

CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

CVB PUBLIC RELATIONS

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WE TELL THE STORY OF SPRINGFIELD

The CVB's public relations team works with traditional media, bloggers, influencers and other content creators from around the world who produce stories about travel destinations. We pitch stories, arrange press tours, provide images, answer questions, represent the city at media conferences, etc. with the goal of garnering unpaid media attention showcasing Springfield.

We also work with local media on news about the CVB and local travel industry.

We use info you send to us!

We can send you info!

We have useful links!

• We have a press pass!

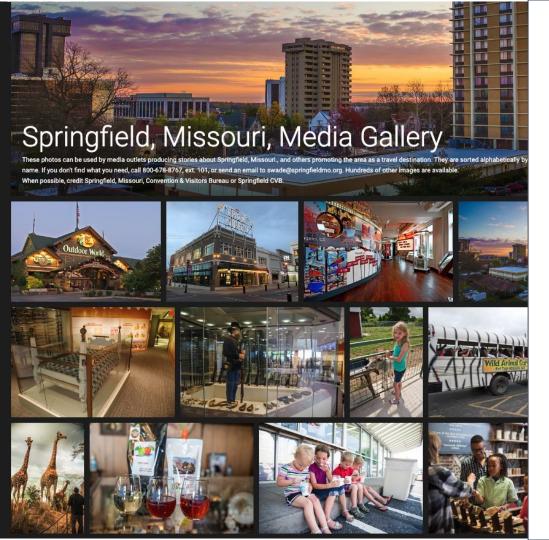
WE PROMOTE ATTRACTIONS, RETAILERS, HOTELS, RESTAURANTS, **EVENTS AND MORE!**

SEND INFO!



NEWS RELEASES & NEWSLETTERS

Keep us informed about what's happening at your business so we can spot trends and develop story ideas to pitch to travel media.



SEND MARKETING ASSETS!

PHOTOS & VIDEOS

We use photos and videos for newsletters, blog posts, story pitches, our website and other projects. We also provide images and B-roll to media.

Your next story is in Springfield, Missouri!

The Convention & Visitors Bureau staff is here to help you with story ideas, press tours, photos and everything else you need for travel stories that sell.



Ozarks Coffee Trail
Launching Second Year
The Ozarks Coffee Trail was
wildly successful in its inaugural
year so the Springfield CVB is
doing it again. More coffee shops
are participating and prizes will
be awarded. Check it out when it
launches in October!



Create Memorable Meals with a Private Chef

The Springfield area has a great selection of in-home private chef services. The chefs specialize in everything from authentic Italian using local ingredients to shipping in fresh seafood.



Cave Tours Offer Year-Round Underground Fun

From the recently reopened Crystal Cave to the tried and true Fantastic Caverns, show caves are a tourism staple in southwest Missouri. A press tour with a focus on caves is in the

planning stages. Interested in being part of it? Tell us why you should be on this tour!





U-Pick Farms Provide Fresh Fruit and Delicious Veggies Spring, Summer and Fall

From berry patches in the spring to apple orchards in the fall, pick-your-own farms abound in the Ozarks.

Story Worthy Events

Oct. 21-Nov. 6 - Springfield
Contemporary Theatre presents
the southwest Missouri premiere
of "Roe," a play about Roe v.
Wade, the landmark 1973 case
that legalized abortion and is still
fiercely debated. Acclaimed
writer Lisa Loomer reveals the
divergent personal journeys of
lawyer Sarah Weddington and
plaintiff Norma McCorvey ("Jane
Roe") in the years following the

fateful decision.

SEND STORY TIPS!

WHAT'S NEW, QUIRKY, UNUSUAL, FUNNY?

We send a pitch sheet monthly to travel media.

Tell us your story so we can share it!



BE INCLUDED

PRIZE PACKAGES, PRESS VISITS, VIP GIFTS, ETC.

We often assemble prize packages for radio promotions and other giveaways. We provide welcome gifts to visiting journalists. To be included, send admission tickets, merchandise, gift certificates, etc.

WE CAN HELP YOU!

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MEDIA LISTS

The CVB subscribes to a program that allows us to create media lists from all over the country. We can search by topic, location and other criteria.

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LISTS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Need a list of contact information for elected officials? We can send that to you!

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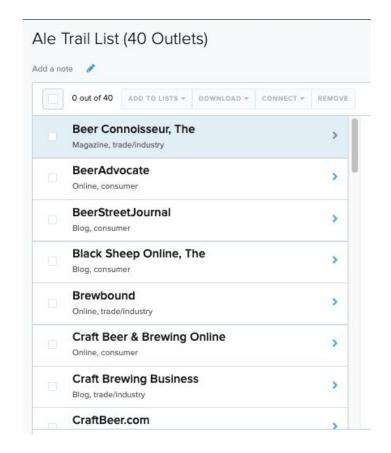
NEWS CLIPS

If your business is mentioned in a news article, we can send you the news clips. This is on a per request basis.

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MEDIA INQUIRIES

When media reach out for information about things to see and do in the area, we reach out to local businesses for the answers.



ONLINE CVB RESOURCES FOR YOU

CVB NEWS - <u>springfieldmo.org/news</u>

We post news about the CVB and local travel industry

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frequently on our newsletter, "CVB News." Once a month, we send a roundup of those articles to you.

PRESS RELEASES - <u>springfieldmo.org/press-releases</u>

When the CVB distributes a press release, it's posted here.

MEDIA ROOM - <u>springfieldmo.org/media</u>

The media room on our website offers a variety of resources for media.

STATISTICS - <u>springfieldmo.org/about-us/</u> <u>public-reporting-dashboard</u>

If you like numbers, check out the public reporting dashboard. It'll tell you everything about the local travel industry from room nights at area hotels to how many groups the CVB books.

FACEBOOK GROUP - facebook.com/
groups/sgfcvb

We have a private Facebook group where we post information and interact with people involved in the local travel industry.



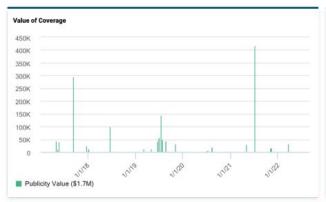
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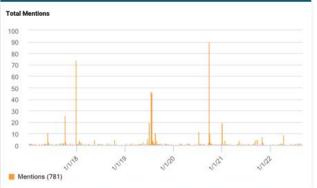
JOURNALISTS MIGHT DROP IN

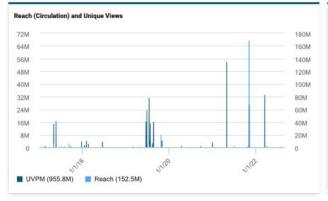
You can give free admission, products or services to media visiting the city via the CVB Press Pass.

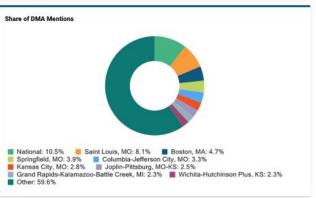
Participation is free to businesses willing to comp up to two adults and two children.

See current press pass participants and their offers at springfieldmo.org/media/press-trip-qualifications/.









Success!

IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS WE...

Played a role in 781 articles in regional, national and online media with \$1.7 million in ad value. Those articles reached millions of potential travelers!

QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU!



