

2009 Business Investments

in the Bowling Green, Ohio Area

Name of Company	Total Investment	Investment
Biofit	\$48,805	No
Century Marketing	\$450,000	M&E
Cooper (seal)	\$600,000	M&E
Daymark Food Safety Systems	\$27,000	M&E
GKN Driveline	\$3,440,768	M&E
Hartung Brothers	\$4,600,000	M&E and Facility Improvements
Hindley Electronics	\$1,000	M&E
Kel-Mar	\$2,500	Building Improvements
Lubrizol	\$1,742,000	M&E and Building
Marathon Special Products	\$450,000	M&E
Martin Machine and Tool	\$40,000	M&E
Milligan Workshops	\$18,500	M&E
Palmer Brothers Concrete	\$130,000	M&E
Phoenix	\$2,500,000	M&E
Pinnacle Plastic Products	\$30,000	M&E
Pioneer Packing Co.	\$220,000	M&E and Building Improvements
Principal Business Enterprises	\$5,850,000	M&E
Remtec	\$240,000	M&E
Rosenboom Machine & Tool	\$222,102	M&E
Vehtek	\$10,000,000	M&E and Building
TOTALS	\$30,612,675	

M&E = Machinery and Equipment

Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Fund (EERLF)

The EERLF is a collaboration of the Bowling Green Board of Public Utilities and the Bowling Green CDF.

Designed to allocate capital to local projects dedicated to more effectively utilizing electricity, the program motivates local business and industry to make upgrades and replace equipment that will reduce their electric consumption.

More information can be found at www.bowlinggreen-oh.com.



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The Bowling Green Community Development Foundation is the Economic Development organization for the City of Bowling Green, Ohio.

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2009 Growth in Bowling Green Business & Industry

A Message from Suzanne Clark, Executive Director

The year 2009 will go down in the history books as one of very difficult economic times. Nearly every manufacturer in the city had to reduce their workforce, reduce their work week or take mandatory furloughs in order to survive the recession. The good news is that by the fourth quarter of 2009 most companies still had their doors open and were slowly seeing the economy turn around. There was an increase in requesting price quotes and a slight increase in sales. Most of our local companies had called all or some of their employees back. There was cautious optimism about the economy.

It was difficult to realize that we were in a slowed economy when visually we were seeing several large construction projects including the new BG middle school and performing arts center and the new Wood Co. Hospital surgical wing. This activity helped us weather the rough times. These projects were completed by the end of the year and provide a glowing example of our community's growth and caring.

Several corporations within the city challenged the leadership to think outside the box. We looked at a variety of avenues that could enhance the city's ability to offer incentives to companies during this down time that would encourage them to stay here and continue to offer employment to our citizens. Some of the ideas that came out of this will continue to be developed over the next year.

While the manufacturing continues to slowly recover from the economic downturn, we see hopeful signs in other sectors also. Bowling Green retail and service industries continue to grow. The downtown remains vital and alive and several very large building projects have begun on the campus of BGSU. These signs all point to a more healthy and prosperous 2010, and to Bowling Green remaining an outstanding location to grow one's business.



Wood County Hospital completed their 100,000 sq. ft. addition for new private surgical patient rooms and a new lobby and entrance. The new facility, which cost \$42,000,000, features 56 private rooms, a 10-suite surgery center, and a women's center. The grand opening was held in December and was received with great excitement by the community.

The city's **Revolving Loan Fund** continued to assist small and medium sized businesses. The fund made 6 loans for a total of \$231,000. This assistance was given to 3 restaurants, 2 daycares and 1 industry. Over the past 22 years the **RLF** has made 119 loans for a total of \$3,178,315.

In the fall of 2009 **Bowling Green State University** broke ground for two new facilities. The first was for the **Wolfe Center for the Arts**. The **Wolfe Center**, projected to cost \$40 million, will be the first American project completed by Snohetta, the architectural firm based in Oslo, Norway, and New York City. It will house a diverse range of art studies, music endeavors, theater and film.

The second building project started on **BGSU's** campus is the **Stroh Center**. This \$36 million facility will be a state-of-the-art venue for concerts, commencement, lectures, and numerous campus and community events. It will also serve as the home for Falcon men's and women's basketball and volleyball programs. Both facilities are scheduled to open in 2011.

The **Social Security office** opened in their new facility in **Innovative Technology Park**. The building is 5,500 sq. ft. The building offers the office a higher level of security and privacy for consumers.



Phoenix Technologies started a new line, known as the LNO line. This is a smaller processor which turns the recycled plastic into a powder and then pelletizes the powder. The idea is to sell the equipment and license the process to customers for consumption within their own plant.

Several new retail operations opened in BG during 2009. We welcomed **Peebles Department Store**, **Aaron's Rentals**, **Shoe Sensation**, and **Banner Mattress** all to the Shoppes on South Main plaza. **O'Reilly Auto Parts** scrapped a former restaurant site and also opened a store on South Main.

Lubrizol spent \$1,742,000 building and equipping an onsite 1,200 sq. ft. water treatment plant. This gives them greater control over the waste stream that enters the city's waste water treatment plant.

2009 Year in Review

The **CDF's Energy Efficiency Loan** was utilized by two companies this past year. The first loan was made to **Phoenix Technologies** to upgrade their lighting in the plant. The second loan was made to **Absorbent Products** to upgrade their capacitors.

The **Community Development Foundation** celebrated its 20 years of economic development with a successful luncheon at Stone Ridge Country Club. Over 80 attendees heard a humorous discussion of entrepreneurship by Dr. Gene Poor, BGSU professor and founder of Lifeformations.

After many years of debate, the community has a new **Middle School and Performing Arts Center**. The facilities, which were built on the Bowling Green High School campus on Poe Road with an entrance off of Fairview Avenue, cost \$27,500,000. **BG's Middle School** was opened for the start of the school year. Both facilities are truly marvelous assets to the city and provide a quality learning community for educating our youth.

Palm Plastics installed their operations in the 160,000 square foot facility that was formerly occupied by **Rexam**. **Palm Plastics** is an injection molder headquartered in Morenci, MI. They employ 134 people and make a variety of products including plastic pallets for the food industry.

Two major upgrades to our city utilities continued throughout 2009 and will be operational in 2010. These improvements to our raw water intake and pumping plant and in our wastewater infrastructure will greatly enhance our ability to attract industry and provide a superior quality system for our community. On completion, the **water treatment plant** will be able to handle up to 30 million gallons per day with its new membrane technology.

In February the **CDF** joined with **Downtown BG**, the **Visitors and Convention Bureau**, the **Chamber of Commerce** and the **City of BG** to host a welcome reception for **President Carol Cartwright**. The reception was held at the **Clazel** and was an opportunity for the new President to meet a wide variety of community leaders.

Another collaboration was held in October to welcome new faculty and staff to **BGSU**. This event was also held at the **Clazel** and was so successful that it is hoped that it will become an annual event.

Hartung Brothers pickle sorting operation added a second step to their operation this past spring. They started a brine operation on site, storing the pickles in large vats for a number of weeks before shipping them to the final processor.

Vehtek added another 40,000 sq. ft. of space to the back of their building. This area will be used to operate robotic welders for a **Chrysler** project.



Benefit from our online resources

Up-to-date area economic development news and information.

- Listing of **available sites and structures**, including **business parks**, with details on each
- Information on **incentive programs**, and **transportation and utilities** infrastructure
- **Community information** and statistics
- Links to **important resources**
- More **about the CDF**, a listing of **Board members**, a **local business directory**, and **community info**



There's a new city site

Visit cityofbowlinggreenohio.com to find out about the city of Bowling Green.

The **CDF**, along with the **City of Bowling Green**, the **CVB**, the **Chamber** and **Downtown BG** developed the site to offer online visitors easy access to the resources they all provide.

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