



PICKAWAY COUNTY – THE CROSSROADS FOR BUSINESS CONNECTIONS

## P3 Hosts 2016 Investors Reception

Pickaway County, Ohio- On November 17, 2016 the Pickaway Progress Partnership (P3) held its annual Investors Reception at Cook's Creek Golf Course. We host this event each year to celebrate growth in the community and say thank you to all who support our local economic development efforts.

As the economic development agent for Pickaway County and its municipalities, P3 has three main objectives: promote and market the advantages of locating business in the county; promote a stronger business environment by facilitating retention and expansion efforts of local employers; and deliver a seamless network of economic development services and value-added programs to existing businesses, local government, and prospective companies throughout Pickaway County.

Ryan Scribner, Economic Development Director for P3, highlighted key projects of the year including Sofidel's new manufacturing plant, the Roundtown Trail, Health Care Logistics' expansion project and many more. Cheryl Herbert, Senior Vice-President of Regional Operations for Ohio Health shared why they chose to partner with Berger Health System and the potential they see in our growing community. We are so proud of the many successes in 2016 and look forward to many more in the upcoming year.

The evening culminated with the presentation of the 2016 John Stevenson Leadership in Economic Development Award to Dr. Mark Smith, President of Ohio Christian University. John Stevenson was a former County Commissioner and community leader whose vision and creativity helped position our community to seize new development opportunities. Dr. Smith has made similar contributions through his leadership on the P3 and Columbus 2020 boards and through exciting new projects such as the Southern Gateway Innovation Center. Thank you to Dr. Smith and the many other local public and private sector leaders that make the P3 model so successful.

**Fast Facts:** Did you know that since its inception in 2006, P3 has helped bring approximately **1700 jobs, \$60 million in payroll, and \$2.1 billion in capital investment** to Pickaway County?