Mayor Nan Whaley is encouraging Dayton-area residents to "Shop Dayton Strong" to support the local economy and the ongoing recovery from the Memorial Day tornado outbreak.

"Shop Dayton Strong is a reminder of the importance of supporting local businesses -- not just as we continue to recover from storm impacts, but every day," said Mayor Whaley. "We can all be proud of how the Dayton region has united to help those in need. Let's continue with that spirit of unity and pride by shopping and spending our dollars locally when we can."

Area residents are encouraged to show how and where they are supporting local businesses by posting photos and the #ShopDaytonStrong hashtag on social media. Businesses are invited to display Shop Dayton Strong images in their windows and storefronts. A special photo frame is available at facebook.com/cityofdayton.