

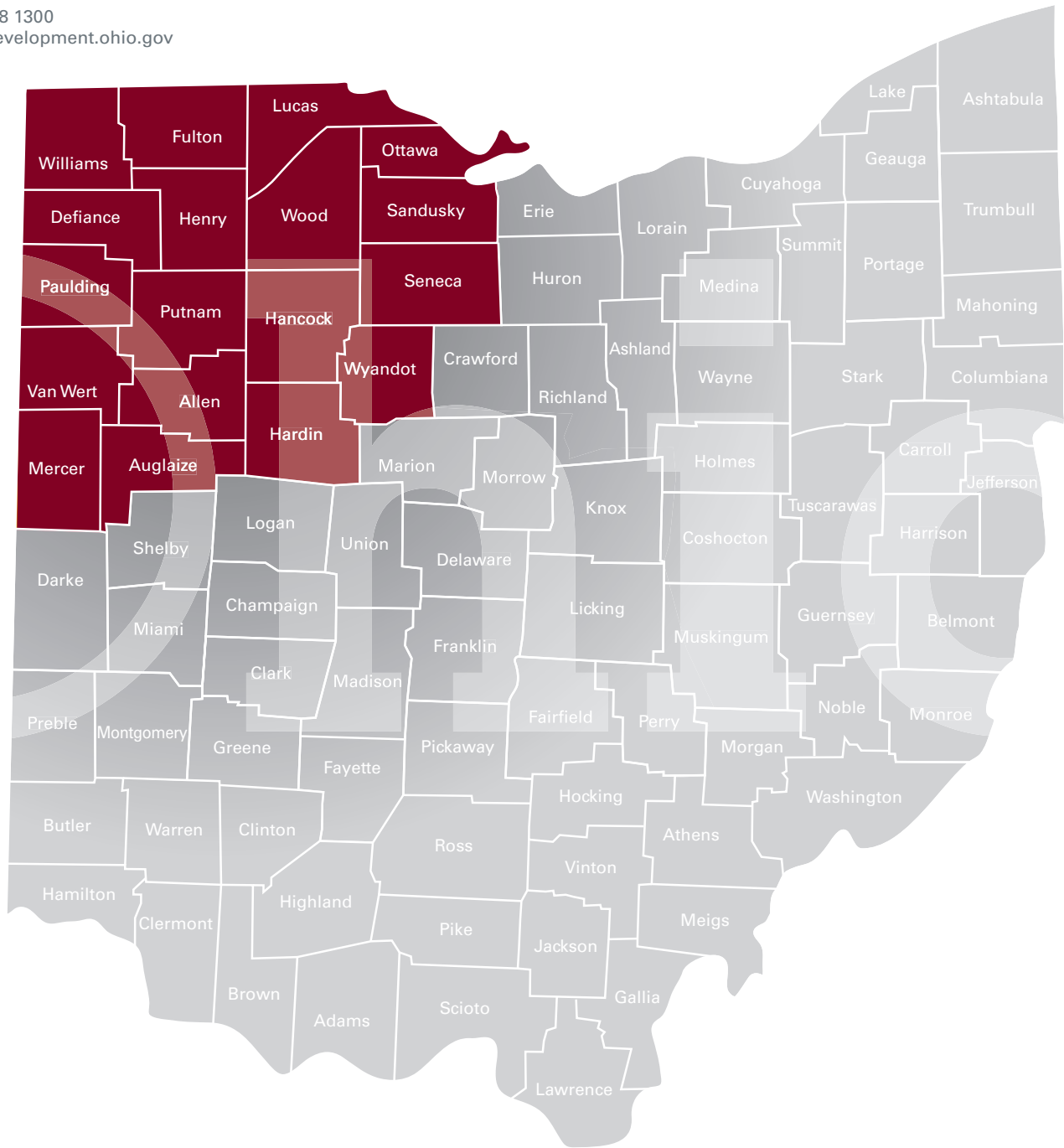
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Recent Business Investments

Brush-Wellman, Inc. received a \$5 million Research and Development Loan and a 35 percent tax credit for the construction of a research and development facility. The \$60 million project is expected to create 25 new jobs and retain 118. This project is an expansion of its existing Pebble Plant Operations facility located in Elmore (Ottawa County). Cleveland-based Brush Wellman, the world's only fully integrated producer of beryllium, chose Elmore over another company facility located in Utah as the site for the \$40-60 million investment in a primary beryllium facility. (2008)

Buckeye Silicon, Inc. (Lucas County) was awarded \$1.3 million from the Research and Development Investment Loan Fund. The loan will be used for the initiation of a small-scale, high-purity polysilicon manufacturing facility, which will produce a minimum of 50 tons per year, utilizing a closed-loop environmentally friendly process with no harmful waste materials. Buckeye Silicon was also authorized to receive a \$1.4 million loan thru the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority as part of the Ohio Advanced Energy Job Stimulus Program. The more than \$3.7 million project is expected to create nine jobs. (2010)

Chase Brass and Copper Company manufactures and sells copper and copper parts. The company's ownership has committed to expand operations for new production of lead-free brass rods at the facility in the Village of Holiday City (Williams County). The more than \$10.6 million project is expected to create 25 jobs and retain 272 positions. The Ohio Department of Development is supporting this project with a job creation tax credit with an estimated value of \$122,543 and a \$50,000 Workforce Guarantee training grant. (2010)

Charles River Laboratories, Inc. is investing \$12.6 million to construct a new facility to expand its operations in Allen County, a project that will create 80 new jobs and retain 204. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$600,000. (2007)

Cooper Tire & Rubber Company announced it would conduct a capacity study of its United States manufacturing facilities in four U.S. locations; Albany, Georgia with 1,300 employees; Findlay, Ohio with 1,100 employees; Texarkana, Arkansas with 1,400 employees; and Tupelo, Mississippi with 1,200 employees. Each of the four states competed to save its respective manufacturing facility. The Ohio Department of Development worked closely with the Findlay Cooper Tire Task Force to retain and attract additional investment to the Findlay Cooper Tire plant. Ultimately, Ohio was successful in retaining the Findlay manufacturing facility. (2008)

CSX is completing construction on a \$67.7 million intermodal "Block Swap" yard in North Baltimore (Wood County) where blocks (20 or 30 or more intermodal cars) of intermodal traffic (containers on flat cars and trailers on flat cars) would be brought in and reassembled into various intermodal trains. The project will directly create 50 new jobs. The Ohio Department of Development has committed up to \$600,000 in roadwork development grant. In addition the Ohio Rail Development Commission has committed up to \$5.28 million in grant money. (2008, 2010)

Curwood, Inc. is proposing to expand at its existing facility in Fremont, Sandusky County. Curwood would make a \$7-9 million fixed asset investment in new building construction and \$3-5 million in new machinery and equipment. The company will retain 141 current employees and will create 50 new full time jobs at the project site. (2008)

Decoma (Toledo Engineered Automotive Modular) TEAM Systems is investing \$17.5 million in the expansion of its manufacturing facilities and operations in Toledo, (Lucas County) which will result in 124 new jobs during 2010. The State of Ohio, in combination with

the City of Toledo, provided an incentive package valued at \$900,000. Decoma is a division of Canadian-based, automotive supplier Magna International, which designs, develops and manufactures automotive systems, assemblies, components and modules with 71,000 employees at 247 production facilities and 86 product development and sales centers in 25 countries. (2010)

Diehl Food Ingredients, Inc. (Defiance County) was founded in 1870 as a brewery but was converted primarily to a milk condensing plant in 1922. This \$1.9 million project is expected to create 25 jobs and retain 75 positions. The State of Ohio provided a Rapid Outreach Grant and a Job Creation Tax Credit to support the project. (2010)

The Dow Chemical Company received a \$50,000 Rapid Outreach Grant for the costs associated with acquisition of machinery and equipment in support of the company's project in Allen Township (Hancock County) in 2009. This \$8 million project is expected to create 21 jobs and retain 70 positions. The company was also awarded a 55 percent job creation tax credit for a seven-year term as a result of the company's project in the City of Findlay (Hancock County). The value of the tax credit is estimated at \$106,163 over the term, and the company would be required to maintain operations at the project site for 10 years. This \$8 million project is expected to create 20 and retain 63 jobs. (2010)

Drivers Diversified and American Rail Center, Inc. have been awarded a \$3.7 million Logistics and Distribution Stimulus loan. The loan may be forgiven upon attainment of the project's specific terms. The loan will be used for the creation of a Rail Logistics Center (RLC) in the Village of Dunkirk (Hardin County). This \$4.9 million project is expected to create four jobs during the construction phase of the project and 25 permanent positions. The company also received an Ohio Workforce Guarantee training grant. (2009)

FedEx Ground Package System, Inc. is relocating and consolidating three existing Toledo-area operations into one new 395,000-square-foot facility in Perrysburg Township. The more than \$80 million investment will create 41 jobs and retain 157 positions in Wood County. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$759,000. (2007)

First Solar, Inc. is investing in two distinct projects in Perrysburg Township (Wood County), including building a new \$54 million Process Expansion Technology Center to expand and improve the company's world-leading thin-film solar module technology. First Solar is also investing \$83.7 million in new building construction and research and development, creating and retaining more than 750 jobs in Northwest Ohio. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$440,000. The company also received a \$500,000 Ohio Workforce Guarantee training grant in 2009, which trained 900 employees. (2008)

Fostoria Ethanol, LLC is establishing a new ethanol production facility in Fostoria. This \$130-million Seneca County project is creating 41 positions in Ohio's growing alternative fuel industry. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$1.3 million.

General Motors Powertrain is investing \$335 million in the Toledo Powertrain facility to retain 1,600 jobs. The Lucas County facility will add production of its six-speed transmissions, making Toledo the only plant in the country producing both rear and front wheel six-speed transmissions. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$32 million. The company also received a \$1.5 million Ohio Workforce Guarantee training grant in 2008. (2007)

Glud & Marstrand's \$10-million project is creating 40 jobs in Williams County. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$250,000. The company also received a \$49,132 Ohio Workforce

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Guarantee training grant in 2008, training 47 employees. (2007)
Golden Heritage Foods, LLC, which processes, packages, and sells honey products, is investing \$5.6 million to build a new manufacturing facility as an extension of its finished goods warehouse in Van Wert. The company will create 20 jobs and retain 41 in Van Wert County. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$6 million. (2007)

Hancock County will receive a \$400,000 Roadwork Development Grant for the costs associated with the completion of public roadwork improvements in support of Home Depot's expansion project in Allen Township (Hancock County). The project includes upgrades, signal installation, and road widening necessary to accommodate increased truck traffic and further development in the area. Home Depot is expected to create 300 new jobs as a result of this \$39 million project. (2009)

HCR Manor Care is reinvesting in its headquarters location in the City of Toledo (Lucas County). This project will retain 684 existing full-time jobs and create 52 new jobs. The State of Ohio supported the project with a financing and incentive package valued at \$26 million, including bond and direct loan financing of more than \$21 million and a job creation tax credit valued at more than \$2 million. The State of Ohio competed with Kentucky and Michigan for this project. (2009)

Health Care REIT is expanding its operations and investing in a new headquarters in the City of Toledo (Lucas County). Health Care REIT will invest more than \$26 million in renovating an existing site in Toledo for its new headquarters. The company will retain 68 jobs and create 45 new jobs at the headquarters. Ohio was competing with Tennessee, Florida and Michigan for this project. The State of Ohio provided a financing and incentive package valued at more than \$13 million. (2009)

Hirzel Canning Company is investing \$3 million to expand its 130,000-square-foot processing building and is purchasing new machinery and equipment. The expansion will create eight jobs and retain 15. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$30,000.

H. J. Heinz Company is investing \$13.8 million to add a new line to its plant in the City of Fremont. The new project will retain 451 existing full-time jobs and add five new jobs at the Sandusky County plant. The State of Ohio assisted the project with \$190,000 in incentives, including a training grant. Ohio was in competition with multiple states for this new product line. (2010)

The Home Depot U.S.A., Inc. has been awarded a 45 percent job creation tax credit for a five-year term in support of the company's new distribution center in Allen Township (Hancock County). The value of the tax credit is estimated at \$285,269 over the term, and the company would be required to maintain operations at the project site for 10 years. This \$39 million project is expected to create 300 positions. (2009)

International Automotive Components is investing \$15 million in its Sandusky and Fulton County facilities to better develop and manufacture vehicle systems for the global automotive industry. These investments are creating 410 jobs and retaining 998 at both facilities. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$2 million. The company also received an Ohio Workforce Guarantee training grant in 2009, training 50 workers. (2008)

International Paper Company is investing \$20 million in machinery and equipment to expand operations at its Kenton facility and retain 400 jobs in Hardin County. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$250,000.

J.M. Smucker Company made an \$8 million capital investment in new equipment at the Toledo plant (Lucas County) to add new Martha White flour lines. The Toledo plant competed with other Smucker's locations for the new line. The project is expected to create 25 new full-time jobs at \$13.50 an hour and retain 183 existing jobs. (2008)

Kettle Creations has been awarded a 40 percent credit for a five-year term to establish a new facility. Kettle Creations is a new food processing company that plans to manufacture refrigerated mashed potatoes and sell them to private label distributors, restaurants, and grocery stores. The company built a 100,000 square foot facility, and the facility will be used to house manufacturing operations of refrigerated mashed potatoes and other side dishes for distribution. The \$21 million project is expected to create 100 positions within the first three years of the project's initial operations. (2008)

Libbey Inc. is investing \$10 million in the expansion of its manufacturing facilities and operations in Toledo, (Lucas County) which will result in 50 new jobs and retain 1,246 positions. This project includes the renovation of the existing building and the purchase of new machinery equipment. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$300,000. The company also received a \$294,188 Ohio Workforce Guarantee training grant in 2009, training 280 workers. (2010)

Mercer County will receive a \$100,000 Roadwork Development Grant for the costs associated with the completion of public roadwork improvements in support of the Basic Grain Products, Inc.'s project in the Village of Coldwater. Public roadwork upgrades include improved access to the Basic Grain Products operations, including excavation and reconstruction work on Vine Street to accommodate increased traffic. This \$2.8 million project is expected to assist in the creation of 40 new jobs and retention of 149 positions. (2010)

Next Resins, located in Addison, Michigan, expanded its operations into Lucas County through the purchase of the former Reichert Stamping manufacturing and office facility in Sylvania Township. The project will invest \$3.52 million and create at least 25 new full-time jobs at the Sylvania Township location. The Ohio Department of Development's commitment letter included a job creation tax credit (40 percent for 6 years) and fixed asset financing of \$500,000 for equipment, and an ROR grant in the amount of \$25,000. (2008)

Nissin Brake Ohio, Inc. has been awarded a 40 percent Job Creation Tax Credit for a five-year term as a result of the company's expansion project in the City of Findlay (Hancock County). The project includes the purchase of machinery and equipment needed to make highly functional automotive modulators and components parts. The \$19.4 million project is expected to create 37 jobs and retain 643 positions. (2010)

Norplas Industries, Inc., a subsidiary of Magna International Inc., will expand its Northwood manufacturing facility. The expansion is expected to create 300 new jobs and retain 496 jobs in Wood County. The State of Ohio has awarded a job creation tax credit with an estimated value of \$498,147.

North Star BlueScope Steel, LLC (Fulton County) is a privately owned, Ohio-based steel recycling facility, annually manufacturing more than 2.1 million tons of flat-rolled steel products. The State of Ohio provided a Rapid Outreach Grant for costs associated with the acquisition of new machinery and equipment in support of the company's project in the Village of Delta. This project is expected to retain 343 jobs. The company also received a \$50,000 Ohio Workforce Guarantee training grant in 2009. (2010)

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Owens-Illinois (O-I) is expanding its glass research and development operations in Perrysburg (Wood County). O-I will invest approximately \$12 million and create 55 new jobs and retain 794 existing full-time jobs at its Perrysburg campus. The State of Ohio offered an incentive and financing package valued at more than \$7.7 million, including a Research and Development Loan, Job Creation Tax Credit and Rapid Outreach Grant. The State of Ohio competed with US and international locations for this investment. (2010)

The **Paulding County Commissioners** will receive a \$75,000 Roadwork Development Grant for the costs associated with the completion of public roadwork improvements in support of the BaughmanTile Co.'s project in Jackson Township (Paulding County). Public roadwork upgrades will include engineering and repaving efforts to improve access for the more than 100 vehicles traveling to and from the BaughmanTile facility daily. This \$1.2 million project is expected to assist in the retention of 70 jobs. (2010)

PEA Lima, LLC has been awarded a 40 percent job creation tax credit for a five-year term as a result of the company's expansion in the City of Lima (Allen County). The value of the tax credit is estimated at \$53,456 over the term, and the company would be required to maintain operations at the project site for eight years. This project includes the retrofit of the existing plant, replacing several major pieces of equipment and systems to house ethanol production operations. The more than \$34 million project is expected to create 22 jobs and retain nine positions. (2010)

Pepsi-Cola General Bottlers of Ohio, Inc. is a production and distribution-focused subsidiary of PepsiAmericas, Inc., which maintains operations in the United States and Europe and employs 14,000 people worldwide. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at \$100,000 for this \$12.5 million project in the City of Toledo (Lucas County), which will create 25 jobs and retain 70 positions. The company also received a \$29,600 Ohio Workforce Guarantee training grant in 2010, training 37 employees. (2008)

PF Polymers, LLC has been awarded a 40 percent job creation tax credit for a six-year term as a result of the company's new location in the City of Lima (Allen County). The value of the tax credit is estimated at \$116,630 over the term, and the company would be required to maintain operations at the project site for nine years. This \$1.7 million project is expected to create 60 jobs. It will also receive a \$40,000 Rapid Outreach Grant. (2009)

PROTEC Coating Company has been awarded a 70 percent job creation tax credit for a 10-year term as a result of the company's expansion in the Village of Leipsic (Putnam County). The value of the tax credit is estimated at \$681,694 over the term, and the company would be required to maintain operations at the project site for 13 years. This project includes the construction of a 415,000-square-foot "heavy industry" building to house a new line. The more than \$290 million project is expected to create 80 jobs and retain 229 positions. (2010)

Railtech Boutet, Inc. was established to consolidate the worldwide railway activity of its parent company, Delachaux S.A. Groups. This more than \$1.4 million project is expected to create 33 positions and retain 28 positions. Railtech received a Job Creation Tax Credit as a result of the company's project in Liberty Township (Henry County). (2010)

Revere Plastics Systems, LLC, a custom-injection molding contract manufacturer that services many industries and products, is expanding in the City of Clyde (Sandusky County) with an \$8.5 million investment expected to create 25 jobs and retain 546. The State of Ohio provided a Rapid Outreach Grant and a Roadwork Development Grant to support the project. The company also received a \$130,000 Ohio Workforce Guarantee training grant, which helped train 693 employees. (2010)

Roppe Corporation will receive a \$25,000 Rapid Outreach Grant for the costs associated with the acquisition of machinery and equipment in support of the company's project in the City of Fostoria (Seneca County). Founded in 1955, Roppe is a family-owned manufacturer and distributor of rubber flooring products. This \$3.4 million project is expected to create 33 positions. (2009)

Ruralogic Inc. is a new business unit of Attevo, Inc. Ruralogic is a domestic alternative to international Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) solutions. Ruralogic provides Tier 1 corporate software development services such as report writing, forms development, SharePoint management, and NET and JAVA development. Ruralogic has committed to create 363 new jobs in Ohio through the opening of three operations in Northwest Ohio:

- Napoleon, Ohio (Henry County) where it will invest \$230,000 and create 121 new jobs.
- Archbold (Fulton County) where it will invest \$230,000 and create 121 new jobs.
- Bryan (Williams County) where it will invest \$870,000 and create 121 new jobs.

Ohio is supporting the project with a Job Creation Tax Credit (60 percent for 8 years), a Rapid Outreach Grant, and Workforce Guarantee training grant.

Sanoh America Inc. started in Findlay in 1987 and is a subsidiary of Sanoh Japan, a publicly held company established in 1939. The State of Ohio provided a Job Creation Tax Credit and a Rapid Outreach Grant for costs associated with the acquisition of new machinery and equipment in support of the company's \$3.77 million project in the Village of Archbold (Fulton County). This project is expected to create 28 jobs. (2010)

Schindler Elevator Corp. is investing \$4 million and adding 80 jobs with the development of a high-technology research and development center in Toledo. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$11 million. (2007)

Silgan Plastics Corporation has been awarded a 45 percent Job Creation Tax Credit for a six-year term as a result of the company's expansion project in the Village of Ottawa (Putnam County). This project includes the expansion of the current 270,000-square-foot facility. The \$11.1 million project is expected to create 30 new jobs and retain 146 positions. (2010)

SUREnergy, LLC was awarded a job creation tax credit as a result of the company's project in the City of Port Clinton (Ottawa County). This project includes the acquisition and renovation of an existing 20,000-square-foot building housing a manufacturing, distribution, training, research and development and office facility. The more than \$1.8 million project is expected to create 72 jobs. (2010)

TH Plastics, Inc. has been awarded a 45 percent job creation tax credit for a seven-year term in support of the company's new location in the City of Findlay (Hancock County). The value of the tax credit is estimated at \$188,581 over the term, and the company would be required to maintain operations at the project site for 14

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years. This \$4.6 million project is expected to create 85 positions. It was also awarded a \$1.3 million 166 Direct Loan at an interest rate of 3 percent per year for a 10-year term. The loan will support costs associated with renovations and leasehold improvements to an existing leased building and the purchase of new machinery and equipment. This more-than \$3.2 million project is expected to create 85 positions. (2009)

The **City of Toledo** has been awarded a \$2.75 million Logistics and Distribution Stimulus loan. The loan may be forgiven upon attainment of the project's specific terms. The loan will support modifications that will improve the management of train traffic and increase operating capacity at the Norfolk Southern Airline Junction Intermodal Facility in the City of Toledo (Lucas County). This \$11.3 million project is expected to create 31 jobs in the construction phase of the project. (2009)

The **City of Toledo Marina District Project** is a 10-year, at-least \$320 million development initiative that includes a marina and a planned \$25 million Riverside Drive and Riverfront Parkway. This project is creating 2,600 jobs. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$1.5 million.

Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority has been awarded a \$3 million 166 Direct Loan at an interest rate of 1 percent for the first year, and 3 percent for the remainder of the seven-year term. The project consists of the purchase of machinery and equipment to be utilized by Xunlight Corporation in the manufacture of thin-film photovoltaic solar panels. This \$20 million project is expected to create 280 positions and retain 30 jobs at its facility in the City of Toledo (Lucas County). (2009)

The **University of Toledo Advanced Technology Park** project includes the construction of roadways, drainage, waterlines, sanitary sewer lines, and other activities in support of the Park, which will focus on attracting biomedical and other technology-oriented businesses and is expected to attract other high-paying jobs to Northwest Ohio. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$900,000.

Turbine Standard, LTD plans to expand its current facility and lease another to conduct maintenance and avionics services for all aircraft in the business jet category. This \$400,000 expansion project in Springfield and Swanton Townships (Lucas County) is expected to create 35 positions and retain 17 jobs. The State of Ohio provided Turbine Standard with an incentive package valued at \$300,000, including a \$62,000 Rapid Outreach Grant for the costs associated with the acquisition of machinery and equipment, a job creation tax credit valued at more than \$200,000, and an Ohio workforce guarantee training grant. Ohio competed with the State of Florida for this project. (2009)

Unverferth Manufacturing Company, Inc. is investing \$3.2 million to build a 68,000-square-foot expansion at its current building in the Village of Kalida, creating 25 jobs and retaining 250 in Putnam County. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$200,000.

Vitakraft Sun Seed, Inc. will receive a \$20,000 Rapid Outreach Grant for the costs associated with acquisition of machinery and equipment, as well as relocation costs in support of the company's project in the Village of Weston (Wood County). This \$1.3 million project is expected to create 15 jobs and retain 84 positions. (2009)

Westhaven Services Company, LLC is expanding its facility in the City of Maumee (Lucas County) and Perrysburg Township (Wood County). Westhaven will lease a 32,000 square foot building to operate the billing operations for the States of Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio. The operations to be consolidated include billing, collections, medical records, and clinical support. The company will make a \$4.5 million fixed asset investment at the site. The project is expected to create 225 new full-time jobs and retain 250 existing full-time jobs. (2007)

Willard & Kelsey Solar Group, LLC is locating its headquarters, research and development, and initial production operations in the City of Perrysburg. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at more than \$9 million for this \$105 million project, which is creating 400 jobs and retaining 10 in Wood County. (2008)

Whirlpool Corporation is investing in both its Findlay (Hancock County) and Clyde (Sandusky County), Ohio facilities. Whirlpool will invest \$76 million in its Ohio facilities, maintaining 4,600 existing full-time jobs and creating 315 new fulltime jobs within the first three years of operation. The State of Ohio provided an incentive package valued at more than \$2.7 million, including a job creation tax credit, rapid outreach grant, and workforce development grant. (2008)

Whirlpool Corporation, Ottawa Division is purchasing the assets of the former W.C. Woods facility in the Village of Ottawa (Putnam County). When W.C. Woods filed bankruptcy in 2009, 215 jobs were at risk. As a result of Whirlpool Corporation's acquisition, the at risk jobs were retained and the company expects to employ a total of 324 workers within the next three years at the facility. In addition, the company also acquired W.C. Woods chest freezer business in Canada and moved the operation to Ottawa. The State of Ohio provided an incentive package valued at more than \$1.686 million, including a job creation tax credit, Rapid Outreach Grant, and a Workforce Guarantee grant to support this \$7.2 million project. (2010)

Xunlight Corporation is expanding its Toledo facility for research and development and manufacturing of PV technologies. This \$5 million project in Lucas County will create 280 jobs and retain 30. The State of Ohio offered an incentive package valued at nearly \$1 million. The company also received a \$62,500 Ohio Workforce Guarantee training grant in 2010. (2008)

Community Development Block Grant Program Neighborhood Revitalization Grants

Hardin County was awarded \$300,000 to install water, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer lines, as well as sidewalks, buildings, and other infrastructure improvements in the Village of Forest. The grant will leverage approximately \$1 million in other public and private funds. (2007)

Van Wert County was awarded \$300,000 to purchase a heating/cooling system and a thermal imaging camera for the local fire department; make street improvements; install drainage pipe, curbs, sidewalks, and playground equipment; demolish two buildings; and complete other infrastructure improvements in the Village of Scott. The grant will leverage approximately \$559,800 in other public and private funds. (2007)

Mercer County was awarded a \$300,000 grant in September 2008 to reconstruct 2,250 linear feet of streets, 4,355 linear feet of curbs, 7,048 linear feet of sidewalks, 1,350 linear feet of water main, 3,050 linear feet of storm sewers, and 270 linear feet of sanitary sewer; and complete other infrastructure improvements in the Village of Rockford. The grant will leverage approximately \$1.5 million in additional public and private funds. (2009)

Water and Sanitary Sewer Program Awards

Henry County was awarded a \$565,500 grant to address sanitary sewers in the Okolona area of Napoleon Township by installing approximately 19,000 linear feet of sewer line and a pump station. The \$2.2 million project will assist 45 households. (2008)

Seneca County was awarded a \$319,200 grant to address unsanitary conditions in the Harley and Huron streets area of Clinton Township by installing approximately 3,500 linear feet of sewer line and connecting to the City of Tiffin's wastewater system. The \$638,400 project will assist 29 households. (2008)

Van Wert County was awarded a \$600,000 grant to address unsanitary conditions along State Routes 118 and 127 in Pleasant Township by installing approximately 12,927 linear feet of sewer line. The \$1.6 million project will assist 66 households. (2008)

The **Village of Helena** (Sandusky County) was awarded a \$544,000 grant to address on-site septic systems by constructing a new wastewater treatment facility and installing approximately 16,125 linear feet of sewer line. The \$2.4 million project will assist 105 households. (2008)

The **Village of Ney** (Defiance County) was awarded a \$582,700 grant to address malfunctioning on-site septic systems by installing approximately 16,881 linear feet of sewer line, two lift stations, and constructing a lagoon wastewater treatment facility. The \$3.6 million project will assist 137 households. (2008)

Village of Pioneer (Williams County) will receive a \$259,000 grant to construct a 575,000 gallon elevated water storage tank to address the capacity and functionality of its current water tower. The more than \$1 million project will assist 671 households. (2009)

The **Village of Ridgeway** (Hardin County) was awarded a \$600,000 grant to address on-site septic system failures by installing sanitary sewer line and a pump station. (2007)

Williams County was awarded a \$576,700 grant to address unsanitary conditions in the Williams Center area of Center Township by installing approximately 24,804 linear feet of sewer line, nine grinder pumps, and two lift stations. The \$2.5 project will assist 97 households. (2008)

Wood County was awarded a \$600,000 grant to address sanitary sewers in the Stony Ridge/Lemoyne areas of Troy Township by installing approximately 48,437 linear feet of sanitary sewer line, two pump stations, and 75 grinder pumps. The \$5.2 million project will assist 278 households. (2008)

Wyandot County (Village of Wharton) will receive a \$600,000 grant to install a wastewater collection and treatment system. The more than \$2.7 million project consists of the construction of a wastewater treatment facility, and the installation of 21,650 linear feet of sewer line and three pumps. One hundred thirty-three households will benefit from the project. (2009)

Local Government Services and Regional Collaboration Grant Program Awards

The **Village of Genoa** (Ottawa County) was awarded a \$42,000 grant to perform a feasibility study to examine impacts of the formation of a Joint Law Enforcement District. Currently, multiple smaller districts in the Western Ottawa County area duplicate policing efforts that can be consolidated. (2008)

Henry County was awarded an \$80,000 grant to conduct a feasibility study that will provide detailed estimates of costs for the provision of water and sewer services in various communities of Henry County. The study will provide an implementation plan for the recommended alternatives including financial, political, geographic, legal, logistical, and other relevant issues. (2008)

Community Housing Improvement Program Awards

The following communities were awarded funds in September 2008 to fund home repair, rental rehabilitation, tenant-based rental assistance, down payment assistance, new construction, infrastructure installation/improvement, public service, and planning activities:

- **Auglaize County** \$500,000
- The **City of Fostoria** (Seneca County) \$500,000
- The **City of Kenton** (Hardin County) \$500,000
- The **City of Northwood** (Wood County) \$544,500
- The **City of Port Clinton** (Ottawa County) \$522,000
- The **City of Tiffin** (Seneca County) \$344,000
- **Defiance County** \$500,000
- **Fulton County** \$544,000
- **Hardin County** \$400,000
- **Henry County** \$500,000

Homeless Assistance Grant Program Awards (November 2008)

- **Aurora Project, Incorporated** (Lucas County) \$118,100
- **Catholic Charities of Toledo** (Lucas County) \$186,600
- **Family Outreach Community United Services, Incorporated** (Lucas County) \$461,700
- **St. Paul's Community Center** (Lucas County) \$260,000
- **Toledo Community Service Center** (Lucas County) \$154,000
- **Toledo Lucas County Homelessness Board** \$288,200
- **YMCA of Van Wert County** \$70,000

Housing Assistance Grant Program Awards (November 2008)

- **Lima-Allen Council on Community Affairs** (Allen County) \$100,000
- **PSA 3 Agency on Aging, Incorporated** (Allen County) \$275,000
- **Northwest Ohio Development Agency** (Lucas County) \$80,000
- **WSOS Community Action Commission, Incorporated** (Sandusky County) \$250,000

Ohio Housing Trust Fund Microenterprise Business Development Program Awards

The following organizations were awarded funds in October 2008 to provide training and technical assistance, and small business development loans to low- and moderate-income Ohioans who are interested in establishing, improving, or expanding businesses:

- **Lima/Allen Council on Community Affairs** (Allen County) \$34,600
- **HHWP** (Hancock, Hardin, Wyandot, and Putnam Counties) \$60,000
- **Community Action Commission** (Hancock County) \$60,000

Ohio Neighborhood Stabilization Program Direct & Regional Awards (December 2008)

- Allen/Hancock/Putnam Counties \$1,125,567
- Auglaize/Miami/Shelby Counties \$1,143,254
- Champaign/Hardin/Logan/Union Counties \$1,868,829
- City of Lima (Allen County) \$1,686,308
- Crawford/Morrow/Wyandot Counties \$1,040,582
- Darke/Mercer/Preble Counties \$1,132,580
- Defiance/Fulton/Henry/Paulding/Van Wert/Williams Counties \$1,040,547
- Lucas/Wood Counties \$1,951,558
- Ottawa/Sandusky/Seneca \$1,280,387

Ohio Third Frontier Photovoltaic Program Awards

Xunlight Corporation, located in the City of Toledo (Lucas County), in collaboration with Concept Solutions Corporation and The Ohio State University, was awarded \$999,271 for its Next Generation Solar Module Manufacturing Technology project. Xunlight will develop next generation technologies for selected, high-impact areas of its module manufacturing lines. It is expected that the new module technology will be highly automated and will enable cost-effective, local, Ohio-based processing of the cells. (2009)

Glasstech, Inc., located in the City of Perrysburg (Wood County), in collaboration with Pioneer Industrial Systems, was awarded \$1 million for its Commercialization of a Heat Treating Process to Strengthen Large, Thinner Glass Substrates for PV Panels project. Glasstech will develop an electrically based heat treating process for larger, thinner, and flatter glass substrates than the current industry standard. This technology will assist the PV market in expansion in the U.S. and worldwide. (2009)

Ohio Third Frontier Fuel Cell Program Awards

American Trim, located in Lima (Allen County), was awarded \$1 million for its Agile Hybrid Joining of Fuel Cell Bipolar Plates project. American Trim will demonstrate that a 100-percent, full function, scale hydrogen fuel cell product can be made that is cost competitive when compared with an internal combustion engine. Attaining this goal will require the use of new technology that can reliably join foil plates without the complications of other methods.

American Trim, located in Lima (Allen County), was awarded \$1 million for its Agile Low-Cost Manufacture of Fuel Cell Plates. At the conclusion of this project, American Trim expects to have the design and manufacturing parameters required to produce commercial quantities of fuel cell plates sufficient to support a full production line employing 270 people.

Crown Equipment Corp., located in New Bremen (Auglaize County) was awarded \$977,270 for its Qualification of Lift Trucks for Battery Replacement Fuel Cells project. This project is to qualify targeted models of Crown Equipment's lift trucks to be powered by commercially available battery replacement fuel cell power packs, such as those being utilized by Plug Power. This qualification is a critical step in the widespread adoption of fuel cell powered lift trucks. In 2009, Crown Equipment was also awarded \$1 million for its Development of an Integrated Fuel Cell Forklift Truck project. The project will investigate, model, and create a running prototype of an integrated fuel cell powered-lift truck. Edison Materials Technology Center (EMTEC) will assist Crown with Ohio supply chain development and NexTech will work with Crown to incorporate its hydrogen sensor technology into the integrated truck design.

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Ohio Third Frontier Advanced Energy Program Awards

SuGanit Systems, Inc., located in Toledo (Lucas County), was awarded \$999,900 in December 2008 for its Scale-Up of Cellulosic Ethanol. This project will enable SuGanit to construct and operate a complete cellulosic ethanol process that will process 60 kilograms per day of biomass to produce five gallons per day of ethanol in a continuous process.

The University of Toledo was awarded \$250,000 for its Novel Cellulosic Biomass Fermentation Process for Ethanol Production project. The University will conduct research related to this project.

Xunlight 26 Solar, LLC, located in Toledo (Lucas County), was awarded \$996,924 for its Flexible Thin-Film CdTe PV Modules project. This project is aimed at developing building integrated, rooftop photovoltaic systems based on lightweight modules on transparent polymer materials. Using technologies developed in Ohio, Xunlight 26 Solar will develop small area cells with greater than 10 percent efficiency; encapsulate the cells and modules, and conduct accelerated life tests of the modules; and scale-up the manufacturing capability and design a production line.

Xunlight Corporation, located in Toledo (Lucas County), was awarded \$995,577 for its Online Performance Measurement for Roll-to-Roll Thin Film Photovoltaic Manufacturing project. Xunlight will improve the product yield by developing a QA/QC system for online characterization of materials and solar cells on its first production line for flexible thin film photovoltaic modules. (2008)

Ohio Third Frontier Research Commercialization Program Awards

The Andersons, Inc. located in Maumee (Lucas County), was approved to receive \$5 million to accelerate the commercialization of existing and developmental granule technology in various agricultural applications. The advanced granules more effectively contain, transport, and deliver fertilizer and pesticides, or other biologically active ingredients to specific areas.

Xunlight Corporation, located in Toledo (Lucas County), was awarded \$4.975 million to leverage laboratory-demonstrated technology advancements into existing Ohio-based manufacturing lines and bring new products to market. The proposed project has three primary objectives: develop an improved, advanced thin-film solar-cell fabrication technology; develop an improved, advanced flexible solar module manufacturing process, with the necessary equipment; and develop advanced photovoltaic products targeted to markets to leverage the competitive characteristics of their thin-film solar cells. The project will assist Xunlight Corporation with introducing laboratory-demonstrated advancements into its Toledo-based manufacturing lines and bringing products to market.

Ohio Third Frontier Research Scholars Program Award

The **University of Toledo** was awarded \$8.9 million to fund an endowment and capital equipment for the attraction to UT of an internationally renowned research scholar in photovoltaics. This award builds upon previous awards received by UT from the Ohio Third Frontier, namely a \$2 million Wright Project award for the UT Center for Photovoltaics Energy and Hydrogen as well as a \$18.6 million Wright Center of Innovation award for the UT Photovoltaic Innovation Center.

Wind Production and Manufacturing Incentive Grant

JW Great Lakes' Wood County Wind Farm is a multimillion dollar project that is rated at a peak capacity of 49.5 megawatts. The Wood County project was approved to receive up to \$2 million, based on the amount of energy produced. The project will generate enough electricity to supply all the electricity needs for approximately 15,000 homes in Wood County and is expected to be installed and operational by June 30, 2009.

Comprehensive Downtown Revitalization Tier Two Program Grant

The **City of Bryan** (Williams County) received a \$400,000 grant to help 39 businesses complete building code and façade improvements. In addition, the city will improve approximately 2,000 linear feet of sidewalks and 1,300 linear feet of waterlines, and install other streetscape improvements, including trees, benches, garbage receptacles, and decorative light fixtures. The project is expected to leverage \$3.7 million of other public and private funds.

The **City of Celina** (Mercer County) was awarded a \$400,000 grant to help 32 businesses complete façade improvements. In addition, the city will conduct streetscape activities downtown. (2008)

The **City of Defiance** (Defiance County) received a \$400,000 grant to help 22 businesses complete building code and façade improvements. In addition, the city will improve approximately 3,000 linear feet of streets and two parking lots, install 1,000 linear feet of sanitary sewer lines, and convert vacant land into a city park. The project is expected to leverage approximately \$4 million of other public and private funds.

The **City of Van Wert** (Van Wert County) received a \$400,000 grant to help 24 businesses complete building code and façade improvements. In addition, the city will improve approximately 1,400 linear feet of streets, 2,850 linear feet of waterlines, and four parking lots. The project is expected to leverage \$1.6 million of other public and private funds.

The **Village of Leipsic** (Putnam County) received a \$400,000 grant to help 22 businesses complete building code and façade improvements. In addition, the village will replace 42 streetlights; improve approximately 875 linear feet of streets, 10,000 linear feet of curbs, and 4,000 linear feet of sidewalks; and install 4,875 linear feet of sanitary sewer lines. The project is expected to leverage \$3 million of other public and private funds.

Whitehouse Village (Lucas County) was awarded a \$400,000 grant in November 2008 to help 18 businesses complete façade improvements. In addition, the city will conduct streetscape activities downtown.

Ohio Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Economic Development Program Awards

Allen County was awarded a \$200,000 grant to purchase machinery and equipment acquisitions to support its expansion. The company will acquire the assets of the Lima Flack Company, introduce a line of compact utility trailers, and expand the service department. The \$2.7 million project will create six jobs and retain nine. (2007)

Hancock County has been awarded a \$168,000 Community Development Block Grant Economic Development Program award to provide assistance to Feasel's Ground Maintenance, Ltd. to purchase the assets and business of Village Green, a retail greenhouse shop. The \$682,000 project is expected to create and retain a total of 13 jobs, 10 of which will be for people of low- and moderate-income. (2009)

Putnam County was awarded a \$380,000 grant on behalf of SACKDM, LLC. and GameDay Grille for the establishment of a sports-themed family restaurant. The project will create 60 full-time jobs, 42 of which will be for people of low- and moderate-income. (2008)

Williams County was awarded a \$260,000 grant on behalf of Menard, Inc. to expand with the construction of a wood treating plant on its 640-acre campus. The project will create 33 jobs, 24 of which will be for people of low- and moderate-income. (2008)

Minority Business Enterprise Loan and Bond Awards

Bryson/Tucker Electric, LLC., located in Toledo (Lucas County), received approval for a \$400,000 surety bonding line in the Minority Business Bonding Program. The minority-owned business is an electrical contractor that employs 12 people and with help from the program plans to create five jobs. (2009)

Dr. Kettlie Joseph Daniels, located in Toledo (Lucas County), received approval for an \$83,600 loan from the Minority Business Direct Loan Program. The minority-owned business is a mental health practice. The loan was used to purchase real estate to expand the business. The company employs five people and with help from the loan program plans to create three jobs. (2008)

Precision Industrial Services, Inc., located in Toledo (Lucas County), received approval for a \$150,000 surety bonding line in the Minority Business Bonding Program. The minority-owned business is a commercial flooring contractor which employs five people and with help from the program plans to create five jobs. (2010)

Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund

The **City of Fremont** (Sandusky County) will receive a \$2 million Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund grant to conduct remediation and demolition activities at the former Clauss Cutlery Company site. The City of Fremont has committed to using Clean Ohio support to make this a redevelopment ready site by addressing the environmental impacts. Once the remediation is complete, the City plans to return this vacant, underutilized industrial property to productive economic use, bringing jobs to the area and in turn, increasing income tax revenues. The City ultimately wants to market the property to commercial, office, and light industrial end users in an effort to obtain multiple occupants. (December 2008)

The **City of Toledo** (Lucas County) was awarded \$3 million for the redevelopment of the ACME Power Plant project that will revitalize this 3.84-acre vacant, abandoned riverfront property. The total project cost for ACME Power Plant property is more than \$4.2 million.

Northwest Ohio Investments and Successes

The **City of Toledo** (Lucas County) will receive a \$3 million Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund grant to conduct remediation activities at the site of the Tower on the Maumee Redevelopment Project. The grant will be used to remove the spray-on asbestos fire proofing material that was applied on the top and bottom of every concrete floor in the building. The property owner will also increase the energy efficiency of the building by applying a film material to the single-paned glass windows. Ultimately, the site will be transformed into a 96-room hotel, office condominiums, residential condos, restaurants, and retail space in this 392,000-square-foot, 28-story high-rise building located in the center of downtown Toledo. The grant will help the city clean up a high-profile brownfield, creating 25 new jobs. (2008)

The **City of Toledo** (Lucas County) received a \$1.9 million Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund grant to conduct demolition and remediation activities on the Port Authority Industrial Park at Beazer. The project is comprised of 32.086 acres of former industrial land along the Maumee River. The total estimated cost of the proposed project is approximately \$3,383,612. A Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Economic Development Initiative grant and a Development Shovel Ready grant will contribute \$1,383,632 in matching dollars for environmental assessment, infrastructure, demolition, and remediation activities. The Port hopes to attract manufacturing and marine companies to the site with its prime location on the Maumee River. End users on the Project Property will have the opportunity to combine manufacturing and shipping as they will have easy water access to national and international markets from its location via the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Seaway. The project is in alignment with the City of Toledo 20/20 Plan. (2009)

Clean Ohio Assistance Fund

The **Northern Wood County Port Authority** (Wood County) will receive a \$297,968 Clean Ohio Assistance Fund grant to conduct a Phase II Environmental Assessment on the East Broadway Industrial and Warehouse property. The Phase II work will include the installation of 63 soil borings (up to 20 feet), 13 shallow groundwater monitoring wells (up to 20 feet), and one deep groundwater monitoring well (up to 80 feet), as well as seven geophysical surveys, remote camera and asbestos survey, data evaluation, and reporting. All assessment work will be conducted within the project property boundary. The assessment will determine the environmental suitability of the property and the possible need for any remediation. (2010)

The **City of Toledo** (Lucas County) will receive a \$750,000 Clean Ohio Assistance Fund grant to conduct remediation activities on the XXXEM property, a 3.01-acre property located northeast of downtown Toledo. The City of Toledo is working with Chrysler to develop a vehicle storage, staging, and hauling area on the project property and the adjacent Stickney Landfill, which will create a larger vehicle storage lot for the new car production from the Jeep facility. The Clean Ohio Assistance Fund grant will be used to address Resource Conservation and Recovery Act closure requirements for the project property. This \$1.5 million project is expected to retain 34 jobs and create three new jobs. (September 2008)

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Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit 2008 Awards

- **Continental Baking Company** (Toledo, Lucas County)
 - Total project investment: \$3,678,500
 - Estimated qualified rehabilitation expenditures: \$2,226,000
 - Total estimated value of credit: \$556,500

Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit 2010 Awards

- **Berdan Building** (Toledo, Lucas County)
 - Total Project Investment: \$21.6 million
 - Total Tax Credit: \$2.2 million*
 - *Total Tax credit value will increase up to 25% of QRE's (\$5,000,000) if additional program funds are available.
- **Hannon's Block** (Toledo, Lucas County)
 - Total Project Investment: \$2.7 million
 - Total Tax Credit: \$628,808
- **Lima Trust Building** (Lima, Allen County)
 - Total project investment: \$10.5 million
 - Estimated qualified rehabilitation expenditures: \$10.5 million
 - Total estimated value of credit: \$2,625,000
- **Metropolitan Block** (Lima, Allen County)
 - Total Project Investment: \$9.2 million
 - Total Tax Credit: \$2 million
- **Seneca County Courthouse** (Tiffin, Seneca County)
 - Total project investment: \$8 million
 - Estimated qualified rehabilitation expenditures: \$8 million
 - Total estimated value of credit: \$2 million
- **Standart-Simmons Hardware Co.** (Toledo, Lucas County)
 - Total project investment: \$11,332,000
 - Estimated qualified rehabilitation expenditures: \$10,086,235
 - Total estimated value of credit: \$2,521,559

Northwest Ohio Solar Energy Innovation Hub

The **Northwest Ohio Solar Energy Innovation Hub** brings together the University of Toledo, Bowling Green State University, Owens Community College, Penta Career Center, Terra Community College, and Northwest State Community College into a hub of educational institutions dedicated to helping the solar industry of Ohio continue to grow and prosper. The Hub will focus on promoting entrepreneurship, economic development, and commercialization in the solar industry by providing assets such as top solar researchers, entrepreneurs, manufacturers, education institutions, trade associations, and training providers.