

Merchants:



When a Hometown Dollars Gift Certificate is presented as payment:

The Hart County Chamber of Commerce started this program several years ago to promote local shopping. Keeping more money in our local economy creates stronger businesses and stronger communities. Please make sure that employees who handle money are well informed of this program and do not turn away customers who attempt to use the certificates.



- ❖ A Hometown Dollars Gift Certificate is an actual check drawn from a local bank account used by the Chamber.
- ❖ Hometown Dollars Gift Certificates should be treated just like a regular check.
- ❖ Merchants should deposit the Certificate in their account as they would any other check.
- ❖ Certificates cannot be cashed at a local financial institution; they must be spent at a local participating Chamber business.

Thank You for participating in this program! If you decide to discontinue your participation, please contact the Chamber office immediately so that we can remove your name from the brochure.

REMEMBER:

CHECK THE ISSUE DATE - Certificates expire one year from issue date. Make sure it has not expired.

PAY TO THE ORDER OF: This line will be blank until the recipient uses the certificate. He or she simply writes the store name where it is being used - just like a check.

GIVE BACK CHANGE: If the purchased item is less than the face value of the check, simply give the customer back the difference. The merchant will receive the **FULL-FACE VALUE** of the check. If you prefer to issue a gift certificate to your store instead of cash back, you also have that option.

FOR QUESTIONS, CALL THE CHAMBER OFFICE AT 270.524.2892