



A beautiful
place to live,
work, and
make friends.



The Stuart Store

The grand opening of the online store is August 15th!

Get ready because you are going to be seeing a lot more of our new Stuart logo with the grand opening of The Stuart Store.

We know many of you have seen our new Stuart yard signs sprinkled around the neighborhood. Well we are taking it to the next level with designing Stuart apparel, home goods, and outdoor event accessories.

Soon you will be seeing your neighbors walking down the street wearing a Stuart hoodie, driving their cars around town with a Stuart car magnet, coming in style to a neighborhood event with a Stuart picnic blanket, and even drying their dishes with a Stuart dish towel.

Other apparel items The Stuart Store will be stocked with include, t-shirts, long sleeve shirts, and a variety of hats. The store will also include some home good items to decorate your home with, including throws, yard signs, and stickers. The outdoor event accessories will include not only a selection of picnic blankets but totes that you can bring with you to the next Stuart event.



The Stuart Store will be open only a few times a year for two-weeks at a time. The "doors" will first open on Thursday, August 15 through Wednesday, August 28th. The link to the store will be shared on social media and emailed out to our newsletter subscriber list.

What else would you like to see in The Stuart Store? Youth apparel, coffee mugs, house flags, etc. We would love to hear from our neighbors on other items to add to The Stuart Store. Email your ideas to stuarthistoricneighborhood@gmail.com



The Stuart Yard Sale, Annual Meeting, and MusicFest

Stuart Will Be Hopping on August 24th!



Kick back and spend your last "unofficial" Saturday of the summer, Saturday, August 24th, in the Stuart Historic Neighborhood. Three events are taking place on Saturday, August 24th, including The Stuart Yard Sale, The Stuart Annual Neighborhood Meeting, and The Stuart MusicFest.



Start your day off with a nice walk through the neighborhood to find some great deals on antiques, vintage treasures, and everyday bargains at The Stuart Yard Sale from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.

After a successful day at the yard sales, head on over to The Stuart Annual Neighborhood Meeting from 3:00 - 5:00 pm at Woodward School. Agenda items include neighborhood plan and project updates, public safety news and actions, and Board of Directors election.



No need to go home and make dinner after the meeting. Stick around and enjoy The Stuart Music Fest from 5:00 - 7:00 pm. On the menu is J'Harvey's BBQ and performing is Out of Favor Boys, a blues staple in Southwest Michigan.





The Heart of Stuart Project

A Quick Overview and A Quick Win



The Heart of Stuart design workshop residents participants on July 20.

In July, the Stuart Association and the City of Kalamazoo hosted a three-day workshop series to kick-off the design process of The Heart of Stuart - KRV T Placemaking Project and it was a huge success. We had a total of 42 participants which included 20 residents, 11 businesses, and 10 city/county staff. A great turnout that exceeded our expectations. The wide and diverse perspectives and ideas generated in these workshops will be used to develop an action plan to move this project forward.

Turning the northwest corner of Kalamzoo and Westnedge Ave into The Heart of Stuart will take a few years. All three stakeholder groups made it very clear that they wanted to see change happen in the short-term. We heard you and so did Kalamazoo County and we have our first win.

Kalamazoo County got to work on Wednesday, August 8th to cut back and remove the thick, overgrown vegetation and brush from the project site. We encourage you to take a walk over to the space to see the improvements.



Kalamazoo County Parks removing the dense vegetation and brush from The Heart of Stuart KRV T project site.

More updates on The Heart of Stuart - KRV T Placemaking Project will be presented at the Annual Meeting at the end of August.



Events in Stuart

August - October 2024

- August 12 Coffee Chat with Neighbors | 10 - 12 | Factory Coffee, 213 Frank St.
- August 21 Woodward Back to School | 5 - 7 | Woodward School
- August 24 Yard Sale | 9 - 3 | Stuart Neighborhood
- August 24 Neighborhood Annual Meeting | 3 - 5 | Woodward School
- August 24 MusicFest | 5 - 7 | Woodward School
- Sept 21 National CleanUp Day | 10 - 12 | West Main Park and The Heart of Stuart Project Site
- October 12 Coffee Chat with Neighbors | 10 - 12 | Factory Coffee, 213 Frank St.
- October 25 Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat | 5 - 7 | Woodward School



Go to **stuartneighborhood.org** for more details and full calendar of events.

Stuart

HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD

ENJOY YOUR WHOLE DAY IN STUART
SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

THE STUART YARD SALE



9 AM - 3 PM

TAKE A STROLL ALONG
OUR HISTORIC STREETS TO
FIND SOME
ANTIQUES, VINTAGE
TREASURES AND
EVERYDAY BARGAINS.

THE STUART ANNUAL MEETING



3 - 5 PM

@ WOODWARD SCHOOL

AGENDA ITEMS:

- Neighborhood Plan Progress
- Public Safety News and Actions
- Board of Directors Elections
- And more.....

THE STUART MUSICFEST



5 - 7 PM

@ WOODWARD SCHOOL

OUT OF FAVOR BOYS



Bring your own
chair or blanket!

