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Zanesville Ranked #6 Micropolitan in the United States by Site Selection Magazine



According to Site Selection's Governor's Cup final 2019 rankings, Zanesville was named the No. 6 Micropolitan in the United States. A Micropolitan community is defined as having a population between 10,000 - 50,000 and covers at least one county.

Throughout the year, the Port Authority submits information on new investment, new projects, and job creation to JobsOhio. It is then compiled by JobsOhio and sent on to Conway Data, Inc. to track in comparison to other communities on the national level.

AMG Vanadium's decision to locate their second facility in Muskingum County played huge part in this year's rankings and we are excited about their future in our community. Other large projects in 2019 took place at Dollar General, Halliburton, Kenworth, and ABB Leasing.

In addition to our local success, Ohio was ranked as the #1 state for total projects, with 448.

Ohio has shown its dominance in economic development and business attraction for the sixth consecutive year, according to Site Selection's newly released 2019 Governor's Cup rankings. Ohio's continued recognition is a testament to the state's business climate, workforce, infrastructure and innovation, as well as to the many local, regional and state partners that help to spread the word.

Site Selection has awarded the Governor's Cup annually since 1988 to the state with the greatest number of new and expanded corporate facilities as tracked by Conway Data Inc.'s New Plant Database. To see a full list of the Site Selection honorees, visit SiteSelection.com.



Ohio was awarded the Governor's Cup for total projects per capita this year with 448. Following Ohio in the per capita contest are Kentucky (164), Nebraska (70), Illinois and Iowa (98). Qualifying projects are those meeting one or more of Site Selection's criteria for inclusion: a minimum investment of \$1 million, creation of 20 or more new jobs or 20,000 square feet or more of new space.

2019 Top Micropolitans

1. Findlay, OH 17
2. Tupelo, MS 10
3. Batavia, NY 9
- T4. Jefferson, GA 8
- T4. Mayfield, KY 8
- T6. Cullman, AL 7
- T6. Tiffin, OH 7
- T6. Zanesville, OH 7**
- T6. Danville, VA 7

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Reaction from Our Local Leaders

"Muskingum County, the City of Zanesville, and the Port Authority have shared a vision for over thirty years. Advances in infrastructure, creation of business parks, and site development have provided us the means for this Number 6 ranking. We will continue to prepare for future economic development opportunities",

Cindy Cameron, President, Muskingum County Commissioners.



"The success of our community has a firm foundation in the vision, foresight and commitment to cooperation of community leaders over the past four decades. We pledge to continue in that tradition for decades to come!",

Don Mason, Mayor, City of Zanesville.



"Zanesville is located in a strategically important location that will make it a growing business destination in the coming decades. Zanesville combines robust, convenient access to rail, air and interstate logistics and is uniquely positioned to support the emerging oil and gas industry growth occurring in SE Ohio. Zanesville is well prepared to serve as the gateway between Columbus and the expanding Appalachian area business community of the 21st century",

Adam Holmes, State Representative.



"As we were looking at sites for our new spent catalyst recycling and reclamation facility, we explored a number of domestic and global locations, but we kept coming back to southeastern Ohio. The State of Ohio and the Zanesville-Muskingum County community have embraced this project from the start and offered tremendous support throughout the process. Additionally, not only will AMG benefit from the synergies of the proximity to our existing Cambridge plant, but we will continue to benefit from tapping into the talented, hard-working, and committed people of this region",

Tom Centa, President, AMG Vanadium.



"Zanesville and Muskingum County continues to be a proven destination for businesses to locate and expand. The projects in 2019 are a direct result of investment in transportation, infrastructure, site availability and both secondary and higher education",

Matt Abbott, Executive Director, Zanesville Muskingum County Port Authority.

