

Central City



WELCOME GUIDE

Central City



The Central City Growth Organization (formerly known as Central City Mainstreet) is a volunteer-run and volunteer-powered organization focused on business and community development in the Central City area. Originally formed in 2001, it has worked to preserve historic buildings and attract and support local businesses while building community through several yearly events. In 2023, CCGO expanded its focus beyond the historical district, and now works to develop growth in all of Central City.



@centralcitygo



centralcitygo.org



centralcitygo@gmail.com



CENTRAL CITY HISTORY

The historic river town of Central City was first settled shortly after the US government opened the Iowa Territory for settlers in 1838. This virgin territory was regarded by many pioneers as the ideal opportunity to obtain fertile land for farming and to start new lives. The first pioneer cabin was built on the west side of the Wapsipinicon River in 1839. Thirty years later, enough settlers had come to the area and built permanent homes that a school was built.

Central City became an eastern Iowa transportation hub for these early settlers as it was located along the busy road from Marion to Manchester. A building boom ensued, but a major fire in 1889 burned down most of the wooden commercial structures in the downtown area. After this devastating fire, brick buildings were erected to minimize future fire risk. Most of the Victorian-era brick buildings still stand today, and the historic downtown commercial district is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Come soak in the history as you visit our attractive downtown, shop the unique variety of shops & businesses, tour our historic museums and take in the scenic outdoors in one of our many recreational areas. There's plenty to do and see!



PINICON RIDGE PARK

4732 Horseshoe Falls Rd.

Central City, IA 52214

Mon - Sun 4:30 am - 10:30 pm

This 966-acre park along the Wapsipinicon River has long been admired for its scenic natural beauty. The hilly, heavily wooded area is divided by the river and is home to many species of wildlife. Beginning as a rural picnic ground in the 1960s, Pinicon Ridge Park has been developed into a modern recreation area and a regional destination for many outdoor enthusiasts.

Access to the south entrance is just off Highway 13 on Horseshoe Falls Rd. This side of the park is home to lodges and shelters, the Alexander Wildlife Exhibit, watercraft rentals & canoe trips, the landmark observation tower, a playground, boat ramp, fishing jetties, hiking trails and the group campground complex.

The north entrance is accessed from Hwy 13 by heading west on Valley Farm Rd and entering the campground on Flying Squirrel Trail. This side of the river hosts the main campground and cabin complex, a large accessible playground & picnic area, shower houses, hiking trails and a hunting/dog exercise area.

The two sides of the park are connected by the Mary Lundby walking bridge that spans the river, and the 3-mile long Central City Trail paves the way for cyclists and hikers from the park to enter the town of Central City.



linncountyiowa.gov/965/Pinicon-Ridge-Park



@cpiniconridgepark



conservation@linncounty.org



HELPING YOU GET LUCKY ON THE RIVER



Growthland





OHNWARD
BANK & TRUST
An Ohnward Bancshares Bank



Central City, Iowa
Aaron Batchelder, Owner
319.350.5577 · WapsiWoodworks@gmail.com



WWW.CLARKSOUTFITTERS.COM
CENTRAL CITY, IA · 319-835-8259
YOUR PREMIER OUTFITTER FOR ALL THINGS OUTDOORS



Coffee, Bakery & Gifts





LOCAL EVENTS

CCGO is proud to support a variety of community and local business events in Central City and surrounding areas. For a complete listing of upcoming events, visit the Events page on our website.

- Live Music in the Park
- Farmer's Markets every Thursday
- Town wide garage sales
- Car cruises and shows
- Brown Farm Days
- Weekly Bingo nights



Visit our website!



The 4th of July celebration features a downtown parade, vendor fair, live music, food, activities for all ages, sales & specials at our downtown businesses, and fireworks at dusk.



Our annual benefit Golf Tournament is on August 9th, with a 9:00 shotgun start. This four-person best-shot tournament is a local favorite, with lots of food, fun and prizes.

Proceeds benefit the CCGO program.



Holiday on Main will be held on December 13th. This annual event features horse-drawn carriage rides, visits with Santa and the Grinch, a holiday shopping fair and special sales & activities at our downtown businesses. We hope you'll join us!

CHURCH SERVICES



Riverview Bible Church

216 Commercial St
riverviewbiblechurch.churchtrac.com/
riverviewbiblechurch@gmail.com
Sunday Service: 8:30 AM



St Stephen's Catholic Church

4700 Valley Farm Rd
www.northlinncc.org/
dbq034bk@dbqarch.org
Sunday Service: 8:00 AM



United Church of Christ

38 North 5th St
centralcityucc.org/
centralcityucc@gmail.com
Sunday Service: 9:00 AM

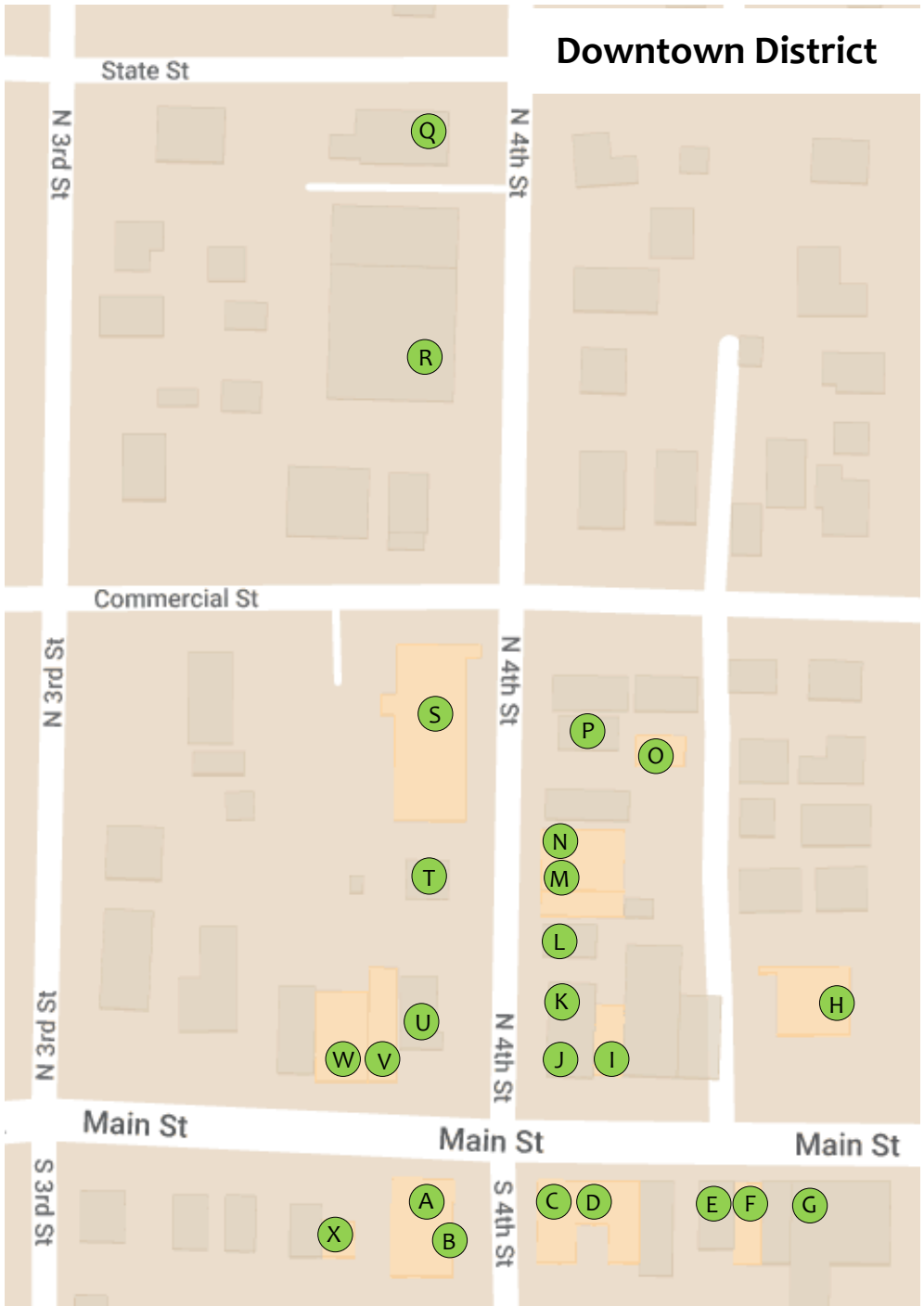




Downtown District inset on next page



Downtown District



Legend

A: Foxy's Chill & Grill

B: AMVETS

C: Ohnward Bank & Trust

D: Nichole Rieck Photography /

RK Images

E: Simply Homemade

F: Parlor on Main

G: Sweetopia

H: Lucky's Bait / Clark's

Outfitters

I: Beanie's Coffee

J: CC Family Pharmacy

K: Fit Box

L: BIT Brewery

M: EddieMarie Photography

N: Love Your Look

O: Rural School Museum

P: Library Museum

Q: Wapsi Weaving

R: CC Public Library

S: Heartland Bank & Trust

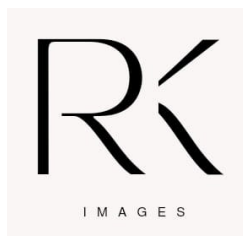
T: Neighbor Insurance

U: Station 1

V: Golden Comb

W: Up A Creek

X: Sawyer House Museum





DIRECTORY

Essentials - Gas, Groceries & Laundry

- 1 Dollar General
- 1 Hometown Market \$ ATM 319-438-6617
- 2 Lefty's Convenience (also has live bait) \$ ATM 319-438-3496
- 3 Maytag Laundromat - open daily 7:00 am - 9:00 pm at 64 - 5th St South

Restaurants & Food

- 5 American Legion - Post 421 \$ ATM 319-438-2480
- B AMVETS \$ ATM 319-438-3131
- I Beanie's Coffee & Cakes 319-438-3020
- L BIT Brewery 319-438-3100
- A Foxy's Chill & Grill \$ ATM 319-438-3333
- Hometown Market Deli 319-438-6617
- F Parlor on Main 319-438-3340
- E Simply Homemade Sweets & Treats 319-389-7782
- 4 Subway Restaurant 319-438-1711
- G Sweetopia Emporium & Grandma Sue's Bakery sweetopiachocolates.com

Outdoors - Recreation - Entertainment

- H Clark's Outfitters 319-835-8259
- M EddieMarie Photography 319-899-0106
- H Lucky's Bait & Tackle (also has fishing licenses) 319-835-8259
- 1 Meadowview Country Club \$ ATM 319-438-1063
- D Nichole Sieck Photography 319-438-2626
- 2 North Linn Fish & Game Club nlfgclub.com
- Pinicon Ridge Park 319-438-3005
- Regan's Face Painting 319-361-0739
- River Dock Canoe Rental 319-332-8715
- D RK Images reneekrattimages@gmail
- Studio Dee Dance Info.studiodee@gmail
- W Up A Creek 319-438-6737
- Q Wapsi Weaving 319-899-1054

DIRECTORY

Hair Care

V	Golden Comb	319-241-2034
N	Love Your Look	563-608-4430

Automotive

	After Hours Automotive	319-350-8606
6	Bodak Automotive Specialties	319-438-6155
	Corridor RV Repair	319-899-5732
	G & J Window Tint & Auto Restyle	319-310-9012
	Holub Trucking	319-981-5202
	Iowa Diesel Repair	319-558-8752
	Otter Creek Sales & Service	319-360-4157
U	Station 1 Automotive (<i>also fishing licenses & bait</i>)	319-438-6222

Pet Care

	Beds and Biscuits Boarding Kennel LLC	319-438-6263
7	Riverbend Pet Spa	319-438-3050

Financial

S	Heartland Bank & Trust	\$ ATM 319-438-6621
	Holub Insurance Agency	319-438-1487
T	Neighbor Insurance	319-438-6596
	Novey Tax & Accounting Services	319-540-2847
C	Ohnward Bank & Trust	319-438-6001

Community

	Central City GO	319-387-7980
O, P, X	Central City Historical Society	centralcityia.gov
R	Central City Public Library	319-438-6685
	Central City Senior Dining	319-438-6691
	City of Central City	319-438-1713
3	Linn County Fairgrounds	319-929-3247
	Linn News	319-438-1313
	Maytag Laundromat	319-377-3185
	North Linn Area Food Pantry	319-329-3271

Rudd Sanitation	319-438-6563
2 US Post Office	319-438-2029

Home Repair & Services

Banes Landscaping	319-929-1710
Bard Materials	319-438-6017
Central City Manufacturing	319-438-3031
Central Foundation Inc	319-438-6014
Don Hogan Construction	319-360-7591
H&H Drywall	319-447-1368
Hall Home Construction	319-447-7706
Hennick Tree Service & Stump Grinding	319-241-5005
Hite Companies	319-360-4252
Hoddy Gates Electrical Service	319-854-7436
Legend Coating Solutions	319-538-1115
Strip Shop	319-521-6067
Wapsi Banks LLC	319-899-2041
Wapsi Current Electrical Service	319-560-9850

Health and Wellness

A to Z Therapeutic Massage	319-241-2275
Bales & Noring Dentistry	319-438-6213
J Central City Family Pharmacy	319-438-1988
K Fit Box	help@ccffitbox.com
LeClere Chiropractic	319-438-1089
Sun & Moon Massage	319-440-0493

Miscellaneous

Airy Auctioneering / Realty	319-350-0474
Apple Kids	319-438-6342
Gettin' Lippy	319-361-4200
Growthland Company	319-350-0474
Hunt Web & Graphic Innovations	319-573-9901
Innovative Ag Services	319-438-6194
ITS Signs LLC	319-775-0641
PRO Auction Service of Iowa	319-551-2074
Rite Environmental	319-235-7401
Vita Plus	319-438-6114

Contact Us

Central City Growth Organization
137 - 4th Street North, Suite 3
PO Box 338
Central City, IA 52214
319-387-7980
centralcitygo@gmail.com
www.centralcitygo.org

Central City



Follow Us



@Central City GO



Central City Growth Organization

Support Us

Enjoy this guide?

Find it useful?

Please consider making a donation!

CCGO is a non-profit organization, led by volunteers and supported by public and business contributions.

Donations keep us rolling, and help us to continue to provide services to our local businesses and community.

We appreciate your support!

Donate today!

