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## **FAYETTE BUSINESS PARK EXPANSION MOVING FORWARD**

**Uniontown, PA** – The Redevelopment Authority of the County of Fayette (RACF) will officially oversee the remaining stages of the Fayette County Business Park Expansion Project.

Fayette County Commissioners Dave Lohr, chairman; Vince Vicites and Scott Dunn recently approved a cooperation agreement between the county and redevelopment authority, with the county contributing an additional \$1 million to the project.

The redevelopment authority previously received a \$2 million state grant to kickstart the project, which will be combined with the commissioners' contribution and used to help bolster construction on part of the 200 acres neighboring Mount Saint Macrina in North Union Township.

RACF Executive Director Andrew French and his team are currently facilitating the purchase of a portion of the Mount Saint Macrina property, in the hopes of developing a business park featuring office and commercial spaces. In all, the plans have the capacity to create at least 1,000 new, family-sustaining jobs in Fayette County.

The redevelopment authority worked with Aspire Grant and Development LLC to secure the new funding, which will be supported through the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP). RACP is administered by the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for the acquisition and construction of regional economic, cultural, civic, recreational and historical improvement projects.

RACP previously awarded the business park project \$500,000 in 2018, for early site development. The project is currently in the pre-construction phase, with bidding slated to start in June 2021.

In 2004, Commissioner Vicites played a key role in securing a similar \$2 million state grant to create the Fayette County Business Park on state Route 40 in South Union Township.

The county is using the same model for the latest expansion, in the hopes of furthering Fayette County's economic growth.

County officials previously deemed the site ideal for expansion because of its close proximity to both state route 119 and 40.

For more information, contact the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Fayette at 724-437-1547.

To learn more about Fayette County, visit [www.FayetteCountyPA.org](http://www.FayetteCountyPA.org).

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