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To make the October Court Day festival possible, the City of Mount Sterling closes several downtown streets to traffic and partners with private property owners to rent spaces accommodating vendors.

You'll find folks vending jewelry, apparel, home décor items, art, antiques, and culinary items, along with your favorite foods and lots of musical entertainment.

If you are interested in vending at the October Court Day Festival in 2025, please visit mtsterlingtourism.com/court-days for more information regarding the festival, including a list of contacts for spaces.



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- Vendors are required to have a \$25 permit (many times this is included in your space reservation)
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