

News Room

**CITY OF WOOSTER TO RECEIVE NEARLY \$500,000 GRANT FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EXPANSION PROJECT AT TECHNI GRAPHIC SYSTEMS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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Columbus, OH—State Development Director Bruce Johnson today announced that the City of Wooster (Wayne County) will receive \$499,400 grant to assist Techni Graphic Systems (TGS), Inc. with an economic development expansion project. The \$6.1 million project is expected to create 100 jobs.

“The State’s assistance will have a positive, economic impact on the City of Wooster,” said Johnson. “The Department of Development is committed to providing assistance to help attract and retain jobs in communities throughout Ohio.”

The grant will be awarded through the Ohio Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Economic Development Program, which is administered by the Ohio Department of Development.

TGS is a technology information company that provides data management, geographic information system, software development and electronic commerce services. The company will relocate from a leased facility in Wooster to a new 25,000 square-foot facility in the city’s proposed Research and Development Park. The CDBG funds will be used to install 5,000 linear feet of public utility lines, 4,240 linear feet of street improvements and 12,135 linear feet of water and sanitary sewer lines.

The CDBG Economic Development Program provides funding for economic development projects that create and/or retain permanent, private-sector job opportunities. The grants enable local governments to provide public improvements directly related to business development and financial assistance to private entities for economic development projects. Jobs created through the program must benefit primarily low- and moderate- income Ohioans.