Meta’s global fleet of data centers support our technologies that empower more than 3 billion people around the world to share ideas, offer support and make a difference.

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Meta’s Forest City Data Center

The Forest City Data Center is part of Meta’s global infrastructure that brings our technologies and services to life, along with future immersive experiences like the metaverse — the next chapter of the internet.

$750M+

Data center investment in North Carolina

2011

Broke ground on the Forest City Data Center

275+

Operational jobs supported

Hundreds

Skilled trade workers on site at peak construction

$3.7M+

Direct funding to Rutherford County area schools and nonprofits

182

Grants awarded since 2011 through the Data Center Community Action Grants program and other funding

We prioritize sustainability

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Partnering with North Carolina

We are committed to supporting the community through hiring people to build and operate our data center, volunteering and supporting local schools, nonprofits and community projects.

Supporting local schools and nonprofits

One way we support the community is through our annual Data Center Community Action Grants program and other direct funding for projects that put the power of technology to use for community benefit, connect people online or off and improve STEM education.

New renewable energy investments

Meta worked with Duke Energy to meet our 100% renewable energy goals for the Forest City Data Center. This includes supporting four new renewable energy projects in North Carolina.

Minimizing water use

- We are proud to build some of the most sustainable data centers in the world and prioritize onsite water efficiency. The Forest City Data Center:
  - Uses cooling technology that is significantly more efficient than the industry standard
  - Reuses water numerous times before discharging it as wastewater
  - Is landscaped with native vegetation where possible to reduce irrigation demand
  - Captures and infiltrates rainwater on site
  - Utilizes water saving fixtures and technologies within data center facilities
  - Works with our local water utilities to take advantage of wastewater reuse and recycling

Community Spotlight

Since our Forest City Data Center became operational in 2012, we’ve supported the community partnerships with Rutherford County Schools to run a district-wide initiative to overcome barriers through technology to investing in a 13-mile hiking and biking trail that connects three of the county’s major municipalities, and so much more.

We’re proud to support projects led by:

- Boys & Girls Club of Cleveland County
- Cleveland County Schools
- Grahamtown Team
- Henderson County Schools
- Isothermal Community College
- Kenan Fellows Program for Teacher Leadership - North Carolina State University
- KidSenses Children’s INTERACTIVE Museum
- McDowell County Schools
- Norris Public Library
- North Carolina Business Committee for Education
- North Carolina Chamber of Commerce
- North Carolina Technology Association
- Omegabytes Robotics Team 5727
- Polk County Schools
- Rutherford BARN
- Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce
- Rutherford County Schools
- Rutherford Outdoor Coalition

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