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<u>Featured Business</u> DOT Transportation, Inc.

Zanesville is home to one of Dot Transportation Inc's (DTI) newest and fastest-growing terminal locations for truck drivers. DTI is an affiliate of Dot Foods, the largest food industry redistributor in North America. The company's Zanesville terminal, which opened in 2018, is located at 4005 All American Way.



"The main goal for our Zanesville terminal is for our drivers to be able to connect and unhook their trailers from freight," said Doug Simpson, Dot Transportation's Ohio terminal manager. "Since our location is completely fenced in and has a large concrete pad, it serves as an optimal place to disconnect trucks from trailers and hook up to new ones." Dot Foods carries 134,000 products from 1,000 food industry manufacturers, including products for the foodservice, convenience store, retail, and vending sectors. The company is a critical part of the supply chain because of the way it enables its customers to order a wide assortment of food items in smaller quantities with multiple products bundled together in a single shipment.

Founded in 1960 by Robert and Dorothy Tracy in Mt. Sterling, Illinois, the company is celebrating its 60th anniversary this year and remains family-owned-and-operated. DTI employs more than 1,700 drivers at 12 Dot Foods distribution centers and 30 terminal locations across the country. Over the past five years, Dot Transportation has been opening terminals to service its 12 U.S. distribution centers. The Zanesville terminal allows the company to tap into the local population of Class A, commercially licensed drivers (CDL-A) in Muskingum County and surrounding counties

DTI currently has nine area drivers based out of the Zanesville terminal and is looking to hire up to five more drivers this year and 20-30 more drivers over the next few years. One of the company's primary missions is





to support the communities in which it operates. As such, DTI is actively involved with area truck driving schools, engages with OhioMeansJobs, and looks for ways to get involved in other community organizations and events.

The company is passionate about helping lessen hunger and supporting their local food pantries and schools who are working year-round toward ending hunger. In 2019, Dot Foods donated over \$8 million in food and monetary contributions to organizations in all the communities the company calls home. In 2020, as part of their COVID response, Dot Foods has already donated \$3.8 million worth of food to food banks and pantries across the country.

The company seeks driver candidates who live within 100 miles of Zanesville, including Columbus, and who are at least 21 years of age. Candidates can be new drivers, experienced drivers, or those who are looking for second careers. These driver positions are regional, concentrating deliveries within the Midwestern and Eastern United States and do not require cross-country driving. All drivers will need to have the CDL-A license and hazmat/tanker endorsements, both standard in the industry and common for most driving jobs. All new drivers go through driver orientation and training, and they will spend anywhere from four to six weeks on the road with one of DTI's over-the-road trainers.

DTI drivers are among the highest-paid in the industry. The average experienced driver at the company makes more than \$90,000 per year, and compensation is consistently in the top 10 percent of the transportation industry. Unlike other area trucking companies, DTI offers diversified and dedicated schedules with guaranteed days off and more weekly home time. Full-time drivers also have 401(k) and profit-sharing programs, paid time off, and a benefits package valued at \$21,000.

Drivers can apply for positions at the Zanesville terminal at **<u>DriveforDot.com</u>**.

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Fast Facts

- \$2.7 billion budget reserve
- 7th largest economy in the U.S., 21st worldwide
- Ohio's **Common Sense Initiative** created a jobs-friendly regulatory environment
- Accelerated environmental permitting process takes 180 days or less

Taxes

- No corporate income or profits tax
- No tax on products sold outside of Ohio, machinery and equipment investments, or R&D investments
- Only one state business tax the Commercial Activity Tax (0.26%)
- From 2012-2017, Ohio cut taxes by \$4.9B the largest total tax cut in the U.S.



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Port Authority News





Development Continues at Eastpointe Business Park



Construction continues on <u>Dollar General's 130,000 square foot</u> cold storage expansion project.



AMG Vanadium's \$300 million project continues to take shape, beginning with the construction of the roaster (left).

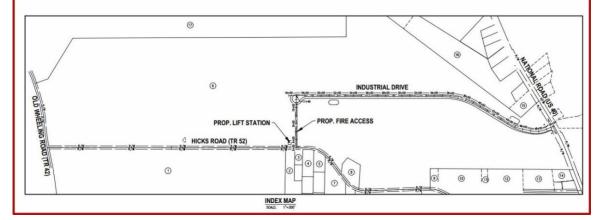
National Road Business Park Infrastructure Project Breaks Ground

Shelly & Sands, the general contractor for the National Road Business Park Infrastructure Project, has begun work at the Park. This project involves several aspects that are critical to creating a fully functional Business Park including:

- Construction of the Park's primary access road, intersecting with US 40 (East Pike), and running 3,300'
- · A new lift station and forcemain
- Extending over 2,600' of gravity sanitary sewer
- Extending over 2,900' of 12" watermain

This greenfield site has numerous parcels for immediate sale ranging in size from 20 to 100 acres. The site is visible from Interstate 70, which averages over 50,000 vehicles a day. The site is a prime location for any business or industry looking for excellent access. Learn more about the National Road Business Park HERE.

SITE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS FOR: INDUSTRIAL DRIVE MUSKINGUM COUNTY, OHIO





Construction view looking North, toward US 40 (East Pike).



Construction view looking South from US 40 (East Pike). This will eventually become the entry to the National Road Business Park.

\$92,000 ODOT Transportation Improvement District Grant Received

The <u>ODOT Transportation Improvement District (TID) Grant</u> will provide \$92,000 in funding toward the resurfacing of Eastpointe Drive from US 93 to the entrance of Dollar General, creating a safer route for truck and personnel traffic in the Park. These public roadway improvements, including engineering and design costs, are related to the job creation and retention project at Dolgencorp, LLC.

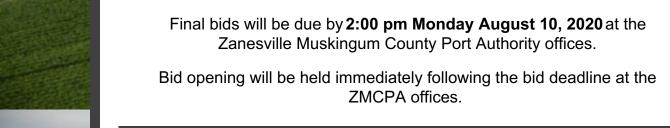






Port Authority Accepting Bids for Eastpointe Drive Resurfacing Project

This project involves asphalt/concrete resurfacing of ~0.67 mi. of existing roadway. Bids are now being accepted, information on obtaining a bid packet may be accessed here.





Property For Sale Under Competitive Bid

The Muskingum County Commissioners have authorized the sale of property at 655 Zane Street, Zanesville, OH. The full listing can be viewed **here**.

The building will be open for pre-bid inspection on **Monday**, **August 10**, **2020** at **10:00** am..

The minimum bid amount is \$891,300.

Sealed bids will be accepted at the Muskingum County Commissioners Office until **Friday**, **August 28**, **2020** at **4:00** pm. Bids will be opened during Commissioners' regular session at **10:30** am, **Monday August 31**, **2020**.

