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FloridaCommerce Highlights Continued Investment in Florida's Intermodal and Manufacturing Infrastructure with New Chick-fil-A Supply Distribution Center in Winter Haven

~ The investment of more than \$150 million at the Central Florida Integrated Logistics Park strengthens Florida's position as a hub for manufacturing, logistics and job creation ~

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. —Today, FloridaCommerce announced a major investment at Winter Haven's Central Florida Integrated Logistics Park, further solidifying Florida's reputation as a premier destination for manufacturing and logistics growth. A new 244,000-square-foot distribution facility—operated by Chick-fil-A Supply and supported through partnerships between the Winter Haven Economic Development Council, CSX and the State of Florida—represents more than \$150 million in capital investment and is expected to create more than 180 full-time jobs. This distribution center is a direct result of [Governor DeSantis' awarding \\$1.5 million to Winter Haven through the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund](#), further demonstrating the ongoing success of Florida's strategy to attract large-scale industrial and intermodal development.

"Under Governor DeSantis' leadership, Florida continues to demonstrate why it's the best state in the nation for advanced manufacturing and logistics," **said Florida Secretary of Commerce J. Alex Kelly**. "Investments like this are clear evidence that our strategy is working—bringing in major companies that are creating sustainable jobs for Floridians and driving long-term economic growth for future generations."

"Chick-fil-A Supply is committed to investing in local communities to create jobs and strengthen support for locally owned and operated Chick-fil-A restaurants," **said Josh Grote, Chick-fil-A Supply Executive Director**. "We're grateful to Winter Haven and the State of Florida for the opportunity to become part of the community and look forward to serving Chick-fil-A restaurants across the state."

"We are grateful to Chick-fil-A Supply for choosing Winter Haven as the home for this impressive new facility. Their investment highlights the strength of the Central Florida Intermodal Logistics Center and its expanding role in Florida's economy. This project will create more than 150 high-quality jobs and further strengthen Winter Haven's position as a premier hub for logistics and food distribution across the state. We also extend our sincere thanks to Tratt Properties for their partnership and commitment to developing a world-class industrial park where businesses like Chick-fil-A Supply can thrive," **said Winter Haven Economic Development Council President Bruce Lyon**.

Chick-fil-A Supply ensures restaurants have the food and products they need and currently operates 11 distribution centers, including a location in Weston, Florida. The new nearly 244,000-square-foot distribution center will serve around 170 restaurants and plans to open in 2027.



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