

**Press Release**  
**AAP St. Marys Corporation**  
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### **AAP ST. MARYS CORP. AWARDED LOAN FOR EXPANSION**

The Ohio Department of Development announced that AAP St. Marys Corporation has been awarded a \$2.5 million loan at an interest rate of zero-percent for two years and four-percent for the remainder of the seven year term. This loan will help in the acquisition of machinery and equipment as a part of AAP's current expansion of its facility in St. Marys, Ohio.

Randy Wendel, AAP's Vice-President/COO commented, "We're excited to be growing again and we're grateful for this loan to help finance our expansion. Our current building construction is on schedule to be completed by this summer, while the rest of the expansion—machinery and equipment—will come on line next year."

AAP began operations in 1988, with original planned capacity of 60,000 wheels per month. The company has previously expanded several times, and this current project will increase capacity to 250,000 wheels per month. AAP is involved in the design, development, and manufacture of cast aluminum wheels for Ford, Honda, Subaru, and Toyota, and employs about 450 associates.

More information about AAP's history, products, and employment opportunities can be found on its website, [www.aapstmarys.com](http://www.aapstmarys.com).