

**Our WORKFORCE is what differentiates us!  
It's truly our REAL AMERICAN STRENGTH!**

Help us engage the talent that makes Lima, Allen County,  
and our surrounding region the **BEST** place for employers  
to grow their businesses.

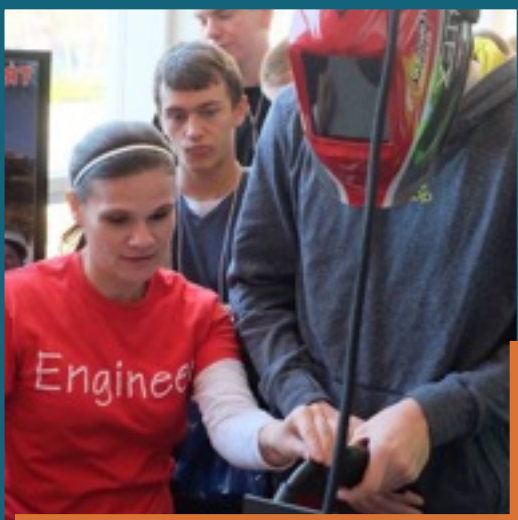
***Accepting sponsors/exhibitors NOW for***



***October 20 - 22, 2016***

***Veterans Memorial Civic & Convention Center, Lima, Ohio***

the region's premier career expo, celebrating our  
leadership in manufacturing, engineering,  
innovation, and the skilled trades.



### Sponsor Levels & Benefits:

#### PLATINUM sponsor (\$10,000)

Premium exhibit/exhibit location, logo placement on all banners and media, mention in TV/radio ads, mention in keynotes, feature in Award Ceremony, featured placement in program, first opportunity for demonstrations, breakouts, more...

#### GOLD sponsor (\$5,000)

Featured exhibit/booth location, logo placement on signs/web/print media, mention in keynotes, Awards Ceremony participation, featured placement in program, priority opportunity for demonstrations, breakouts, more.....

#### SILVER sponsor (\$2,500)

Main thoroughfare exhibit/booth location, logo placement on web/print media, Silver Sponsor recognition in program, priority opportunity for demonstrations, breakouts, more...

#### BRONZE sponsor (\$1,000)

Main exhibit hall booth location, logo placement on web/print media, Bronze sponsor recognition in program, priority opportunity for demonstrations, breakouts, more...

#### TABLE exhibitor (\$500)

Exhibit table outside the main exhibit hall, patron recognition in program, logo placement on web



***“MakerFest is a terrific way to get the word out to our local talent about careers available right here in their home town.”***

- Elia Lopez, General Manager, P&G Lima Plant



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***I am so impressed with what the Lima community has put together to inspire its young talent to consider careers in manufacturing. This is truly a benchmark to inspire others.***

- Adrian Price, Director, Global Manufacturing Business Office, Ford Motor Company

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## SO MANY REASONS TO SPONSOR!

First-rate local advertising of your company and your brand

Early access to local talent

Visibility of your current open positions

Unparalleled community engagement for your staff

Great employee morale boost

Impactful local collaboration to help build your region

Help shape students' professionalism and soft skills

## HOW CAN YOU CONTRIBUTE?

Staff an employer exhibit/booth in the Career Fair/Job Fair for students and jobseekers

Set up a tech demonstrations to showcase your company's innovation

Propose a breakout session or interactive workshop to host

Volunteer as a coach for “Extreme Interview Makeovers” and the “Mock Interviews Lab”



## Interested in being part of this regional workforce celebration?

Send an email to Jeff Sprague of Allen Economic Development Group at [spraguej@aedg.org](mailto:spraguej@aedg.org), expressing your interest in joining us, or call Jeff at 419-303-0512.

For more information, visit [www.linklima.com](http://www.linklima.com)

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LIMA/ALLEN COUNTY

Connect.  
Grow.  
Thrive.

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**MakerFest brings the entire community together, and let's everybody see what great career opportunities we have, right here in our region. It's inspiring!**

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Mike Knisley, Business Manager, UA Local #776, Plumbers & Pipefitters

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**What a wonderful way to showcase our young talent, and give them a chance to show the business community what they've got!**

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Gene Heitmeyer, General Manager,  
Diamond Manufacturing of Bluffton

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**MakerFest gave us a great way to reach the workforce we need to develop!**

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Todd Sutton, General Manager,  
PotashCorp



**MakerFest 2016**

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