

Bessemer Area

Chamber of Commerce

Connections

One Team... One Purpose... Meaningful Connections

Chamber News & Events



April 2026

10th Annual Taste of Bessemer



The Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce extends our heartfelt appreciation to everyone who participated in this year's Taste of Bessemer. Your energy, creativity, and commitment helped make this event another unforgettable celebration of our city's food, culture, and community spirit.

From our incredible sponsors and vendors to the volunteers, performers, and guests who filled the room with excitement, each of you played a vital role in bringing this event to life. Your support strengthens our mission and continues to elevate Bessemer as a place where businesses thrive and neighbors come together.

We are grateful for your partnership and look forward to welcoming you back for next year's Taste of Bessemer as we continue building something special for our community.



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District Three



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Commissioner Shelia Tyson
District Two

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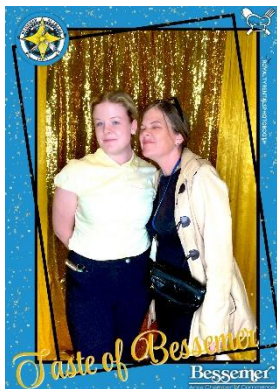
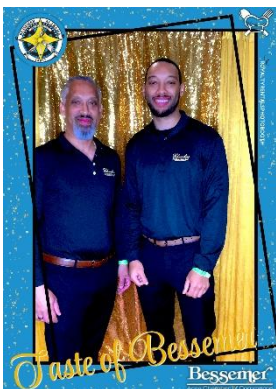
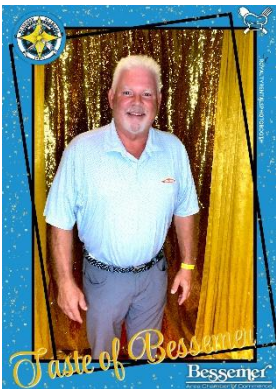
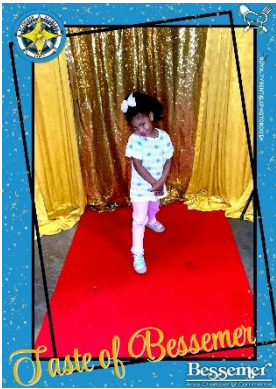
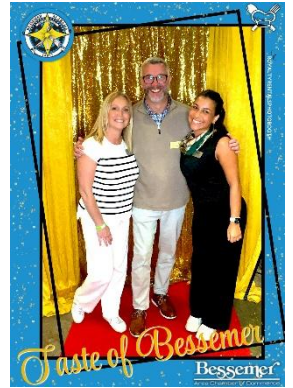
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PARKS & RECREATION
Active, Fit, Healthy

Celebrating a Decade of Flavor: The 10th Annual Taste of Bessemer





Taste of Smiles



Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce President, LaTasha Williams, Attends 2026 Alabama Chambers Executive Leadership Conference

The Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce proudly joined chamber leaders from across the state at the 2026 Executive Leadership Conference hosted by Alabama Chambers in the Rocket City of Huntsville from April 27–30, 2026.

Representing the Bessemer community, Chamber President LaTasha Williams participated in several days of leadership development, networking, and innovative discussions designed to strengthen chambers of commerce and the communities they serve throughout Alabama.

The Executive Leadership Conference provided chamber professionals with valuable tools and strategies to better engage members, elevate organizational leadership, and create meaningful economic impact in their local communities. The event also offered attendees the opportunity to collaborate with fellow chamber executives while exploring new ideas to help chambers evolve and thrive in today's changing business environment.

Among the conference highlights was the engaging session “Doing Time in the Principal’s Office,” which offered insightful perspectives on leadership, accountability, and professional growth. Another memorable presentation, “How Stories Bring Us Together and Bond Us Forever,” led by Libby Spears, emphasized the power of storytelling in building authentic connections and strengthening relationships within organizations and communities.

Attendees also gained valuable knowledge from sessions such as “Storytelling to Sell” and “Membership Models” presented by Allison Walden. These presentations focused on innovative communication strategies, member engagement, and sustainable growth models that chambers can implement to better serve businesses and communities across Alabama.

LaTasha Williams expressed appreciation for the opportunity to learn from industry leaders and connect with chamber professionals from across the state.

“The conference was inspiring, informative, and energizing,” Williams said. “The sessions reinforced the importance of leadership, storytelling, and collaboration in helping our chamber continue to grow and support the Bessemer business community.”

Special thanks were extended to Paige Hutto, President of Alabama Chambers, for organizing an outstanding and impactful event that brought together some of the state's top chamber leaders and professionals for an unforgettable experience in Huntsville.



Jefferson County Commissioners Join Community Partners to Promote Cancer Screening and Safety



Jefferson County Commissioners Sheila Tyson, Jimmie Stephens, and Lashunda Scales joined Brenda's Brown Bosom Buddies for a Women's History Month news conference focused on cancer awareness and the importance of routine screenings. Commissioner Stephens shared his own cancer journey, underscoring the need for early detection for both men and women. The Sheriff's Department provided safety tips for women, and an update was given on the Breast Cancer Screening Bill currently awaiting the Governor's signature. Several organizations received support for their work in cancer prevention, education, and survivor services, including Brenda's Brown Bosom Buddies, the Birmingham Black Nurses Association, the Breast Cancer Research Foundation of Alabama, Baptist Health Brookwood Women's Diagnostic Center, FORGE, Sister Survivors, Her Fight is Our Fight, and the UAB St. Vincent Foundation.



Leadership That Changes Lives: Andrews and Lackey Earn Samford Medallion



Micah Andrews and Brandon Lackey were honored with the prestigious Samford Medallion Award, recognizing their significant impact on the community, the Church, and the lives of those they serve. Their leadership continues to rebuild lives, strengthen families, and bring hope across the region.

Brandon was unable to attend due to advocacy work in Washington, D.C., and his sons accepted the award on his behalf. The organization celebrated this meaningful recognition and expressed pride in their ongoing service.



Mark Your Calendars



~~Thursday, March 12th 5-7pm
St. Patrick's Day Business After Hours
Bessemer Chamber~~

~~Friday, April 3rd
Closed-Holiday Observance~~

~~Thursday, April 9th 4-7pm
Taste of Bessemer Job Fair & Business Expo
Bessemer Civic Center~~

~~Thursday, May 7th Noon
City of Bessemer National Day of Prayer
Program
Bessemer Civic Center~~

~~Thursday, May 14th 5-7pm
Membership Appreciation Seafood Boil
Bessemer Chamber~~

~~Monday, May 25th
Closed-Holiday Observance~~

~~Friday, June 19th
Closed-Holiday Observance~~

~~Friday, July 3rd
Closed-Holiday Observance~~

~~Saturday, July 4th 6-9pm
City of Bessemer 4th of July Celebration~~

~~July/August (TBA)
Business Awards & 1st Responders Gala
Bessemer Civic Center~~

~~Monday, September 7th
Closed-Holiday Observance~~

Friday, September 11th Noon
Remembrance Ceremony
Debardeleben Park

Thursday, October 1st Noon
Golf "FORE" Progress Tournament
Frank House Municipal Golf Course

Wednesday, October 14th Noon
Uniting for the Cause Luncheon

October (TBA)
Pink & Purple Stroll

Wednesday, November 11th
Closed-Holiday Observance

November 26-27th
Closed-Holiday Observance

Thursday, December 10th 5-7pm
Chamber Holiday Open House
Bessemer Chamber

Saturday, December 12th 2pm
City of Bessemer "Mardi Gras Christmas"
Parade
Downtown Bessemer

December 24-25th
Closed-Holiday Observance

December 31st-January 1, 2027
Closed-Holiday Observance

Dates and Times are Subject to Change. Please Call to Confirm.
(205)425-3253



Welcome to the Bessemer Chamber Family

We're excited to welcome you into our business community and look forward to supporting your company's continued success.

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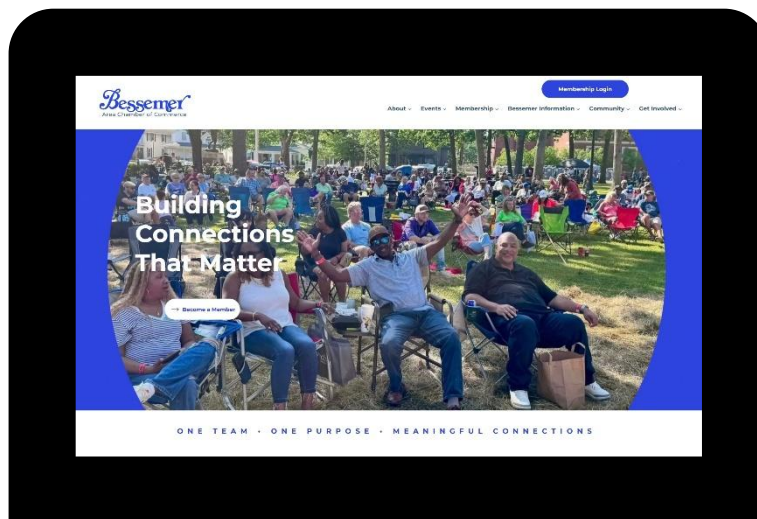
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CHECK OUT OUR NEW & IMPROVED WEBSITE



www.BESSEMERCHAMBER.com

Let us know what you think at bessemerchamber.events@gmail.com



What's Going On In Bessemer?

Bessemer Welcomes New Officers



Five Bessemer Police Department officers graduated from the police academy on April 30, marking an important milestone in their law-enforcement careers. The City of Bessemer congratulates each new officer and welcomes them as they begin serving the community.

Bessemer Fire Celebrates A/O Person



The City of Bessemer Fire Department proudly congratulates A/O Brett Person on successfully passing the National Registry Paramedic exam. This outstanding achievement reflects his hard work, dedication, and commitment to providing the highest level of care to our community.

Leadership Milestone for Bessemer PD



The Bessemer Police Department held a promotional ceremony at the Bessemer Civic Center, recognizing one of the largest groups of promotions in recent years. Officers were honored for their service and leadership as the department announced new Sergeants, Lieutenants, and a new Captain. Newly promoted Sergeants include Lucas Baswell, Tommy Bolden, Joseph Cunningham, Brian Fitts, Byron Jones, Rishia Murry, Christopher Selman, Spence Maples, and Justin Burmeister. The new Lieutenants are Dustin Alford, Victor Cullen, Phillip Holcombe, Kendra Ward-Young, and Shadrick Williams, and Kenneth Reese was promoted to Captain. City leaders praised the group's dedication and encouraged the community to join in celebrating their achievements.

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DIRECTOR, MAKEDA SMITH

HERE TO KEEP YOU: ACTIVE, FIT, & HEALTHY

WHAT DO WE OFFER?

- COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
- GROUP FITNESS CLASSES
- YOUTH/ADULT SPORTS
- AQUATIC EXERCISE CLASSES/SWIM LESSONS

UPCOMING EVENTS 2026

- "New Year, New You" Fitness Challenge: Jan.-Feb.
- Black History MLK Day Celebration: Jan. 16th
- Mardi Gras/Valentine Bash @ Bessemer Civic Center: Feb. 13th
- Spring Break Camp: March 23rd-27th
- 5K Fun Run: May 2nd
- Summer Camp: June 19th-July 4th
- Regional Master Games: July TBA
- Multi-generational Talent Show: Aug. 28th
- Mini Triathlon Challenge: Aug.-Sept.
- "Focus on Nutrition" Challenge: Sept. (ENTIRE MONTH)
- State Senior Master Games: Oct. TBA
- Fall Festival: Oct. 24th
- Thanksgiving Program: Nov. 19th
- Food Journaling to Healthier Eating: Nov.-Dec.
- Christmas Camp: Dec. 21st-Jan.1st

MEMBERSHIPS

SINGLE PLAN	\$20
COUPLES PLAN	\$30
FAMILY PLAN	\$40
STUDENT (17 & UNDER)	\$5
COLLEGE/SENIOR PLAN	\$15
DAY PASS	\$15
FIRST RESPONDERS	FREE

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KENNETH E. GULLEY RECREATION CENTER: (205) 425-0655

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June 1, 2026 - July 10, 2026

Duration: 6 Weeks
Hours of Operation: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Ages: 6-13
Must live in 1 of the 7 Districts in Bessemer
Location: Kenneth E. Guley Bessemer Recreation Center
100 14th St., Bessemer, AL 35020

Last Day to Register: April 15, 2026

SCAN HERE!
SUMMER CAMP SIGN UP

WHAT CAMPERS WILL EXPERIENCE

- Outdoor Sports
- Indoor Sports
- Team Building Activities
- Arts & Creative Projects
- Leadership Development
- Weekly Themed Activities
- Reflection & Growth Sessions

PAID CAMP OPTION AVAILABLE

\$300 Total (Covers Full 6-Week Camp)

- Same hours: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- Same high-quality camp experience
- Guaranteed placement

EXCLUSIVE PAID PROGRAM PERKS

- Special events throughout the summer
- Access to enhanced classes and activities
- Additional enrichment experiences for campers

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Spots Are Limited

Information Contact: Andrea Kirk-Cook
659-746-3406 | akcook@bessemeral.org

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- TIRE ROTATION
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YOU MUST SHOW ID BADGE TO RECEIVE DISCOUNT

Redeemable only at Long-Lewis of Hoover, Alabaster and Bessemer dealerships.

BESSEMER PUBLIC LIBRARY
MAY 2026 EVENTS

ADULT DEPARTMENT

- 7** Gentle Yoga with Ms. Rebecca of the Legacy YMCA @ 10am
Join us via ZOOM from your home for gentle yoga!
- 12** Cinematic Escapes @ 11am: Join us for a movie & popcorn!
Remarkably Bright Creatures (2023, 130 min, PG-13)
- 13** Seed Buffet @ 10am with the Jefferson County Master Gardeners
Stop by the library to get your spring garden started! Choose from a variety of seeds and cuttings. Master gardeners will assist with choosing.
- 18** Adult Anime Club @ 5pm
Join us for anime and manga artist and show comparisons, trivia, and treats! **Register online to receive a manga kit for this month's meeting.**
- 19** Page Turners Book Club @ 11am:
For May, we are reading *One Italian Summer*, by Rebecca Serle.
- 21** Gentle Yoga with Ms. Rebecca of the Legacy YMCA @ 10am
Join us in-person or via ZOOM from your home for gentle yoga!
- 28** Harriet Tubman Presents! with author A. Faye Boykin @ 11am
Welcome local author as she shares from her new book, *Universal Takeaways from Tubman: Leadership and Light*. Light lunch provided.

TECH CLASSES

Basic PC
Fridays at 10am

May 22
May 29

Adult Summer Reading Begins May 30!



City Wide
I CARE



Cleanup Initiative

i am a
leader
and
CARE

KICKOFF

DATE: SATURDAY
5.30.26

TIME: 9:30am

Location: Bessemer City Hall

Hosted By: The City of Bessemer and
The Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce

PURPOSE

In order for us to ensure that our city is one that we are proud to call home and conduct business in; we must work together to develop a cleanup initiative.

We would like for you, as a business/community leader/ organization or individual to be a part of the community "I CARE" cleanup initiative campaign.

Help us change
the mindset of
the people

It will help if
you let others
know YOU

CARE

Please contact our office if you have any questions (205) 425-3253.
Deadline to RSVP is Monday, May 18th



I CARE Campaign



ADOPT A MILE, BLOCK OR SPOT

Please Indicate: () Company () Individual () Organization () Fraternity () Sorority

Name: _____

Contact Person (s): _____

Contact #: _____

Email address: _____

Mailing address: _____

Project Coordinator Name (if different from contact person): _____

Preferred **Mile /Block/Spot** to Adopt:

How often do you plan to clean/maintain this area?

- Weekly
- Bi-weekly
- Monthly
- Other: _____

Please complete this form and return no later than May 18th to the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce by email: bessemerchamber.events@gmail.com or deliver to 321 North 18th Street Bessemer, AL 35020

Please contact our office if you have any questions (205) 425-3253

PLEASE TAKE BEFORE AND AFTER PHOTOS OF YOUR ADOPTED AREA

Chamber Member Spotlight

We're Shining the Chamber Spotlight On:



History

Charlie P's Fish & Wings began with a simple passion: serving fresh, flavorful food that brings people together. What started as a dream to offer quality fish, wings, and Southern-style comfort dishes has grown into a local favorite known for generous portions, great customer service, and meals made with care. Charlie P's takes pride in creating a welcoming experience for every guest who walks through their doors, staying true to their mission of good food, community, and hospitality.

Charlie P's offers a wide variety of freshly prepared meals, including fried fish, hot wings, chicken tenders, burgers, Philly sandwiches, quesadillas, loaded fries, and handmade juices. Their menu features generous portions and flavorful combinations that keep customers coming back. In addition to daily takeout, Charlie P's also provides catering services for events and gatherings, bringing their signature quality and care to any occasion.

Their favorite part of the business is serving the community and seeing customers enjoy their food. They love creating a welcoming atmosphere where families, friends, and visitors can come together for a good meal and a good experience. Building relationships with their customers and being an active part of the community means everything to them.



Contact Information:

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(205) 614-1639

(205) 997-7161

charliepsfishandwings@gmail.com

Facebook: Charlie P's Fish & Wings

TikTok: CharliePsfishwings

Hours of Operation:

Tues.-Thur. 11a.m.-5p.m.

Fri 11a.m.-7p.m.

Sat 11a.m.-5p.m.



Visit Charlie P's and tell them that the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce sent you!





Bessemer

Area Chamber of Commerce

Chamber Member Spotlight

Your spotlight will be featured in the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce Monthly Newsletter and Facebook page.

*This form should be returned to bessemerchamber.events@gmail.com within 5 to 7 days upon receipt. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions!

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM WITH 2 or 3 PHOTOS AND YOUR COMPANY LOGO.

Company/Organization: _____

Address: _____

Hours of Operation: _____

Owner(s)/Contact Representative(s): _____

Phone (include fax number): _____

E-mail: _____

Website/Social Media: _____

Give us a brief history. How did your business get started ? _____

What products and/or services do you offer? _____

What's your favorite part about your business/profession? _____

Feel free to use additional pages if needed.

Who's Hiring?



Bessemer Public Library

WE'RE HIRING

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OPEN POSITIONS:

- Administrative Assistant, Full-Time

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- Security / Quality Control
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- Retail
- Ride Operators

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Do you love working with kids?
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- Caring Teachers
- Teacher Assistants
- Positive Role Models

Why Join Busy Bee Academy?

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- Make a difference every day

Qualifications:

- Love for children
- Responsible & dependable
- Ready to learn & grow

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Bessemer, AL
205-425-9577

Where Little Learners Grow Big Dreams!



Diamond SPONSORSHIP \$20,000.00

- Title Sponsor of Annual Meeting
 - Includes Premium Seating of 8
- 1 page ad in Annual Meeting program
- Title Sponsor of Remembrance Honor & Awards Day
 - Includes Table of 8 & 3 VIP Passes
- Title Sponsor of Taste of Bessemer Job Fair & Business Expo
- Title Sponsor of Golf FORE Progress Tournament
- Title Sponsor of Bessemer Christmas Parade
- 2 page ad in 2026 *Bessemer Magazine*
- Table of 6 at Administrative Professionals Luncheon
- Up to \$1000 credit toward annual membership dues
- Sponsor of Ora H Foster Community Service Scholarship
- Chamber Newsletter *Connections* Spotlight
- 4 full page ads in Chamber's *Connections*
- Company Logo/website link on Chamber website
- Logo recognition at all major events
- Member listing with up to 5 representatives

Bronze SPONSORSHIP \$10,000.00

- Title Sponsor of Annual Meeting
 - Includes Premium Seating of 8 and Annual Meeting program 1page ad
- Title Sponsor of Remembrance Honor & Awards Day
 - Includes Table of 8 & 3 VIP Passes
- Title Sponsor of Taste of Bessemer Job Fair & Business Expo
- Silver Sponsor of Golf FORE Progress Tournament
- 1 ½ page ad in 2026 *Bessemer Magazine*
- Up to \$600 credit toward annual membership dues
- Winner Sponsor of City of Bessemer Christmas Parade
- 3 tickets to Administrative Professionals Luncheon
- 2 Full page ads in Chamber's *Connections*
- Company Logo/website link on Chamber website
- Logo recognition at all major events
- Member listing for up to 4 company representatives

Platinum SPONSORSHIP \$7,500.00

- Table of 8 + ½ page program ad - Annual Meeting
- Table of 8 & 1 VIP Pass at Remembrance Honor & Awards Day
- 1 ¼ page ad in 2026 *Bessemer Magazine*
- Tent Sponsor at Golf FORE Progress Tournament
- Sponsor of Taste of Bessemer Job Fair & Business Expo
- Up to \$400 credit toward annual membership dues
- Winner Sponsor of City of Bessemer Christmas Parade
- 1 full page ad in Chamber's *Connections*
- Member listing with up to 3 representatives

Gold SPONSORSHIP \$5,000.00

- Table of 8 + ¼ page program ad - Annual Meeting
- Table of 8 at Remembrance Honor & Awards Day
- 2026 *Bessemer Magazine* 1 full page ad
- Golf FORE Progress Tournament Team
- Up to \$200 credit toward annual membership dues
- Vendor space + 2 tickets at Taste of Bessemer
- Business After Hours sponsor (Combined Partners)
- Chamber's *Connections* ½ page ad
- 2 entries in Bessemer Christmas Parade

Silver SPONSORSHIP \$3,000.00

- 4 seats to Annual Meeting - with option to upgrade
- 4 tickets to Remembrance Honor & Awards Day
- 2026 *Bessemer Magazine* 1/6 page ad
- Golf "FORE" Progress Tournament Team
- 4 tickets to Taste of Bessemer

Small Business Partner SPONSORSHIP \$1,000.00

- 2 tickets to Annual Meeting - with option to upgrade
- 2026 *Bessemer Magazine* Business Card ad
- 1 ticket to Taste of Bessemer Job Fair & Business Expo
- 1 ticket to Remembrance Honor & Awards Day
- Chamber's *Connections* business card ad (1 issue)

2026 Sponsorship Investment

SPONSORSHIP INVESTMENT FORM

Please complete the form below and mail to:

321 18th Street North, Bessemer, AL 3502
or fax to 205-425-4979

**Please email a JPG copy of your company logo
to bessemerchamber.events@gmail.com.**

Company: _____

Contact (1) _____
(2) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

PH: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

ANNUAL INVESTMENT

Diamond _____ (\$20,000)	Bronze _____ (\$10,000)
Platinum _____ (\$7,500)	Gold _____ (\$5,000)
Silver _____ (\$3,000)	Small Business Partner _____ (\$1,000)

APPROVED BY:

PRINT NAME AND JOB TITLE:

Your signature indicates your agreement to pay the entire amount owed. Balance MUST be paid in full by March 31, 2026.

CHOOSE METHOD OF PAYMENT

_____ Annual (Due January 1, 2026)

Payment Options: ___ Check ___ Credit Card

CC# _____

Name on Card _____

Exp. Date _____ CVV# _____ Billing Zip _____

****Any events that are held but not listed will incur an additional cost.***



Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce

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