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Community leaders see growth at Caterpillar's Pontiac Facility

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PONTIAC, Ill. -- Caterpillar's Pontiac facility is growing in more ways than one.

The company invited leaders from the community to see the transformations with their own eyes.

Cat has invested more than 12 million dollars into the facility.

"To better utilize the space that we had available. We have a million square feet in the Pontiac facility that was underutilized," said Jarrod Moss, Caterpillar.

So far 114 machines have been relocated to the facility.

Moss added, "We've been bringing in hundreds of pieces of equipment from these facilities such as Georgia and New Mexico and that's allowed us to create hundreds of jobs for this community in Livingston County."

Since the beginning of this year 140 new employees have started at this facility.

Cat officials say they're looking to hire at least 20 more people by 2017.

Community leaders say that's good news for the area.

"It means more opportunity for students graduating from schools here it means more opportunity for those looking for work here. It means more tax revenue for our local tax jurisdiction," said Adam Dontz, CEO Greater Livingston County Economic Development Council.