Meta's DeKalb Data Center

The DeKalb Data Center is part of Meta's global infrastructure that brings our technologies and services to life.

$1B+

Data center investment in Illinois

2020

Broke ground on the DeKalb Data Center

200+

Operational jobs supported

1,200

Skilled trade workers on site at peak construction

$1.2M+

Direct funding to DeKalb County-area schools and nonprofits

65+

Grants and sponsorships provided locally since 2021

We prioritize sustainability

Meta will be water positive in 2030, where we restore more water than we consume.

Our data centers' electricity use is matched with 100% clean and renewable energy, and our global operations have reached net zero emissions.

Meta-supported projects are adding 765 megawatts of new renewable energy in Illinois.

Meta's global fleet of data centers supports 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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Partnering with Illinois

We are committed to supporting the community through sourcing labor and materials locally where we can, volunteering, partnering with local chambers, and supporting local schools, nonprofits and community projects.

Supporting local schools and nonprofits

We support the community 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, give people the power to build strong, sustainable communities, and improve STEAM education.

Prioritizing sustainability

Meta approaches sustainability from the ground up — from design and construction to operations — by prioritizing energy efficiency and renewable energy, water stewardship, and responsibly managing the end of life of our equipment. Our operational data center buildings achieve LEED® Gold certification by focusing on efficiency, sustainability and innovation. In Illinois, we work with partners to meet our 100% clean and renewable energy goal for the DeKalb Data Center. This includes supporting five renewable energy projects in Illinois.

Minimizing water use

We are proud to build some of the most sustainable data centers in the world and prioritize on-site water efficiency. The DeKalb Data Center:

- Uses cooling technology that is significantly more water efficient than the industry standard.
- Reuses water numerous times before discharging it as wastewater.
- Is landscaped with native vegetation where possible to reduce irrigation demands.
- Captures and infiltrates rainwater on site.
- Incorporates water-saving fixtures and technologies within data center facilities.

We're proud to support community projects led by:

Barb Food Mart

Building Leaders Advocating for Change

CASA DeKalb County

Clinton Township Public Library

DeKalb Community Unit School District #428

DeKalb County Community Foundation

DeKalb County History Center

DeKalb Park District

DeKalb Public Library

Elder Care Services of DeKalb County

Fox Valley Community Services

Hinckley Area Food Pantry

Hinckley — Big Rock Community Unit School District #429

Hinckley Historical Society

Indian Creek Community Unit School District #425

Kishwaukee College Foundation

Kishwaukee Family YMCA

Kishwaukee United Way

Northern Illinois University

Safe Passage

Stage Coach Players

Sycamore Community Unit School District #427

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