

Gallia County's Vision

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Gallia County is a thriving and socially engaged river community, promoting its strengths in health care, education, and infrastructure, to lead the region in industry growth, business opportunities, and the recreational and cultural enrichment of its citizens, while preserving its agricultural and historical heritage.

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Gallia County Strategic Plan

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OUR COMMUNITY ~ OUR FUTURE

GOALS AND STRATEGIES

Gallipolis City Development

Revitalize the downtown business district.

- Determine the positive and negative factors that impact business attraction and retention in the downtown area to address, resolve and improve issues.
- Target tech-based businesses to locate in downtown.
- Encourage the growth of artist-based businesses in downtown.

Establish a riverfront amphitheater or entertainment facility in Gallipolis.

Increase the quantity and quality of rental property in downtown Gallipolis

- Develop a website to help list and market available rental property—for homes and businesses.
- Explore rental property inspection and enforcement criteria and compare it to that in successful communities.
- Help identify funding to renovate declining properties.

Explore opportunities for and interest in a family activities/recreation center in Gallipolis.

Business & Economic Development

Grow Gallia County's business base.

- Develop a marketing plan.
- Reach out to business owners who've moved away.
- Examine successful strategies in other communities.
- Provide a web-based database of resources for local businesses (such as potential funding and professional development opportunities).

Create at least 500 new jobs in the next 3 years.

- Promote a "shop local" campaign.
- Empower local businesses with information about marketing, customer service, and improved communication opportunities.
- Tech-enable local businesses.
- Recruit businesses that align with local assets.

Recruit a tech-based business to the community.

- Work with URG to establish tech-based curriculum.
- Determine the feasibility of a tech-based incubator or accelerator.
- Identify untapped workforce with technology skills and experiences.

Support the construction of the State Route 7/US 35 Connector Corridor.

Develop a feasibility study to redesign the US 735/State Route 7 interchange, allowing for an exit bringing travelers into downtown Gallipolis.

Provide affordable, easily accessible broadband internet access to all areas of the county.

Improve the influence of Gallia County among regional, state and federal policy makers by placing residents on decision-making boards and committees.

Have Gallia County leaders (city, county, township, etc.) work more closely with elected officials and leaders in surrounding counties and states.

- Support the expansion and four-lane upgrade of US 35 through WV.

Work with boards of youth facilities to learn more about their projects and plans for expansion, etc.

Transportation

Building County Capacity