



## Diverse Resources Fuel A Prosperous Economic Future.

Whether you're in manufacturing, technology, logistics, agribusiness or a service industry, you'll be in good company in Greater Springfield. Companies with diverse focuses and resource requirements find one thing in common here: success.

Plentiful resources and tremendous human capital create a solid foundation for success. The community's core resources - access to extensive gas, water, electric, sewer capacity and telecommunications fiber networks - fuel growth and progress. In addition, its strategic location on Interstate 70 and near I75 and I75 provide a logistical advantage, with access to over 60% of the U.S. population within 600 miles. In addition, rail and air transport requirements are easily satisfied.

When you need people with the skills and capabilities to drive your business, look no farther than Greater Springfield. Three local colleges - Wittenberg University, Cedarville College and Clark State - fuel your need for human resources. Many technical schools and universities are in close proximity to the market. In addition, engineering and technology transfer organizations are in high availability due to our proximity to Wright Patterson Airforce Base.

Technology companies have a connectivity infrastructure on par with any other venue in the country. Ground was broken in 2006 for Phase II of the Nextedge Applied Research and Technology Park, located a few miles east of downtown. Developer Mills-Morgan said it planned to construct three 55,000-square-foot buildings on the technology campus. The site is the current or planned home to technology companies such as Lexis-Nexis, Avetec, the Ohio Supercomputing Center, Qbase and Scientific Applications International

Corporation. Other small tech firms have recognized the opportunities afforded them in a mid-sized community and are growing here.

Springfield has long been a significant manufacturing force. From metalworking to aerospace parts and transportation to fabrication. International Truck and Engine calls Springfield home, as do many other global leaders.

Food for growth is routinely consumed by food and agriculture-related businesses. Tremendous farming, water and logistics capabilities provide a perfect environment for a range of companies involved in food processing. Grain, milk, meat dairy and vegetable related businesses come home to Clark County every day.



## Workforce Profile & Resources

- Cooperation among state, regional and local government and economic development officials has streamlined the process for new and existing companies looking to expand here. • Ohio Supercomputer Center's only other office outside of Columbus is in Springfield.
- Access to Interstate highways going east and west and north and south makes Greater Springfield attractive to companies with transportation requirements.
- Manufacturing skills and synergistic companies find the city an ideal setting for successful enterprises.
- The Nextedge Applied Research and Technology Park will create 500 new jobs in five years.
- Airport access in Dayton or Columbus makes Greater Springfield a convenient location.
- Infrastructure availability - from water to energy to fiber optics - puts the Springfield community in a class by itself.
- Many agriculture-related businesses use the county's strong heritage and assets to create thriving enterprises.
- Springfield/Clark County has a variety of incentive loan, enterprise zone packages and other initiatives available.
- Three local and numerous regional colleges and universities feed our human resources pool.