INVESTORS

### Our investors share our passion in supporting the vitality of area industry and growth of our communities.

Leadership Investors City of Ashland Ashland County Mohican Area Growth Foundation

Strategic Investors

Keith Boales

Services, Inc.

& Johnston

USA, LLC

Legacy Investors

Advantage Marketing

Chandler Systems, Inc.

Hedstrom Plastics, Inc.

Simonson Construction

Critchfield, Critchfield

**Development Investors** 

American Augers, Inc.

**ASPEN Management** 

Enterprise 250, LLC

Lorain Medina Rural

Whitcomb & Hess

Electric Co-op

Sutton Bank

Enterprise Parkway Leasing

### Grants Recieved Ashland County

Community Foundation First Energy PNC Foundation

### Growth Investors

Ashland Conveyor Products Ashland Small Manufacturer Council Ashland University **Bill Harris Auto Center** Coldwell Banker Ward Real Estate Farmers and Savings Bank Heffelfinger Insurance Hillman Precision, Inc Jackson Township Ohio Electric Control Rossi Machinery Services, Inc. Schoonover Industries, Inc. Star Design-Build Contractors Transformation Network **Triple J Properties** Wayne Savings Community Bank

### **Goodwill Investors**

Ashland Area Chamber of Commerce Ashland Comfort Control Ashland Scale Company Certified Labs & Service, Inc. Classy Chassis, Inc. Donna D's Family Pizza Family Pools and Spas Fergy's on Main Whitaker-Myers Insurance Mitchell & Sons Moving and Storage Samaritan Hospital Foundation Samaritan Regional Health System Spire Advertising Steve Stuart

### Individual Investors

Ashland County Republican Committee Dennis Miller Wager's Way

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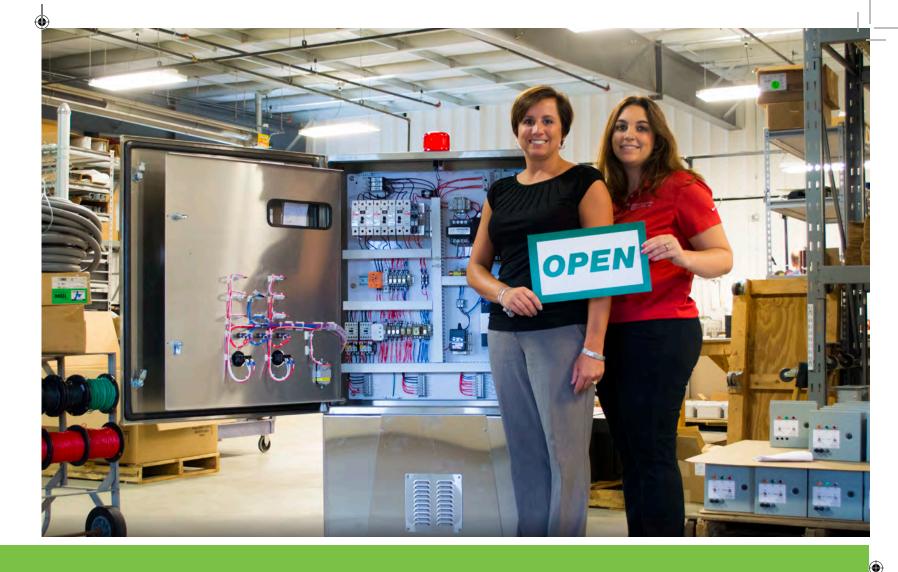
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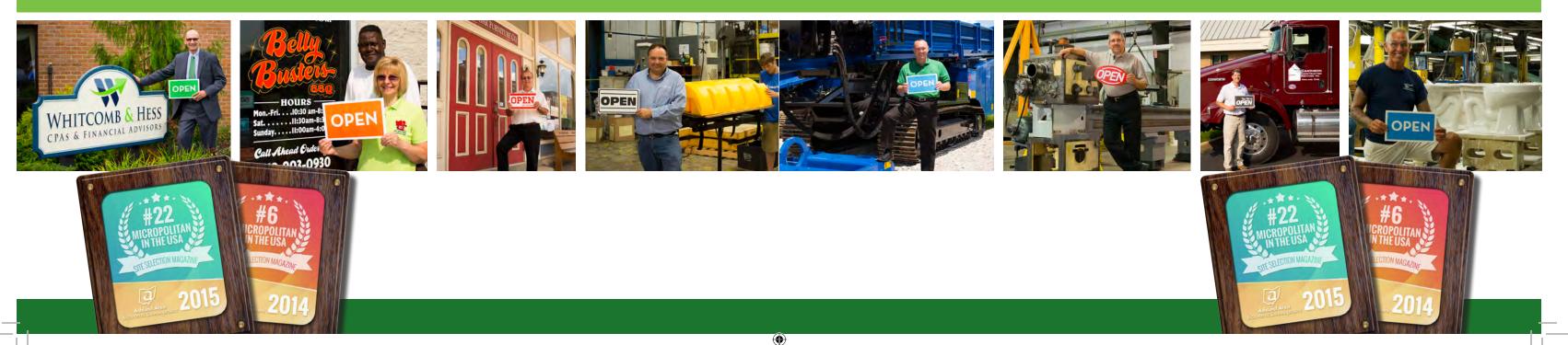


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## ASHLAND COUNTY, OHIO: OPEN FOR BUSINESS THE PERFECT LOCATION FOR YOUR GROWING COMPANY



### LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION





### **CLEVELAND & COLUMBUS OFFERS MANY ADVANTAGES!**

Ohio has the 4th largest interstate highway system and 10th largest highway network in the nation. Ashland County sits right off of I-71 and has several other main U.S. highways running through it including: U.S. 42, U.S. 250, U.S. 224, and U.S. 30 (The Lincoln Highway).

Ashland is within 600 miles of over 60% of the U.S. population and 50% of Canada's population. Rail service is provided by Ashland Railway, with connections to Norfolk Southern, CSX Transportation, and Wheeling-Lake Erie.

Ashland features 3 major airports nearby: Cleveland Hopkins International, Akron-Canton Regional, and Port Columbus International. Ashland also has the Ashland County Airport and Mansfield Lahm Regional Airport. Water access can be obtained at the Port of Cleveland and Toledo Port Authority.

Located midway between Cleveland & Columbus and Pittsburgh & Detroit, Ashland is the perfect fit for your business.

### **ASHLAND BUSINESS PARK**



### **ROOM FOR GROWTH**

Located at the Northwest corner of Ashland, Ohio, the business park is in an Enterprise Zone with the potential for tax incentives on property taxes. The park is owned by the City of Ashland and is operated in a partnership with Ashland Economic Development. The park has easy access to major highways, and also features a rail spur to connect with major rail services. With new water and sewer lines, the park is "shovel-ready" and contains over one hundred available acres. We are "Open for Business."



- **1.** Ashland Railway
- US Rt. 250 (5 mi. to I-71)
- Liqui-Box
- Moritz Materials
- Packaging Corporation of America
- Kar-Del Plastics
- Lawgix International
- Lippert Enterprises
- Barbasol, LLC
- **10.** Novatex North America
- **11.** Ashland Conveyor Products
- **12.** Ohio Electric Control, Inc.

### **RESOURCES**

### **COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION**

The Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) of Ashland is a local, non-profit, economic development corporation, assisting government entities and private businesses. CIC of Ashland partners with Ashland Economic Development, the City of Ashland, Ashland County, and MAGF, as well as private businesses, to promote economic development projects countywide. For approved projects, CIC of Ashland can purchase, resell, own, and lease real estate properties and business equipment, as well as facilitate projects by participating in outside funding, direct lending, or investing in private companies. Projects normally involve new business start-ups or existing company expansions that affect employment or provide other community benefits.

### **MOHICAN AREA GROWTH FOUNDATION**

Mohican Area Growth Foundation (MAGF) is a non-profit development corporation serving the Loudonville-Perrysville area in southern Ashland County, and the corners of four surrounding counties that share the area's heritage of industry, agriculture, and tourism surrounding Mohican and Malabar Farm State Parks. With a long track record of successful development assistance and community involvement, we look forward to hearing from you to discuss your business relocation, expansion, or start-up plans.

### **ERIE BASIN RC&D**

Erie Basin Resource Conservation & Development (RC&D) Council is a unique non-profit organization that helps people care for and protect their natural resources in a way that improves north central Ohio's economy, environment, and living standards. Erie Basin RC&D past projects have included a Revolving Loan Fund for Natural Resource based business, a Downtown Revitalization Loan Program, and a Renewable Energy Loan Program.

### INCENTIVES

### **OHIO COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT** AREA (CRA) PROGRAM

Ashland's CRA provides real property tax exemptions for property owners who renovate existing or construct new buildings within the set boundaries. We have a city-wide community reinvestment area for Ashland.

### **OHIO ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM**

Enterprise zones are designated areas of land in which businesses can receive tax incentives in the form of tax exemptions on eligible new investment.



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### **EDUCATION & TRAINING**

Ashland County is home to Ashland University, a mid-sized private institution offering undergraduate and graduate programs to nearly 6,000 students. Ashland is also home to six public school districts, two affiliated career centers, and two private schools.

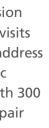
Workforce training programs are available through the Ashland County West Holmes (ACWH) Career Center and through Transformation Network, a non-profit community technology center. The ACWH Career Center also provides adult education and career enhancement course.





### **WORKFORCE**

In 2014, Ashland Economic Development conducted Business Retention and Expansion visits to over 40 local manufacturers. The visits uncovered a need for skilled workers. To address their needs, each Spring Ashland Economic Development hosts an annual Job Fair. With 300 job seekers attending in 2014, we helped pair the skilled laborers in Ashland with local manufacturers and businesses.









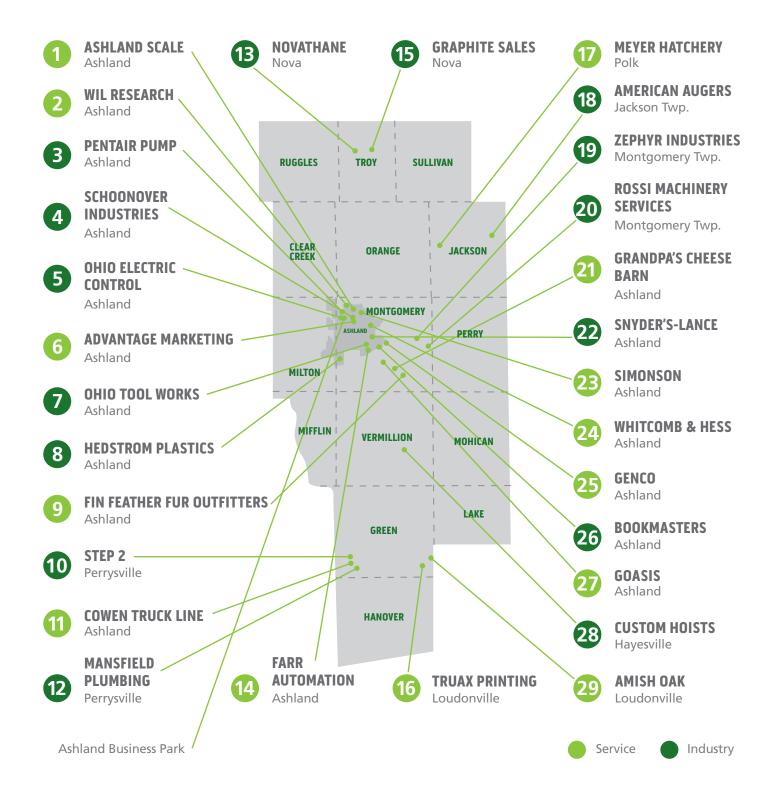






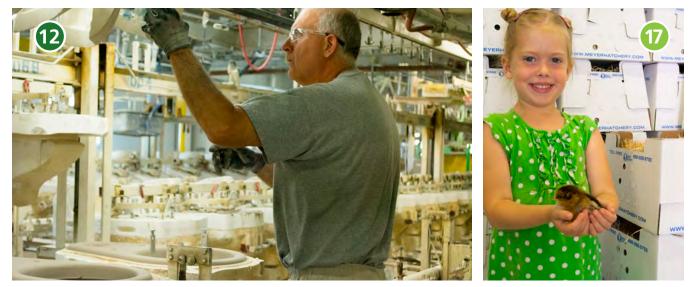
### **COUNTY BUSINESSES**

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