



OHIO CHAMBER *of* COMMERCE

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A1. We are headquartered in downtown Columbus, the state capital. However, we conduct business in all areas of Ohio. Our office is located at 230 E. Town Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

A 2. The Ohio Chamber of Commerce is the leading business advocate association in the State of Ohio. We have 8 lobbyist on staff, and are the voice of our members when legislation negatively or positively impacts business. We do not get involved with local issues, or host many networking events or ribbon cuttings.

A3. No. Joining your local chamber is very beneficial for local contacts and issues. The Ohio Chamber of Commerce works on state-wide issues to benefit all Ohioan's. Most of our members are also members of their local chamber. The memberships are separate.

A4. There are many different levels of membership. We loosely use your company's gross revenue as a guide. However, the cost of membership is also determined on your desired level of engagement. If you are interested in talking to a representative please fill out an application [here](#), and someone will get back with you within 24 hours.

A5. No. Even though our names are similar, you need to contact the Ohio Department of Commerce. We are not a state agency.

A6. The Ohio Chamber of Commerce is a registered 501 (c)(6) organization. We receive our funding from membership dues. We do not receive any state or federal funds.

A7. There is free parking for Ohio Chamber of Commerce members behind our building off of Chapel Avenue. There are several spaces in the middle of the lot. Please do not park in a space reserved for STAFF



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ONLY. If those spots are full, metered parking is available in front of the building on Town Street. We will not reimburse you for your meter expense, or pay any parking tickets.

A8. The Ohio Department of Transportation is the best resource for a map of Ohio. Please visit their website [here](#).

A10. Yes, please email occ@ohiochamber.com with your issue and someone will respond within 24 hours (unless it is on a weekend or holiday)

A12. The Ohio Chamber of Commerce has 8 standing committees. They are the lifeblood of the Ohio Chamber. They study the needs of Ohio's business community and recommend policy to the board of directors. The committees include:

1. Education & Workforce Development
2. Employment Law
3. Energy & Environment
4. Healthcare
5. Ohio Small Business Council
6. Public Affairs
7. Taxation & Public Expenditures
8. Workers Compensation

If you are a member, and would like to get involved on a committee, please email Sherry Heffner at sheffner@ohiochamber.com

If you are NOT a member and would like to get involved, please fill out an application [here](#) and someone will contact you within 24 hours.

A13. Most of our events are reserved for members. We have an annual meeting every year, a policy conference every other year, and on-going committee meetings. We partner with M.E.C. to host educational conferences throughout the year. You can see a list of those



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[conferences here](#). We also host HR Academy Ohio – which offers webinars and in person symposiums discussing relevant human resource issues. Visit that [website here](#).