

## Forward Air to invest \$4.3 million, creating 105 jobs in Greene County

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GREENE COUNTY, TN (WJHL) – A Northeast Tennessee trucking company is investing \$4.3 million to expand its current operations in Greeneville – creating 105 jobs.

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Forward Air hopes to accommodate its growing workforce into a consolidated location. In addition, it plans on building out a new data center.

Construction is already underway and is expected to be complete by fall 2016.

Forward Air was originally founded as Landair Transport in 1981 and it has been operating in Greene County for the past 26 years, according to company officials.

"Forward Air has been part of Tennessee's robust logistics and distribution industry for nearly three decades, and the company's continued investment speaks volumes about our great business climate," Governor Bill Haslam said.

According to state economic and community development commissioner Randy Boyd, more than 263,00 people in Tennessee work in the transportation and distribution industry - with a 12% growth expected in the next 10 years.

"We look forward to being in this area for years to come. Our employees are extremely dedicated, and we would like to thank them for their hard work and support over the years..." Forward Air CEO Bruce Campbell said.

Local leaders are also thankful that Forward Air chose to expand in Greene County.

"It will provide the opportunity to retain and increase jobs in our community. Not only will this project provide long term stable jobs, it will provide the opportunity to breathe life into a facility that has been a landmark in our community. I want to thank all those that have been involved in this project and what it will mean for Greene County," Greene County Mayor David Crum said.

Forward Air operates through Expedited LTL, Expedited Truckload (TLX), Intermodal, and Pool Distribution.