

December Report 2023

DOWNTOWN CHATTANOGA A L L I A N C E



Executive Director

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The Downtown Chattanooga Alliance (DCA) wrapped up it's 4th year of delivering services when December 2023 came to an end. It was a year the organization continued to grow as proud supporters of Downtown and a strong voice for our property owners, businesses, and residents. We had many accomplishments this year, highlighted by Randi delivering a baby on Broad St and installing the 4th street planters to enhance the beautification of downtown.

December was a busy month in the district. There were many visitors downtown who enjoyed the attractions, businesses and restaurants. However, the big draw was the City of Chattanooga's New Years Eve celebration. The DCA embraced the City on this initiative and provided event support leading up, during and after the event. This spectacular event brought thousands to the district to support our businesses and prove downtown is a clean, safe and beautiful place for all to enjoy. Feedback has been positive, with one business stating,

"It was absolutely outstanding. We had a record-breaking Sunday. Highest sales in 22 years. We are ready for this again next year."

It's amazing that 2024 will mark the beginning of year five for the DCA. It seemed like yesterday we were forming the DCA and launching the ambassador program. Year five is a bench mark for the DCA and pursuant to Chattanooga City Code, Chapter 11, Article XXI Section 11-534 – TERM - On the fifth (5th) anniversary of the formation of the Downtown CBID, the CBID Board will complete formal evaluation to determine whether the services and assessment methods are consistent with the needs of the District.

The DCA Board of Directors has retained the services of Jim Kennedy to complete the formal evaluation. Jim will conduct one-on-one interviews with 34 downtown stakeholders and email a survey directly 184 property owners, businesses and residents. The survey link will also be posted in our newsletter. As the interviews and surveys are completed, Jim will compile the information and make a recommendation to the DCA Board if the program should continue for another five years or pursue dissolution in accordance with T.C.A. § 7-84-529.

The DCA continues to be grateful for the continued support of our members, property owners, residents, partners, and stakeholders. We look forward to a very successful 2024 for Downtown Chattanooga.





Cleaning Highlights

Accomplishments

During the month of December, Downtown Chattanooga Alliance Ambassadors achieved the following special projects and cleaning accomplishments.

1. Removed 154 graffiti tags and stickers observed around the district, an increase of 196% when compared to November 2023.

2. Cleaned 82 biohazards, a 17% increase when compared to November 2023.

3. Performed weed abatement on 5 blocks.

4. Cleaned 275 trash cans, a decrease of 12% when compared to November 2023.

5. Power washed stains and smells for 47 hours a decrease of 31% when compared to November 2023.



Hardy vacuums up leaves with the ATLV.



Hospitality Highlights

Accomplishments

During the month of December, Downtown Chattanooga Alliance Ambassadors achieved the following hospitality accomplishments.

1. Provided 1,310 directions and recommendations a decrease of 30% when compared to November 2023.

2. Conducted 110 business checks, an increase of 8% when compared to November 2023.

3. Provided 11 motorist assists, an increase of 266% when compared to November 2023.



Katie helps a woman back into her car.



Cleaning Statistics

August 2020 through December 2023

		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Biohazard Clean Up	'20								77	62	38	32	22	231
	'21	31	21	18	49	76	64	98	81	61	118	109	116	842
	'22	100	64	109	102	118	67	115	100	83	69	70	40	1037
	'23	62	79	45	43	43	33	46	80	93	128	70	82	804
Business Trash	'23							1457	1576	1580	1780	1235	1448	9076
City Can Trash	'23							336	301	427	327	324	311	2026
DCA Trash	'23							45	60	60	55	20	13	253
Graffiti/Stickers - Removed	'20								753	183	122	148	109	1315
	'21	42	36	99	47	117	49	98	149	171	189	73	178	1248
	'22	109	141	175	125	177	155	271	170	152	209	72	74	1830
	'23	123	146	78	82	154	69	164	250	162	229	52	154	1663
Power Washing (hours)	'20								19	71	95	44	42	271
	'21	73	62	105	82	48	17	7	90	22	35	1	65	607
	'22	36	37	25	23	38	17	45	50	46	65	57	56	495
	'23	5	21	15	14	3	8		14	61	68	68	47	324
Special Project (hours)	'20								366	300	280	233	171	1350
	'21	172	157	169	198	203	161	244	252	241	186	367	245	2595
	'22	139	116	123	244	272	216	263	205	284	183	154	71	2270
	'23	61	62	59	108	92	130	228	258	277	331	195	185	1986
Trash Cans Cleaned	'21			171	533	401	166	289	696	475	847	381	346	4305
	'22	360	313	245	393	553	292	525	535	455	253	265	249	4438
	'23	271	258	267	215	419	223	299	306	426	293	314	275	3566
Weed Abatement (block faces)	'20								25	209	45	23	13	315
	'21	4	15	26	58	23	32	67	26	43	98	14	20	426
	'22	15	38	42	85	43	25	71	103	117	51	32	29	651
	'23		28	21	19	88	87	71	67	56	7		5	449

Stats are based on Block by Block's SMART tracking app.



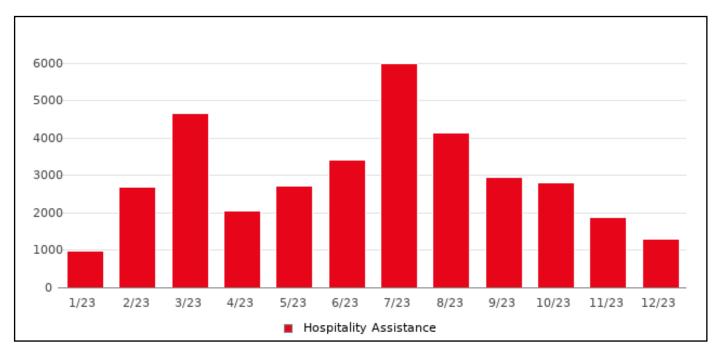
Hospitality Statistics

August 2020 through December 2023

		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Business Contact	'20								57	42	62	93	91	345
	'21	45	112	66	120	187	26	35	46	50	17	45	40	789
	'22	45	71	62	50	116	49	143	134	147	75	90	123	1105
	'23	81	126	175	57	107	87	73	96	138	111	102	110	1263
Hospitality Assistance	'20								1370	2691	1364	1125	711	7261
	'21	466	762	2133	3468	2879	3076	2457	2561	2776	7014	9374	4684	41650
	'22	803	1310	5483	3104	3294	2193	3694	2747	3358	3301	1558	1297	32142
	'23	980	2695	4532	2167	2734	3197	6213	4153	2965	2822	1881	1310	35649
Motorist Assist	'20								42	31	10	3	1	87
	'21	3	6	6	5	11	9	11	9	10	9	6	2	87
	'22	2	15	16	13	23	8	11	11	3	2	4	8	116
	'23	9	8	7	3	5	3	8	4	3	3	3	11	67

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Hospitality Assistance -- January 2023 through December 2023



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Before and After



Before photo of clothes in parking garage.



Before photo of graffiti on light pole.



After photo of clothes picked up.



Graffiti removed from light pole.



Broken electrical cover on Broad St.



Graffiti on newspaper box.



Cover fixed by EPB on Broad St.



Graffiti removed from newspaper box.



Ambassador Team in Action



Hardy picks up trash left on Market St.



Jake collects sign and returns to property owner.



Hardy uses the leaf machine to clean up Broad St.



Tony blows leaves into the street to be cleaned up.



Randi offers assistance on Market St.



Jake vacuums up Broad St after New Years Eve.



LaShawn offers resource assistance.



Tony sweeps up coffee beans on Power Alley.

