

Sharing the Good News

at the Muskingum County Business Incubator!

Carol Humphreys, director of the Muskingum County Business Incubator (MCBI), is ready to spread the good news. Ever since MCBI opened the doors of its new offices at 56 N. Fifth St. in September of 2005, activity has been brisk. MCBI's effort to support and nurture new and existing businesses meets an obvious need and has been well received by the community.

As a clearinghouse of information and resources about starting and developing a strong business concept, the incubator acts as a launching pad for companies that will positively impact the community.

MCBI has worked hard to develop a solid network of participants. The new workspace includes an office for the Small Business Development Center (SBDC). MCBI has also allotted space for representatives of the Ohio University Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Affairs to council and work with incubator clients. In addition, more than 20 local business professionals have stepped forward to mentor the clients and establish advisory boards for their companies.

Representatives from MCBI and the Voinovich Center have met with local bankers and accountants to promote the mission and explain the newly available methods of business assistance. Using incubator space, the SBDC holds various workshops that are open to MCBI clients and anyone in the community who would like to attend.

MCBI is committed to assisting small businesses by providing a support network to help entrepreneurs meet challenges and solve problems. The incubator also provides physical space for new companies to help jumpstart their business while minimizing costs.

Please call Carol Humphreys at 740-453-3649 for more information. Referrals for participation and funding sources are always welcome!