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OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF AEROSPACE AND AERONAUTICS AND MIDAMERICA INDUSTRIAL PARK OFFICIALS OPEN NEW REGIONAL BUSINESS AIRPORT TERMINAL



FROM THE DESK OF David Stewart Chief Administrative Officer and Board of Trustees Member

From Planning to Progress: MidAmerica's Work Comes to Life

At MidAmerica Industrial Park, we often talk about vision — about what is possible when we combine strategic planning with long-term investment. For years, our team and our partners have been laying the groundwork. Today, it is rewarding to see so many of those efforts come to fruition.

In recent months, we have celebrated several milestones that highlight the breadth of our work. The Cherokee Nation's \$28 million Child Development Center opened its doors, providing critical early childhood services for local families. At The District, Elevated Chiropractic has begun serving patients and Rooster's Pryor is preparing to welcome diners, adding both healthcare and dining options to our growing community hub. Construction is underway on the Ridgeview Trails at MidAmerica, which will create new outdoor recreation opportunities and complement future residential development. And at our airport, a new terminal project has officially opened, strengthening our transportation infrastructure for business and industry.

Individually, each of these projects is significant. Together, they represent the community we have envisioned — a place where industry, workforce, education, housing and lifestyle all intersect. Our commitment has always been not only to grow jobs, but also to build a place where people want to live, work and stay.





The momentum at MidAmerica is the direct result of years of thoughtful planning, conservative investment and strong partnerships. As these projects take shape, they are more than milestones — they are proof that our vision is becoming reality. And they mark only the beginning of what is yet to come.

Onward,

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Oklahoma Department of Aerospace and Aeronautics and MidAmerica Industrial Park Officials Open New Regional Business Airport Terminal

Officials with the State of Oklahoma and MidAmerica Industrial Park recently held a ceremonial grand opening to mark the completion of a new airport terminal at MidAmerica's onsite H71 Regional Business Airport.

The new terminal was a joint investment partnership between the Oklahoma Department of Aerospace and Aeronautics (ODAA) and MidAmerica Industrial Park. ODAA also led the effort to secure two grants from the Federal Aviation Administration, resulting in a total capital investment of \$3.285 million.

The terminal features a new, 4,000-square-foot facility including hospitality areas, an on-site conference room, pilot's lounge and sleeping area and back-office management space.

"This facility is more than just a building — it is a gateway that will strengthen regional opportunity, welcome new investment and showcase one of our state's most important economic development assets. With this investment, we are charting a stronger course for the future of Oklahoma's aviation industry," said ODAA Executive Director Grayson Ardies.

The ODAA serves as the lead government agency to support, promote and advocate for the state's second largest industry, aviation and aerospace. This includes providing funding, planning, programming and engineering expertise for Oklahoma's airports and aviation infrastructure as well as ensuring the viability of the aerospace industry.

In 2022, the Oklahoma Legislature made the largest investment in state history — nearly \$250 million — to advance the aerospace and defense industry. These funds allow the Oklahoma Department of Aerospace and Aeronautics to upgrade infrastructure at 108 public airports across the state, strengthen aviation industrial parks and expand workforce development opportunities.

"The Legislature's continued commitment to this industry is making a visible difference across the state," said Oklahoma Sen.

John Haste, vice chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee and former chair of the Senate Aeronautics and Transportation Committee.

"Through regular appropriations to ODAA, we are strengthening airports, enhancing facilities and creating the infrastructure needed





to sustain future growth. The opening of this terminal is a direct result of those investments, and it demonstrates how we are positioning Oklahoma to compete nationally while supporting the communities and workforce that fuel our economy."

MidAmerica Industrial Park is overseen by the Oklahoma Ordnance Works Authority, a public trust established by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1960. MidAmerica's mission is to grow jobs, increase state and local tax bases and provide a positive economic

benefit for the State of Oklahoma. The 9,000-acre industrial park is the eighth largest in the world and the third largest in the United States. More than 80 employers, including five Fortune 500 companies, employ approximately 4,500 workers from communities throughout Northeast Oklahoma.

"The opening of the airport marks another important milestone in years of master planning and the Board of Trustees' careful investment in MidAmerica to strengthen transportation and critical infrastructure for both current and future employers," said David Stewart, Chief Administrative Officer of MidAmerica. "Our historic H71 Regional Business Airport is often the very first impression for visiting prospective employers. This new terminal replaces an outdated facility and creates a modern, welcoming gateway that reflects the strength of MidAmerica and the momentum of the State of Oklahoma."

Since 2015, MidAmerica Industrial Park's Board of Trustees have

made strategic, conservative investments of more than \$80 million in new roads and accessibility, water treatment facilities, workforce training and recruitment and regional planning for residential housing and quality of life initiatives.

Stewart noted the opening marked the completion of Phase I of the airport master plan and established the terminal as the foundation for MidAmerica's long-term capital improvement strategy. Projects in Phase II include:

- Extending the runway by 1,000 feet, increasing its length from 5,000 to 6,000 feet, along with construction of a new parallel taxiway
- · Building a new enclosed hangar
- Relocating JetA and AvGas fuel tanks with capacities of 12,000 and 5,000 gallons
- Developing a new north Runway Protection Zone to support future road construction

"This project represents more than a new terminal — it is a symbol of partnership and progress," said John Budd, CEO of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce and member of MidAmerica's Board of Trustees. "The investments planned through 2030 are designed to prepare MidAmerica for the next generation of employers and modern aircraft. Working together with state leaders, we are building the infrastructure that will fuel long-term growth and prosperity for Northeast Oklahoma and the state."

MidAmerica Industrial Park assumed management and maintenance of the H71 Regional Business Airport in 1989. The airport also serves as Northeast Oklahoma's home base and fueling site for critical Life Flight services.

PHASE II | PARTNERSHIP AND PROGRESS

RUNWAY EXTENDED TO 6,000 FEET CONSTRUCTION
OF A NEW
PARALLEL TAXIWAY

BUILDING A NEW ENCLOSED HANGAR RELOCATING
JETA AND AVGAS
FUEL TANKS

DEVELOPMENT OF NEW NORTH RUNWAY PROTECTION ZONE

TCI Manufacturing

Turning Concepts into Reality: Innovation, Craftsmanship and American-Built Quality Drive TCI's Growth at MidAmerica Industrial Park

For nearly a quarter century, TCI Manufacturing has embodied the spirit of American innovation by turning ideas into powerful, real-world solutions for the aggregate and mining industries. Founded in 2000 in Walnut, Illinois, the company began with a simple but enduring vision: to take concepts to reality by designing and building custom equipment that meets each customer's unique needs.

From its earliest days, TCI has been guided by craftsmanship and a commitment to quality that set it apart in the industry. Two decades of steady growth led to the company's next chapter with the opening of a new facility at MidAmerica Industrial Park in Pryor, Oklahoma, in 2024. The Park's infrastructure, skilled workforce and central location made it the ideal setting for expansion.

"Being part of MidAmerica Industrial Park has opened new opportunities for our team," said Patrick Reaver, president of TCI Manufacturing. "The Park gives us the resources and flexibility to grow while staying true to who we are—an American manufacturer that takes pride in turning concepts into reality."

TCI designs and manufactures custom bulk material handling systems including conveyors, high-frequency screens, feed bins, silos, crushing and screening chassis and complete processing plants.

Every system is engineered, fabricated, painted and assembled in-house, giving customers confidence that every detail meets their specifications. What distinguishes TCI is its full control of the process—from engineering design to final assembly and product support—ensuring reliability and performance. As Reaver notes, the company does not build standard equipment; it builds equipment tailored to each operation.

As TCI approaches its 25th anniversary, the company celebrates a legacy of innovation and customer success. Recent achievements include large conveyor systems and high-frequency screening plants completed across the country, each showcasing TCI's engineering expertise and precision. Another milestone was the opening of the TCI Product Support Center in downtown Walnut, Illinois, dedicated to parts, service and warranty support. The new center reinforces the company's long-term commitment to its customers.

TCI's expansion to MidAmerica Industrial Park represents both a strategic and symbolic step. The Park's logistics network allows efficient service across multiple regions, while the surrounding



workforce, known for skill and strong work ethic, positions the company for continued growth.

"MidAmerica has been a tremendous asset," Reaver said. "Its location and resources support not only our operational goals but also the kind of collaboration and innovation that fuel long-term success."

Looking ahead, TCI plans to expand its production capacity, workforce and product lines to meet rising national demand. Plans include strengthening engineering capabilities, expanding product support and integrating new technologies to enhance efficiency and performance.

"At TCI Manufacturing, every piece of equipment tells a story—one that begins with an idea and ends with a system that performs in the field," Reaver said. "That is what 'Concepts to Reality' means to us. As we celebrate 25 years in business, our focus remains the same as it was on day one: American-built quality, hands-on innovation and a commitment to helping our customers succeed."

MidAmerica's STEM Partnerships Guide Claremore Student to Engineering Career



MidAmerica Industrial Park's education partnerships are designed to help students explore careers, gain skills and prepare for the workforce. Claremore native Ryne Vance is a strong example of how these programs support students from high school through college.

Vance began his pathway

at Northeast Technology Center in Claremore, where he enrolled in the pre-engineering program. Through that program, MidAmerica identified him as a candidate for the STEM Internship Program. His 13-month internship included six weeks between his junior and senior years dedicated to tours of universities and industries, helping him better understand the range of careers available in engineering. During that time, he also took concurrent classes at Rogers State University while completing high school at Claremore.

Through MidAmerica's program, Vance interned at both MidAmerica and Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA). While at GRDA, he and fellow intern Ashton Keegan designed and 3D-printed a model

of Pensacola Dam to demonstrate the principles of hydroelectricity. The project combined design software with advanced prototyping and showcased the value of connecting education with real-world applications.

"My internships gave me the chance to take what I was learning in school and apply it in real time," Vance said. "Working on projects that moved from design to prototype showed me that engineering is not just about theory — it is about solving practical problems and making an impact."

His time at GRDA also reinforced the importance of industry partnerships that give students meaningful, hands-on experience.

"Partnering with MidAmerica to host interns like Ryne is an opportunity to invest in Oklahoma's future workforce," said Robert Ladd, vice president of generation operations at Grand River Dam Authority. "The project he worked on at GRDA demonstrated how hands-on experience prepares students with the skills and confidence they will carry into high-demand careers in engineering and technology."

After graduating from Claremore High School in 2023, Vance enrolled at Oklahoma State University to pursue a bachelor's degree in Aerospace, Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering. While at OSU, he continued to build on his earlier experiences through a summer internship at Dvorak Instruments, a company that develops simulated recoil training equipment. There, he applied his CAD skills to design and prototype a magazine capable of housing a $\rm CO_2$ pressure vessel, a project that required precision modeling, testing and adjustments to ensure both accuracy and usability.

"Ryne's pathway highlights exactly why we invest in these programs," said Scott Fry, director of workforce development at MidAmerica. "By connecting students with resources, mentors and meaningful projects, we are preparing the future engineers and innovators our region needs."

From Northeast Tech to OSU, Vance's story demonstrates how MidAmerica's partnerships with educators and employers create clear pathways for students to discover their passions and pursue careers in STEM.

MidAmerica Earns SEDC Best in Class Communications Award

MidAmerica Industrial Park has been recognized with a Southern Economic Development Council (SEDC) Best in Class communications award for its flagship marketing tool — the *MidAmerica Strategic Overview: 2025 Edition*.

The Strategic Overview is designed to support high-level conversations with site selectors, corporate executives and state leaders. It brings together MidAmerica's most critical business development content into a clear, visually compelling format. From shovel-ready land and on-site utilities to infrastructure investments and workforce initiatives across 18 school districts, every page is crafted to showcase MidAmerica's strengths and readiness for future growth.

"This award reflects our commitment to evolving how we tell MidAmerica's story," said David Stewart, chief administrative officer. "The Strategic Overview gives us the credibility and flexibility needed to engage decision-makers and demonstrate why MidAmerica is a destination for industrial investment."

The SEDC Communications
Awards recognize outstanding
marketing and communication
efforts by economic development
organizations across the South.
Submissions are judged by
a panel of consultants and
practitioners on clarity, design
and quality of information.



Hill Companies Expands with QMI Acquisition at MidAmerica Industrial Park

The Hill Companies, a group of precision manufacturing businesses led by Hill Manufacturing & Fabrication, has acquired QMI, an ISO-certified CNC machine shop with operations located in MidAmerica Industrial Park and in Tahlequah.

The acquisition expands Hill's machining capacity, diversifies its customer base and strengthens its certifications, further reinforcing MidAmerica's role as a hub for high-performance manufacturing. With the addition of QMI, Hill Companies now total 72 employees, 63 CNC spindles and more than 13,000 square feet of welding and fabrication capacity.

"QMI has built a remarkable reputation over the years, and we're honored to carry that legacy forward," said Mike Payne, president of Hill Manufacturing and managing partner of the Hill Companies. "This is more than just an expansion — it's about protecting what works and investing in what's next."

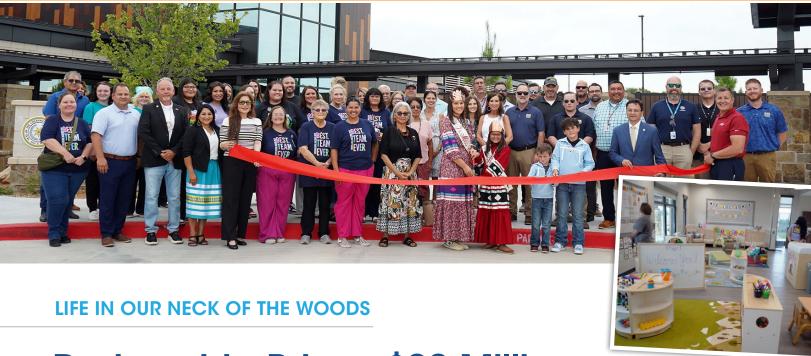
QMI brings customer relationships in industries where Hill previously had limited reach, along with an ISO certification that

enhances Hill's quality platform. Several key customers have already made commitments to grow their business with Hill following the acquisition.

"Selling QMI wasn't just about timing, it was about doing right by our people," said Brad Gottlob, former owner of QMI. "I wanted to make sure our employees had a stable future and our customers had a strategic partner they could trust. Hill isn't just another buyer — they're an advanced manufacturing company with a clear vision and the resources to execute."

QMI will continue to operate under its current name, now branded as QMI – A Hill Company, with full support from Hill's leadership and operations teams.

"We're not growing for the sake of growth," Payne said. "We're building a portfolio that sets a new standard for what American manufacturing can be — nimble, skilled, data-driven and dependable."



Partnership Brings \$28 Million Cherokee Nation Facility to MidAmerica

Cherokee Nation officials have opened a nearly \$28 million facility in MidAmerica Industrial Park to house two childcare programs — Child Development and Early Head Start.

The 38,000-square-foot building includes 15 classrooms, two kitchens, a FEMA-rated safe room, secure entrances, a small gross motor skills room and nature-themed playgrounds. The center has the capacity to serve 150 children across the two programs.

The building is partially funded from the Verna D. Thompson Early Childhood Education Act, named after Early Childhood Unit Director Verna Thompson, which provides \$80 million in funding to support the replacement of early childhood education Head Start centers across the Cherokee Nation. Thompson said this facility is history repeating itself.

"In 1992, we started partnering together at the Children's Village (in Tahlequah). Childcare was one side; Head Start on the other. There was no Early Head Start at the time. So, this is history repeating itself that we get to brainstorm and start over again and get to work together and see what else we can do," Thompson said.

Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr. said investing in early childhood education and childcare means that the tribe and the communities they serve are optimistic about the future.

"It means they care about the future. It means that the people that are leading the community, the state, the nation believe that investing in young people and the generation coming up is the way to strengthen the nation," Hoskin said.

Pryor Child Development Center Manager Marsha White manages 53 staff members who are currently caring for 50 children. The CDC section opened in June and has the capacity to serve up to 130 children.

"It's just amazing to be able to have this center for our families and our community," White said. "We have state-of-the-art equipment. We have a wonderful research-based curriculum that our teachers are using (and) implementing with the children."

Human Services Executive Director Jennifer Kirby praised the tribe for implementing initiatives that impact early childhood education and childcare for Cherokee families and children.

"With the addition of new childcare centers, implementing strategies for recruitment and retention of childcare professionals, they've encouraged higher education opportunities and professional development for our childcare staff. They've created more job opportunities in our communities, and they've supported the avenues to promote quality childcare, such as childcare subsidy, licensing and resource and referral. All of these help our childcare providers," Kirby said.

MidAmerica Industrial Park CAO David Stewart said the facility is a significant milestone for the community and its partnership with the Cherokee Nation.

"The facility was born from a powerful partnership between MidAmerica and the Cherokee Nation. It's more than just a building, it's a symbol of what we can accomplish when we work together for a shared purpose and vision," Stewart said.

MidAmerica Industrial Park Receives Grant to Launch Ridgeview Trails at MidAmerica

New Trail System Will Enhance Quality of Life and Create a Regional Recreation Destination

RIDGEVIEW TRAILS
AT MIDAMERICA

HIKE, BIKE, RUN.

Officials with MidAmerica Industrial Park and TSET Oklahoma held a ceremonial groundbreaking to begin construction of the Ridgeview Trails at MidAmerica, a new six-mile hiking and mountain biking system designed to enhance quality of life and attract outdoor recreation enthusiasts to Mayes County.

The project was made possible through a \$100,000 Built Environment Grant from the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET) and a \$75,000 match from MidAmerica. The project is eligible for a second year of funding, which would bring the total investment to \$275,000.

Located off Highway 412B in the Ridgeview area, the trail will span 240 acres with 250 feet of elevation gain, unique rock features and panoramic views of the Neosho River. Construction will be led by trail designer and builder Rory Peterson of Blazin Trails LLC, who has previously overseen development projects in Claremore and Turkey Mountain. The first four to five miles are expected to open to the public by spring 2026.

"This groundbreaking marks another step forward in our commitment to quality-of-life investments at MidAmerica," said Director of Workforce Development at MidAmerica, Scott Fry. "As we plan for future residential development, the trail system will serve both residents and visitors, adding a new outdoor experience to the growing list of opportunities within the Park."

The Ridgeview Trail is one of several projects funded through TSET's Built Environment program, which supports infrastructure designed to encourage healthier communities.

"Through this grant, TSET supports infrastructure that makes healthy choices easier for all Oklahomans," said Julie Bisbee, TSET executive director. "We are proud to support MidAmerica's Ridgeview Trail initiative and excited about the long-term benefits it will bring to the region."

The Ridgeview Trail is also expected to draw outdoor enthusiasts traveling between Tulsa and Northwest Arkansas. With three Mayes County towns located within 10 miles, the trail will provide a new recreational destination that connects local communities and supports regional tourism.



Growth Continues: Two New Businesses at The District



Elevated Chiropractic Brings Innovative Care to The District

The District at MidAmerica Industrial Park continues to expand its mix of businesses with the addition of Elevated Chiropractic, a new practice led by Dr. Bailey Forell. For MidAmerica, it is another example of how The District is creating an environment where services for employees, families and the wider community can thrive.

Dr. Forell said opening her own practice has been her goal since graduating. She began her career at a respected pediatric and perinatal chiropractic clinic in Oklahoma City where she spent two years learning before relocating to Mayes County.

"This community is growing quickly and I saw that there is a need for more options in the area which made it the perfect place to open my practice," she said. "Being part of The District also means being part of something larger — a hub that is intentionally building resources for the people who live and work here."

While her office at The District is dedicated to people, Dr. Forell also runs a separate animal chiropractic service focused on large animals such as horses, show cattle and other livestock. Those appointments take place on farm calls in the evenings and weekends.

"Keeping the two separate allows me to maintain a clean professional environment for the people coming into the office," she said. "At the same time, it gives me the opportunity to support the agricultural families that are such an important part of this region."

Dr. Forell said her philosophy at Elevated Chiropractic is simple — help people function at their best and support the broader community.

"I am thrilled to open here because Pryor and MidAmerica are growing together," she said. "I want to be part of that growth by offering care that truly makes a difference and by being an active partner in the life of The District."

"We are excited to welcome Elevated Chiropractic to our growing community in South Pryor. As we continue to support the area, our focus is on attracting sustainable businesses that strengthen the local economy and enhance quality of life. Dr. Forell is a great addition to The District family," said MidAmerica Director of Business Development and Communications, Sherry Alexander.

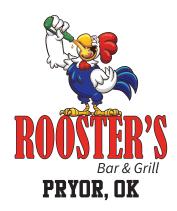
Elevated Chiropractic is now welcoming patients and clients. To learn more, visit elevatedchiropracticok.com.

Rooster's Bar & Grill Brings Food and Fun to The District

The District at MidAmerica Industrial Park is expanding its dining and entertainment options with the addition of Rooster's Bar & Grill, a new restaurant that will combine signature favorites from two of the brand's most popular concepts. For MidAmerica, it is another step in building a community hub that offers employees, families and residents more reasons to gather and connect.

Owner Auston Mann said Pryor was a natural choice for growth. With locations already in Grand Lake, Tulsa and Owasso, the community's location, welcoming atmosphere and The District's new facilities made the decision clear.

"Rooster's is always looking for opportunities to grow its brand, and Pryor was a perfect fit," said Auston Mann, owner of Rooster's. "The District is quickly becoming a destination in its own right, and we are excited to be part of that growth."



The new restaurant will be the only location to feature a combined menu from both Drunken Rooster and Rooster's Sports Bar, giving guests a wide variety of options. The space will also be packed with TVs for sports fans, along with a pool table and gaming to create a fun, family-friendly environment. Rooster's Pryor is expected

to create 25–30 jobs while bringing daily food and drink specials to the community. The restaurant's story began in 2017 with the opening of its first Tulsa location, and it has since expanded into multiple unique concepts across Northeast Oklahoma.

"The addition of Rooster's strengthens our vision for The District as a place where businesses, employees and families come together," said Sherry Alexander, director of business development and communications at MidAmerica. "We are thrilled to welcome them and look forward to the energy they will bring to the community."

Rooster's Bar & Grill Pryor is expected to open in early 2026 at The District.

MIDAMERICA GIVES BACK

Pull for Patriots Raises Funds for Veterans at The District

On September 13, MidAmerica Industrial Park hosted the Pull for Patriots: Operation Haul for Heroes at The District — a community event that brought teams together for a fire truck pull competition.

Teams of 10 raced to haul a fully loaded fire truck across a course, competing not only for the fastest time but also for recognition in categories such as most funds raised and best team costumes.

All proceeds benefited Oklahoma Freedom Flight, a nonprofit organization that provides all-expenses-paid trips for veterans to Washington, D.C., where they can visit memorials and monuments dedicated in their honor.

By hosting events like Pull for Patriots, MidAmerica strengthens community connections while supporting causes that honor and uplift veterans.

Fall and Holiday Events at The District

MidAmerica Chili Cook-off

OCTOBER 3 | MidAmerica Industrial Park's Annual Chili Cook-off brought the community together for a flavorful competition that raised funds for Safenet Services.

Farmers Market

JUNE – OCTOBER | The Farmers Market at The District concluded its June through October season, featuring local produce, handmade goods and artisan products on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month.

Trunk or Treat

OCTOBER 31 | Many MidAmerica businesses, including the MidAmerica staff, will take part in Cherokee Nation's Child Development and Early Head Start Trunk or Treat, a special celebration for the children who attend the learning center.

District on Ice Returns

DECEMBER 5 – **JANUARY 4** | The season kicks off with *Lights in Our Neck of the Woods* on opening night, bringing festive cheer and community fun to The District.









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