

The Source

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Ohio Economic Development Association *Project of the Year* Award for Schaeffler E-Mobility Plant in Dover

Congratulations to the Tuscarawas County Economic Development Corporation on being honored with the Ohio Economic Development Association's *Project of the Year* award for Schaeffler's E-Mobility Plant expansion in Dover! This award celebrates the tremendous effort and collaboration that continue to drive growth and opportunity in our region.

Schaeffler's project is a \$230 million investment to build a 265,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility focused on producing advanced e-mobility components for electric and hybrid vehicles. When fully operational, the facility will **create 450 new skilled manufacturing jobs** and support **over \$4.5 million in local infrastructure improvements**.

The project highlights achievements through public and private partnerships and collaborations with local leadership, Bricker & Graydon, Huntington Bank, the Ohio Department of Transportation, and Team NEO.

Schaeffler's expansion not only strengthens Ohio's leadership in advanced manufacturing but also demonstrates how rural communities like Dover can attract and sustain world-class industry.



OMJ Stark and Tuscarawas Counties Coordinated Support Helps Shatosha Launch an In-Demand Healthcare Career

Through the coordinated support of OhioMeansJobs Stark and Tuscarawas Counties, Shatosha successfully transitioned into a medical career. With guidance from staff at the OMJ, she received Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funding to complete Medical Assistant training at Larock Healthcare Academy.

Employment Services Specialist Kellie Adams then worked closely with her to develop a professional résumé, while Employment Services Professional Cheyenne assisted Shatosha in exploring job opportunities. That teamwork led her to apply for an opening with Apex Skin. Workforce Specialist Laura Kopfstein's strong employer partnership helped connect Shatosha to the company—resulting in her hire as a Medical Assistant at \$18 per hour.

Shatosha's journey highlights how coordinated assistance, training support, and staff expertise can help job seekers achieve begin their career journey.

Coming Soon



**WORKFORCE
TRENDS DASHBOARD**
STARK & TUSCARAWAS

STWDB will be providing community stakeholders with views of customized local labor market dashboards and with timely updates. We are excited to share these with you on **December 1st!**

Upcoming Veteran's Day Events



**2ND ANNUAL
★ VETERAN ★
APPRECIATION BREAKFAST**

**November 10, 2025
9 - 11 AM**

★ ★
JOE CARLISLE CAFE • BUCKEYE CAREER CENTER
545 UNIVERSITY DRIVE NE • NEW PHILADELPHIA, OH 44663

[Learn More](#)



VETERANS' RESOURCE FAIR

822 30th St. NW • Canton, Ohio 44709
November 21, 2025 • 11 AM - 3 PM

[Learn More](#)

Meet the Board

Ever wonder who's helping drive workforce solutions in our community? This month, get to know **Joel McKenzie** - Human Resource Business Partner for Tractor Supply's Navarre Distribution Center, who has been serving on the Board since June 2025.



[Read about Joel](#)



STWDB Hosts Leadership Stark County Site Visit

Stark Tuscarawas Workforce Development Board hosted Leadership Stark County's 39th Class for a site visit on Wednesday, October 22nd in advance of their Economic Development Program Day. The visit provided a great opportunity to share how the public workforce system supports local employers, job seekers, and community growth. The class toured the OhioMeansJobs Stark County, learning more about programs and partnerships that connect people with meaningful opportunities.

Partner Spotlight *Buckeye Career Center*

OhioMeansJobs center partners play a critical role in our local workforce system. Learn more about our OhioMeansJobs Stark and Tuscarawas County partners.



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Building a Stronger Community *Stark County Manufacturing Workforce Development Partnership*

From local organizations to community-driven initiatives, see how people and partnerships work together to create opportunities and strengthen Stark and Tuscarawas Counties.



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Looking for Training?

Attend a workforce-funded training orientation session to see if you qualify to receive funding for training.

[Learn More](#)

Looking for a Job?

Explore available job opportunities and get the tools you need to take your career to the next level.

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Looking to Hire?

Discover how we can help connect your business with qualified candidates to grow your team.

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