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Flexjet unveils \$50M global headquarters in Cleveland

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The headquarters houses a state-of-the-art, 51,453-s quare-foot Global Operation Control Center. Image credit: Flexjet

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Private aviation firm Flexjet is further committing to its home city, Cleveland. The high-flying company has unveiled its \$50 million global headquarters at the Cuyahoga County Airport, not far from downtown Cleveland.

Opened on Sept. 12, the facility features a massive, 3,344-square-foot LED screen to showcase every Flexjet flight in real time to a room full of operators the largest seamless LED display in the U.S. and the third largest in the world, according to the business.

"Flexjet has undergone tremendous growth during the past decade, with operations expanding throughout North America, Europe and beyond," said Kenn Ricci, chairman of Flexjet, in a statement.

"Our new Global Operations Control Center enables us to manage flights all over the world in a setting that is optimized to the nuances of our unique business, ensuring aircraft owners the highest levels of service and responsiveness," Mr. Ricci said. "This facility provides a world-class environment to do the work necessary to continue our ascent as the world's preeminent private aviation provider."

Flying high

The flight screen is housed in the state-of-the-art, 51,453-square-foot Global Operation Control Center, designed to accommodate for future company growth.

Flexjet currently owns nearly 270 aircraft, and with its new command deck it can double the fleet without issue.

The recently opened headquarters, described as futuristic, houses 670 of the firm's 4,000 global employees across its 243,000 square feet of total space, along with its primary data center, which powers operations at 30 locations.

An overview at Flexjet's Global Headquarters! When viewing from the top, this cutting-edge building - led by Chairman Kenn Ricci looks like four paper airplanes and provides employees a front row seat to aircraft activity on the airport ramp. pic.twitter.com/efC4q4uUDk

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The building's sharp-angled, glass-enclosed exterior is designed to give employees a front-row seat to the planes coming and going from the regional airport.

Renovations to other Flexjet buildings within the firm's campus at Cuyahoga County Airport its former headquarters are underway, with a connection to the newly opened building currently under construction.

"From the simplicity of where we started 25 years ago to the advancements in technology and where we are today, this new Global Operations Center is truly a marvel and it defines a new future in aviation," said Mr. Ricci, in a statement.

"None of this would be possible without the dedication of our employees," he said. "This new operations center is a demonstration of our relentless progress and vision."

Fellow private aviation firm Wheels Up is also adapting to change in the workplace, appointing a new CEO yesterday (see story).

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