Welcome

Tucked in the Ozark Mountains, near pristine wilderness areas and spring-fed streams, the City of West Plains attracts nature lovers, entrepreneurs, and families searching for a small-town feel with big-city conveniences. As the largest city within 100 miles of south-central Missouri, West Plains provides the most options for lodging, dining, outfitting, and other services unavailable at the final destination. *Make it happen here* is more than just a slogan to us. . .thousands of people enjoy the comforts of great schools, quality healthcare, higher education, and the progressive spirit of entrepreneurship to make their own lives happen here. We hope you enjoy your visit to West Plains, truly a place where you can experience life on *your* terms.

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Downtown

The "Courthouse Square" Historic District is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and along with Washington Avenue is at the center of the city's rich history. Whether stopping at the West Plains Opera House building to enjoy fine dining or an adult beverage, shopping for collectibles at the Downtown Antique Mall, or just browsing the many specialty shops and restaurants in the area, there is plenty for shopping and dining enthusiasts. Downtown is also home to the Ozarks Small Business Incubator, which helps "homegrown" entrepreneurs create small businesses of their own!

Festivals and Events

West Plains hosts a number of events, activities and festivals throughout the year that appeal to all ages. The heritage of the Ozarks is celebrated in West Plains during the third weekend in June during the Old Time Music Ozark Heritage Festival, which draws thousands of people to West Plains each year and is the city's signature event. The city also hosts Bluegrass Festivals twice a year, the summertime Heart of the Ozarks Fair, the drink and beverage tasting events Brewfest and The Taste of Missouri, a Halloween-themed Haunting in the Hollows event at Galloway Park, an official downtown Christmas tree lighting, and numerous other civic-sponsored events throughout the year.

Scenic Beauty

The Mark Twain National Forest provides much of the scenic beauty of the Ozarks Heritage Region, with a wealth of outdoor recreational activities within its borders. With more than 40 campgrounds and picnic sites, 350 miles of floatable streams, 63,000 wilderness acres, and 125 miles of trails for hikers, bikers and horseback riders, the region is a goldmine for outdoor enthusiasts. Hunters, fishermen, rafters, kayakers and explorers from all over the country routinely visit the area, with easy access to a West Plains eatery or hotel just minutes away.

Recreation

The West Plains Civic Center, located strategically in the downtown area, is a local landmark that hosts sporting events, concerts, and cultural programs within its confines, drawing thousands of people to the city each year. For art aficionados, the unique Avenue Theater - built in 1950 - serves as a community theater and provides programming throughout the year, and the Yellow House Community Arts Center serves as a meeting place for budding artists and their audiences, with offering including workshops, musical performances and gallery space. West Plains also boasts an extensive parks system encompassing 15 parks and 159 acres, a Sports Complex, and recreational leagues and activities for all ages and skill levels.

Eat and Drink

A unique mix of dining options await visitors to West Plains. From down-home cooking to fine dining, from local eateries to coffee shops, West Plains boasts a wide variety of food and drink options to satisfy your palate. Sample some beer or wine at Mulligan's, grab some coffee to go at Heroes Coffee, enjoy some delicious catfish at The Fish Shack, take your family for a hearty dinner at Ruby Tuesday's or Colton's Steakhouse, or treat special someone to dinner at Café 37. And don't forget the nightlife, with Roper's Saloon downtown just one of many establishments where you can "drink and be merry"!

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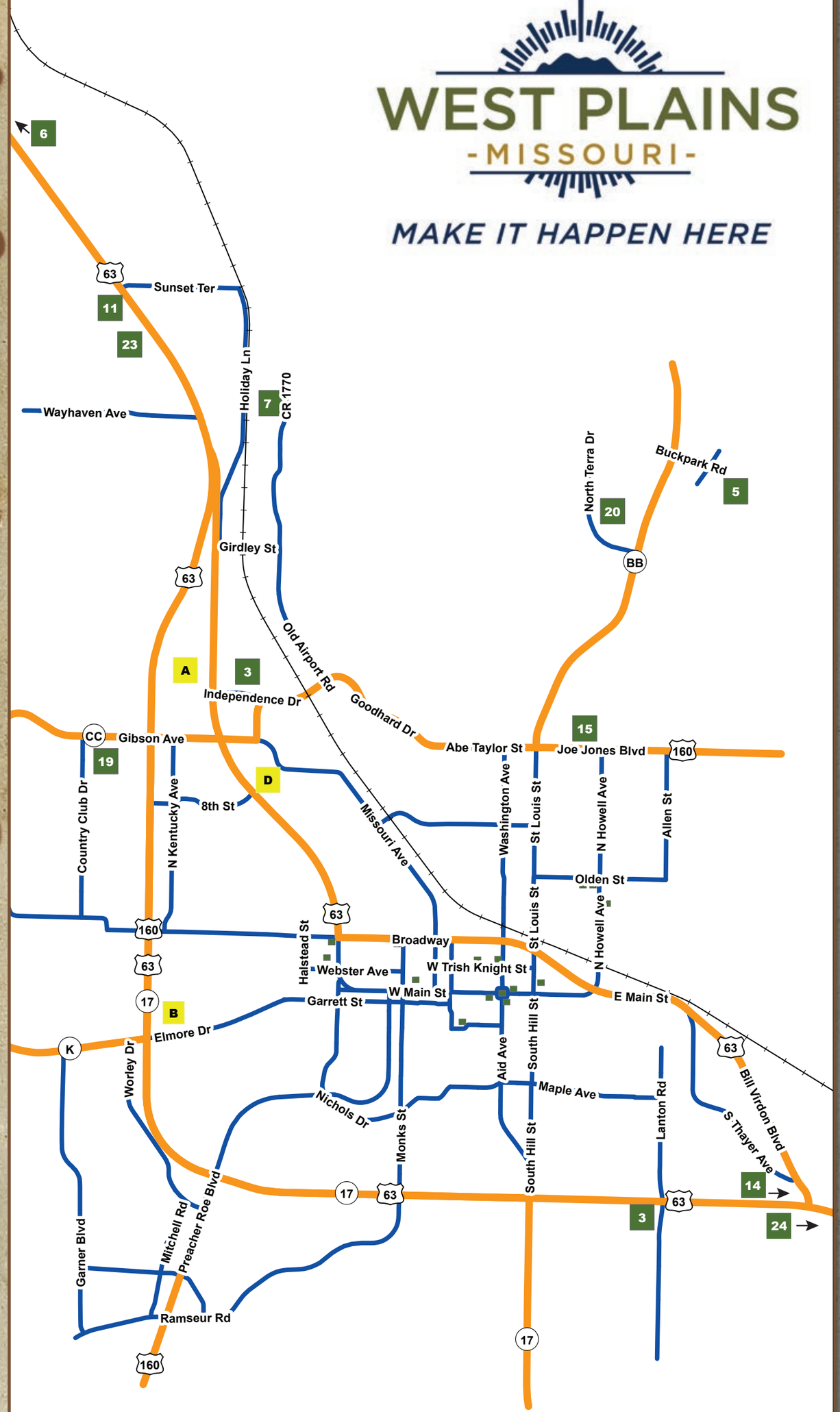

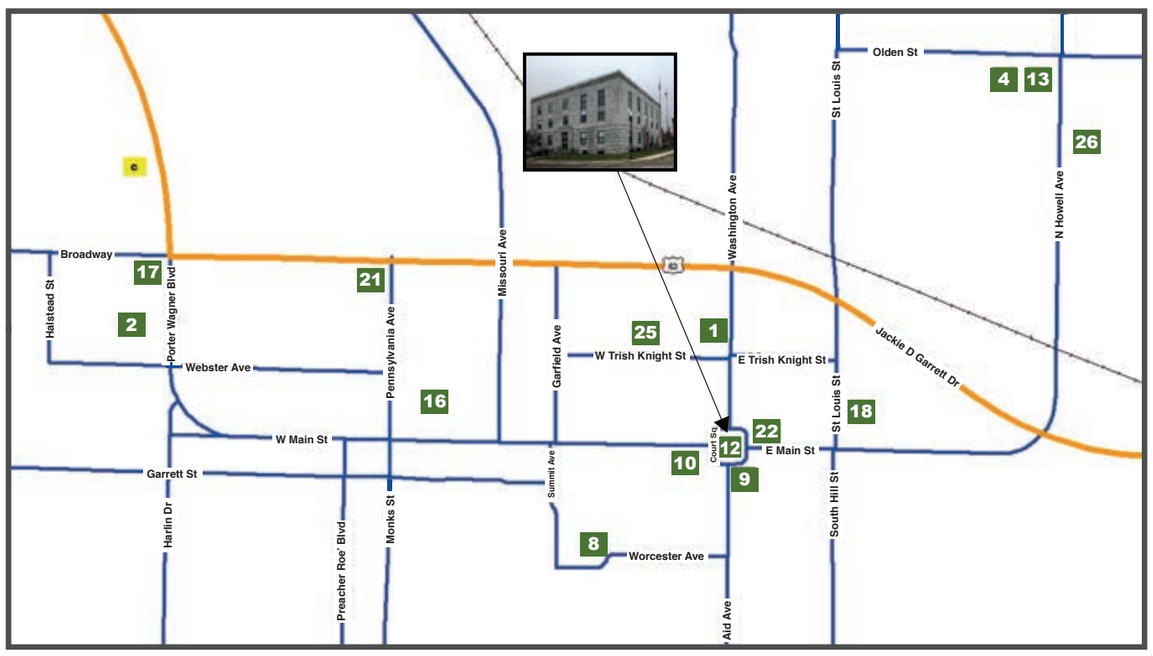

Attractions

1. Avenue Theatre
307 Washington Avenue
417-256-4420
www.theavenuetheatre.com

2. Aquatic Park
1136 West Broadway
417-256-7304
www.westplainsparksandrec.com

3. Cinemas
Glass Sword Theater - 1001 Lanton RD
417-256-8686 -256-8686
Family Cinema - 1221 Independence Dr.
417-256-3400

4. City Parks
Call for Locations
417-256-7304
www.westplainsparksandrec.com

5. Disc Golf Park
N BB Hwy
417-256-7304
www.westplainparksandrec.com

6. Flying R Ranch
HC 64 Box 6015
417-469-2267
www.flying-r-ranch.com

7. Galloway Creek Nature Park
2804 CO RD 1770
417-256-7304
www.westplainsparksandrec.com

8. Harlin Museum
505 Worcester Street
417-256-7801
www.harlinmuseum.com

9. Historic Court Square
Downtown West Plains
417-256-4433
FACEBOOK

10. Historical Murals
36 Court Square
417-256-8835 or 888-256-8835

11. Historical Marker
Located at Ozark Heritage Welcome Center
2999 Porter Wagoner Blvd.
417-256-8835

12. Howell County Courthouse
#1 Court Square
417-256-3872

13. Jimmie Carroll Sports Complex
540 East Olden
417-256-7304
www.westplainsparksandrec.com

14. Legit Speedway
10603 U S Highway 63
417-257-2112
www.legitspeedway.com

15. Missouri Department of Conservation
551 Joe Jones Blvd.
417-256-7161
www.mdc.mo.gov

16. Smith–London Bell Tower
Franklin Avenue
417-256-7304
www.wp.missouristate.edu

17. Veterans Memorial - Gold Star Mothers
1150 Broadway
Howell County War Memorial
1101 Amyx Street 417-256-8835

18. West Plains Civic Center
110 St. Louis Street
417-256-8087
www.civiccenter.net

19. West Plains Country Club
1402 Country Club Drive
417-256-7197
www.westplainscountryclub.com

20. West Plains Municipal Golf Course
1724 N. Terra Drive
417-256-9824
www.westplainsparksandrec.com

21. West Plains Public Library - Genealogy
750 West Broadway
417-256-4775
www.westplainslibrary.org

22. West Plains Walk of Fame
Downtown West Plains
417-256-4433
www.wpchamber.org

23. West Plains Wall Of Fame
2999 Porter Wagoner Blvd.
888-256-8835 or 417-256-8835
www.westplains.net

24. West Plains Soccer Association
1809-US 63 Hwy
417-293-0679
www.westplainssoccer.com

25. Yellow House Community Center
209 Trish Knight
417-372-3113
www.yellowhousearts.org

26. Zizzer Stadium
602 East Olden
417-256-6150
www.wphsk12.mo.us

Hotels

Holiday Inn Express
1605 Imperial Drive
866-440-0644 or 417-257-3000
www.hiexpress.com/westplains.mo

Quality Inn
220 US Hwy 63
800-553-2666 or 417-257-2711
www.choicehotels.com/hotel/mo350

Ridgecrest Inn
2105 Porter Wagoner Blvd.
417-256-3757
www.ridgecrestinn.com

West Plains Motel
505 Porter Wagoner Blvd.
866-884-3359 or 417-256-4105
www.westplainsmotel.com

West Plains Super 8
1210 Porter Wagoner Blvd.
800-800-8000 or 417-256-8088
www.super8.com

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