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PRESENTATION OF YOUNGSTOWN 2010 ACTION PLAN
TO AIR ON PBS 45 & 49

KENT, Ohio – FEB. 17, 2005 – Exciting redevelopment plans for the future of Youngstown will be broadcast on Thursday, Feb. 24 at 10 p.m. on PBS 45 & 49. Youngstown 2010: Unveiling the Plan is a taped presentation of the Jan. 27 meeting at Stambaugh Auditorium in Youngstown that was attended by more than 1,300 people. Public radio station WYSU-FM also will broadcast the show on Feb. 24 at 8 p.m.

The program includes highlights of the comprehensive plan, which features more green space, stronger residential neighborhoods and designated industrial areas. The plan also creates competitive industrial districts by reclaiming old steel mill property and by building on the strengths of projects such as the Youngstown Convocation Center to create a vibrant city core. “We’re walking away tonight with a firm foundation upon which to govern, build and develop the city of Youngstown,” said Jay Williams, the city’s Community Development Agency director and presenter at the meeting. Williams said work on some aspects of the plan has already begun.

Youngstown 2010: Unveiling the Plan is underwritten by the Tony LaRiccia family of Youngstown, who has agreed to fund four broadcasts in 2005 of 2010 Moving Ahead: A Forum for Reporting Progress.

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