



Gahanna City Council Update September 25, 2023

MISSION

Growing travel to Gahanna to support local businesses and jobs, future investments, and the community.



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FUNDING

2019 – \$342,312.21

2020 - \$166,949.35 down 55% (from 2019)

2021 – \$189,014.23 down 45% (from 2019)

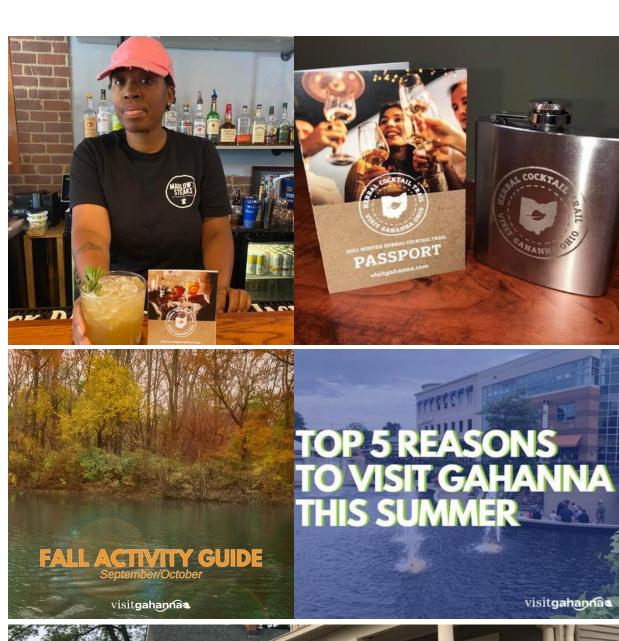
2022 — \$253,519.84 down 25% (from 2019)

2023 - \$178,677.15 to date

CONTINUED PROMOTIONS & INITIATIVES

Weekly Newsletter
Blogs
Celebratory Gatherings
Group Tours







EVENTS

Creekside Blues and Jazz Festival

Holiday Lights Celebration

Santa Race

Annual Meeting

Herb Day

Midweek at the Creek

Creekside Charity Chocolate Walk

Herb N' Restaurant Week

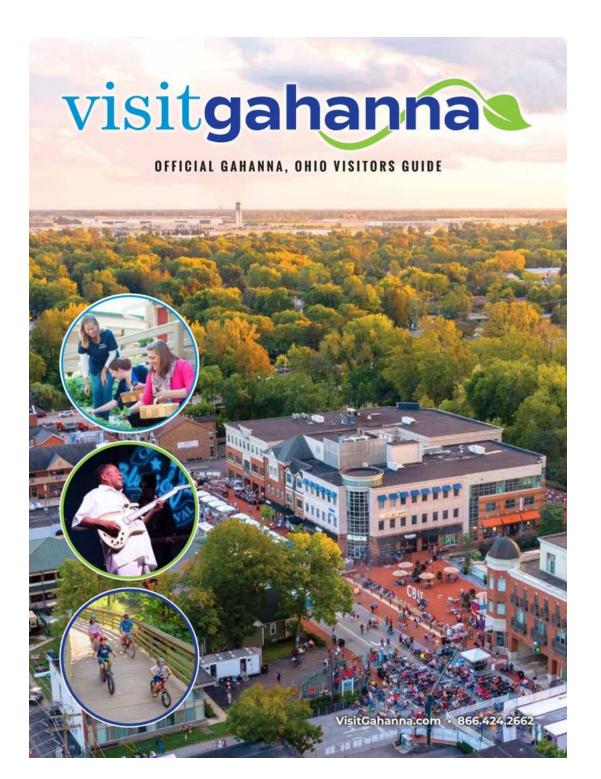
Santa Visits



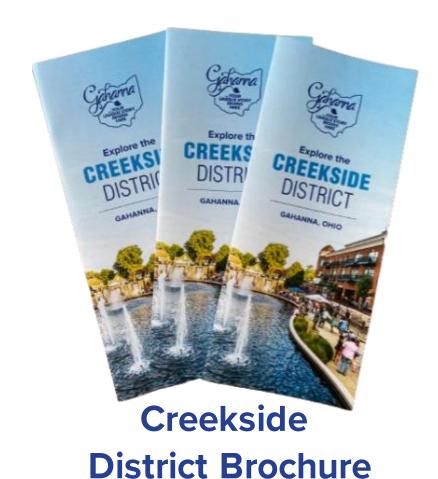




MARKETING MATERIALS ... we create & distribute



Visitors Guides





Historical Walking
Tour Brochure

WELCOME TO GAHANNA, OHIO

The Herb Capital Experience

Explore Gahanna, the "Herb Capital of Ohio" and Immerse Yourself in the World of Herbs and Plants



Herb Capital Experience Brochure



Make Your Next Event One to Remembe

Gahanna's unique charm as Herb Capital of Ohio, over 750 acres of scenic parkland and trails, local attractions, convenient accommodations, and close proximity downtown Columbus and the John Clern Columbus International Airport, make event. Gahanna's meeting and event facilities, exceptional catering options, and impressive customer service will ensure

help with planning your next event:

Comprehensive list of venues and banquet fac

Comprehensive vendor list
 Assistance with acquiring hotel room blocks
 Welcome bags for your guests
 Assistance with date selection based on local calendar events

Contact us today to learn more and start planning your next event in Gahan

Wedding and Event Guide



Herbal Cocktail Trail

PLACES WE ADVERTISEdigital and print

Columbus Monthly

Ohio Magazine

614 Magazine

City Scene Magazine

Columbus Dispatch

Ohio Tourism Guide

Experience Columbus Visitors Guide

Group Tour Magazine

Uniquely Gahanna/Gahanna Parks and Recreation Program Guides

















HOW MANY PEOPLEwe have reached so far in 2023

Over 36 million impressions – print and digital advertising (free and paid)

- # of website visits 64,114
- # of followers across social media channels 27,443
- # of Facebook users reached this year 324,899

OHIO HERB CENTER

Classes

Outreach

Group Tours

Gift Shop

Rentals

Gardens

















The Gahanna Convention & Visitors Bureau ("Visit Gahanna") is a 501(c)(6) not-for-profit destination marketing organization funded by a portion of the lodging tax dollars that are generated by overnight visitors to Gahanna hotels. The mission of Visit Gahanna is to grow travel to Gahanna to support local businesses and jobs, future investments, and the community.