

# *Investing in Ohio's Air Quality*

OAQDA serves the environmental and economic development opportunities in Ohio. Our mission is aligned with helping Ohio businesses, both small and large, meet the challenges of complying with federal environmental regulations, primarily the Clean Air Act.

OAQDA provides an important, cost-effective financing tool that the private sector utilizes to invest and improve operations. The focus is protecting air as a natural resource while stimulating economic benefits through operational savings, job creation or retention, improved employee health and enhanced productivity. We salute the many companies and public institutions with which we partnered in 2018 to employ innovative methods of preserving cleaner air in Ohio.

The traditional activity of the Authority involves the issuance of air quality project revenue bonds in coordination with the borrower and their preferred lender. The lending institutions determine the level of financing based on their credit analysis and work with the borrower to ensure the liability of repayment meet their lending standards. OAQDA serves as the conduit bond issuer to finance these air quality facilities and provides tax benefits for both the project and the bondholder. These incentives translate into improved cash flow for the borrower and enhance the viability of the project.

Lenders and businesses interested in learning more about getting started with OAQDA can visit [www.ohioairquality.org](http://www.ohioairquality.org) for opportunities for lenders and small and large businesses. Or contact the Authority at 614-224-3383 or [info@aqda.state.oh.us](mailto:info@aqda.state.oh.us).