

# HEADLINES

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### Updates

## **Cullman County**

**Reliance Worldwide**, a global provider of water control systems and plumbing solutions for domestic, commercial and industrial applications, held a groundbreaking ceremony October 5, 2020 for its new 300,000 SF distribution facility located off of Highway 69 in Cullman. Governor Kay Ivey was in attendance. This project is estimated to have a \$24 million economic impact and will create 130 jobs.



## **Jackson County**

Jackson County Innovation & Career Academy held a groundbreaking ceremony for its 66,000 SF state-of-the-art training facility, located in Hollywood, AL at the Jackson County Industrial Park. The new career center will be a one-stop hub for potential employees who want to work with independent companies, from customer service representatives to managers and every role in between. It will provide hands on training to students who are seeking a direct path from education to profession. The facility is expected to open to students in the Fall of 2022.



### **NAIDA Platinum Corporate Partner**



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This company has made a commitment to economic development success in North Alabama. We hope that companies considering a location in North Alabama will look to our Corporate Partners for their project services expertise.

## Expanding

## Madison County

*Huntsville/Madison County Chamber* announces 8 projects representing 510 jobs, \$71 million in investment. The following companies have expanded or located in the Huntsville Metro area:

- Dynetics will add up to 200 new jobs associated with weapon development work and have hired hundreds of people in support of the Human Landing System and other projects, bringing their total employment to 2,740.
- Torch Technologies had two expansion projects totaling 120 jobs and \$32 million in investment.
- *Invariant Corporation*, a Huntsville-based engineering services and software development company founded in 2001, created 23 new jobs with investment of \$430,000.
- Nippon Express USA located on the campus of Mazda Toyota Manufacturing, U.S.A. will invest \$19 million and hire 101 new employees within the next two years.

Other companies that have added jobs and investment this year are *Aldez*, *Palco*, *Ridgeview Industries*, *Inc*., and *TriRx Pharmaceutical Services*.



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### **HudsonAlpha** Institute for Biotechnology

Companies on the campus of HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology continue to respond to the pandemic in addition to continuing pre-pandemic product and service offerings. During September and October 2020, growth translated to significant facility expansions for *Diatherix* | *Eurofins*, who have added 45 jobs and more than 6000 SF, as well as incremental growth for *iCubate*, and *iRepertoire*. Additionally, Advancing Sight Network also located their Huntsville satellite lab on the biotech campus in order to facilitate collaboration as well as research and development.

## Morgan County

GE Appliances, a Haier Co. will invest \$12.4 million to add additional equipment/modifications, guality enhancements, safety improvements, and productivity projects.

Valley Rubber, located in Falkville, AL, will invest \$825,000 to add new equipment.

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## **Expanding** (continued)

## Madison County

Moog Inc., a worldwide designer, manufacturer, and integrator of precision control components and systems, expanded its operations opening a regional support center in Huntsville, AL. It will be located next to the Army Materiel Command Headquarters and is designed to support aerospace, defense and industrial customers and prospects. Moog's decision to expand in Huntsville was due to the close proximity to Redstone Arsenal, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center and many other prime industry customers. The center currently employs 5 people with plans to add additional technical positions. To review Moog career opportunities in Huntsville, visit www.moog.com/careers.

