

2025

Membership Guide

Mission

To actively facilitate the development and promotion of an economic climate encouraging business creation and expansion; initiate cooperation and communication in our community while enhancing quality of life in the City of Bowman and surrounding areas.



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Support
LOCAL
BOWMAN COUNTY

Board of Directors



As we reflect on the past year, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks for your unwavering support and commitment to Bowman Area Chamber of Commerce. Your dedication as a member has been integral to the success and growth of our Chamber. Your active involvement, valuable insights, and collaborative spirit have played a vital role in shaping the vibrant community that we represent.

We deeply appreciate the trust you have placed in us as your board. Your membership not only strengthens the Chamber, but also amplifies the collective impact we have on the local business community. Together, we've fostered a dynamic and supportive network that encourages growth, innovation, and collaboration.

Once again, thank you for being an essential part of Bowman Area Chamber of Commerce. We are truly honored to have you as a member. Should you have any suggestions or questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. Together, we will continue to build a thriving and supportive businesses community.

Wishing you a successful year ahead!

Sincerely,

Board of Directors

Bowman Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors

2024 Board of Directors



Emily Bostyan
President* (2025)



Beth Criswell
Vice President* (2025)



Kristy Pagel
Secretary* (2027)



Josh Buchmann
Treasurer* (2025)



Brooklyn Engelhart
EDC Rep.



Becky Brooks
(2026)



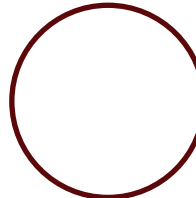
Aurora Wallman
(2027)



Kady York
(2026)



Ryan Shear
(2027)



Open Position
(2026)

*Indicates 2024 Officer

Membership Benefits



INCREASE YOUR EXPOSURE

- Member Favorite* • Business listing on BowmanND.com's "Business Directory"
 - Be a Chamber Bonus Bucks participating business
- Member Favorite* • Ability to participate in and sponsor events that support the community and drive commerce
 - Have your social media posts reach more when shared on our page
 - Ability to post jobs, events, and hot deals on the Chamber website or social media
 - Be the focus of a Business Highlight press release any time your business expands, transfers, opens a new location, or has a major anniversary

EXPAND YOUR NETWORK

- Annual Meeting
- Member Favorite* • Monthly updates and emails on community happenings, events, and meetings

BUSINESS SERVICES

- Access to free notary service
- Member Favorite* • Member-only visitor and customer referrals
- Professional development discounts for Fusion and business education courses

COMMUNITY

Perhaps the most important reason to belong to the Chamber is the impact you will have on your community. Your membership supports an organization that builds community, creates quality of life, and promotes its businesses. A membership opens up opportunities exclusive to Chamber members. Event participation and sponsorship gets your business and name in front of an even larger audience. Your Chamber membership dollars are an investment not only in your business, but in your community.

Maximizing Membership



Your Chamber membership is a lot like a gym membership. Just as a gym provides a variety of tools to help you reach your fitness goals - such as free-weights, treadmills, and stair-steppers - your Chamber membership offers valuable resources to help you achieve your business goals. However, just like with a gym, the true benefits come when you actively engage with these tools.

The Chamber offers several tools designed to boost your business success. Your online business listing, for instance, is optimized with Google search engine keywords, increasing your visibility. Additional features, like job listings, further enhance your exposure. Plus, our Chamber Bonus Bucks program helps drive customers through your doors while keeping dollars local.

Take full advantage of these tools to help your business grow and thrive!

CHECK OFF THESE STEPS TO MAXIMIZE YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY:

- Refresh your member listing. Keep us updated on any email, address, or phone number changes. (See enclosed “Membership Contact Form”)
- Upgrade your membership to receive added benefits through the Enhanced Website Listing.
- Familiarize your employees with Chamber Bonus Bucks.
- Post job openings on the Chamber’s website.
- Let us know when you have a Facebook post that can be shared.
- Take advantage of the discounted professional development opportunities. There are an array of classes and opportunities offered that many businesses can take advantage of.
- Join one of our three committees in a focus area that interests you. This can enhance your visibility with the Chamber and allow you to contribute to initiatives.
- Encourage other businesses to join the Chamber. A growing membership benefits everyone.

Bonus Bucks Advantages



CHAMBER BONUS BUCKS – KEEP IT LOCAL

Bowman Area Chamber of Commerce is happy to offer the Chamber Bonus Bucks Program in Bowman County. The program is designed to keep dollars local. Chamber Bonus Bucks are a great way to reward employees, offer giveaways, or give thoughtful gifts to friends and family.

Bonus Bucks can be purchased at the Bowman Area Chamber of Commerce office for any amount in \$5, \$10, and \$20 denominations and can be used for goods or services at any Chamber member place of business.

As a Chamber member, please make sure your staff is familiar with the program. When you receive payment in the form of Chamber Bonus Bucks, simply deposit them just like any check.



Chamber Choice Awards



The Chamber is happy to recognize outstanding businesses and volunteers in our community. Each year members of our communities nominate a business or volunteer who went above and beyond. A committee reviews the nominees and selects the awardees. A prize package valued up to \$250 is awarded.

2024 BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

2024 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Nominations Open: January 30, 2025

Nomination Deadline: February 28, 2025

Nomination Forms: bowmannd.com/chamber/chamber-choice-awards

Join a Committee



Your involvement is valuable to the Chamber and your feedback directly impacts the events, projects, and programs we host. We invite you to join one of the three Chamber committees that best aligns with your interests.

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE

To support long-standing Chamber initiatives that support and celebrate agriculture in our region as well as exploring new ways to honor the ag industry.

Key Events and Initiatives

- High School Rodeo (June)
 - Ag Appreciation Banquet (October)
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BUSINESS SUPPORT COMMITTEE

To provide continuing education and training, support initiatives that indirectly support local businesses, and celebrate local businesses.

Key Events and Initiatives

- Education Discounts and Opportunities
 - Chamber Choice Awards (March)
 - Bowman County Classic (April)
 - Bowman County Fair Parade (July)
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SMALL BUSINESS COMMITTEE

To directly support and foster business opportunities and promotion for local businesses.

Key Events and Initiatives

- Rock the Block (TBD)
- Trick or Treating on Main (October)
- Ladies Night Out (November)
- Gift Card Flash Sale (November)
- Christmas Promotions (December)

Events



Bowman County Classic
April 5 - 6, 2025



Around the World
April 25, 2025



North Dakota High School Rodeo Finals
June 11 - 15, 2025



Bowman County Fair Parade
July 13, 2025



Rock the Block
TBD



Ag Appreciation Banquet
October 29, 2025



Trick or Treating on Main Street
October 31, 2025



Ladies Night Out
November 21, 2025



Gift Card Flash Sale
November 12, 2025



Pictures with Santa
December 3, 2025

Pre-Sponsor Events on Your 2025 Invoice!