

Wyandot County Office of Economic Development Bi-Monthly Newsletter

Dates & Events

June 1st & 2nd
[JobsOhio/RGP Stakeholder Reception
& Board Meeting](#)

June 30th & July 1st
[Wyanstock Music Festival](#)
 Wyandot County Fairgrounds

July 10th - 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
[WCOED Board Meeting](#)
 Vaughn Industries - Training Room

[Click here for additional local events](#)

Metrics Dashboard

State Procured Leads	450
WCOED Leads	81
Website Visits (1st time)	52,117
Capital Investment from Attraction Projects	\$145,722,000
Capital Investment from Expansion Projects	\$204,170,135
Jobs Created	1,119
New Annual Payroll	\$35,422,455
Jobs Retained	4,391
Annual Payroll Retained	\$213,366,349
Grant Dollars Submitted	\$17,101,960
Grant Dollars Approved	\$7,186,983
Incentive Value Secured	\$5,666,804
Business Retention & Expansion (BR&E) Visits	273

Note - numbers are cumulative estimates from the organization's inception intended to give board members a snapshot of the overall impact.

WMH Breaks Ground in Carey

Leadership from Wyandot Memorial Hospital was on site last Thursday for the official groundbreaking ceremony of its new medical center in the Village of Carey. The Wyandot Medical Providers at Carey facility will be located on property formerly owned by the Village directly behind the library.

This project will include the construction of a 2 story medical office building in downtown Carey, Ohio that will include 3 physician offices, a pharmacy with a drive-thru, and lab services. The first floor will include 1 physician office and the pharmacy. The second floor will include 2 physician offices and lab services. Dr. Troy Puckett, Dr. Keri Harris, and Certified Nurse Midwife Susan Hotelling will be the physicians in Carey.

Ty Shaull, Wyandot Memorial Hospital CEO and President, anticipates the new facility will be complete by March 2024.



WMH Groundbreaking with Leadership & Future Carey Medical Clinic Staff
 (Photo Credit - The Daily Chief-Union)



WCOED Member Spotlight

The First Citizens National Bank

This month's WCOED Member Spotlight features gold level member The First Citizens National Bank. The following article was submitted by FCNB:

The First Citizens National Bank has been serving the Wyandot County community for 163 years. Founded in 1860 First Citizens is one of the oldest locally owned and nationally chartered national banks in the United States.

First Citizens has a rich history beginning in 1860 with the founding of the Exchange Bank. With the onset of the National Banking Act. In 1863 a group of individuals from Upper Sandusky and Harpster areas assumed the Exchange Bank's liabilities and assets to create the First National Bank, located in Upper Sandusky. The Bank was one of the first banks (charter number 90) to receive a national banking charter. First National Bank and Citizens Savings Bank merged in 1946 to form the First Citizens National Bank, using the Citizens Savings Bank location (constructed in 1907) at the corner of Sandusky and Wyandot Avenues. First Citizens main office remains at this location and has greatly expanded from one

to six connected buildings. The sixth building was fully renovated and is leased to a local retail business, enhancing downtown pedestrian traffic. Updates to the main office design and technology are currently underway to meet the current and future financial needs of customers.



FCNB Main Office - Upper Sandusky, OH

Over the years First Citizens has added locations with a drive-thru in downtown Upper Sandusky (open in 1963), Nevada (1953), Carey (1992) and Dunkirk (1991). In recent years the Bank added offices in Powell (2000), Marion (2002/2018) and Delaware (2022). Services have expanded with the latest in technology such as locally serviced merchant services, remote deposit capture and payment services such as the Zelle person-to-person system. *(continued on next page)*



WCOED Member Spotlight

The First Citizens National Bank (*cont.*)

First Citizens Financial Group is a local financial services program provided through a partnership with Cetera Investment Corporation. Recent service enhancements include the reintroduction of Trust Services via a partnership with Midwest Trust Company and enhanced Treasury Management Services for businesses.

First Citizens went green in 2010 with the installation of an electric generation solar facility on the main office rooftop by Vaughn Industries. This system consists of 189 solar panels, each sized at about 3 feet by 6 feet and 2 inches thick with each panel weighing 60 pounds. The system produces approximately 20% of the main office's electrical needs. The system paid for itself in 3 years and continues to help offset the Bank's electricity costs.



Through the years, First Citizens has carefully safeguarded the deposits of its customers by following a conservative policy of bank operations, yet has been progressive as a leader in the development of business, agriculture and technology in the market area. This continues a history of solid performance produced by a distinctive community orientation.

First Citizens has strong financial strength and is well capitalized. What further differentiates the Bank is an intensive focus on its community and a high level of personal service. First Citizens is a strong supporter of Wyandot County organizations, service clubs and charities. The Bank has been an active supporter of WCOED since its inception in 2009 and Bank CEO Mark Johnson is a past president of WCOED. Other First Citizens executives, including Jenny Romich, Jevon Reile and Doug Kelly, are also actively involved in WCOED. The Bank team has taken leadership roles in many Wyandot County civic organizations. Also supported are trade organizations such as the Ohio Bankers League, American Bankers Association and Independent Bankers Association of America.



Vancrest Purchasing Fairhaven Community and Adjacent Land

On June 1st, Vancrest Health Care Centers is planning to acquire Fairhaven Community in Upper Sandusky from its original and current owner United Church Homes. The acquisition will include the facility and grounds in addition to an adjacent 13+ acre property to the south. According to a United Church Homes press release, the Vancrest is planning the development of a replacement facility. United Church Homes will retain its remaining property situated to the south and west of that being acquired by Vancrest.

UCH PRESS RELEASE, MAY 10—United Church Homes has history that began providing high-quality care and services to older adults in Upper Sandusky, more than a century ago.

As the health care climate changes and UCH looks to the future, the organization has decided to sell Fairhaven Community to Vancrest Health Care Centers, a for-profit organization based in Van Wert, which specializes its health care operations in Ohio. While this is a difficult decision, UCH believes it is in the best interest of its residents, staff and the long-term viability of Fairhaven Community.

Vancrest has a strong reputation for providing post-acute care, including skilled nursing, rehabilitation, assisted living and memory care services. Founded in 1960, the family-owned business operates 11 health care centers in Ohio. Two sister companies, Fountain Park home health and Therapy Solutions round out the care delivery Vancrest provides in its communities.

Both organizations' top priority is the well-being of the residents and staff and both are committed to a smooth transition for all parties involved. Vancrest is expected to take ownership June 1.

The sale of Fairhaven Community to Vancrest includes the building and the surrounding property, where Vancrest intends to build a new modern health care center. UCH will retain ownership of some of the surrounding property, including 302 Maple St., with NaviGuide, a service coordination program that provides a dedicated service professional to coordinate services allowing older adults to live in their homes longer. UCH also has plans for potential development of the remaining property.



Commercial & Industrial Property Transfers

Below is a snapshot of recent commercial and industrial use classified property transfers within Wyandot County since the previous newsletter was published:

Recent Wyandot County Commercial & Industrial Use Property Transfers				
Buyer	Property Reference	Property Address	Sale Date	Sale Price
TEN DUCKS HOLDINGS LTD	Former Koehler Drug Building	134-138 N Sandusky Ave, Upper Sandusky	3/24/2023	\$ 200,000
MESSMER KEITH A & CHRISTA K	A Cut Above	213 N Sandusky Ave, Upper Sandusky	4/7/2023	\$ 210,000
WASHINGTON ENTERPRISES VI	Former Rite Aid	429 W Church St, Upper Sandusky	4/19/2023	\$ 655,000
B & C UPPER SANDUSKY PROPERTIES	Former Dr. Thiel & Dr. Smith Office	109 Houpt Dr, Upper Sandusky	4/20/2023	\$ 450,000
YEATER JASON S	Lovell Market	7002 SR 199, Upper Sandusky	4/25/2023	\$ 75,000
DANNER HOLDINGS LLC	Fitness Elite / former Ohio Power	735 Pleasantview St, Upper Sandusky	4/28/2023	\$ 325,000

New Industrial Listing:

422 W Guthrie Dr, Upper Sandusky

Sale Price: \$395,000
Lease: \$2.50/SF NNN



This vacant industrial facility in Upper Sandusky features 28,500SF of total space on 2.75 acres and is available for sale or lease. A former processing facility for food ingredients, this facility features:

- Food Spray Dryer with High Pressure Pump
 - Walk-in Cooler
 - 4 Process Boilers
 - Laboratory
- 2 Air-compressors & airlines throughout plant.
- 1 - 10' dock door and 1 drive-in door
 - 220V, 800 amp electrical service



Young Professionals' Annual Fundraiser July 4th Weekend

Wyanstock, the Wyandot County Music Festival, will return for its 9th installment this 4th of July weekend. Established by the Wyandot County Young Professionals (WCYP), the festival is the group's primary fundraiser for its charitable giving and community support efforts and has become a staple Wyandot community event.

An outpouring of support from the area business community makes the festival possible. Thank you to all of the WCOED members who provided their ongoing support: (main sponsors), **The First Citizens National Bank, Kalmbach Feeds, Quest Federal Credit Union, UIS Insurance & Investments, Wyandot Memorial Hospital; Clouse Construction Corp., Hempy Water, Regina Vent Realty, First National Bank of Sycamore, Kimmel Corporation, Mennel Milling Company, Premier Bank, Roth Bacon Moon Attorneys, and Schilling Propane.**

Through Wyanstock, the WCYP has generated over to \$120,000 in proceeds, which have been used to support \$6,000 in annual scholarship awards and ongoing sizable donations to local charitable groups and community projects.

Join the fun this year on Friday & Saturday, June 30th and July 1st.

WYANSTOCK
The Wyandot County Music Festival

**2 DAYS OF LIVE MUSIC
LOCAL CRAFT BREWS
FOODS, ARTS, CAMPING**

FRIDAY • JUNE 30TH

BIG RED DELUXE

GLASS FOREST • GOPHER BAROQUE • BOOTLEG CITY
CRAB GRASS • TRIPLE SHOT

SATURDAY • JULY 1ST

THE WHY STORE

THE MISHELES • LAST MINUTE • ALMOST CHILI PEPPERS
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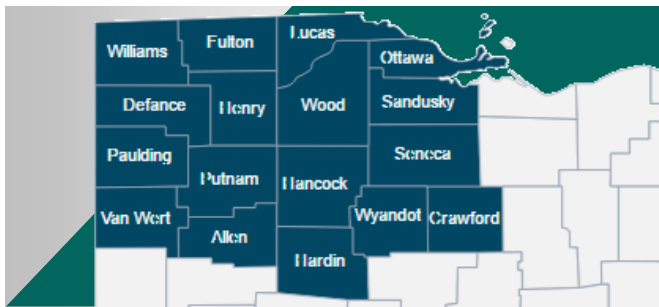
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NW Ohio Economic Development News

Northwest Ohio Glass Processing Fabricator Expanding

Paragon Tempered Glass will invest more than \$15 million and create 12 new jobs at its Paulding County facility to better meet customer demand. The investment in new machinery will allow the innovative glass fabricator to dramatically improve efficiencies to remain competitive and position for additional growth.

Company President and CEO Dan Wright directly cited the workforce as a significant factor in the decision to expand at the Antwerp location. "We have a loyal, dedicated group of employees with a strong work ethic. Absolutely workforce was a key decision. They are craftsmen, and I'd put their work up against anyone. Understanding the work ethic of this region, we know we'll be successful in finding the right people."

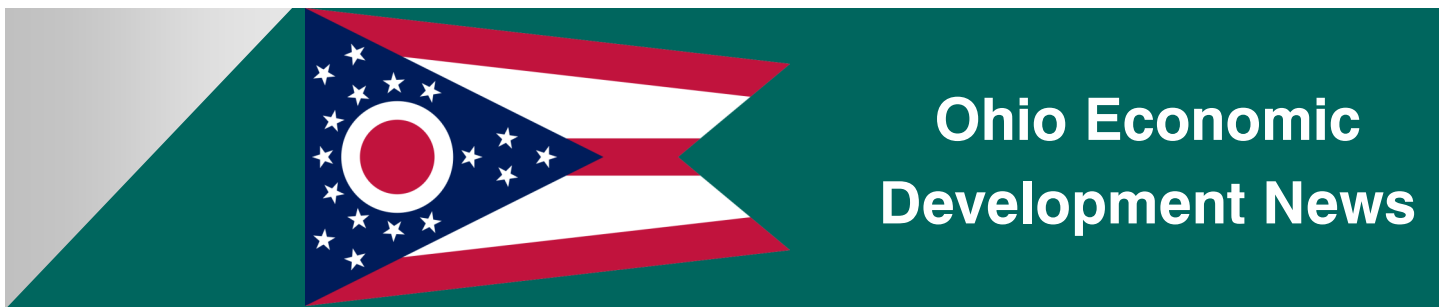
Paragon emerged from the 2012 combination of two tempered glass companies in Antwerp and Niles, Mich. The company makes thousands of different glass parts for hundreds of customers across dozens of industries including truck and RV, off-road vehicles, agricultural tractor cabs, and refrigeration for retail grocery stores.



The project will include adding 46,000 square feet of manufacturing space to support a new glass processing line featuring drilling, cutting and edging equipment as well as a tempering furnace. Wright also recognized the highway system as a benefit for distribution as well as the collaboration working with the economic development community including Paulding County Economic Development, the Regional Growth Partnership and JobsOhio. "An expansion investment of this magnitude in the county helps solidify a bright and continued manufacturing future," said Tim Copsey, director, Paulding County Economic Development. "Paulding County is a world-class supplier in many industries and that includes safety tempered glass."

The expansion is expected to begin this spring with a groundbreaking event to commemorate the occasion.

Source: RGP Northwest Ohio. (2023 May 23). Northwest Ohio Glass Processing Fabricator Expanding Operations. Press Release. Retrieved May 25, 2023 from: <https://rgp.org/paragon-glass/>



JobsOhio to Hold Stakeholder Reception & Board Meeting in Toledo

The below message is being forwarded to our WCOED membership on behalf of the JobsOhio Board of Directors and RGP leadership:

Dear Guest,

On June 1st and 2nd, JobsOhio will be holding two important events in Northwest Ohio.

The JobsOhio team would like to invite you to both opportunities and hope that you will be able to join the JobsOhio Board of Directors, JobsOhio Leadership and RGP Leadership at one or both events:



Thursday, June 1, 2023 - 6:00pm to 8:00pm

JobsOhio/RGP Stakeholder Reception at Bitwise Toledo

1300 Jefferson Ave., Toledo, Ohio 43604

Friday, June 2, 2023 - 9:00am to 10:30am

JobsOhio Q2 Public Board of Directors Meeting at the Glass City Center

401 Jefferson Ave., Toledo, Ohio 43604

Please plan to be seated by 8:45am.

To register for either event, [Click Here](#)

Note: Please also use the “click here” button above to send your regrets if you are unable to attend.

We look forward to seeing you in Toledo!



Mission Statement:

The WCOED was established to assist existing local businesses in economic development projects enabling them to remain profitable and competitive. In addition, we strategically research existing supply chains and regional industries to target and recruit new businesses development into the community. Ultimately, it is our intent to help improve the overall economic viability and quality of life in Wyandot County and the various municipalities located therein.

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