



“Catalyst” Must be More Than a Word; It’s How You **Save Your Town**

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Before



After



Stanton Area Industrial Foundation

Downtown Mason Building Catalyst Project



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Downtown Stanton (Before)



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Downtown Stanton (After)



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Downtown Stanton (After)



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Downtown Stanton (After)



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Rustic Views
LASTING MEMORIES

- WEDDING VENUE
- CORPORATE EVENTS
- FAMILY CELEBRATIONS / REUNIONS
- BANQUETS & AUCTIONS

Stanton's Old Lumber Yard
OLY
Events Center
227 Third Street - Stanton, Iowa
(712) 829-7350
www.stantonOLY.com

Stanton
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Stanton Old Lumber Yard Event Center and OLY Suites

FMTC
Your Connection to the World

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13 New Businesses in Last 5 Years

- Legacy Mutual Insurance Association
- Casey's General Store
- A&L Supply
- Lewellen Photography and Event Center
- Old Lumber Yard Event Center (OLY)
- OLY Guest Suites
- Gibbs Chophouse
- Fika Coffee Hus
- Midwest Ag Services Inc.
- Patten Training & Review, LLC
- Underdog Design & Drawing
- Midwest Data Iowa
- Viking Wash

+ Tech Park and Expanded Child Resource Center

New Whitetail Valley Farm Winery (Opening in 2024)

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What Worked:

Adair pop.
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What Worked:

Atkins pop. 1933



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What Worked:

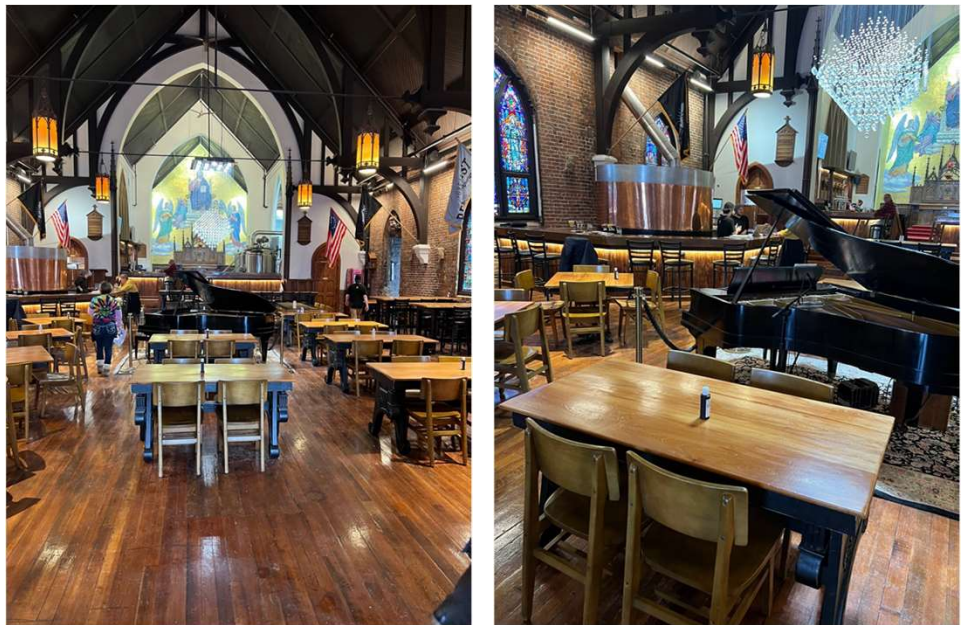
Casey pop.
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Clinton, Iowa

Great Revivalist Brewery



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Kalona, Iowa

Autumnal Eats



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Additional Resources

- Rural Leadership Bootcamp Grant
- Rural Planning Grants (Housing/Childcare)
- Rural EMS Pilot Grant Program
- Rural BOOST Program

- Aureon Ripple Effect Grant
- Aureon Charity Grant

- NTCA - Foundation for Rural Service Grant

- IRDC Power of Connection Grant
- IRDC / Wells Fargo Rural Business Grant

- USDA Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) + Aureon Grant



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**Negative people have a
problem for every
solution.**

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Questions?

Thank you!

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