



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **2013 STATE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT RECEIVES AWARD AT THE OHIO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (OEDA) ANNUAL MEETING**

**COLUMBUS, OHIO—October 24, 2013**—The City of Piqua /Grow Piqua Now has been selected as a runner up for the Economic Development Marketing Small Community category for their 2013 State of Economic Development Report. The honor was presented at the Ohio Economic Development Association's Annual Awards Luncheon during its Annual Meeting.

"We are very pleased the Ohio Economic Development Association has recognized the work of our Grow Piqua Now Marketing Committee and the good news our community has to share," said Bill Murphy, Executive Director of Grow Piqua Now and the Assistant City Manager and Economic Development Director for the City of Piqua.

The State of Economic Development Report is an annual publication to share the economic development successes in Piqua, Ohio. It was developed as a partnership between the City of Piqua, Grow Piqua Now and the Piqua Area Chamber of Commerce. The report was written by the City of Piqua, with input from the Grow Piqua Now Marketing Committee and the companies highlighted in the report. It is designed to be visually appealing and to incorporate the marketing message of the City and Chamber. The report was distributed in the regional weekly business publication and on the city's website.

OEDA's Annual Excellence Awards recognize the state's best economic development programs and partnerships and marketing materials. These awards honor organizations and individuals for their efforts in creating positive change in Ohio's urban, suburban, and rural communities.

The Report is available on the Grow Piqua Now website [www.growpiquanow.org](http://www.growpiquanow.org).

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