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Greetings!

Welcome to the latest issue of *Economic News from Ohio's Regions*, a new weekly newsletter from the [Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs](#) and [Cleveland State University](#). We'll search Ohio's papers to bring you economic news and key happenings that impact Ohio's regions.

[Tough climate-change bill touted as good for state](#)

(Columbus Dispatch, Oct. 27, 2009) Ohio would gain up to 61,000 jobs by 2020 and see its economy grow by \$3.7 billion if a stringent climate-change bill becomes law, says the report released by the Ohio Business Council for a Clean Economy.

[Tech start-up aims to turn status quo on its face](#)

(Springfield News Sun, Oct. 31, 2009) A 20-year veteran of the technology development business has chosen Clark County as the home for his new company.

[Economic troubles of Toledo area unyielding](#)

(Toledo Blade, Oct. 31, 2009) The jobless rate last month in Ohio was 10.1 percent, in Toledo it was 12.1 percent, and for Lucas County the rate was 11.3 percent. Many of the unemployed come from downsizing in the automotive and manufacturing industries. The national jobless rate was 9.8 percent.

[Stimulus grants mean jobs for local medical institutions](#)

(The Plain Dealer, Nov. 1, 2009) Cleveland's major medical institutions are beginning to reap millions of dollars from special National Institutes of Health grants which they applied for earlier this year. And that money means jobs for Northeast Ohio.

[Power plant wants to keep it clean](#)

(Akron Beacon Journal, Nov. 1, 2009) Biomass is the name given to renewable energy sources: wood, farm products, manure, landfills and food waste. It is a growing fuel source. Ohio ranks among the top five states for biomass sources and could be a biomass leader.

Universities expand roles to include economic development (Crain's Cleveland Business, Nov. 2, 2009) Recently, however, economic development has become an even bigger priority at the University of Akron, Kent State University and the Northeastern Ohio Universities Colleges of Medicine and Pharmacy.

Ohio ranked No. 4 in business climate ranking (Dayton Daily News, Nov. 2, 2009) The business climate rankings are determined by a business activity-tracking database run by Conway Data Inc., publisher of Site Selection, and by a survey of corporate site seekers across the country.

Liquid crystal niche grows (Akron Beacon Journal, Nov. 2, 2009) Although liquid crystal display technology was invented at Kent State University, 99.9 percent of the products using it - from computers to televisions - are made overseas. But a modern twist to the technology, invented by a Kent company, is finally creating some manufacturing jobs here.

New plant brings new jobs to Monroe County (WTRF News, Nov. 2, 2009) Voith Hydro announced Monday that it would open a manufacturing facility in Hannibal, Ohio. Company officials hope to hire 40 workers when it is fully up and running in March of 2010.

State considers \$250,000 grant for Dayton aerospace hub (Dayton Daily News, Nov. 2, 2009) Ohio is considering providing a \$250,000 grant to help the Dayton region organize itself as a state-designated hub of aerospace innovation and technology.

Region ready to dig deeper into tech fund (Cincinnati Business Courier, Nov. 2, 2009) Southwest Ohio is looking for ways to garner a larger slice of the pie in a proposed second go-around of the state's \$1.6 billion Third Frontier technology-funding initiative.

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