

BRISBANE 101



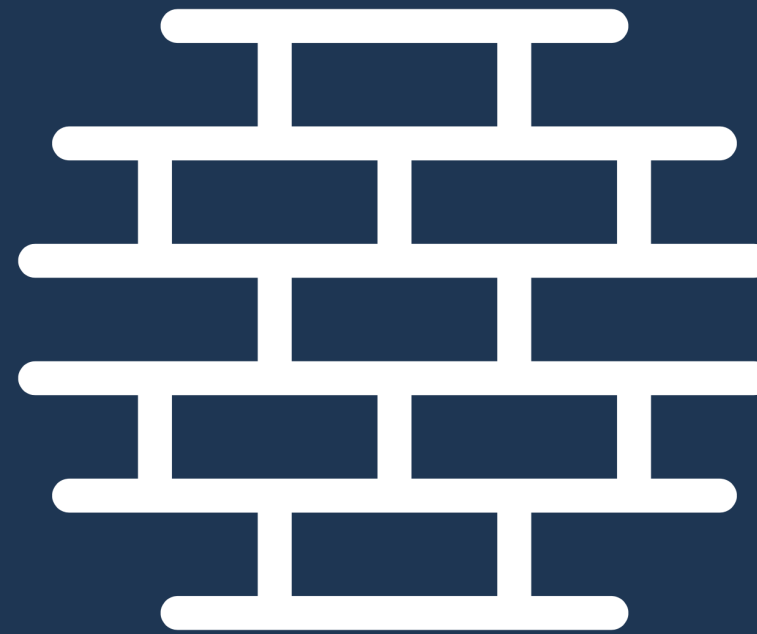
Brisbane Chamber of Commerce

CHAMBER GOALS



FOSTER

a productive and profitable
business climate



BUILD

relationships that can positively
impact the business environment



CONNECT

people, programs,
information, and resources

HISTORY

The Brisbane Chamber of Commerce got its start before Brisbane officially became a city. The Chamber formed in December 1944 and coordinated many of the city's events at that time. In addition, the Chamber established one of Brisbane's first publications, The Brisbane News Bulletin. This paper provided the residents of Brisbane with information about local businesses, town gossip, as well as critical news about issues impacting the community.



HISTORY

Absent a city government, the Brisbane Chamber of Commerce took the responsibility of helping Brisbane get its footing in its early years. We raised funds for much-needed infrastructure, helped organize police and fire resources, arranged town hall meetings to bring the community together to discuss key issues, and advocated on Brisbane's behalf at many Board of Supervisors meetings. The Chamber also established some of the city's most cherished traditions such as hanging stars on homes during the holidays, which is why Brisbane is also referred to as the "City of Stars." From the very beginning, the Brisbane Chamber of Commerce has not only worked to enhance the businesses of Brisbane, but the community as a whole.



TODAY

The Brisbane Chamber of Commerce is non-profit 501(c)(6) organization created through a partnership of businesses, civic leaders, and residents working together to enhance Brisbane's economic landscape. Our members include businesses of all sizes, in a myriad of sectors. From sole proprietorships to Fortune 500 companies, the chamber works in collaboratively with businesses to help increase their visibility in the community, connect them with vital resources, and advocate for their interests at the local, regional, and state levels.



WHAT WE DO

- We organize regular mixers
- Grand opening ribbon-cutting ceremonies
- Send out a weekly newsletter
- Produce Brisbane's only business and community journal, *The Luminary*
- Provide college scholarships
- Coordinate a job-shadowing program for students
- Host Brisbane's State of the City Address
- Arrange Candidate's Night During Election Year
- Make stars during the holiday
- Assist the city on business related projects such as the Small Business Grant Program



QUESTIONS?

