



It *Didn't* Work For Ohio

As Obama Campaigns In Ohio Today, It's Clear His Policies Haven't Worked

Today, Obama Will Campaign In Mansfield And Akron, Ohio. "The president will travel to Mansfield and Akron on Wednesday for grassroots campaign events to lay out his goal of rebuilding the economy from the middle out, cutting taxes for middle-class families and reducing the federal deficit, according to a campaign news release." ("Details Emerge On Obama's Visit," [Mansfield News Journal](#), 7/30/12)

OBAMA'S DEFENSE CUTS WILL BE DEVASTATING FOR OHIO

In Ohio, Defense Cuts Would Mean 1,377 Fewer Active-Duty Service Members And A Loss Of 6,250 DOD Civilian Personnel. "House Armed Services Committee estimates show defense cuts in Ohio would mean 1,377 fewer active-duty service members out of 8,261, and the loss of 6,250 Defense Department civilian personnel out of 25,001 in the state, according to the nonprofit and nonpartisan Center for Security Policy in Washington, D.C." (John Nolan and Barrie Barber, "Ohio Defense Industry Faces Layoffs If Congress Fails To Take Action," [Detroit News](#), 7/1/12)

- **Defense Cuts Would Cost Ohio 27,900 Public And Private Sector Jobs.** "Those cuts could cost 27,900 jobs by 2014 in Ohio's public and private sectors, a National Association of Manufacturing study estimated." (John Nolan and Barrie Barber, "Ohio Defense Industry Faces Layoffs If Congress Fails To Take Action," [Detroit News](#), 7/1/12)

According To A Study By George Mason University, The Defense Spending Cuts In Sequestration Would Result In Ohio Losing 21,280 Jobs. (Stephen S. Fuller, "The Economic Impact Of The Budget Control Act Of 2011 On DOD And Non-DOD Agencies," [Report](#), 7/17/12)

- **Under The Anticipated 18 Percent Budget Cuts In Sequestration, Ohio's Veteran And Service-Disabled Veteran Businesses Will Lose A Combined \$161,802,251.00 In Revenue.** (Center For Security Policy, [The United States Defense Breakdown Economic Impact Reports 2011 Data Edition](#), 6/6/12)

White House Unaware Obama Wants To Close Down Ohio Air Base Where He Will Land Today



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WH Spokesman Jay Carney Was Not Aware That Air Force One Will Land At An Ohio Air Base That Obama Wants To Eliminate. REPORTER: "Can you talk a little bit about why the president is going back to the same area of Akron, Ohio tomorrow that he has visited before? And in Mansfield the local paper is reporting if President Obama has his way his Air Force One arrival would be one of the final flights into the Mansfield airport, because the president wants to do away with the mission for the 800 guardsmen at the Mansfield." WH Spokesman Jay Carney: "I'll have to take the question, I'm not aware of that particular issue. In terms of why is he going to Ohio and Akron –" REPORTER: "But that area of Ohio, Mansfield and Akron, I mean he was just there on the bus tour." CARNEY: "There is not an inch of Ohio that the president does not love to visit. It's a great state, my wife's home state." REPORTER: "In terms of Mansfield, can we get you to take that question?" CARNEY: "Sure. I'm not aware of even the policy implications or what issue this is." ([White House Press Briefing](#), 7/31/12)

Obama Will Land At The Mansfield-Lahm National Guard Base Today – The Very Base Threatened By His FY2013 Defense Budget Cuts. "The 179th Airlift Wing of the Ohio Air National Guard base where Air Force One will land Wednesday morning remains threatened by President Barack Obama's proposed cuts to the military budget." (Lou Whitmire, "Air Force One To Land At Threatened Mansfield Base," [Mansfield News Journal](#), 7/31/12)

- **Obama Will Jeopardize 551 Part-Time And 204 Full-Time Airmen's Jobs At Mansfield Air National Guard Base As His Defense Cuts Would Eliminate The C-27J Program, Leaving The Wing Without A Flying Mission.** "President Barack Obama has cited an aircraft flown by the Mansfield Air National Guard Base as an example of 'unnecessary' defense programs and recommended it for termination... Elimination of the program would leave the 179th Airlift Wing without a flying mission. It could jeopardize the future of the unit, which has 551 part-time and 204 full-time airmen. The Mansfield base has two of its four C-27Js deployed in Afghanistan. It received the planes last summer, and was the first base in the country to deploy to Afghanistan with them." (Bryan Bullock, "Mansfield Base's C-27js Called 'Unnecessary,'" [The Mansfield News Journal](#), 2/14/12)

The Threatened C27-Js Will Be Positioned So Obama Will See Them When Air Force One Lands. "The C27-Js will be positioned at the base so Obama sees them when Air Force One taxis in, Col. Michael Howard, 179th Airlift Wing vice commander, said Monday." (Lou Whitmire, "Air Force One To Land At Threatened Mansfield Base," [Mansfield News Journal](#), 7/31/12)

- **Sen. Sherrod Brown (D-OH): "When The President Travels To Mansfield On Wednesday, I Hope He Will Get A Better Sense Of Just How Vital The C-27J Program Is To The Air National Guard Base At Mansfield And The Economy Of North Central Ohio."** "Sen. Sherrod Brown, D-Avon, said he too hopes the president takes note. 'When the president travels to Mansfield on

Wednesday, I hope he will get a better sense of just how vital the C-27J program is to the Air National Guard Base at Mansfield and the economy of north central Ohio,' Brown said." (Lou Whitmire, "Air Force One To Land At Threatened Mansfield Base," [Mansfield News Journal](#), 7/31/12)

Mansfield News Journal: Mansfield "Cannot Sustain" The Loss Of the 179th Air National Guard Base. "It is critical that Congress reverse it. Mansfield cannot sustain another loss of this magnitude. The blow we took from the General Motors plant closing put several thousand people out of work. Taking jobs away from Mansfield by ending the 179th Airlift Wing's mission is simply an irrational decision." (Editorial, "Mansfield Cannot Stand To Lose 179th," [Mansfield News Journal](#), 2/16/12)

Mansfield News Journal: "Please Explain To The People Of Mansfield Why The U.S. Government Wants To Eliminate Such A Worthwhile Part Of Our Community And Nation." "Beyond the threat to national security, Mansfield stands to lose nearly 1,000 jobs if the president gets his way. So, Mr. President, please explain to the people of Mansfield why the U.S. government wants to eliminate such a worthwhile part of our community and nation." (Editorial, "A Few Questions For The President," [Mansfield News Journal](#), 7/29/12)

Mansfield Isn't The Only Ohio Base Threatened By Obama's Budget

As Part Of Obama's FY2013 Budget, The Youngstown Air Reserve Station Will Lose 97 Part-Time And 33 Full-Time Jobs. "The Youngstown Air Reserve Station will lose 97 part-time and 33 full-time positions in fiscal year 2013, part of the plan to cut \$487 billion from the defense budget over the next 10 years." (Denise Dick, "Vienna Air Base To Lose 130 Positions, A 7% Cut," [Vindy](#), 3/8/12)

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base To Lose 452 Positions As Part Of A Reduction Of 10,000 Positions Across The Air Force. "Wright-Patterson Air Force Base will lose 452 positions among active-duty and civilian ranks this year and next, part of a cost-cutting reduction of approximately 10,000 positions across the Air Force, defense officials said Tuesday. The 445th Airlift Wing, the unit at Wright-Patterson that flies C-17 transport aircraft for the Air Force, will see a net gain of 57 positions among weekend and full-time reservists, the Air Force said." (John Nolan And Barrie Barber, "452 Positions To Be Cut At Wright-Patterson," [The Dayton Daily News](#), 3/6/12)

OBAMA HASN'T WORKED FOR OHIO'S ENERGY INDUSTRY

OhioAmerican Energy, Inc., A Subsidiary Of Murray Energy, Announced The Closure Its Coal Mining Operations In Brilliant, Ohio, Citing Obama And His Appointees As The Reason.

"OhioAmerican Energy, Inc. ('OhioAmerican'), a Subsidiary Of Murray Energy Corporation ('Murray Energy'), today announced the closure of its coal mining operations near Brilliant, Jefferson County, Ohio. Regulatory Actions By President Barack Obama And His Appointees And Followers Were Cited As The Entire Reason. 'Mr. Obama has already destroyed 83,000 megawatts of coal-fired electricity generation in America,' said Mr. Michael T.W. Carey, Vice President of Government Affairs for Murray Energy. 'Electric Prices in the recent PJM Interconnection monthly auction were bid up 800 percent (8 times) for 2015-2016 because of this,' he added." (Press Release, "OhioAmerican Energy, Inc. Coal Mining Operation Closed In Eastern Ohio," [Murray Energy](#), 7/31/12)

- **The Obama Administration Has Destroyed 2,868 Jobs In Eastern Ohio.** "'At its peak, OhioAmerican employed 239 local people in high-paying, well-benefited jobs,' said Mr. Stanley T. Piasecki, General Manager and Superintendent. 'University studies show that our Mines can create up to eleven (11) secondary jobs in our communities, for store clerks, teachers, etc., to serve our direct employees. Thus, if one uses the eleven (11) to one (1) multiplier, the Obama

Administration has destroyed 2,868 jobs in eastern Ohio with this forced Mine closure,' stated Mr. Piasecki." (Press Release, "OhioAmerican Energy, Inc. Coal Mining Operation Closed In Eastern Ohio," [Murray Energy](#), 7/31/12)

- **Mr. Stanley T. Piasecki, General Manager And Superintendent Of Murray Energy: "There Will Be Additional Layoffs" Throughout The Country's Coal Industry "Due To Mr. Obama's 'War On Coal.'"** "There will be additional layoffs, not only at Murray Energy, but also throughout the United States coal industry due to Mr. Obama's 'War on Coal' and the destruction that it has caused to so many jobs and families in the Ohio Valley area and elsewhere,' said Mr. Murray. 'Both Mr. Obama and Vice President Biden stated that there would be 'no coal in America' prior to their elections,'" said Mr. Piasecki. "They are making good on their intentions while they destroy so many lives and family livelihoods in this area for no benefit whatsoever,' he concluded." (Press Release, "OhioAmerican Energy, Inc. Coal Mining Operation Closed In Eastern Ohio," [Murray Energy](#), 7/31/12)

Another Affiliate Of Murray Energy, Ohio Valley Coal Company, Recently Announced The Elimination Of 29 Hourly Jobs At Its Powhattan No. 6 Mine Citing "Regulatory Excess Of The Obama Administration As A Direct Cause Of The Layoffs." "The Ohio Valley Coal Company announced Friday it has been forced to reduce its workforce at the Powhattan No. 6 Mine in Belmont County, Ohio. According to a news release 29 hourly jobs will be cut. The company cites regulatory excess of the Obama Administration as a direct cause to the layoffs." (Colin Lawler, "Ohio Valley Coal Co. Announces Layoffs," [WTRE](#), 7/21/12)

- **General Manager Ronald Koontz: The Obama Administration's War On Coal Is "Seeking To Destroy The Coal Industry And The Jobs Of Our Own Employees And The Livelihoods Of Their Families."** "Announcing the reduction of 29 jobs at its Powhattan No. 6 Mine in Belmont County, Ohio, General Manager Ronald Koontz attacked the Obama administration for a 'war on coal seeking to destroy the coal industry and the jobs of our own employees and the livelihoods of their families.'" (Erich Schwartzel, "Two Coal Companies Downsize," [Pittsburgh Post Gazette](#), 7/20/12)

FirstEnergy Will Close Three Ohio Power Plants Among Others Due To Regulations Imposed By The EPA, Threatening Over 500 Jobs. "The Akron-based utility which owns Toledo Edison said it was shutting the facility because of air emission standards being imposed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. In all, FirstEnergy said it would also shut plants in Eastlake, Ashabula, and Cleveland in Ohio, as well as in Adrian, Pa., and Williamsport, Md. The plants collectively produce 2,689 megawatts of electricity and employ 529 workers." ("FirstEnergy To Shutter Bay Shore Coal-Fired Plant," [The Toledo Blade](#), 1/26/12)

- **Upon The Announcement, "The City Of Eastlake, Ohio, Couldn't Help But Panic A Little."** "When the FirstEnergy Corporation announced last week that, due to new mercury and air toxin standards, the company would be closing six of its coal energy plants, the city of Eastlake, Ohio, couldn't help but panic a little. The town of 20,000, just outside of Cleveland on the shore of Lake Erie, is home to one of the six plants slated for closure. The plant is one of the largest employers in town, and when it shuts down operations in September, it will also stop generating tax revenue for the city." (Nate Berg, "What Happens To A Small Town When Its Coal Plant Shuts Down?" [The Atlantic](#), 2/1/12)
- **Democratic Mayor Ted Andrzejewski: "It's A Huge Hit."** (Nate Berg, "What Happens To A Small Town When Its Coal Plant Shuts Down?" [The Atlantic](#), 2/1/12)

New EPA Rules Threaten 50 Ohio Jobs At Dayton Power & Light Plant. "Facing the prospect of having to shut down a coal-burning power plant that employs 50, Dayton Power & Light said it's studying a plan to repower the O.H. Hutchings Station plant here with natural gas as a way to keep the facility along the Great Miami River operating." (Steve Bennish, "EPA Rules To Force Old Coal Plants To Adapt, Close," [Dayton Daily News](#), 1/6/12)

Ohio Coal Plants In Clermont County, Conseville, And Muskingum River Threatened By The Obama Administration. “Large Ohio coal plants will go dark within a few years. Duke Energy announced that the Walter C. Beckjord Generating Station in Clermont County east of Cincinnati will cease operating coal-fired units in 2015. ... Other Ohio utilities have announced coal-burning power plants headed for closure, including American Electric Power in Columbus. AEP said it would close two West Virginia plants and one Ohio plant, Picway. Two other Ohio plants, Conesville and Muskingum River, would close generating units.” (Steve Bennis, “EPA Rules To Force Old Coal Plants To Adapt, Close,” [Dayton Daily News](#), 1/6/12)

GenOn Energy Will Close Its Avon Lake, OH, Coal-Fired Power Plant In 2015 Due To “Insufficient Returns” As A Result Of EPA Regulations. “GenOn Energy is moving forward with its plan to close the Avon Lake power plant in April 2015. According to an email from GenOn spokesman Mark Baird, after more review of the viability of adding additional controls to bring the plant into conformity with EPA regulations, ‘forecasted returns are insufficient.’” (Cheryl Higley, “GenOn On Track With Closing Plant In Avon Lake,” [The Plain Dealer](#), 4/6/12)

- **City Schools Will Face An Annual Revenue Loss Of \$3.9 Million Due To The Plant’s Closure.** “Replacing the revenue generated from the plant will be crucial for the city schools, which could lose \$3.9 million annually when the plant closes. Those losses come on top of state funding cuts and past devaluations of the power plant that are contributing to a projected \$3 million deficit by fiscal year 2014.” (Cheryl Higley, “GenOn On Track With Closing Plant In Avon Lake,” [The Plain Dealer](#), 4/6/12)

OBAMACARE HASN’T WORKED IN OHIO EITHER

Last November, 104,985 Summit County And 27,224 Richland County, OH Voters Voted “To Preserve The Freedom Of Ohioans To Choose Their Health Care And Health Care Coverage.” “Issue 3 - Proposed Constitutional Amendment by initiative petition to preserve the freedom of Ohioans to choose their health care and health care coverage.” (Ohio Secretary Of State, “[State Issue 3: November 8, 2011](#),” Accessed 7/30/12)

- **Summit And Richland Counties Were Joined By Every Single Ohio County In The 65 Percent Overwhelming Vote.** (Ohio Secretary Of State, “[State Issue 3: November 8, 2011](#),” Accessed 7/30/12)
- **The Issue 3 Vote Was A Rejection Of ObamaCare.** “Ohio’s ballot initiative to reject a key component of the federal health-care overhaul gives national politicians another chance to take voters’ temperatures on an issue likely to feature prominently in next year’s elections.” (Louise Radnofsky, “Ohio Ballot Initiative On Health Care: Preview of 2012?” [The Wall Street Journal’s Washington Wire](#), 11/8/11)

Medical Device Manufacturers Say ObamaCare’s Medical Devices Tax Will Cost Manufacturers \$20 Billion. “Medical-device manufacturers and their advocates want to eliminate a 2.3 percent excise tax included in the federal health-care overhaul. Industry officials say the tax, which takes effect in January, would cost manufacturers about \$20 billion during the next decade. The medical-device industry recorded about \$136 billion in revenue in 2008.” (Ben Sutherly, “Medical-Device Makers Fight Tax,” [The Columbus Dispatch](#), 5/15/12)

- **“The Leader Of One Ohio-Based Medical-Device Manufacturer Said The Tax Puts Companies That Do Most Of Their Business In The United States At A Disadvantage Compared To Competitors That Are Based In Europe Or Asia And Do Business There.”** “The leader of one Ohio-based medical-device manufacturer said the tax puts companies that do most of their business in the United States at a disadvantage compared to competitors that are based in Europe or Asia and do business there. Those competitors wouldn’t feel the tax burden as much if they sold fewer products in the United States, said Walter Rosebrough, president and CEO of Mentor-based

STERIS, which develops, manufactures and markets products aimed at preventing infection and contamination.” (Ben Sutherly, “Medical-Device Makers Fight Tax,” [The Columbus Dispatch](#), 5/15/12)

Medical Device Makers Employ 20,000 In Ohio. “In Ohio, about 20,000 workers are employed by medical-device and equipment manufacturers. A few large companies are affected, including Cardinal Health in Dublin and Invacare in Elyria. But industry-wide, 80 percent of these businesses have fewer than 50 employees. Since the tax is on all revenue, not profits, small companies are particularly worried that they’ll be put out of business by it.” (Editorial, “The True Cost,” [The Columbus Dispatch](#), 3/26/12)

- **CEO Of Cleveland’s Invacare Said Medical Device Tax Is Like “Throwing A Hand Grenade” Into Health Care Industry.** “The law includes a 2.3% excise tax on the sale of all medical devices except for consumer goods, such as contact lenses and hearing aids. . . Among established medical device companies, Invacare Corp. of Elyria, the world’s largest wheelchair maker, has been a vocal opponent of the tax. Invacare CEO A. Malachi Mixon III in a January interview with *Crain’s* went so far as to say the tax was the equivalent of ‘throwing a hand grenade in the middle of the health care economy.’” (Chuck Soder, “Tax On Medical Device Manufactuers Could Be Taxing,” [Crain’s Cleveland Business](#), 3/29/10)