

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

TOWNEPOST NETWORK INC.

An Indiana Corporation



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Spotlighting Local™

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As a TownePost Network, Inc. franchisee, you will own and operate a monthly magazine within a defined exclusive Territory. Your primary responsibility as a franchisee will be to manage the day-to-day operations of publishing the magazine, including, but not limited to, selling advertising, participating in social media and digital advertising, soliciting newsworthy stories, overseeing editorial and the final design of your magazine.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a TownePost Network, Inc. franchise is between \$31,175 to \$48,868, including \$25,000 that will be paid to the Franchisor as an Initial Franchise Fee. This Disclosure Document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English. Read this Disclosure Document and all accompanying agreements carefully. You must receive this Disclosure Document at least fourteen (14) calendar days before you can sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to, the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. Note, however, that no government agency has verified the information contained in this document.

You may wish to receive your Disclosure Document in another format that is more convenient for you. To discuss the availability of disclosures in different formats, contact Jeanne Britt at 11216 Fall Creek Road-Ste. 125, Indianapolis, IN 46256, or by telephone at 317-810-0011.

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Do not rely on the Disclosure Document alone to understand your contract. Read your entire contract carefully. Show your contract and this Disclosure Document to an advisor, like a lawyer or accountant.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this Disclosure Document can help you make up your mind. More information on franchising, such as "Buying a Franchise, A Consumer Guide," which can help you understand how to use this Disclosure Document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC"). You can contact the FTC at (877) FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at www.ftc.gov for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising. There may also be laws on franchising in your state. Ask your state agencies about them.

ISSUANCE DATE: May 8, 2019

STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have franchise laws that require a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in your state. REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Call the state franchise administrator listed in **Exhibit A** for information about the Franchisor, or about franchising in your state.

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES. YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS. BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW.

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this franchise:

1. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US ONLY IN INDIANA. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES ANY CLAIMS, CONTROVERSIES OR DISPUTES TO BE BROUGHT IN THE FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT IN MARION COUNTY, INDIANA, OR IN ANY COURT OF GENERAL JURISDICTION IN MARION COUNTY, INDIANA.
2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT INDIANA LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS.
3. YOU MUST PAY THE FRANCHISOR A MONTHLY ROYALTY FEE OF 10% OF YOUR GROSS SALES BEGINNING AFTER YOUR FIRST MONTH OF OPERATION EVEN IF THE FRANCHISE BUSINESS HAS NO REVENUE.
4. THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

EFFECTIVE DATE: See the next page for state effective dates.

STATE EFFECTIVE DATES

The following states require that the Franchise Disclosure Document be registered or filed with the state, or be exempt from registration: California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin.

State	Effective Date
Indiana	March 14, 2019
Florida	
Kentucky (One-time Filing)	December 4, 2018

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