



JOSH MANDEL

STATE TREASURER OF OHIO

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Like many companies, Ohio Gasket and Shim was facing lean times in 2008 but needed money to expand.

Owners Tom and John Bader didn't know where to turn for the \$500,000 to purchase the laser cutter to make them competitive.

"I looked in my pocket, Tom looked in his and we came up with \$23," John Bader said in a meeting Tuesday with Ohio Treasurer Josh Mandel.

Mandel and Huntington Bank officials were in Akron to highlight a state program that helped the 82-employee company, part of OGS Industries, get the loan it needed for a Trumpf TruLaser 2030.

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