



## February Newsletter



## Spotlight of the Month...



# Bank of Farmington



Canton Main Street is happy to announce The Bank of Farmington as the February Spotlight of the Month. The Bank of Farmington Canton branch is located at 2115 N Main St. The Canton branch will be celebrating 15 years of service to the community this year!

[Read More!](#)

## Valentines Day is right around the

**corner!**



**Ribeye Steak Dinner at Official Time Out  
on Valentines Day! Make your  
reservastions now!**

[Learn More!](#)





## **Chocolate Covered Strawberries from The Sweet Shoppe! Don't miss out!**

[Learn More!](#)



**There is still time to place your order  
with Princess Creations Cakes! Offering  
a variety of sweet treats!**

[Learn More!](#)



**Fullers Jewelry! You can never go wrong  
with jewelry for Valentines Day!**

[Learn More!](#)



**Georgia Rae's Valentines Baskets!  
Fella's get your ladies one of these!**

[Learn More!](#)



## BE A PART OF BUILDING A THRIVING DOWNTOWN

*Canton Main Street wants to give you every reason to support its downtown! Owning a business or building, shopping downtown, or enjoying events in the park... whatever the reason, we want you to "Take It Downtown!"*

## WHAT IS CANTON MAIN STREET?

Canton Main Street is dedicated to making Canton's downtown a vibrant, thriving center for the community. We are a volunteer-driven organization under the umbrella of the Spoon River Partnership for Economic Development made up of business owners, everyday citizens, active retirees, students and community leaders.

Main Street programs focus upon restoring and revitalizing downtowns through restoration of historic buildings and their facades; developing events and activities that will draw residents and visitors downtown; economic development and marketing that will help businesses located in the downtown area, or bring new businesses downtown; and developing comprehensive design for the look and feel of the downtown area.

Canton Main Street became a designated Main Street Community through Illinois Main Street in March of 2009 and is a current member of Main Street America.

## GROW WITH US?



## CONNECT WITH US!

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Like us on Facebook!



### MEMBERSHIP...

Become a business, organization, or individual member!

Become a board member or serve on one of our committees!



### DEVELOPMENT...

Starting a new business? We have the resources and connections to help you get started!



**SPOON RIVER  
PARTNERSHIP**  
for Economic Development



### EVENTS...

Sponsor one, some or all of our events; receive advertising in return!

Volunteer through planning or working at one of our events!

**Renew or become a new member of Canton Main Street today!**

[CMS Membership Form](#)

**Thank you new and renewing members!**

Blue Cottage, LLC, Canton VFW 1984, Edward Jones - Maggie Cecil, Fullers Jewelry, Keefer Financial Ince., MidAmerica National Bank, Rhoades Real Estate & Land Auction Services, Inc., Canton Youth Acres, Ron & Cheryl Bielema, Darlene King, Carol Kohler, Kevin & Debbie Stephenson, and Bill & Missy Towery.



**Barnhart,  
Tinsman &  
Associates, Ltd.**



**Progressive  
Vision Center**

**Monical's Pizza**



**Josie's Tap**



**Bank of  
Farmington**

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*Thank  
you*

## **A Message from the Spoon River Partnership for Economic Development (SRPED)...**



### **Fulton County Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant**

On Tuesday, February 8th the Fulton County Board approved for SRPED to administer a \$700,000 grant program for small businesses negatively impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic, for all of Fulton County and its' business owners. Applications for the FCSBG program will be available, along with the FAQ Sheet, Program Overview, and Eligibility Guidelines on Monday, February 15th, both at our offices at 48 N. Main St. and online at [cantonillinois.org](http://cantonillinois.org).

Grant will range from \$2,500 - \$50,000, and applications will be made available Monday, February 15th, both on the [cantonillinois.org](http://cantonillinois.org) website and in hard copy at 48 N. Main St. in Canton. Please contact Cole McDaniel at the Spoon River Partnership for Economic Development at 309-573-1422 or by email at

[cmcdaniel@cantonillinois.org](mailto:cmcdaniel@cantonillinois.org) to determine eligibility and apply. Technical Assistance Sessions will be held throughout Fulton County starting with one in Canton in late February hosted by SRPED and CACC. More details on the technical assistance meetings will be forthcoming.

I would encourage anyone who would like to apply or to know more about the program, reach out to me to schedule an appointment as soon as possible. This program will help to assist those business owners that are still struggling from the COVID-19 Pandemic, that have received the least amount of grant assistance from other Federal and State Programs.

I want to personally thank the Fulton County Board and Elected Officials for supporting this program from its first introduction 4 months ago. The support for the business community from our local leaders all over the county has been vital to our ability to remain resilient, and isn't something you can find just anywhere. Thank you to all that were involved with helping move this program forward.



SRPED is dedicated to serving as a catalyst for economic and community development. Our mission is to create community partnerships, business opportunities, and implement programs and projects that foster growth and development.

**SRPED Website**



**President:** Dana Smith  
Carol Kohler, Eric Duffield, Jason Coulter, Kevin Stephenson, Barry Blackwell, Ryan Spangler, and Jodi Wilcoxon.

**Staff Members:** Cole McDaniel and Amanda Woodruff

Canton Main Street is committed to the revitalization and preservation of Canton's historic downtown by promoting a positive community image, fostering downtown business growth and development, and encouraging ongoing efforts to improve the heart of our community.

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