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Thirty Ohio Walmart Stores Receive Committed to Opportunity Awards from Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities

COLUMBUS, OH (January 23, 2017) – Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) today recognized thirty Ohio Walmart stores with the Committed to Opportunity Award for their leadership in integrating individuals with disabilities into Ohio’s workforce.

“Walmart is the largest retailer in the world and has taken it upon themselves to make sure that well-qualified and capable individuals who happen to have disabilities are integrated into their corporate culture,” said OOD Executive Director Kevin Miller. “By embracing a culture of inclusion and diversity, the lives of those individuals with disabilities are enhanced, the community benefits and the workforce is strengthened.”

OOD’s partnership with Walmart allows vocational rehabilitation counselors and job developers to discuss what skills and positions are available and help match job ready candidates to Walmart human resources staff.

“In every one of our stores across the state, we make it a priority to serve our community the best we can and help people to live better,” said Walmart Regional General Manager Dann Moore. “So it’s very important to us as employers that we find opportunities for those with disabilities because they are important members of our community with much to contribute.”

The Opportunity Awards are a significant part of OOD’s annual business recognition program and were created to highlight Ohio companies committed to providing employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities. The awards recognize companies at various levels; from those who have just begun to recruit, hire and retain individuals with disabilities to those with a proven track record of integrating individuals with disabilities into their workforce. For more information on the 2017 award recipients, visit www.ood.ohio.gov/Employers/Opportunity-Awards.

OOD is committed to engaging and educating Ohio businesses on the benefits of recruiting, hiring and retaining individuals with disabilities. Representatives from the Business Engagement Team work directly with Ohio employers of any size to understand their workforce needs, quickly match job seekers with specific openings, and provide needed assistance and training.

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The 30 Walmart stores receiving OOD's Committed to Opportunity Awards include:

Akron	2887 S. Arlington Road
Amelia	1815 E. Ohio Pike
Ashtabula	3551 N. Ridge Road E
Aurora	7235 Market Place Drive
Avon	35901 Chester Road
Bellefontaine	2281 U.S. Highway 68 S.
Celina	1950 Havemann Rd.
Chillicothe	85 River Trace Lane
Cincinnati	2322 Ferguson Road
Cincinnati	4000 Red Bank Road
Cincinnati	2801 Cunningham Road
Cleveland	10000 Brookpark Road
Cleveland	3400 Steelyard Drive
Columbus	3657 E. Main Street
Columbus	1221 Georgesville Road
Dayton	8800 Kingsridge Drive
Findlay	2500 Tiffin Ave
Grove City	1693 Stringtown Road
Lewis Center	8569 Columbus Pike
Marysville	555 Colmans Crossing Blvd
Massillon	1 Massillon Marketplace Drive SW
Medina	4141 Pearl Road
Perrysburg	10392 Fremont Pike
Springfield	200 S. Tuttle Road
Tiffin	2801 W. State Route 18
Toledo	2925 Glendale Avenue
Toledo	5821 W. Central Avenue
Troy	1801 W. Main Street
Xenia	70 Hospitality Drive
Youngstown	1300 Doral Drive

OOD is the state agency responsible for assisting individuals with disabilities to gain meaningful employment, to live independently or receive disability benefits through the Social Security Administration. www.ood.ohio.gov

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