

## Garmin grows office in Cochrane, Alberta

*Garmin Canada headquarters expansion includes new third floor addition*



COCHRANE, AB/April 17, 2024 – Garmin Canada, Inc., an affiliate of Garmin, has opened its newly expanded third floor to associates after a year of construction to its existing building in Cochrane, AB. A ribbon-cutting ceremony, celebration and tour will take place at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, April 17 for media, associates and invited guests and local dignitaries including Cochrane Mayor Jeff Genung.

From its origins in a garage in Cochrane with four engineers to a three-story modern office building with space for over 400 associates, Garmin Canada is excited to expand its contributions to a variety of Garmin fitness products while providing highly skilled STEM employment opportunities to the surrounding area for years to come.

*“Garmin Canada is an ideal place to build and test products, and we are proud to continue to grow alongside Cochrane. We get so much support from our active community to help us test and refine our products, and this gives our associates an opportunity to spend time giving back to the community through organizations such as Bike Cochrane, the Cochrane Food Bank and Footstock. I say this a lot – there’s no better place to live, work and play.” –Jim Rooney, Managing Director of Garmin Canada*

The expansion provides additional space for labs, test equipment, office amenities and more for Garmin Canada’s 200 associates. It also allowed for the investment in renewable upgrades that can provide long-term value.

*“We installed rooftop solar panels as part of an investment by Garmin to reduce carbon emissions and utilize renewable energy sources where possible. The solar panels will supply almost one third of our current needs, with the balance sourced from the renewable energy grid.”*  
*–Andrew Skarsgard, Director of Operations, Garmin Canada*

Garmin Canada is extending an open invitation to media to attend a ribbon cutting event at 10 a.m. this Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, followed by the opportunity for interviews and an exclusive look at the building, including the third floor. Interviews will be available with various Garmin representatives in French and English.

On Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, Garmin Canada will host an open house from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. to give residents of Cochrane, Calgary and the surrounding communities a chance to learn more about Garmin and see firsthand what the company does. Guided tours through the main floor of the building will be provided.

[Garmin Canada Inc.](#), is a key site for research and development for Garmin. The site originated as a small tech start-up in Cochrane, AB that was acquired by Garmin nearly 20 years ago. Today, the three-story office employs over 200 associates. This diverse team is comprised primarily of engineers, technical and business professionals who work with Garmin offices around the world to drive innovation and development for the company's fitness and outdoor products.

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