



SHOP LOCAL – BUY BAYTOWN

The Baytown Chamber of Commerce, the City of Baytown and the Baytown Sun have partnered to kick off a program tagged “Buy Baytown – Shop Locally” which is an effort to encourage shopping at home. While there are some customers who will actively seek out local businesses; many will have to be reminded that the success of the local economy and its businesses requires active participation on the part of the community.

Your choices can change our community. Make the choice to shop at stores in the Baytown area whether it is a national chain store or a locally-owned store. Shifting your spending from outside retailers and the internet to local businesses can have a dramatic effect on our local economy. The reason is that a significantly greater portion of the money you spend with local businesses stays in our community. This means more money for roads, schools, services and jobs. A small change in the way you shop can have a big impact on our community.

So take the pledge and choose to shop local!

- 1) Visit a local business at least once per week.**
- 2) Seek out a local business you’ve never been to, see what they have to offer!**
- 3) Eat lunch at that sandwich shop down the street.**
- 4) Purchase a birthday present at a local gift shop.**
- 5) Buy a toy at that local toy store.**
- 6) Get your string trimmer from a local hardware.**
- 7) Get your prescription filled at a local pharmacy.**
- 8) Visit a local nursery for your lawn and garden needs.**

Where we shop, where we eat and have fun is what makes our community home. Baytown has many goods and services available so why not invest in your own community by purchasing at home.