



Rural Development

2010 Annual Report



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With Crisis Comes Opportunity



Secretary of Agriculture
Tom Vilsack

When I assumed this office in January 2009, our country was struggling through the most serious economic crisis since the Great Depression. In rural America, the recession aggravated challenges that had been ignored or unsolved for decades. President Obama directed me to do everything possible to help jumpstart the national economy – and

especially to help the 50 million residents of rural America weather the difficult times while also building a foundation for a sustained economic growth in rural communities. We are building a framework for a new rural economy by ensuring access to innovative technologies, opening new markets for crops, promoting production of renewable energy and better utilizing our natural resources.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) is one of the most significant measures we have taken to pursue these strategies. The Recovery Act is bringing broadband to about 7 million rural Americans, it will help farmers to compete, connect small businesses to world markets, and give children access to new learning opportunities. The Act has

helped build new hospitals, health clinics, fire stations, libraries, water systems and housing opportunities. In Fiscal Years (FY) 2009 and 2010, the Recovery Act has enabled us, through USDA Rural Development programs alone, to make over \$21 billion in critical infrastructure and economic development investments in rural America. Recovery Act funds have created many thousands of jobs for rural Americans and are helping rural communities all across the country to find their economic footing again.

After internal discussions with USDA employees, and public national listening sessions around the country as part of my “Rural Tour,” we took the input we received – and used authorities available through the 2002 and 2008 Farm Bills – to

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Rebuilding and Revitalizing Rural America



**Under Secretary
Rural Development**
Dallas Tonsager

The Obama Administration recognizes how important rural America is to the continued economic health and vitality of the United States. Rural communities are home to more than 50 million people. Rural America supplies much of our nation’s food and water, and safeguards our environmental heritage. Its role in establishing our nation’s

energy independence is growing every day. Reversing the youth outmigration dynamic and revitalizing rural America for the next century is USDA Rural Development’s mission. Our goal of ensuring that rural areas are creating wealth, self-sustaining, repopulating, and thriving economically is especially critical in the aftermath of the economic downturn.

To help achieve this transformation, the Obama Administration, through USDA, has made historic investments in rural America in Fiscal Year (FY) 2010. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) boosted funding for seven key Rural Development programs, allowing us to make lasting investments in rural America and pave the way for increased economic growth and productivity over the long term.

Complete information about the Recovery Act and its impact in rural America can be found in a separate report that we recently published: “Rural Development and the Recovery Act: Working for Rural Communities.” Our programs had a remarkable impact in rural America. In FY 2010, we delivered direct assistance to an unprecedented number of worthy recipients thanks to the boost in Federal funding that was possible through the Recovery Act, in addition to our regular appropriations.

USDA Rural Development – through our array of financial assistance programs, but especially through our talented and dedicated employees serving in local offices across the country – truly makes a difference in quality of the lives of rural Americans, and in the communities in which they live.

As of September 30, 2010, these Recovery Act outlays included:

• Business & Industry Guaranteed Loan Program:	\$1,601,007,139
• Broadband Initiatives Loan and Grant Program:	\$3,529,090,888
• Rural Business Enterprise Grant Program:	\$19,398,942
• Community Facilities Loan and Grant Program:	\$1,389,529,796
• Single Family Housing Direct Loan Program:	\$1,395,291,645
• Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program:	\$10,056,306,317
• Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant Program:	\$3,271,300,435

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ARRA Spurs Most Prolific Funding Year Ever

More than \$935 Million Fuels Increased Economic Development Activity

This year the rural development community bids farewell to two life-long champions for small town Ohio: Senator George Voinovich and Governor Ted Strickland.

George Voinovich, a former mayor of Cleveland, was a quick study on “down-state” issues. In two terms as governor and as Ohio’s senior senator, he was an outspoken supporter for Ohio’s agricultural community and a strong advocate for small town development. His namesake Voinovich School of Government at Ohio University is a fitting legacy, emblematic of his devotion to South East Ohio.

Ted Strickland—the most famous native of Duck Run, Ohio—spent his career serving rural Ohioans, first as a congressman for the 6th Congressional District and later as governor. His breakthrough leadership in the areas of renewable energy and broadband access has enhanced the quality of life across the state.

While we’ll certainly miss their leadership, we hope their future plans keep them in Ohio.

Fiscal Year 2010 was groundbreaking for Ohio’s Rural Development team as the increased levels of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding fueled an unprecedented level of rural housing and economic development projects.

Ohioans used our programs in record numbers, as some \$935 million in loans, loan guarantees, and grants were invested in small town Ohio, eclipsing all previous Ohio Rural Development program performance records.

Our Housing Program was again our most active division as its staff obligated more than \$484 million to help a record number of families become first-time homeowners. Rural Development’s Single Family Direct Housing Program, augmented by our Guaranteed Rural Housing Program, assisted more than 4,800 rural Ohio families secure safe, affordable housing. We also provided rental assistance to more than 7,000 deserving families.

Our Business & Industry loan program placed some \$84 million in loan guarantees with small town businesses across the state, which allowed those businesses to keep their doors



State Director
Tony Logan

open or bring on new employees. Our Community Facilities and Water & Wastewater programs invested over \$97 million in public infrastructure projects. These projects created construction jobs in the short term and state-of-the-art public facilities for generations to come.

Broadband and Renewable Energy programs also showed considerable growth. The state secured 17 Broadband awards totaling more than \$270 million, new records for both the number and dollar amounts for rural broadband in Ohio. More than \$117 million of the record \$270 million in broadband funding resulted from direct engagement by Ohio U.S. Sen. Sherrod Brown and former Ohio Congressman Zack Space.

The Renewable Energy Program’s three-fold increase in participation levels resulted in the approval of 84 wind, solar, biomass and energy efficiency projects totaling more than \$5.4 million.

Fiscal Year 2011 will be challenging as Ohio’s total program funding levels will likely fall back to the pre-ARRA levels, even as statewide demand for economic development resources show signs of steady increase. More than ever, Rural Development will be looking to leverage its resources with those of partners

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Broadband Projects Funded in 2010

Sycamore Telephone Co. - \$2.7M grant/\$1.5M loan

Funding for a fiber-to-the-home system within and outside the villages of Sycamore, Melmore and McCutchenville.

Hometown Cable Co, LLC - \$2.3M grant/\$2.4M loan

Funding for a broadband infrastructure project in Darke and Preble counties.

Utopian Wireless Corp. - \$1M grant/\$349K loan

Funding for a WiMax infrastructure project for rural communities in and around Kinsman, Ohio.

Nelsonville TV Cable Inc. - \$3.2M grant/\$1.4M loan

Funding for digital cable services in unserved areas of Athens, Hocking and Morgan counties.

Southern Ohio Communications Services - \$710K grant/\$739K loan

Funding for broadband and VOIP services to institutions, businesses and residents of Adams and Pike counties.

New Era Broadband - \$2.2M grant/\$739K loan

Funding for broadband in rural Appalachian Meigs County.

Toledo-Lucas County Public Library - \$2.2M grant

Funding for mobile unit to deliver free education and training classes in health awareness, computer literacy and job skills for employment.

Com Net Inc. - \$30M grant

Funding to develop a partnership between three existing network providers to deliver service to 28 rural Western Ohio communities.

Wabash Mutual Telephone Co. - \$2.2M grant/\$2.2M loan

Funding to install a fiber optic network in and around Fort Recovery, Ohio.

Benton Ridge Telephone Co. - \$1.5M grant/\$1.6M loan

Funding to deploy a fiber-to-the-home system in Benton Ridge, Ohio.

Consolidated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - \$1M grant/\$1.4M loan

Funding to build a middle mile fiber optic network.

Intelliwave LLC - \$1.1M grant/\$1.2M loan

Funding to provide wireless broadband and VOIP phone service to rural communities in Athens, Fairfield and Pickaway counties.

Horizon Telecom Inc. - \$66.5M grant

Funding is to expand broadband coverage in 34 rural communities through fiber optic connections via partnership between Connecting Appalachian Ohio and Middle Mile Consortium.

* Funding amounts rounded up/down

Ohio's Broadband Advocate



U.S. Senator
Sherrod Brown

U.S. Sen. Sherrod Brown's support was pivotal in the award of more than \$51 million in funding to expand high-speed Internet access in Ohio. The funding is distributed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and U.S. Department of Commerce. Brown sponsored the *Rural Broadband Act*

that would establish a federal Office of Broadband Initiatives dedicated to creating a comprehensive rural broadband strategic vision and increasing access to the Internet in rural parts of the United States.

Brown also authored an amendment in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 with Senator Tom Harkin to increase USDA funding for broadband. The amendment directed \$2.5 billion through the USDA to target rural and underserved communities.

The \$44.8 million awarded to **OneCommunity** and the \$6.9 million pledged to **Connected Nation, Inc.** will help create more than 1,500 jobs in Ohio, while also helping to stimulate economic growth and improve the competitiveness of Ohio communities in underserved areas.

OneCommunity (Round 2) - \$44.8M grant

Funding is part of a state-wide middle mile infrastructure project by Ohio Middle Mile Consortium to benefit a 20-county area of Northeast Ohio.

Connected Nation, Inc. - \$6.9M grant

Funding to offer free computer training sessions at public libraries and community colleges throughout Ohio.

OneCommunity (Round 1) - \$18.7M grant

Funding will finance an education and training program for new broadband users in 10 states including Ohio.

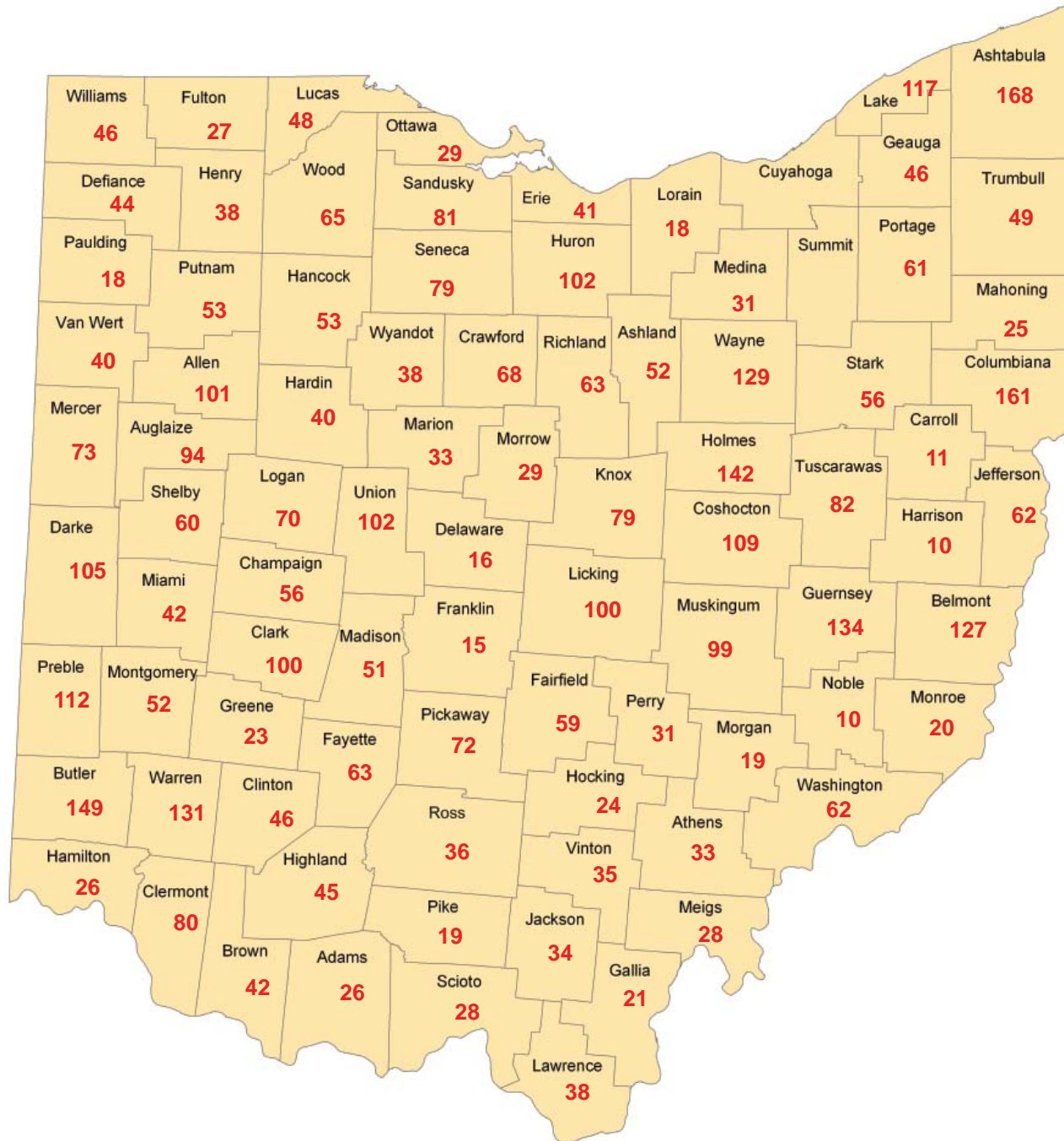
Zito Media Communications II, LLC - \$6.1M grant

Funding to build fiber optic network in rural towns and cities of Northeastern Ohio and Northwestern Pennsylvania.

Housing Program

2010 Housing Program Funding

\$462,014,104 in Total Funding; 5,012 Families Assisted



FY 2010 HOUSING PROGRAM FUNDING

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u># OF LOANS</u>	<u>TOTAL FUNDING</u>
Guaranteed Single Family Loans	3,853	\$393,432,099
Direct Single Family Loans	571	\$62,673,698
Multi-Family Loans	205 units	\$4,133,155
504 Repair Loans/Grants	383	\$1,775,152

Homeownership Dream Builds Family Unity

Self-Help Housing Program Enables Ohioans to Achieve Lifelong Goal

When Ed and Dawn Smith signed the Land Contract for their current home in Chauncey, Ohio nine years ago, they knew they were desperate for a place to live. What they didn't know was the overwhelming task that lay ahead to keep that home as a fit place to live and raise their three children, plus a fourth soon to be born.

From the beginning, the Smiths were plagued with flooding and power outages on a regular basis. Water reached into the first floor of the home on more than one occasion. In addition to destroyed possessions,

rotting floors and framing locked the family in a desparate cycle of repairing and replacing sections of the house. Mrs. Smith complained

that their water bills reached as high as \$400 per month because of numerous plumbing leaks. Then there were the drug dealers and related crime in the area, a frightening and increasing hazard for their growing children.

"We had to do something," said Ed, who has worked construction most of his adult life. While working on foundations for Three Rivers Housing Corporation in The Plains, Ohio, Ed's employer advised him to check out Three Rivers' Self-Help Housing Program. The program is financed by USDA Rural Development and families are supervised in the building of their own homes. Though initially hesitant, Ed knew his family could no longer endure their current circumstance.

So the Smiths turned to the Rural Development Area Office in Marietta, Ohio for help. Though burdened with medical bills, the family had paid off the Land Contract and was otherwise debt-free. They qualified for the 502 Homeownership Program, and now proudly survey the 2-story, 4 bedroom home they are building. An added benefit is the home is in a new and safe neighborhood, close to schools and services.



(Photo left) Members of the Smith family on the front porch of their old home. (Photo top) Smith family proudly shows off their new home, courtesy of Rural Development's Self-Help Housing Program.

Jacob, 8 years old and the youngest of the Smith children, recently led Area Director Carol Costanzo on a tour of his new home, pointing out where everyone would sleep, and all the fun he had planned. When asked the best thing about their new home, the children all agreed: "My own room!"

Rural Development's housing programs are making it possible for families like the Smiths to build brighter futures for themselves.

The housing program recorded another banner year in Fiscal Year 2010. More than \$484 million was invested throughout Ohio which helped more than 5,000 families, like the Smith's, solve their housing needs. More than 4,400 families became new homeowners, with many of them using the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding.

Over the past two years more than 3,700 families were able to purchase homes using ARRA funding. ARRA funding also boosted the Direct 502 homeownership program to its highest usage in Ohio than any time during the past 16 years.

2010 BUSINESS & INDUSTRY GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM				
Project	County	Loan	Purpose	Cong. District
AWL Transport, Inc.	Portage	\$3,601,549	Debt Refinance	17
Bissman Properties/Bissman Co.	Richland	\$1,500,000	New Business	4
Brethren Care, Inc.	Ashland	\$1,522,400	Expansion	16
Central State Enterprise/K&K	Crawford	\$835,000	Purchase M&E/Refinance	5
Conn's Potato Chip Co./Montom	Muskingum	\$5,200,000	Debt Refinance	18
CSR Rentals, LLC; Tiffin Deluxe; Ranieri	Seneca	\$387,960	Debt Refinance	5
D&J Holdings of Perrysburg, LLC	Wood	\$1,100,000	Purchase of R/E, Refinance	5
Fultz & Son/Modolluz/L&K Fultz	Sandusky	\$1,000,000	Debt Refinance	5
Gordon Lumber Company	Sandusky	\$5,607,500	Debt Refinance	5
Guardian Mfg. Acquisition, LLC	Huron	\$1,900,000	R/E and M&E	5
Kriegel Holding Company, Inc.	Van Wert	\$4,900,000	Debt Refinance	5
Lake Erie Utilities Company, Inc.	Ottawa	\$619,000	Debt Refinance	9
Legacy Senior Care Group, LLC	Summit	\$6,000,000	New Business	13
Mansfield Retirement, LLC	Richland	\$7,500,000	Debt Refinance	4
Medical Center of Newark, LLC	Licking	\$3,900,000	Debt Refinance	12
Pamela A. Middendorff	Ross	\$900,000	Transfer of Ownership	2
Nextech Materials, LTD	Delaware	\$214,300	M&E	15
Norwalk Concrete Industries, Inc.	Huron	\$1,488,000	Debt Refinance	5
Ohio Precious Metals, LLC	Jackson	\$9,470,000	Debt Refinance	18
Pride of the Hills Manufacturing, Inc.	Holmes	\$1,940,000	M&E and Refinance	18
Robertson's Plumbing and Heating	Carroll	\$750,000	Debt Refinance	16
Schilling Graphics	Crawford	\$500,000	Expansion	5
Seneca Medical, Inc.	Seneca	\$5,200,000	R/E	5
Seneca Medical, Inc.	Seneca	\$4,800,000	Debt Refinance	5
Seneca Medical, Inc.	Seneca	\$2,995,000	Debt Refinance	5
Tack Anew dba Brand's Marina	Ottawa	\$2,676,500	Debt Refinance	9
The Bait House	Hocking	\$512,000	Debt Refinance	18
United Producers, Inc.	Franklin	\$7,500,000	Debt Refinance	12
STATE TOTAL		\$84,519,209		

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and other organizations focused on meeting the economic assistance needs of Ohio's small towns. Meanwhile, our staff will be called upon to carefully administer the many ARRA- funded projects currently in the construction phase.

As we move through 2011 Ohio's economy should begin to show positive economic growth from stimulus-related job creation and infrastructure funding. Hopefully, we have laid the groundwork for a sustainable economic recovery.

Feature

Rural Development Funding Helps Precious Metals Recycling Business Refine Operational Efficiency



OPM smelter operator processes recycled metals and pours them into selected molds for cooling.

Ohio Precious Metals (OPM), a Jackson County metal refining company with roots dating back to 1974, received a \$9,470,000 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Guarantee loan through Rural Development's Business and Industry Guaranteed Loan Program. The loan was made through Peoples Bank of Lancaster, Ohio.

OPM used the funding to purchase new equipment to help increase productivity and profits. With more than 80 employees on its payroll, the upgrades and addition of new operating equipment will ultimately enable OPM to add 20 new jobs - critical additions to an area still struggling with a consistently double digit unemployment rate throughout 2010.

The state-of-the-art 178,000 square foot facility, located in Appalachia Ohio, is designed to produce the highest quality gold and silver products. In conjunction with being one of the largest refining operations in the United States, OPM is also a recognized industry leader in environmental stewardship. "We're very conscious of the environmental concerns with mining precious metals," said Owner and CEO Alan Stockmeister. "Our commitment to recycling and the environment is second to none. That's why all of our fine gold and silver products are produced entirely from recycled sources in North America."

Stockmeister and President Bill LeRoy took a Rural Development sponsored

group on a tour of the facility and narrated an up-close view of the company's enhanced refining process. Stockmeister and LeRoy gave the group a gratitude-filled explanation of how important Rural Development's funding was in enabling them to improve their company's competitiveness.

"We conduct business internationally, but our Jackson County facility is the heart of our operation," said Stockmeister. "As a company, our commitment is right here in Jackson County, and we pump every dollar of profit back into this Ohio facility. This community is where our growth takes place and we're absolutely excited that Rural Development is able to partner with us to help us grow."

Rural Development Community Facilities Programs

Assisting Rural Residents with Essential Healthcare Needs

The Board of Health Partners of Western Ohio (HPWO) had a vision to move all of its services to a one-stop community health center to improve efficiency, increase the number of patients served, and offer a wider array of primary care services.

In September 2007, HPWO was awarded funding for a Migrant Health Center, taking over services at the existing location of the free clinic located near Tipp City, Ohio.

In October 2008, HPWO began providing dental care at the Clark County Health Department in two very small rooms with outdated equipment. Since the sites were small and 18 miles apart, providing services, making referrals and sharing staff efficiently presented an impossible task. The dental program also experienced poor productivity based on space and equipment limitations. Ideally, one dentist works in three exam rooms and can see 12-16 patients daily delivering quadrant dentistry. With only two dental operatories, 6-8 patients are seen daily with the dentist experiencing excessive wait time. Additionally, traditional x-ray film takes 25 minutes to develop, versus 5 minutes for digital x-rays.

These inefficiencies reduced the number of patients that can be cared for and lead to significant waiting lists.

In 2009 HPWO purchased an existing building in New Carlisle, Ohio to house the one-stop medical/dental facility initially envisioned.

During Fiscal Year 2010 Rural Development provided \$1,038,500 in loan guarantee financing to HPWO to help them realize their vision of improved health care delivery. The funding came from Rural Development's Community Facility (CF) Guaranteed Loan Program. In addition to covering building renovations, the funding also enabled the purchase of new medical and dental equipment, as well as supplies and equipment for an on-site, bi-lingual library.

The new facility will increase the working area from 2,500 sq. ft. of operating space to more than 7,800 total sq. ft., with all services at



Dr. Theodore Terry and dental assistant Jessica Behnken perform an examination with patient Lisa Parker. Parker is one of the more than 40,000 patients Health Partners dental clinic has provided service to since its inception in 2005. In 2009 alone, the clinic served approximately 5,500 individuals through 12,175 visits.

one site. The previous facility was a 1,820 sq. ft. building that provided only medical services. It included a waiting area, three medical exam rooms (without running water), a small lab, a medication room, staff work space, four offices, conference room, and two restrooms.



Nurse Practitioner Valerie Mumaw (right) checks patient Benjamin Cuatle (left) as spouse Valerie Tlacuatl (center) provides moral support.

Services were not efficiently delivered and productivity was hindered due to the facility's small size; it also was not handicapped accessible. Dental services, although in great demand, were not being provided

at this facility.

This additional space will allow the growth

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Business Programs

2010 RENEWABLE ENERGY/ENERGY EFFICIENCY LOANS/GRANTS					
Recipient	County	Loan	Grant	Purpose	Cong. District
Ackley Farms, Inc.	Marion		\$19,652	Grain Dryer	4
American Wood Fibers	Pickaway	\$500,000	\$500,000	Wood Pellet Mill	7
Arlington Energy, LLC	Richland	\$1,985,000		Biodiesel Production	4
Ashland Solar 01, LLC	Ashland		\$115,329	Solar Electric	16
Baldosser Farms, Inc.	Seneca		\$20,000	Grain Dryer	5
Bambauer Fertilizer and Seed Inc.	Auglaize/Shelby	\$43,345	\$43,345	Grain Dryer	4
Bernath Farms, LLC	Fulton		\$20,000	Grain Dryer	5
Bowers Farms, LLC	Wayne		\$25,942	Grain Dryer	16
Matthew Boyce (Boyce Farms)	Columbiana		\$137,500	Wind Turbine	6
Bricker Farms, LLC	Mahoning		\$19,864	Grain Dryer	6
Robert Bumb	Huron	\$43,617	\$18,494	Grain Dryer	5
Ronald Caldwell	Highland		\$20,000	Grain Dryer	3
Calvin Gerwin & Sons	Wood		\$19,993	Grain Dryer	5
Robert Carr	Licking		\$38,073	Grain Dryer	12
Clifton Family Farms Partnership	Pickaway		\$49,954	Grain Dryer	7
Richard Clifton	Pickaway		\$19,482	Grain Dryer	7
Comp Dairy Energy, LLC	Ashtabula	\$1,650,000	\$500,000	Anaerobic Digester	14
Conneaut Schools Wind, LLC	Ashtabula	\$100,000	\$461,700	Wind Turbine	14
Countryside Farms	Fulton		\$42,043	Grain Dryer	5
Craig Davis	Fairfield		\$16,523	Grain Dryer	7
Robert Doan	Butler	\$48,275	\$48,275	Grain Dryer	8
Elliot & Elliot, Inc.	Hardin		\$19,882	Grain Dryer	4
Wayne Ellis	Clinton		\$20,000	Grain Dryer	3
First Choice Packaging, Inc.	Sandusky		\$35,520	Lighting Improvement	5
Samuel Foos	Union		\$20,000	Grain Dryer	15
French Creek Bioenergy, LLC	Cuyahoga	\$1,650,000	\$500,000	Anaerobic Digester	13
Georgetown Vineyards	Guernsey		\$19,900	Solar Electric	18
Douglas Goyings	Paulding	\$91,573	\$45,785	Grain Dryer	5
Grac-Glen Farm	Portage		\$18,243	Grain Dryer	17
James Gray	Union		\$19,500	Grain Dryer	15
Haber, LLC	Preble	\$99,000	\$49,617	Grain Dryer	8
Harding Wind, LLC	Allen		\$447,500	Wind Turbine	4
Hatzell Hardwoods, Inc.	Miami	\$395,401	\$114,655	Dry Kiln Replacement	8
Heinle Wind, LLC	Crawford		\$142,000	Wind Turbine	5
Matt/Dennis Heiser	Seneca		\$19,969	Grain Dryer	5
John Heitkamp	Auglaize		\$20,000	Grain Dryer	4
Bennett Sease	Darke		\$19,693	Grain Dryer	8

2010 RENEWABLE ENERGY/ENERGY EFFICIENCY LOANS/GRANTS					
Recipient	County	Loan	Grant	Purpose	Cong. District
Autie Howard	Madison		\$20,000	Grain Dryer	15
Jack Liles & Sons, Inc.	Huron		\$19,999	Grain Dryer	5
Keith Jones	Fulton		\$20,000	Grain Dryer	5
William Kellog	Hardin		\$48,473	Grain Dryer	4
Eric Kelser	Clark		\$20,000	Grain Dryer	7
Kochel Farms, LLC	Seneca		\$9,250	Grain Dryer	5
Jan Layman	Hardin		\$33,876	Grain Dryer	4
Dan Lochtefeld	Darke		\$17,750	Grain Dryer	8
Loudenslager Land Company	Marion		\$34,750	Grain Dryer	4
M and B Gearhart Farms	Ross		\$18,394	Grain Dryer	7
David and Patricia Mann	Shelby		\$47,197	Grain Dryer	4
McCracken Wind, LLC	Crawford		\$142,000	Wind Turbine	5
Melink Corporation	Clermont	\$95,922	\$47,961	Solar PV System	2
Gary Michaels	Sandusky		\$20,000	Grain Dryer	5
Donald Miller	Seneca		\$19,982	Grain Dryer	5
Kevin Moore	Miami		\$36,249	Grain Dryer	8
Myers Bros Custom Butchering	Erie		\$68,750	Wind Turbine	9
Nafziger Farms, LTD	Fulton		\$19,520	Grain Dryer	5
Michael Nagel	Seneca		\$16,803	Grain Dryer	5
Herbert Nieport	Darke	\$83,886	\$41,943	Grain Dryer	8
Charles Niese	Putnam		\$15,000	Wind Turbine	5
P.P.I. Properties, LLC	Erie		\$5,758	Solar Electric	9
David Peart	Madison		\$44,460	Solar Electric	15
Donald Perry	Champaign		\$12,375	Grain Dryer	4
Pettisville Grain Company	Fulton	\$50,000	\$49,481	Grain Dryer	5
Pinnacle Power Tech., Inc.	Geauga		\$22,809	Wind Turbine	14
Lawrence Reilly	Huron		\$18,862	Grain Dryer	5
Rock Road Wind, LLC	Richland		\$151,713	Wind Turbine	4
Ruffing Family Farms, LLC	Seneca		\$49,913	Grain Dryer	5
S.M. Stachler Farms, Inc.	Darke	\$30,000	\$28,228	Grain Dryer	8
Richard Sawmiller (Sawmiller Farms)	Auglaize		\$20,000	Wind Turbine	4
Robert Schafer	Huron		\$19,735	Grain Dryer	5
Freeman Schlabach	Madison/Union		\$16,625	Grain Dryer	15
Schlumbohn Farms, LLC	Logan	\$57,800	\$57,800	Grain Dryer	4
Schmidlin Greenhouse, LLC	Fulton		\$4,819	Heater Replacement	5
Scioto Valley Solar One, LLC	Hardin		\$83,925	Solar Electric	4
Scioto Valley Solar Two, LLC	Hardin		\$159,901	Solar Electric	4

Business Programs

2010 RENEWABLE ENERGY/ENERGY EFFICIENCY LOANS/GRANTS					
Recipient	County	Loan	Grant	Purpose	Cong. District
Leslie Seiler (Seiler Farms)	Fulton		\$19,500	Grain Dryer	5
Shelby Road Wind, LLC	Richland		\$140,250	Wind Turbine	4
Paul Snavelly	Seneca		\$12,206	Grain Dryer	5
Spallinger Combine Parts, Inc.	Putnam		\$15,000	Wind Turbine	5
Brian Sutorious	Sandusky		\$19,999	Grain Dryer	5
T-M Farm Services, Inc.	Preble	\$47,125	\$47,125	Grain Dryer	8
Richard Walters	Wood	\$58,561	\$29,281	Grain Dryer	5
Weaver Farms, LTD	Seneca		\$16,984	Grain Dryer	5
Webb Perennials	Hocking		\$9,127	Wood Boiler System	18
Wesler Orchards and Farm Markets	Preble		\$20,000	Wind Turbine	8
Peter Yoder	Madison		\$19,791	Grain Dryer	15
STATE TOTAL			\$7,029,505	\$5,461,997	\$12,491,502

2010 RURAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GRANT (RBEG)				
Name	County	Grant	Purpose	Cong. District
Heritage Ohio, Inc.	Franklin	\$99,873	Technical Assistance	12
Kent State University	Portage	\$255,330	Training/Technical Asst.	17
Southern State Comm. College	Highland	\$99,000	Training/Technical Asst.	3
Noble County Commissioners	Noble	\$95,000	Revolving Loan Fund	6
Maumee Valley RC&D	Defiance	\$57,690	Revolving Loan Fund	5
Newlife Academy Info. Technology	Columbiana	\$190,000	Training/Technical Asst.	6
Mansfield-Richland Incubator	Richland	\$185,000	Revolving Loan Fund	4
Neighborhood Dev. Services	Portage	\$158,886	Revolving Loan Fund	17
Mainstreet Orrville, Inc.	Wayne	\$50,000	Technical Assistance	16
Ohio University Tech. & Entrep.	Athens	\$155,094	Technical Assistance	6
Ohio Soybean Council Foundation	Franklin	\$99,000	Technical Assistance	15
RBEG Total		\$1,444,873		

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from three poorly functioning medical exam rooms to eight equipped medical exam rooms, one counseling office, a health education room, several offices for enabling services, and a full on-site pharmacy. The dental department will move from two small rooms with old equipment to four operatories with new equipment including digital x-rays.

In addition to the medical/dental work

areas, HPWO received a \$50,000 grant from USDA and created a space for a bi-lingual library in the waiting area of the facility. The partnership with the New Carlisle Public Library, the "Reach Out and Read Program" (<http://www.reachoutandread.org/>), will be administered out of the new facility. Reach Out and Read prepares America's youngest children to succeed in school by partnering with doctors to prescribe books and encourage families to read together.

2010 VALUE-ADDED DEVELOPMENT GRANT (VADG)

Name	County	Amount	Purpose	Cong. District
Abbe Turner	Portage	\$16,125	Planning Grant	17
Rivera-Strohm, Etonia Lashawn	Pickaway	\$70,000	Working Capital	7
Brandon Jaeger	Athens	\$28,250	Marketing Plan	6
Total		\$114,375		

2010 RURAL COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANT (RCDG)

Name	County	Loan	Purpose	Cong. District
Natl Network Forest Practitioners	Athens	\$225,000	Technical Assistance	6
Kent State University	Portage	\$225,000	Technical Assistance	17
The Ohio State University	Franklin	\$224,998	Technical Assistance	15
Total		\$674,998		

2010 INTERMEDIARY RELENDING PROGRAM (IRP)

Name	County	Loan	Purpose	Cong. District
Neighborhood Dev. Services	Portage	\$500,000	Revolving Loan Fund	17
Southern Ohio Growth Partnership	Scioto	\$750,000	Revolving Loan Fund	2
Total		\$1,250,000		

2010 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMIN GRANT (EDA)

Borrower Recipient	County	Loan	Purpose	Cong. District
City of Conneaut	Ashtabula	\$365,000	Industrial Park Infrastructure	14
Total		\$365,000		

2010 RURAL MICROENTREPRENEUR ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (RMAP)

Borrower Recipient	County	Loan	Purpose	Cong. District
The Ohio State University	Van Wert	\$130,000	Training/Technical Asst.	5
Total		\$130,000		

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create regional collaboration networks for Federal economic development investment. Helping communities come together to address their needs regionally and collaboratively will result in more efficient use of limited Federal dollars.

USDA Rural Development funding made an enormous difference in the lives of rural Americans in FY 2010. From helping tens of

thousands of families repair or purchase a home, to large-scale investments to develop broadband infrastructure across dozens of counties, USDA Rural Development employees were helping build better lives for the American people. I am confident that the investments we have made will have a lasting, sustainable impact, and provide jobs and economic activity to keep rural America vibrant and prosperous in the future.

Community Programs

Community Programs Uplift Ohioans

During the last two years administering the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA), Rural Development's Water and Waste Disposal and Community Facility Programs have posted their most impressive funding activity records since the agency received additional program funding through passage of the last Farm Bill. Total investments in Fiscal Year 2010 for both programs was \$97,899,537 and made a tremendous impact in improving the quality of life for rural Ohioans.

During FY 2010 Rural Development financed water and waste projects that served communities in 16 different rural counties totaling more than \$78.5 million. This funding activity helped deliver water and sewer service to more than 53,000 users throughout rural Ohio.

Additionally, four rural Ohio counties received grants totaling more than \$66,000 to help fund their solid waste management initiatives. These initiatives

complemented environmental remediation efforts already underway to help improve cleanliness and safety for community residents.

ARRA funding accounted for more than \$38 million, almost 50 percent, of the total Water and Waste Program investments. Accounting for such

a significant percentage of the overall program budget, ARRA enabled Rural Development staff to provide an additional 12,800 Ohioans with access

to safe, clean water and sewer services at affordable rates.

ARRA funding also made a significant impact in the servicing capability of Rural Development's Community Facility (CF) Program. Although down from last year's record funding level the CF program posted its third best performance year, investing more than \$19.3 million through 35 loan and grant projects.

More than \$10 million, which represented almost 50 percent of the CF program's funding, was from ARRA. The increased funding permitted Ohio Rural Development to fund nine additional projects which included library

equipment and health and safety service centers.



(Top photo) New Health Partners of Western Ohio facility purchased through Rural Development's CF Program. (Bottom photo) Ribbon cutting ceremony dedicating new facility for Ohio Genealogical Society funded through CF Program.



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2010 WATER and WASTE DISPOSAL PROJECTS					
Project	County	Loan	Grant	Use	Cong. District
Tuscarawas Cty - Stone Creek COR	Tuscarawas		\$265,000	Waste Water	18
Village of Frankfort	Ross	\$1,191,000	\$1,159,000	Water	18
Village of Navarre	Stark	\$2,150,000	\$1,750,000	Water	16
Village of Coalton	Jackson	\$587,000	\$1,871,000	Waste Water	18
Village of Hartville	Stark	\$3,580,000	\$2,715,000	Waste Water	16
Village of Rawson	Hancock	\$257,000	\$150,000	Waste Water	4
Village of Paulding	Paulding	\$4,997,000	\$3,833,000	Water	5
Holmes Cty - Walnut Creek COR	Holmes	\$725,000	\$715,000	Waste Water	18
Jackson Cty Water Comp. Phase VII Treatment COR	Jackson		\$695,037	Water	6,18
Northern Ohio Rural Water New Washington	Huron	\$4,567,000	\$3,014,000	Water	5
Scioto Cty - Eden Park COR	Scioto	\$1,031,000	\$776,000	Waste Water	2,6
Trumbull County - Kinsman	Trumbull	\$4,997,000	\$4,290,000	Waste Water	14,17
STATE TOTAL		\$24,082,000	\$21,233,037		\$45,315,037

2010 ARRA WATER and WASTE DISPOSAL PROJECTS					
Project	County	Loan	Grant	Use	Cong. District
Adams Cty Reg Water Dist. - Lawshe	Adams	\$736,000		Water	2
Scioto County - Minford	Scioto	\$14,912,000	\$14,507,000	Waste Water	2,6
Portage County - Aurora Meadows	Portage	\$577,000	\$1,505,000	Waste Water	14,17
Village of Williamsburg	Clermont	\$950,000		Waste Water	2
STATE TOTAL		\$17,175,000	\$16,012,000		\$33,187,000

2010 ARRA COMMUNITY FACILITY PROJECTS					
Project	County	Loan	Grant	Use	Cong. District
Montville Township	Medina	\$3,531,000		Safety Service Center	16
The Lepper Library Assn.	Columbiana	\$227,000	\$75,000	Library Equipment	6
Ohio FFA Camps	Carroll	\$194,000	\$99,000	Property Purchase	18
Perry Township	Pike		\$30,000	Dump Truck	2
Oxford Township	Guernsey	\$48,000	\$36,000	Road Grader	18
Family Healthcare	Meigs	\$1,323,000		Meigs Health Center	6
Health Partners of W. Ohio	Clark		\$50,000	Library/Med/Dental Equip	7
Crossroads Lake Cty Adolescent Counseling Services	Lake		\$80,000	Building	14
St. Luke Lutheran Community Minerva	Stark		\$56,000	Kitchen Equipment	16
STATE TOTAL		\$5,323,000	\$426,000		\$5,749,000

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2010 COMMUNITY FACILITY PROJECTS					
Project	County	Loan	Grant	Use	Cong. District
Ohio Township	Gallia	\$33,000	\$70,000	Fire Sub Station	6
Summit Township	Monroe	\$25,000	\$37,000	Backhoe/loader	6
Millwood Township	Guernsey	\$50,000	\$69,000	Road Grader	18
City of Martins Ferry	Belmont		\$16,000	Police Cruiser	6
Stock Township	Harrison	\$15,000	\$72,000	Tractor	18
Pike County	Pike	\$328,000	\$50,000	Airport Hangers	2
Eastern Knox Joint Fire Dist.	Knox	\$365,000	\$85,000	Rescue Pumper	18
Barnesville Hospital Assn.	Belmont		\$70,000	Radiographic Unit	6
Perry County	Perry		\$56,000	GIS Mapping	7
Pike County	Pike	\$57,000	\$23,000	Backhoe/loader	2
Auburn Township	Geauga	\$2,549,000		Fire Station Addition	14
Hospice of Tuscarawas	Tuscarawas	\$6,200,000		Hospice Facility	18
Tri-County Community Action Commission	Logan	\$140,000		Vehicles	4
STATE TOTAL		\$9,762,000	\$548,000		\$10,310,000

2010 GUARANTEED LOAN COMMUNITY FACILITY PROJECTS					
Project	County	Loan	Use	Cong. District	
Clermont Senior Services	Clermont	\$2,300,000	Adult Day Care	2	
Health Partners of Western Ohio	Clark	\$269,000	Equipment	7	
Health Partners of Western Ohio	Clark	\$769,500	Building	7	
STATE TOTAL		\$3,338,500			

2010 WATER and WASTE DISPOSAL ARC PROJECTS					
Project	County	Grant	Use	Cong. District	
Syracuse-Racine Reg. Sewer Dist.	Meigs	\$250,000	Waste Water	6	
Village of Carrollton	Carroll	\$250,000	Waste Water	18	
Jefferson Cty - Crestview/Belvedere	Jefferson	\$250,000	Waste Water	6	
STATE TOTAL		\$750,000			

2010 SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT GRANT PROJECTS					
Project	County	Grant	Use	Cong. District	
Carroll/Columbiana/Harrison Joint Solid Waste Management Dist.	Carroll/Columbiana/Harrison	\$37,752	Recycling	6,18	
Mahoning County SWM Dist.	Mahoning	\$28,257	Recycling	6,17	
STATE TOTAL		\$66,009			

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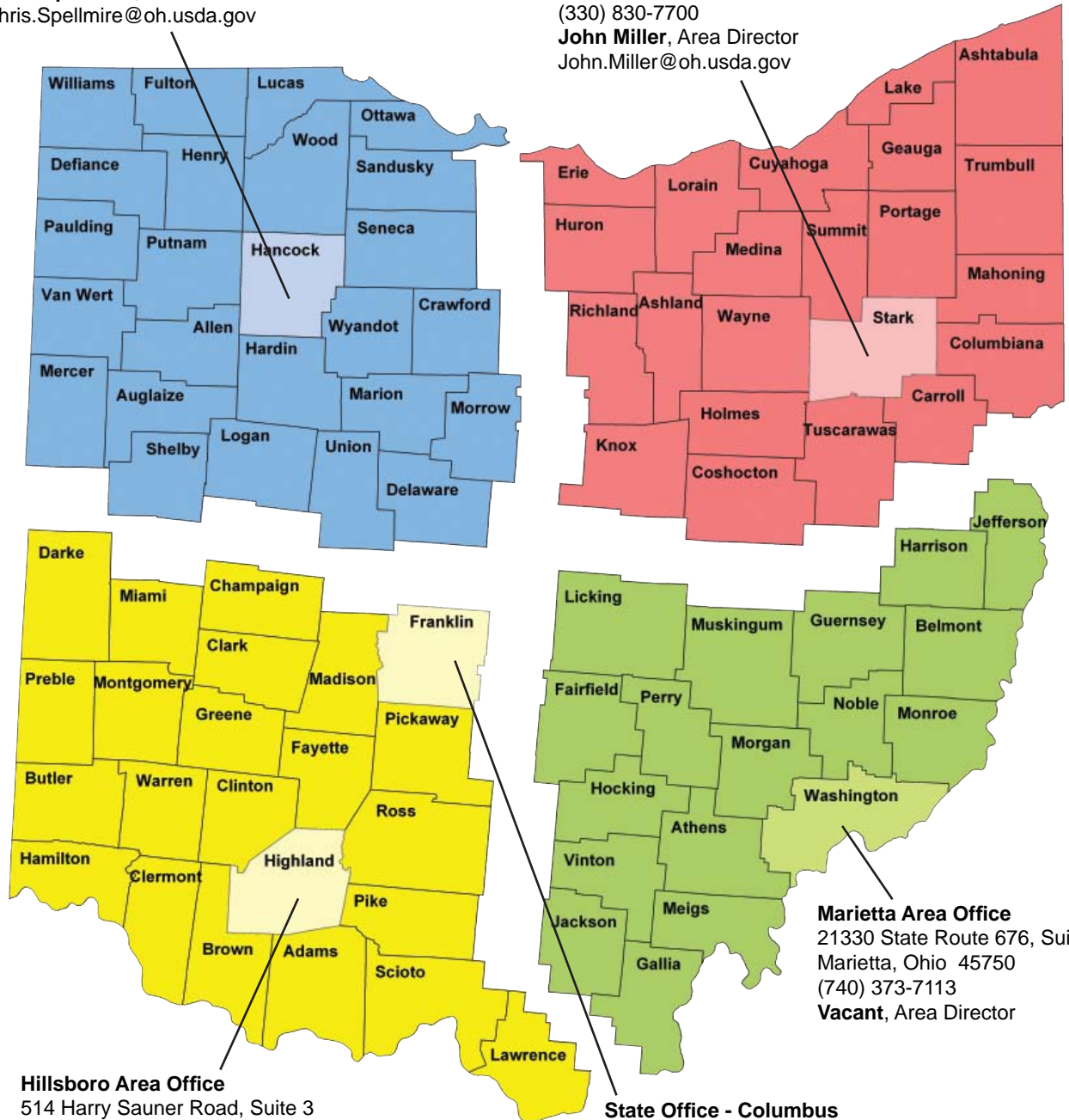
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