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# Fairfield OH BUSINESS BOOSTER

August 2013



## Chamber's Business Showcase and Taste of Fairfield planned October 2

Mark your calendars for the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce annual Business Showcase event. This is the Chamber's largest event of the year, with more than 100 exhibitors and thousands of attendees.

The Business Showcase will be held Wednesday, October 2, at Receptions Conference Center, 5975 Boymel Drive. Events include the annual luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., the Business Showcase from 1:30 to 6 p.m., and the popular Taste of Fairfield from 4 to 6 p.m.

Both the Business Showcase and the Taste of Fairfield are free and open to the public. Check with the Chamber at [www.FairfieldChamber.com](http://www.FairfieldChamber.com) or 881-5500 for more details as the date draws near. 🌐

## Duke Energy grant advances Koch project

Duke Energy recently awarded Fairfield with a \$100,000 economic development grant to help facilitate public infrastructure upgrades necessary for the Koch Foods expansion project.



Holding the \$100,000 check are (l to r) Deanna Bowden (Duke Energy), Mayor Ron D'Epifanio, Councilmember Tim Abbott, Brian Reisen (Koch Foods) and David Smith (Duke Energy).

Last year, Koch Foods began construction to nearly double the capacity of its Port Union Road plant. A major challenge surrounding the project involves sewer capacity. The City has worked closely with company engineers, the Butler County Water & Sewer Department, and the Ohio EPA to devise a strategy to safely and effectively manage the large amounts of existing and projected wastewater that the chicken processing plant will produce.

After a thorough study, it was determined that the best resolution of the wastewater challenge involves directing more of the flow through Fairfield's Seward Road sewage pumping station, which is located approximately one-half mile from the Koch Foods facility. The current pumping station sufficiently handles most of the flow from the surrounding industrial businesses, but in order

to handle the dramatically increased flow once the Koch Foods project is completed, engineering consultants recommended the replacement of the pumping station. The current station is aging, lacks sufficient

holding capacity, and lacks backup emergency power generation.

The initial cost estimate for a replacement pumping station is \$260,000. With the help of the Duke Energy grant, the new lift station will be installed in late 2013. This public infrastructure upgrade will allow the Koch Foods facility expansion to proceed. 🌐

## Accutek success prompts major expansion

Accutek Testing Laboratory, located at the corner of Bypass 4 and Port Union Road, recently broke ground on an expansion to accommodate the firm's continued growth in its mechanical and metallurgical testing services. This expansion comes only two and a half years after the company bought the building and moved into Fairfield. Since then, the company has doubled its revenue and employee count.

Accutek Testing Laboratory is a full-service facility for testing product performance and failure analysis. Staffed by experienced engineering professionals, the company performs mechanical

testing for a variety of clients in the medical device, aerospace, manufacturing, and power generation industries.

The expansion project will add roughly 4,000 square feet of new office space and will convert 8,000 square feet of warehouse into additional conditioned laboratory space. The extra square footage of office and lab space



Marking the start of construction are (l to r) President John McCloy, Director of Quality Assurance Justin Riebesel and Director of Engineering Greg McKnight

will allow Accutek to maintain the impressive growth that the company has experienced in recent years.

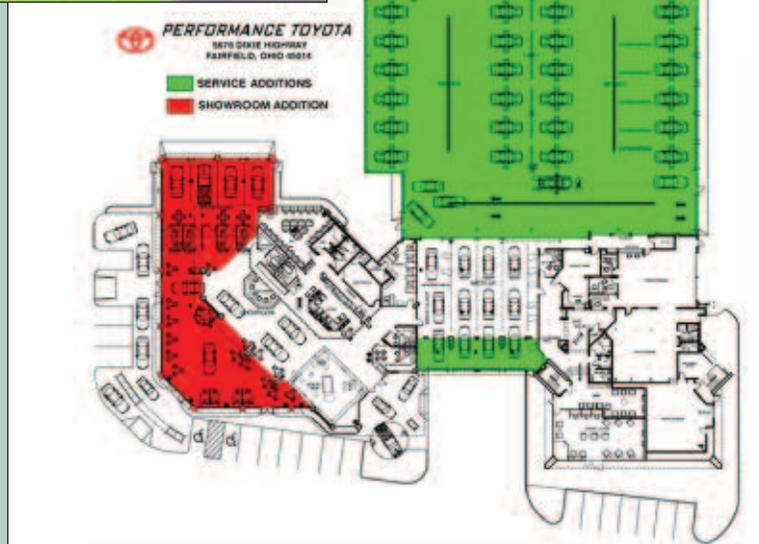
"Accutek's focus is finding better ways to support our customers in their design and development projects," said Accutek President John McCloy. "The expansion and renovation of our facility positions us for enhanced in-house testing capacity and capabilities." 🌐

## Hampton Inn completes major renovations

In May, the Hampton Inn Fairfield, located on Kolb Drive next to Cincinnati Mall, celebrated a grand re-opening after completing a \$3 million renovation to the 100-room hotel. The renovation included all guest rooms, lobby area, the indoor pool, 24-hour fitness center, the business center with high-speed internet, breakfast area, and meeting space. Middletown Hotel Management has owned and operated the property since the doors opened in July 1999.

"We are very proud and excited!" said Lindsay Shaver, General Manager, Middletown Hotel Management. "The renovation has brought the property a fresh, contemporary and modern standard."

For information call 513-942-3440 or visit the website at [www.cincinnati-fairfield.hamptoninn.com](http://www.cincinnati-fairfield.hamptoninn.com).



## Performance Toyota expansion begins

By early next year, Performance Toyota will complete a \$2.7 million expansion at its facility on State Route 4. After a year in planning, the renovation will add 27,670 square feet to the dealership's sales and service areas.

Plans call for a significant expansion to the service area, including dozens of service bays, a significantly expanded service write-up area, a new car delivery area and an expanded sales facility.

## USCS can provide assistance with exports

The U.S. Commercial Service is a federal government agency dedicated to helping small-to-medium sized companies with their exporting strategies. For more than 25 years, the U.S. Commercial Service has been assisting U.S. companies with challenges of growing and prospering in the international marketplace. Every year, the U.S. Commercial



Service helps thousands of companies export goods and services worth billions of dollars.

A global network of trade professionals in more than 100 U.S. cities and in more than 75 countries help U.S. companies get started in exporting or increase sales to new global

## G&W Products grows to second location

G&W Products, a metal manufacturing and coating company located on Seward Road, has experienced strong growth in recent years. To accommodate this growth and the need for more production space, the company recently expanded into a second Fairfield facility on Stockton Road.



The company operates in a wide variety of metal working capacities, including metal stamping, laser cutting, CNC punching, metal fabrication, manual and robotic welding, machining, structural steel working, sheet metal fabrication, tube fabrication, wire forming, tool and die work, powder coating and assembly.

G & W has operated at its Seward Road location since 1997 and employs 130 people.

markets. The agency's services include:

- World class market research
- Trade events that promote your product or service to qualified buyers
- Introductions to qualified buyers and distributors
- Counseling and advocacy through every step of the export process

The U.S. Commercial Service uses [www.Export.gov](http://www.Export.gov) as its main online resource, or businesses can call 1-800-USA-TRADE. Staff members of the local Cincinnati branch are available for one-on-one consultation.

## Numbers to Know

**Building/Zoning:** 513/867-5318

**Development Services:** 513/867-5345

**Fire Prevention:** 513/867-5379

**Economic Development:** 513/867-5345

**City Income Tax:** 513/867-5327

**Utilities/Billing:** 513/867-5370

**General Info:** 513/867-5300