



Zanesville & Muskingum County Economic Development Newsletter

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IN-DEMAND JOBS WEEK May 6-10, 2024



In-Demand Jobs Week is the statewide celebration of the jobs, industries, and skills that are in-demand in Ohio. Community leaders statewide are encouraged to partner in planning engaging events and activities that will inspire excitement and awareness among students and job seekers.

HOW CAN I SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT MY EVENT?

Outside of sending emails, invitations, or posting about your event on social media, you can share your event on the official In-Demand Jobs Week Interactive map ([TopJobs.Ohio.gov/week](https://topjobs.ohio.gov/week)). This interactive map will list all events being hosted for In-Demand Jobs Week 2024.

To add your event to the map, submit your event name, date/time, and description to In-DemandJobs@jfs.ohio.gov.

Need help planning your event or have questions? Send us an email at: In-DemandJobs@jfs.ohio.gov.

WHAT KIND OF EVENTS CAN I HOST?

There are several different events that schools, businesses, and community organizations can host during In-Demand Jobs Week. Here are just a few examples:

Career Fairs & Hiring Events

Host a recruiting event with local businesses in the area at a school or community space.

Open House / Facility Tours

Invite community members, schools, and prospective employees to come to your business so they can see the types of careers you offer and the space they could work in.

Roundtable Discussions

Host local business and education leaders to talk about industry needs and how you can work together to better your community.

Networking Event

Work with a local business (like a restaurant or coffee shop) to host a networking event to foster connections with other businesses and community leaders.

Host a Resume 'How-To' Class

Invite students and community members to a resume building class and show them what employers are looking for in a resume.



Career 'Signing Days'

Do you have students who are 'committing' to a career right after graduation? Help celebrate them by hosting a career signing day at your school.



THINKING OF EXPANDING? NEED NEW EQUIPMENT?

In 2023, the ZMCPA was able to help four local businesses secure funding through the JobsOhio Inclusion Grant to expand their existing facility and/or purchase needed equipment.

INCLUSION **GRANT**

Contact us to schedule a time to discuss how we can help your business utilize this great program!

Click to Schedule a Meeting

Munson Crossing Groundbreaking


Woda Cooper Companies, Inc. hosted a ceremonial groundbreaking on March 7, 2024 for Munson Crossing, a 43-unit affordable rental community now under construction in Zanesville. The co-developer for the \$13.8 million community is Housing Services Alliance.

Participation in the Munson Crossing groundbreaking celebration spotlighted the strong collaboration and comprehensive development planning to address the needs for affordable housing in the community.



"The City is grateful to have a strong partnership with the Muskingum County Commissioners and the Muskingum County Land Reutilization Corporation," said Mayor Don Mason "Through collaboration and a forward-thinking mindset, we have turned a long-blighted property into a new opportunity for Zanesville and Muskingum County residents."

Munson Crossing is strategically located in the West Main Street Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) on the site of the former Munson Elementary School



building, which was demolished last year. It will provide 14 one-bedroom units that offer 663 sq. ft.; 23 two-bedroom apartments with 858 sq. ft.; and 6 three-bedroom apartments with 1,105 sq. ft. Projected rental rates range from \$330 to \$1,025 per month, depending on the size of unit and the resident's income, with all units reserved for tenants whose income is 30% to 80% of area median income.

Units will feature spacious floor plans with plenty of storage, and modern kitchens with ENERGY STAR appliances, including dishwashers. There will be attractive, contemporary finishes, including quality cabinetry and luxury vinyl tile flooring. Each unit will have a washer/dryer hookup. There are four units with features for residents with physical disabilities and sight/hearing disabilities. Community amenities include a multipurpose room with kitchenette, package room, laundry room, and dedicated supportive service space. There will be an onsite leasing and management office.

Maximizing resources to ensure rents can be offered at affordable rates for lower and moderate-income residents was key to developing Munson Crossing. The MCLRC offered the property at a nominal price and Munson Crossing will also benefit from sales tax exemption issued by the Zanesville-Muskingum County Port Authority for building materials purchased in Muskingum County. Additionally, the Ohio Department of Development's CRA program enables local municipalities to encourage the development of new structures or revitalization of existing housing stock by providing a real estate tax exemption for 100% of the increase in value for 15 years.

"The development of Munson Crossing is built upon a clear vision and commitment by Ohio Housing Finance Agency, the City of Zanesville, and Muskingum County to address housing needs for all residents," said Jonathan D. McKay, Vice President - Development for Woda Cooper Companies. "Munson Crossing will bring an excellent new option for affordable housing in Zanesville that will offer space and amenities suited for families with children, along with units for singles or those with disabilities."

Leasing and property management will be performed by Woda Management & Real Estate. For more information about the property, call 740-825-7539 or visit www.wodagroup.com.

Visit the [Housing Page](#) on the Zanesville Muskingum County Port Authority website to follow the progress of Munson Crossing, as well as find information on other upcoming housing developments.

Did You Know.....

Since 2011, Ohio has emerged as a clear national leader for economic growth. You can see the transformation in the national rankings in the chart provided.

OHIO STATS		
Top States for Business Area Development 2023 #5	Labor Productivity Growth Rate Midwest #1	GDP Growth in Midwest 2011-2022 #1
Most MegaProjects In US 2022 #2	Reshoring & FDI Jobs In US #2 Reshoring Initiative	Economic Diversity Pace #2 Moody's
Access to Capital Best States for Business #3	Econ Dev Projects Site Selection Magazine #3	Global Groundwork Index #1 Site Selective Magazine

Happy 2nd Anniversary intel[®] Ohio



December 2022:
Excavation of two
Sub Utility Trenches
(SUT) for each fab

Ohio Construction Milestones

- 1.6 million hours without a lost time incident;
- 32,000 cubic yards of concrete poured;
- 210,000 linear feet of underground conduit installed (equivalent to just over 700 football fields).

Commitment to Education

- **K-12:** [Moonshot Ohio](#) aims to increase access to STEAM learning and fuel workforce development;
- **Community Colleges/Universities:**



Semiconductor Technician Certification Program (offered at Zane State), A.I. Workforce Program; Quantum Curriculum Development at Ohio State, Community Engagement and Sustainability Education.

Becoming an Intel Supplier

Intel's operations in Ohio depend on hundreds of small, medium, and large local businesses. A variety of services and materials are needed - from local lodging, meals, transportation, security, warehousing, chemicals, test equipment, and more.

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