

# SANDUSKY COUNTY

## Economic Development Corporation



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### Envases Investing \$16.6M and Adding 65 New Jobs

**Fremont- Sandusky County, Ohio** – Envases Ohio, LLC, has announced plans to create 65 new positions, retain 109 employees and invest approximately \$16.6 million into its 4600 Oak Harbor Road facility in Fremont.

“Envases is in a period of significant growth in our industry. We are training and developing our team to support long term sustainable growth with visions to double our plant size and output in the coming years.” stated Amy Reinmeyer, Human Resources Director of Envases. “Our growth has created the need for more employees, but we must be able to train and retain in order to realize our potential and opportunity. We have evaluated our current onboarding and training program and have added more detail and duration to support the needs of new team members.”

This project includes the purchase of a building, machinery, internal upgrades, and training. This project will take roughly 20 months to complete from the time the PO was issued to commission from the Equipment Manufacturer. Logistics in shipping the equipment and travel for technicians coming from Europe have caused delays. The new line will be fully operational by December 1st, 2021. The project is being assisted with a \$200,000 JobsOhio Workforce Grant.

“Demand has created an opportunity for Envases to add new production lines to support the US Market. There is currently only one US manufacturer of this product” added Reinmeyer. “Many customers are importing this style can from Europe incurring very long lead times and shipping costs. A second supplier in the US will reduce stress on the supply chain for many of our current and future customers”.

“This expansion of the Envases facility shows the commit to the Sandusky County workforce for years to come. The additional 65 jobs will help support the families of these new workers, as well as the jobs that will be retained” stated Sandusky County commissioner Russ Zimmerman. “We applaud the management of Envases for putting their trust in the people of Sandusky County which allows this expansion. Sandusky County is a great place for companies to find workers and this is another example of a company putting their faith in the people of Sandusky County”.

The project will increase Envases staff by at least 40% to support the new production lines and continual growth with their existing infrastructure. Envases has already seen significant growth since they opened their doors in 2014, growing from a small one shift operation to running three shifts and over 130 employees. Envases serves the painting & coatings, chemical, lubricants, adhesives, solvents, and fuels industrial packaging industries. Because of their continued growth, Envases can continue investing in new products and machinery that in turn adds more jobs and comprehensive training for existing and incoming employees.

“Existing businesses are engines of economic growth,” stated Beth Hannam, Executive Director of the Sandusky County Economic Development Corporation. “Envases continues to grow and invest in Fremont - Sandusky County and we are excited to see their continued success for years to come. It is because of businesses, like Envases, that we continue to see the economic growth within Sandusky County”.

JobsOhio, in collaboration with the Regional Growth Partnership, helped support this project with a workforce training grant for the new production lines.

“As a high-quality packaging solutions company, Envases has elevated the industry with its technological advancements,” said RGP President and CEO Dean Monske. “The company has targeted this region as a prime location to successfully expand its operations, and we and our partners at JobsOhio look forward to partnering with Envases as it continues to grow with outstanding talent from Northwest Ohio.”

**About SCEDC:** Sandusky County Economic Development Corporation (SCEDC) is a non-profit organization that focuses on workforce development, business retention and expansion, and business recruitment for Sandusky County.

**About Envases:** The Envases Group is divided into three packaging divisions – PET Packaging, Aluminum Beverage Packaging and Food & Industrial Packaging - each with special competences within their field to serve customers the best way possible.