

Amazon Announces First Fulfillment Center in New York, Creating 2,250 Full-Time Jobs

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"We are excited to bring our first fulfillment center to New York and work alongside the state's incredible workforce," said Sanjay Shah, Amazon's Vice President of Customer Fulfillment. "The support of local leaders has been instrumental in our ability to come to New York, and we are grateful for the welcome we've received to bring thousands of new jobs with benefits starting on day one."

Amazon employees at the Staten Island fulfillment center will work alongside robotics to pick, pack and ship customer items such as household essentials, books and toys.

"Amazon's decision to establish the first state-of-the-art fulfillment center in New York affirms our position at the forefront of the growing global innovation economy, and this investment will create thousands of jobs and opportunities for the Staten Island community," said Governor Andrew M. Cuomo. "New York continues to demonstrate that we have the workforce, technology, and

the pro-business climate to help companies grow and succeed."

The facility will feature innovative technology such as Amazon Robotics that will assist employees in fulfilling customer orders.

"We've been talking about the West Shore of Staten Island as our borough's 'Jobs Coast,' and today that talk becomes reality in a big way. In fact, this project will be the biggest single job creator in our borough's history," said Staten Island Borough President James S. Oddo. "These jobs are being created by the private sector doing what it does best, and our role at Borough Hall has been to help Matrix and Amazon navigate. Thank you to Governor Cuomo, Mayor de Blasio, and the staff of the Department of Buildings and the Department of Transportation for coming together to collectively get this done. I also want to recognize Joe Taylor, President and CEO of Matrix Development, who has been a true partner in our shared quest to bring jobs to this site to benefit Staten Islanders. This announcement demonstrates that Staten Island is open for business."

The Staten Island project is being developed by Matrix Development Group.

"We are excited to see Amazon choose to significantly expand its footprint in New York State," said Empire State Development President, CEO, and

Commissioner Howard Zemsky . “This project will create thousands of jobs for New Yorkers in a rapidly-growing industry and proves that our tech economy’s momentum is stronger than ever before.”

Full-time employees at Amazon receive competitive hourly wages and a comprehensive benefits package, including healthcare, 401(k) and company stock awards starting on day one. Amazon also offers regular full-time employees maternity and parental leave benefits and access to

innovative programs like Career Choice, where it will pre-pay up to 95 percent of tuition for courses related to in-demand fields, regardless of whether the skills are relevant to a career at Amazon. Since the program’s launch, more than 10,000 employees have pursued degrees in game design and visual communications, nursing, IT programming and radiology, to name a few.

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