Staycation Time!

How to plan a close-to-home vacation on a budget.

PICK A THEME

A staycation can be more enjoyable if you pick a theme, such as tropical, musical, food-focused, site-seeing, safari or equestrian. Once you determine your theme, search online for free or low-cost activities that relate to it.

CREATE A STAYCATION ITINERARY

Make it official with a start and end date so you can mentally relax. Then, ask each of your staycation partners to tell you at least one of their favorite activities and plan an affordable activity to tie in with each favorite.

FIND FREE EVENTS

There are free festivals and concerts going on every weekend throughout the state. Here's a list of Ohio Festivals you can schedule a staycation around.

SEARCH FOR SAVINGS

Want to visit a local theme park or attraction? Call or check online to find out about upcoming specials.

GO CAMPING

Camping is an excellent way to enjoy a different surrounding on a budget, even if it's pitching a tent in your own backyard. If you don't have camping supplies, consider borrowing from a family member or friend.



Estimate the amount you would have spent on a real vacation and calculate your savings. Use any excess to start a vacation fund for next year!

