Chamber of Commerce connects and empowers Chamber members to have the courage and confidence to be catalytic leaders addressing the communities' greatest issues. We provide catalytic leadership and uniquely engage community stakeholders to advance impactful public policy, build cross-sector partnerships, and create broad-based economic prosperity.

The Chamber has always provided great opportunities to meet community peers establishing a strong network of like-minded professionals while also growing the number of engagement opportunities to help you build and cultivate strong relationships. We are consistently providing passionate leaders from various backgrounds opportunities to share industry knowledge and expertise with other community and Chamber members.

The Chamber creates opportunities to have discussions on how to make your business and organization thrive. We are stronger together, and group brainstorming along with establishing a reliable professional network are keys to improving your organization in an ever-changing global economy.

Please feel free to contact a member of our team any time with questions or membership benefits. For general inquiries, call 269.962.4076.

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