

A Campus Grows in Plano: CEO Jim Lentz Gives Sneak Peek at the New Toyota

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PLANO, TEXAS, Oct. 13, 2016 – More than 1,200 tons of Texas limestone. Twelve acres of glass. Seventeen thousand tons of reinforcing steel. And thousands of construction workers on site daily. For the new Toyota, there's no place like home.

Under a canopy of construction cranes, Toyota Motor North America CEO Jim Lentz today provided a preview of the new Plano campus to local media, officials and business leaders. The update covered construction progress, the organization's hiring needs, and a tour of the tech-driven and environmentally sustainable campus.

And the new site is ...well, quite a sight.

- More than 2,000 daily workers have poured concrete equivalent to the length of 477 AT&T Stadiums
- There's enough Texas limestone to equal the weight of 340 Texas-built Toyota Tundra 1794 Edition trucks
- The 12 acres of glass equates to almost 50,000 2017 Tacoma truck windshields
- Drought tolerant landscaping will use no fertilizers, no chemicals and no artificial irrigation
- On-site solar panels will produce 7.75-megawatts of electricity, the rest generated by Texas wind farms

“Our new state-of-the-art North American headquarters is designed to stimulate ever better ways to serve our team members, customers, and community,” said Lentz. “As we get closer to completion, we look to recruit people who want to challenge what's possible at Toyota and within the auto industry.

“We will be hiring more than 1,000 new team members across numerous functions, and our hope is that they will help us in Toyota's mission to address mobility challenges for everyone, now and in the future.”

Toyota expects the new campus to open in mid-2017.

To best explain the new campus, hiring needs and the impact Toyota is making in North Texas, check out [this illustrative infographic \(mobile\)](#). For print version, click [here](#).

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