

2022 Annual Report



Economic Development—Talent Development—Placemaking

Over \$1 billion in EV Investment

SEMCORP and Honda Lead with Electric Vehicle Investment

“We saw a significant number of prospects in the EV battery and related market throughout 2021 and 2022,” said Jim Hill, SSEP Executive Director. “The first commitment was made by SEMCORP and Honda followed with a major announcement later in the year,” added Hill.

SEMCORP’s decision to invest \$916 million to build their first electric vehicle separator film facility in the U.S. is the largest initial foreign direct investment ever in the state of Ohio. “After looking at numerous sites throughout North America, SEMCORP chose Sidney and we want to welcome them to Sidney and Shelby County”, said Hill.



EV separator film will be manufactured at the new SEMCORP facility in Sidney.

Honda’s decision to invest \$700 million in EV will include retooling several Ohio locations, including the Anna Engine Plant. “It is great to see that Sidney-Shelby County will be a key location for the next generation of automotive production,” added Hill.

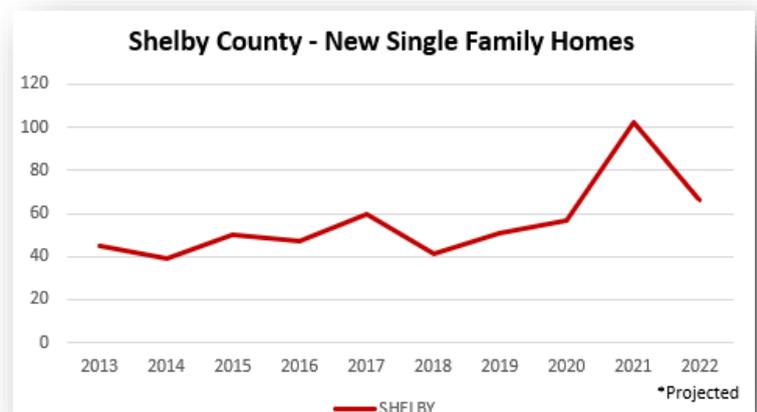
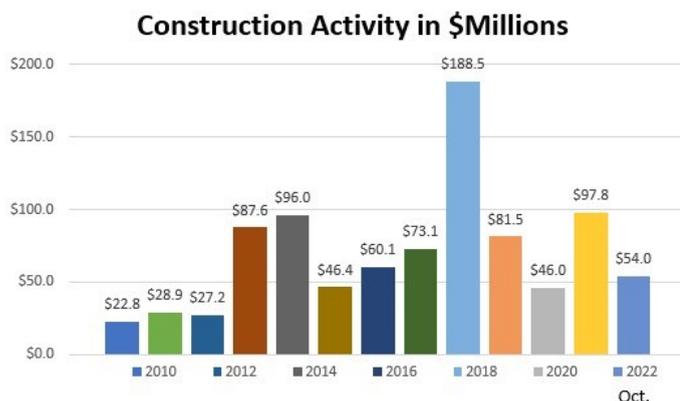
Separator film is one of the four key components in lithium ion batteries that are used in electric vehicles and so many other electronic devices. SEMCORP is the global leader in EV separator film production, with production facilities around the globe. Demand for EV batteries is projected to grow 29% annually over the next 10 years.

A Year of Progress

Continued Housing Growth, EV Projects and Brownfield Clean-up Funding

2022 was a historic year for industrial projects and investment:

- Anna, Sidney, Botkins, Ft. Loramie, Jackson Center and Russia are experiencing expansion of new housing opportunities, which is key to fulfilling SSEP’s housing initiative that was established in late 2018.
- 2022 major investment projects reached a historic milestone with commitments of more than \$1 billion in industrial expansion, primarily in electric vehicle manufacturing.
- Downing Community Advisors was hired to carry out an 18-month scope of work on housing and housing revitalization, with plans to launch a new housing portal in late 2022, SidneyHousing.com.
- After securing funding for brownfield clean-up, SSEP is working with the Land Bank, City of Sidney, and Burgess & Niple to clean up and redevelop the former Wagner Manufacturing site.
- Downtown redevelopment initiatives continue throughout the county, including the implementation of the \$1M+ Downtown Enhancement in Historic Downtown Sidney.
- SSEP continues to support expanded workforce programs, including the hiring of a Career Coach and Program Coordinator by the Workforce Partnership to increase student-employer career engagement.



President's Report

"A Historic Year"—2022 was clearly a historic year for industrial growth in Sidney and Shelby County. Last year in my report, I pointed out that many of the strategic initiatives we set out to accomplish were nearing a tipping point. Our housing, branding, placemaking and downtown revitalization efforts were all coming together, but one critical piece of the puzzle was missing. That last piece came together with completion of SiteOhio Authentication at the Sidney Ohio Industrial Park in late 2021 and that set us up for a significant increase in industrial site seeker activity throughout 2022.

Another huge win was securing brownfield funding for the former Wagner Manufacturing site. It is just another great example of private and public leaders working together to better our community.

I want to thank all the businesses and public entities who support the SSEP with finances, leadership and direction. Without all the support, Sidney and Shelby County would not be experiencing all this unprecedented growth and progress.

Martin L. Given
President of the Board of Trustees

Top Ranked U.S. Micropolitan—5th Year

POLICOM ECONOMIC STRENGTH RATING—2021

The Sidney-Shelby Metropolitan Area again ranked as a Top 100 Micropolitan by Site Selection Magazine last year. This is the 5th consecutive year being named to the prestigious list. The micropolitan area that includes Sidney and Shelby County moved up four spots from 15th to 11th.

The Sidney-Shelby Micropolitan Area also ranked 24th in the 2021 POLICOM Economic Strength Rating. That puts Sidney-Shelby as the second highest ranked Ohio community in 2021.



"While Site Selection looks at an annual snapshot of economic investment, the POLICOM ranking shows economic strength over the long haul," said Jim Hill, SSEP Executive Director. "It is great to see our area recognized for long-term economic achievement," added Hill.

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TOTAL
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SHIPMENTS
\$9.1 BILLION

TOP INDUSTRIAL EXPANSIONS

- **SEMCORP** will build a new 850,000 s.f. separator film manufacturing facility at Sidney Ohio Industrial Park. The project includes a \$916 million investment, 1200 new jobs and \$73 million in new annual payroll.
- **Honda**—The Anna Engine Plant is part of Honda’s \$700 million investment in retooling at Anna, Marysville and East Liberty for EV production. Honda has committed to invest in new facilities related to EV battery systems and retain their current employment at the Anna Engine Plant, which is the largest manufacturing site in the Dayton Region.
- **P&THE Manufacturing LLC** plans to invest \$ 5.4 million at the Sidney Ross Aluminum operation creating 175 new jobs. The project includes a \$900,000 Revitalization Grant from JobsOhio to support the project.

ABOUT SSEP:

Sidney-Shelby Economic Partnership (SSEP) is a not-for-profit organization comprised of business, government and community leaders dedicated to economic growth of the Sidney and Shelby County communities.

SSEP works to improve the overall business climate in order to grow existing businesses, in addition to supporting business creation and new business attraction to the county.

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