

# MAIN STREET ND

## MAIN STREET BEST PRACTICES: GARRISON

**Population:** 1,465

**Type of project(s):** Downtown, Beautification, Infrastructure, Vibrancy, Workforce Attraction

**Project Description and Goals:** Over the last 18 months, the community of Garrison has embarked on a journey to add improvements all throughout the community. Community groups have teamed up to find creative sources of funding to complete projects like:

- New water towers with more capacity to provide for a growing population
- New signage at the entrance of town
- Flashing speed signs to reinforce the community's public safety efforts
- A new baseball park for the tiny tots
- A walking path
- Upgrades to the annual Dickens Festival
- New bathrooms at the Main Street Park



This diverse array of community improvement efforts showcases Garrison's attitude – that their future is bright. The projects were supported by local businesses, grant funding, local sales tax revenue, volunteer labor, and donations from individual community members.

**Garrison was the winner of the 2018 Main Street Excellence Award!**

**This is a Best Practice Because:**

- They seek to establish Garrison as a lively, attractive community to attract a workforce.
- By installing traffic calming signs, they are prioritizing the safety of the whole community, making it a better place for multi-modal transportation and safe for the whole family (healthy, vibrant communities).
- By investing in a unique annual event that the community hosts, they are seeking to make Garrison a more vibrant community.



**Learn More:**

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