

# Safety Flash

## Incident with Recordable Injury

Date of Incident: 1/8/2025

### The Incident

Associates were moving an A-Frame Gantry crane by hand. As they went to lean the frame against the wall, they lost control of the piece and it fell to the ground. As the piece fell it struck one of the associate's foot/ankle.

### The Causes

- A pre-task plan was written, but lacked the detail needed for this part of the task.
- This task required better planning in the pre-job/bidding phase.
- Another person added to the crew could have prevented the crane from falling.
- The initial plan was to use a forklift to move the piece, but the crane was too tall to fit through a doorway.

### Prevent It

- Better planning up front in the pre-job phase with contingency plans in case the original plan does not work.
- Look into either buying a device or engineering a device that can be used to make handling this equipment easier.

### Action Plan

- Look into either buying a device or engineering a device that can be used to make handling this equipment easier.
- Share the findings of this incident with a stand-down with the crew, and create a safety flash to be distributed company wide.

### Keep Improving

Your health and safety are the most important part of every project. We need *your* help to eliminate unsafe behaviors and conditions. If you see a safer and better way to do a task, see your supervisor, or contact GEM Safety: Bill Cornett – 419-720-2728. To get personal protection equipment from the warehouse, call 419-720-2688.