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North Iowa Corridor EDC Announces New Amazon Last-Mile Facility in Mason City

Mason City, IA - Amazon has announced plans to break ground on a last mile distribution facility in Mason City, Iowa. The new 50,000 sq/ft facility will be located near the Avenue of the Saints/Highway 18, providing great access throughout the region. The North Iowa Corridor EDC and City of Mason City worked with the company's development team to identify and secure the project site and complete necessary due diligence and site approvals.

The new last-mile facility will help power the last mile of Amazon's fulfillment process by enabling fast, everyday delivery directly to customers' doorsteps. Packages are transported to delivery stations from Amazon fulfillment and sorting centers and local employees will process customer packages for last-mile delivery to their doorstep.

"We're grateful for our partnership with Mason City and Cerro Gordo County as this last-mile facility will allow us to better serve our customers in North Iowa," said Jason Vangalis, manager of economic development for Amazon. "We look forward to continue working with North Iowa Corridor EDC to launch Amazon's first facility in the area and sharing more details in the future."

Since 2010, Amazon has created more than 4,500 full- and part-time jobs in Iowa and invested more than \$1.5 billion across the state, including infrastructure and compensation to our employees. These investments have contributed an additional \$1.3 billion to the Iowa economy and have helped create more than 6,200 indirect jobs on top of Amazon's direct hires—from jobs in construction and logistics to professional services. In addition, more than 2,500 independent sellers—most of which are small and medium-sized businesses—in Iowa are selling to customers in Amazon's store, creating thousands of additional jobs across the state.

"The establishment of Amazon's distribution center in Mason City presents a unique opportunity for job creation, economic growth, and increased access to goods and services for our residents," stated Mason City Mayor Bill Schickel. "We must also carefully consider the potential impact on local businesses and infrastructure as we navigate this exciting new chapter in our city's development."

"It has been great working with Seefried Industrial Properties and the Amazon development team to locate this project in Mason City", said Chad Schreck, President and CEO of the North Iowa Corridor. "Amazon's investment exemplifies Mason City's important role as a regional hub for industry and logistics across North Iowa, and we are excited to continue to build on the momentum."

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The North Iowa Corridor Economic Development Corporation serves as the economic development organization for the Cities of Mason City and Clear Lake, and Cerro County, Iowa. The Corridor is the primary contact for business retention and expansion in the region and provides location services for businesses looking to locate in the region. Visit northiowacorridor.com or call 641-423-0315 for more information.