Central Campus Headquarters Building

Kennedy Space Center’s seven-story Central Campus Headquarters Building opened in 2019. Photo credit: NASA/Cory Huston

Kennedy Space Center’s Central Campus Headquarters Building Phase 1 is Platinum certified in the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) rating system. Completed in 2019, the seven-story, 200,000-square-foot facility houses about 500 employees. Along with office space for management and administrative staff, including civil service and contractor employees, there are shared services (printing, reprographics and post office) and Exchange Council (gift shop, barber shop and local attraction ticket sales).

SUSTAINABILITY

There are significantly lower operation and maintenance costs associated with the new energy efficient facility. Examples include:

- Large, north-facing windows take advantage of diffused sunlight coming into the facility; south-facing windows feature a built-in wall screen and sunshades that limit direct sunlight from getting into the building
- LED lighting throughout the facility
- Chilled beam HVAC technology reduces the need for large ductwork distribution system
- Majority of spaces are equipped with occupancy sensors that turn lights on and off
- Florida native plants mark the landscape
- Electric gearless traction elevators do not require a machine room
- Renewable energy from the KSC Photovoltaic Solar Farm provides energy to the facility, offsetting electrical power loads from the power grid
- Construction waste management — roughly 98% of the construction waste was recycled
- Dual electric vehicle charging stations located in north parking lot
ENHANCED EMPLOYEE EXPERIENCE

From space-themed floors to innovative meeting space, the facility offers a multitude of options to amplify employees’ work environment.

• Each floor has an accent color scheme that represents a planet in our solar system:
  ✺ First floor — Mercury
  ✺ Second floor — Venus
  ✺ Third floor — Mars
  ✺ Fourth floor — Jupiter
  ✺ Fifth floor — Saturn
  ✺ Sixth floor — Uranus
  ✺ Seventh floor — Neptune
  ❖ Break rooms on each floor are represented in Earth tones

• Information signs located in the building educate people about green technologies

• Constellations embedded in lobby flooring; solar system portrayed in cafeteria seating area flooring and cloud effects in the ceiling

• An innovation room on the second floor contains chairs and tables that can be reconfigured for unique collaborative meeting settings

• Building has high hygiene hard flooring surface materials with limited use of carpet and composite wood

• Cafeteria food court will be open during regular business hours
  ✺ Cafeteria Cyber Café and seating area available for use at all times
  ✺ Exterior seating

• Administrative spaces on each floor have a break room with refrigerators, microwaves and coffee makers

• Vending machines located throughout the building

FLOOR BY FLOOR OCCUPANCY

Several Kennedy organizations will be represented in the Central Campus HQ. Here is a breakdown:

• First floor and part of second floor: shared services

• Second floor: Communication and Public Engagement, Spaceport Integration, Protective Services

• Third floor: Human Resources, Center Planning and Development,

• Fourth floor: Spaceport Integration and Services,

• Fifth floor: Procurement, Protective Services

• Sixth floor: Chief Financial Officer, Diversity and Equal Opportunity, Mother’s Room

• Seventh floor: Center Director, Communication and Public Engagement, Chief Counsel

The cafeteria of the Central Campus building features Subway and Olea Mediterranean Grill. The cafeteria food court will remain open during regular business hours. Photo credit: NASA/Cory Huston

The Central Campus Headquarters Building at Kennedy houses 500 civil service and contractor employees. Photo credit: NASA/Cory Huston