

# JTM FOODS, LLC TO CELEBRATE GRAND OPENING OF ITS WICHITA FACILITY

WICHITA, Kan. August 29, 2023 – JTM Foods, LLC, the home of JJ's Snack Pies, is pleased to announce the grand opening of its Wichita manufacturing facility. The media and public are invited to celebrate the occasion with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and tour of the new site at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 29 at Wichita's ict21 Industrial District located on the northwest corner of 21st Street and Cleveland Avenue.

"This is a monumental day for JTM Foods and its customers. The Wichita facility provides increased production capacity while its central location and easy interstate access significantly improve our logistical capabilities. This ultimately will allow us to effectively and efficiently get pies into the hands of more consumers across North America," said Monty Pooley, JTM Foods, LLC. President and CEO.

Located in a 195,000-square-foot warehouse in the ict21 Industrial Park, the company's \$40 million investment project is expected to employ 150 people within the next two years, with up to 200 associates by the third year of operation.

Wichita Mayor Brandon Whipple welcomed the expansion project emphasizing JTM Foods' nearly 40-year history of making America's No. 1 Snack Pies and other Sweet Treats.

"Recruiting and securing expansion projects like JTM Foods is key to our city's economic growth and industry diversification. The long-standing company is providing hundreds of new, good-paying job opportunities for individuals throughout the city, namely Wichita's north end," said Mayor Whipple.

JTM Foods was the first company to secure space at Wichita's ict21 Industrial Park in August of 2022. JTM's CEO cited the strong collaboration between the public & private sector, accessible location and the area's excellent workforce as determining factors.

Developers Marty and Ron Cornejo are credited with transforming the formerly blight-ridden land at I-135 and 21st Street North into ict21, the largest Class A industrial campus in the city.

"This is a win for everyone involved. When the Greater Wichita Partnership encouraged us to convert this area into industrial warehouses, then connected us to JTM Foods, we knew we scored a home run," said Marty Cornejo. "We are thrilled to have JTM Foods as our newest tenant and cannot wait to see what the future holds for the company and the industrial park."

JTM Foods, LLC., founded and headquartered in Erie, Pennsylvania, is hiring for all production positions and supervisory roles at its Wichita location with operations expected to begin in September 2023.

To learn more about the company's open positions, competitive wages, industry-leading benefits, on-the-job training and paid time off click here.

#### **About JTM Foods, LLC**

JTM Foods, the #1 producer of handheld fried snack pies in the world, is "The Best Choice" for Sweet Treats for consumers, customers, associates and investors. JTM Foods, LLC., has been producing Branded, Co-Manufactured, and Private Label Sweet Baked Goods since 1985. In 2022, JTM expanded into additional SWBG segments and the up-and-coming Edible Cookie Dough category with the acquisition of Cookies-n-Milk based in McKinney, Tx. In addition to the Cookies, Brownies, Blondies, Donut Holes and the Category sales leading refrigerated Edible Cookie Dough Bites produced at Cookies-n-Milk, JTM-produced Snack Pies of National Brand Co-Man and Retailer Private Brand Partners are found nationally alongside their



own #1 selling J's Bakery brand of Snack Pies. For more information on JTM Foods, LLC, visit www.jtmfoods.net.

### About JJ's - the Brand of JTM Foods, LLC

JJ's Bakery Handheld Fried Snack Pies from JTM are America's #1 Leading Snack Pie Brand based on consumer-preferred taste, quality, value and variety. As a major driver of category sales and growth, JJ's Pies are sold in leading convenience and grocery retailers, mass merchants and warehouse club stores across the USA. For more information on the JJ's Bakery Brand, visit www.jjsbakery.com.

#### **About ict21 Industrial District**

A once blighted area of the city, ict21 Industrial District provides much-needed industrial manufacturing opportunities with proximity to the railroad tracks and I-135. The district includes three Class A warehouses totaling 700,000 square feet. More information can be found at <a href="http://ict21.com/">http://ict21.com/</a>.

## **About The Greater Wichita Partnership**

The Greater Wichita Partnership is focused on one primary objective: to fast-forward regional economic growth in Wichita and South-Central Kansas. The organization works within three key priorities – jobs, talent and quality of place – to accelerate this objective. For more information, visit <a href="https://greaterwichitapartnership.org/home">https://greaterwichitapartnership.org/home</a>.

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