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...I'm amazed at
RLG's ability to
complete this project
on-time and on-budget
with no disruption to
news operations!

Brian Lorenzen | President & General Manager WTOL-11



WTOL-11 hired the Rudolph Libbe Group Special Accounts team to give its newsroom a new look and make it more user-friendly for the staff. Upon completion, the station held a ribbon-cutting grand opening for the new space in February of 2023 with Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur, Mayor Kapszukiewicz and many other guests attending.

Lauren Weppler, Channel 11's news director, said the renovation allows staff to customize their areas to better fit individual needs. Long-time Toledo news anchor and WTOL alum Jerry Anderson was overheard saying "he would have never retired if this would have been done a few years ago."

RLG served as the project manager and general contractor as well as self-performed carpentry, general trades and demo work and electrical. Underfloor electrical/data boxes for the open office workstations were installed as well as new light fixtures, switches and duplexes in the newsroom, green room and adjacent offices. Receptacles were installed in the ceiling so that WTOL can easily add studio lighting when using the newsroom for live TV.

WTOL-11 produces 55 hours of news each week so RLG conducted operations around its "quiet hours" allowing the staff to not miss a single broadcast during the project.



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