

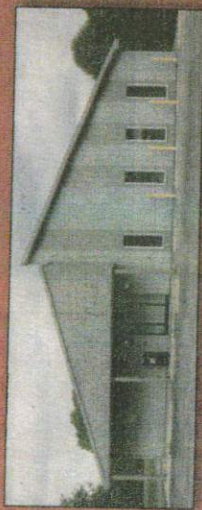
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Incipio Devices, officials celebrate firm's expansion

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Officials at Incipio Devices, the City of Huntington and the Huntington County Economic Development Corp. celebrated the com-

pany's recent multi-million-dollar expansion during a brief ceremony Wednesday, Sept. 27, at the company headquarters in the Riverfork East Industrial Park.

"We're experienc-

ing year after year double-digit growth," President and CEO Troy Johnson said. "It's gone really well for us here in Huntington. It's a great place to be. We're

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Troy Johnson (second from right), Incipio Devices president and CEO, accepts a grant from Mayor Richard Strick. Looking on are Incipio Vice President of Operations Dave Zimsk (from left), Mark Wickersham, Huntington County Economic Development Executive Director, and Incipio Controller Kenall Mickley. Photo by Joseph Slacian

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great partners with the city and economic development. It's a great experience."

The company has nearly doubled its employment in the last 12 to 18 months, he continued, noting between 80 and 100 jobs have been added in that time.

The investment, Johnson said, was "primarily capital equipment."

Incipio is an industry leader in the manufacturing of orthopedic implants and instru-

mentation.

The expansion helped increase the company's productivity and preserves existing job positions, according to Mark Wickersham, executive director of the Huntington County Economic Development Corp.

"We're so proud of the fact that Troy, as a local resident - he grew up here and graduated from Huntington North - is a local entrepreneur who has become a primary employer, and

one of the best primary employers a community could ever have," he said.

Johnson thanked city and county officials for what they've done to help the company succeed.

As part of the celebration, Mayor Richard Strick presented Johnson with a \$50,000 incentive grant from the city through HCUED. The grand was in lieu of the company seeking tax abatements.