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Businesses Receive Dollars

20 Champaign County businesses receive \$105,246.81 in safety council incentive

Twenty Champaign County businesses will share \$105,246.81 as a result of their successful participation in the Bureau of Workers' Compensation Safety Council incentive program coordinated by the Champaign County Chamber of Commerce. Checks were distributed at today's Safety Council meeting.

"This is a tremendous benefit to our businesses. That's \$105,246.81 going back into our local economy," stated Kelly Evans-Wilson, Executive Director of the Champaign County Chamber of Commerce. "This program results in huge savings for businesses and proves that Ohio's employers want safe work environments for their employees."

The calculation for each employer successfully participating in the Safety Council is 4 percent of their paid premium. For Champaign County the amount was \$105,246.81 and more than \$22 million for the state of Ohio.

The Champaign County Safety Council was reorganized in 2005 and hosts monthly meetings on topics related to occupational safety, accident prevention, risk management and workers' compensation issues. In addition, the program allows representatives from business and industry to network and share ideas beneficial to workplace safety. The Champaign County Safety Council includes representative from 45 local businesses.

The mission of the Champaign County Chamber of Commerce is for the purpose of advancing the commercial, industrial and civic interests of Champaign County and its trade area.

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