

# HEADLINES

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### New Companies

#### Cullman County

**Aegis Fence Company**, a manufacturer of fencing products and gates, will invest \$1.4 million to build a new facility in the city of Cullman. This project will create 15-25 jobs.

#### Limestone County

**Amazon** is expected to begin production this fall at its 1 million SF fulfillment center located in Huntsville near the Mazda Toyota Manufacturing U.S. facility. This is the third fulfillment center to locate in Alabama. The project will create more than 500 jobs.

**KC Logistics**, a Tier 3 transport company, will build a logistics center in the Breeding Industrial Park. The company will support operations at Mazda Toyota Manufacturing USA by transporting seats from the Athens-based supplier TBAKI to MTM USA. KC Logistics plans to hire around 100 employees.

#### Morgan County

**Renaissance Reclaimed**, a custom cabinetry & woodworking company, will invest \$1.3 million to purchase and renovate a building located in downtown Decatur, AL. This investment will create 11 jobs.

### Expanding

#### DeKalb County

**Plasman Corp. LLC**, a global leader in automotive components, located in Fort Payne, AL, will invest \$6.5 million on an expansion to add new equipment.


#### Lawrence County

**Servico Inc.**, a cotton mill located in Courtland, AL, will invest \$3.6 million on an expansion to upgrade its production equipment.

#### Madison County

**Matsu Alabama, Inc.**, an automotive parts supplier, will invest \$8.5 million to add production lines and increase capacity to meet the growing needs of existing and new customers. This expansion will add around 10 new jobs.

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*These companies have 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.*

## Community Announcements

### Colbert County

The city of Sheffield agreed to grant a tax abatement to Noble Steed Music to locate their new studio in downtown Sheffield. Noble Steed Music is a partnership of music veteran Craig Alvin and Jason Spiewak. This is the first of what The Shoals EDA hope will be many of such announcements in the music industry as they will soon launch a special music incentive aimed to boost and grow The Shoals music scene.

## Expanding (continued)

### Madison County

**Orbital Effects**, a Michigan-based radar satellite technology company, will expand its operations to Huntsville, AL. The company is excited to partner with the State of Alabama and City of Huntsville to grow its space-based Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance. This expansion will bring 25 jobs.

**HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology** held a groundbreaking ceremony on May 10, 2021 for its facility expansions. The first expansion is for Discovery Life Sciences (DLS), an international market leader in biospecimen analysis, procurement, and distribution for the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and diagnostics industries, has chosen the biotech campus for its global headquarters. The headquarters will consist of 90,000 SF and house research and development, laboratory and business operations. The second expansion is a new state-of-the-art laboratory and greenhouse space for HudsonAlpha's Center for Plant Science and Sustainable Agriculture. 13,000 SF of lab and greenhouse space will be added to propagate and grow research plants to improve existing crops and develop new uses for plants. HudsonAlpha is one of the world's largest genomics institutes in plant science that collaborates with research groups everywhere to discover and apply crop improvement.

**CFD Research Corporation**, a provider of innovative solutions for the Aerospace & Defense, Biomedical & Life Sciences, and Energy & Materials industries, will add a new 13,265 SF building to its research headquarters campus located at Cummings Research Park in Huntsville. The new building will expand laboratory space for current capabilities in biomedical and energy research and development and provide new capabilities to support growth in electronics, virology, and biomechanics.

## Updates

Governor Kay Ivey has awarded nearly \$17 million in grants to help provide broadband services to primarily rural, unserved areas of Alabama. 36 grants have been awarded to multiple broadband providers across the state. These grants are made possible through the Broadband Accessibility Fund.

## AVAILABLE BUILDING



### 23366 BIBB GARRETT ROAD BUILDING

This build to suit opportunity is located on the NW corner of I-65 @ I-565 in Tanner, AL. The Huntsville International Airport is within 5 miles. The building site is in close proximity to the Mazda Toyota Manufacturing U.S. facility at the Huntsville Mega Site.

### Building Information

- 305,760+/- SF 135' truck apron
- 32' clear height
- 50' x 52' bays + 60' speed bay
- Cross dock design
- ESFR sprinkler system
- 135' truck apron
- Drive-in ramps as needed
- 70+/- dock doors or trailer parks
- Demisable up to +/-100,000 SF
- Now Pre-Leasing

## Education & Training

### DeKalb County

Fort Payne will receive a \$1 million grant for a new vocational center that will be constructed at the Fort Payne High School. This will help prepare high school students and give them a hands on learning experience about construction, electric vehicles and aviation tech. Construction should begin this summer.

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