

2025



LIVINGSTON PARISH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Annual Report 2025

2025 Board

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Quality Engineering

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Aaron Ellis Attorney

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Dianna Tassin
Mears Sand & Gravel

April Wehrs
Chamber President

2025 - IT'S THE PEOPLE

Livingston Parish continues to attract businesses and industry through both new projects and expansions. In 2025, several projects were announced. [We've linked those here.](#)

This past year, we participated in the first Livingston Parish Day at the Capitol. It's important to represent our area at all levels. We also partnered with Livingston Parish Public Schools to launch a job shadowing program to over 400 high school students.

As an organization, we continue to attract our own talented crews through engaged board and committee members. Our staff team is solid and knowledgeable. The commitment on all levels is impressive keeping the Chamber on track and solid. You are invited to take a committee test drive to next level your business.

We hope you are as proud of being part of the Chamber as we are to have you. Our doors are always open if you have a thought, an idea, history to share and of course, talk about your business.

Here's to 2026!

2025 CHAMBER LEADERSHIP



2025 BOARD CHAIR
DERIC MURPHY
QUALITY ENGINEERING &
SURVEYING

APRIL WEHRS
CHAMBER
PRESIDENT / CEO

2,990,245

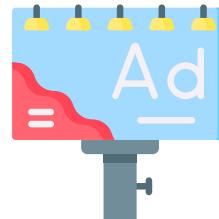
ONLINE SEARCH 2025

Chamber Members benefitted from the online member directory reach of **2,990,245** plus **692,999** banner ad impressions.



146,691

Page Views website
Reach with **90,582**
Sessions



2,990,245

Member Directory
Searches Plus **692,999**
Banner Ad Impressions



2,870,688

Social Media Views
inc. **44,043** Followers



35,978

Email Read
Correspondence

JOB LISTINGS FOR MEMBERS

1,078,705

Views in Jobs Group

4,540

Web Job Hits

21,563

Group Members



How members use
the jobs feature to
fill open positions

ONLINE PRESENCE MATTERS

- Press - News Releases Feature
- Livingston Parish Business Blog
- Livingston Parish Jobs Board
- We manage 18 Facebook groups



139 / 3,259
EVENTS / ATTENDEES

CONNECTIONS IN 2025



Small Biz Events
Events 50 or Less
Roundtables
Ribbon Cuttings



Leadership Development Opportunities
Committees / Councils
Leadership Development



Signature Events with 200 or More Attendees
Awards / Women's
GALA / GOLF



Business Briefings and Governmental
Ongoing - plus
New offers for 2025

INCLUDING

- 25,000 Employees / Jobs
- Ribbon Cuttings
- Ops to Intro your Business
- 71 Committee Meetings
- Leadership Project Reveals
- plus - Industry Updates

Annual Meeting Highlights

Keynote: Ben McDonald

ESPN Sports Analyst
MLB Pitcher / LSU Pitcher
local Denham Springs native

Plus: featured music by local
recording artist, **David St.
Romain**



Ben McDonald - MLB Pitcher - ESPN Sports Analyst

Livingston Parish Business, Professional Awards

Small Business of the Year

Alvin Fairburn & Associates

Medium Business of the Year

Baton Rouge Physical Therapy

Large Business of the Year

Martin Brower

Legacy Business of the Year

Denham Springs Radiator

New Business of the Year

Marlie's Restaurant

Main Street Business of the Year

Cavalier House Books

Women's Leadership Awards

- Nancy David
- Maurice Durbin
- Shayna Landry
- Bobbi Jo Guerin

Livingston Future 5 Awards

- Kevin Triche
- Dr. Celeste Carlo
- David Hofstetter
- Jenny Richardson Fore
- Justin Bryson

Community Impact Award

- Sheriff's Christmas Crusade

Governmental Affairs

Business Priorities

Hot topics - 2025

Moratorium / Zoning * CCS * Insurance reform * Tariffs * BBB – Big Beautiful Bill * Announcement of the DS Conference Center | Hosted:



Local items

Parish President Randy Delatte, State of the Parish, * Mayor Gerard Landry, City of Denham Springs * Hosted WSP – to line out the zoning and maps * Bootcamp for candidates partnership * fire district tax / PARDS tax

State

Livingston Parish Day at the Capitol * I-12 Corridor – Day at the Capitol * LABI's – State Business Priorities Update * Insurance reform bills * Richard Nelson – LA Department of Revenue / Secretary on the ballot amendment.

Randy Delatte - Parish President

Chamber's Annual State of the Parish



Mayor Gerard Landry / Denham Springs Announces the Conference Center / Hotel at the Chamber's October Meeting



I-12 Corridor Chambers Day at the Capitol Governmental Affairs



Keep up with current programming here -

Education Initiatives

Career & Workforce

For decades, the Livingston Parish Chamber has been proud to partner with Livingston Parish Public Schools in support of our Livingston Parish students and future workforce.

Through our education initiatives, thousands of students have benefited from the collective business community's involvement facilitated through the Chamber, its Education Committee, and its members. What began as a scholarship program over 30 years ago has escalated into career exploration and mentorship for students.

Today, we are excited to take this partnership even further.

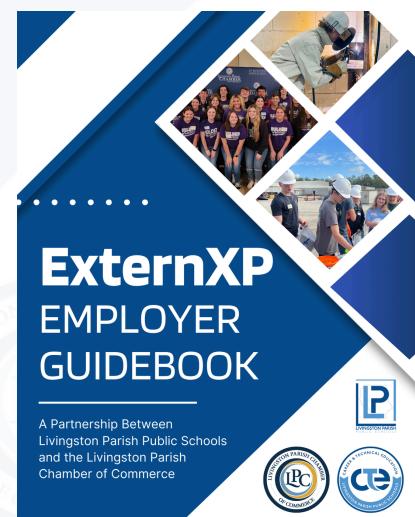
Together, we are launching Extern XP — a job-shadowing initiative designed to connect students with career experiences. By leveraging the Chamber's existing business platform, which includes over 500 local employers, students will be able to explore career paths and gain hands-on insight into various industries.

The Chamber will provide a simple "How-To Guide" to help you list your externship (job shadowing) opportunities on our site, where students can explore available positions and learn about your organization. Our Chamber team will also be available to assist with listings and updates throughout the process.

Thank you, as always, for your partnership, your generosity, and your shared commitment to the success of Livingston Parish.

With sincere appreciation,

April Wehrs
President & CEO
Livingston Parish Chamber of
Commerce
and the Livingston Parish
Chamber of Commerce



GALA

Theme: "Masquerade"

Registered: 275 Date: March 2025

Our biggest year to date! Supporting the Livingston Chamber Foundation and the LP Community.

[Get the recap here.](#)



PRESENTING SPONSOR - RESTORATION 1

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GOLF OUTING 30TH ANNUAL

2025 marked 30 Years of the longest running golf outing in Livingston Parish.

Theme: "Party Like It's 1995"

Attendees: 320 plus

Teams: 38

Hole set-ups: 35, a record, hole sponsors set on the course

[See all the fun photos here.](#)



Presenting Sponsor:

REV Business takes the win with their theme!

Livingston Chamber Foundation

The Livingston Chamber Foundation was formed in 2017 to support community initiatives important to the local business community.



GALA tie in - When businesses support Gala, they support each of the projects across the parish. All funds raised stay here, impacting thousands of local citizens, causes, and initiatives. These projects range from parks built throughout Livingston Parish to support for local schools, law enforcement, and animal control initiatives for 2025. All playing a part in better quality of life and place.

2025 LP Community Impact

**\$ 87,400 funds * 1870 Volunteer Hours * 6060 + Impacted
Plus \$ 20,000 donations * 150 hours Gala team**



**2025 - Walker DISC Golf Course
Funds: \$ 40,000**



**2025 - Bullet Proof Vests for K-9's
Funds: \$ 5,685**



2025 - The Adopt a Senior
exploded to over 400 seniors. In addition, the foundation sponsored the Council on Aging Thanksgiving lunch for seniors.



2025 - LP Women's Conference

Women's Leadership Conference - "Bet on Yourself"

Keynote Speaker - Kiran Chawla.

Kiran's journey from front line news anchor to running her own business was a story that truly resonated with betting on yourself.

Jen Gomez - The Joyful Strategist

Presenting Sponsor: Alexis Ducoriber
State Farm

Over 325 Registered 14 Expo Booths



**CELEBRATING
10 YEARS!**

2025 - Young Professionals

Celebrating 10 Years!

2025 marked the 10 year anniversary of the launch of the program. The program experienced a reset that included bringing back the YP Conference with speakers Justin Barksdale, Laine Hardy - American Idol Winner and Paxton Moreaux - CEO of Off the Hook Restaurants. The conference had nearly 100 attendees.

There are 80 members of the LYP program.

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LEADERSHIP LIVINGSTON + COMMUNITY PROJECTS



Left to right: April Wehrs - Facilitator, Lisa Frey - City of Walker, Hailey Russell - The Kinchen Group, Shane Rogers - Rogers Service Group, Sandy Acardo - LP Clerk of Court, Jessica Perrault, Brandon Cohea - Florida Parish Human Services Authority, Kayla Rogers - Ochsner, Duane Black - DS City Court, Laura Dunlap - LP Sadd, Don McPherson- Bank of Zachary, Marlie Stilley - North Oaks Health System, Jim Gilbert - DS City Council, Amanda Cook - Robertson State Farm, Lauren Crow - DSLD, Steven Lea - Martin Brower, Stephanie Harris - Rev Business, David Gray - Livingston Parish Library, Jessica Legath - Entergy, Jason Harris - LPSO, Colleen Bible - OLOL, Diana Tassin - Mears Sand & Gravel, Chris Anderson, LP Government, Grace Kennedy - Forte & Tablada, Inc.



2025 Projects -

The Zoomies Facility Upgrades
Funds: \$ 12,115 | 200 hours

Pine Ridge Library Upgrades
Funds: \$ 7,500 | 100 hours

Beds for Foster Care
Funds: \$ 21,600 | 100 hours

TOP 25 INVESTORS FOR 2025

