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Anduril shares update on Arsenal-1 project in Pickaway County



A rendering of one of the buildings planned at Anduril's Arsenal-1 complex near Rickenbacker International Airport in northern Pickaway County.

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A little more than a year ago, Anduril first announced it would bring a 5-million-square-foot manufacturing campus to Central Ohio and add just over 4,000 jobs to staff it – the [largest single-site job creation project in state history](#).

Now, the defense-tech company is well on its way to [producing its first product at the Arsenal-1 campus](#) in Pickaway County.

The missionized variant of its autonomous fighter jet is called Fury, also known as YFQ-44A. It's part of the [U.S. Air Force's](#) Collaborative Combat Aircraft program, the Costa Mesa, California-based startup wrote in a blog post published Thursday.

"Through its focus on autonomy and affordable mass, the CCA program is driving a paradigm shift in how the United States will employ and project combat airpower this decade and beyond," Anduril said in the post.

"It's not enough to just build YFQ-44A, though. It needs to be done with all possible speed. As our adversaries advance, scaling CCA is fundamental to our national security."



Anduril created an autonomous fighter jet called Fury.

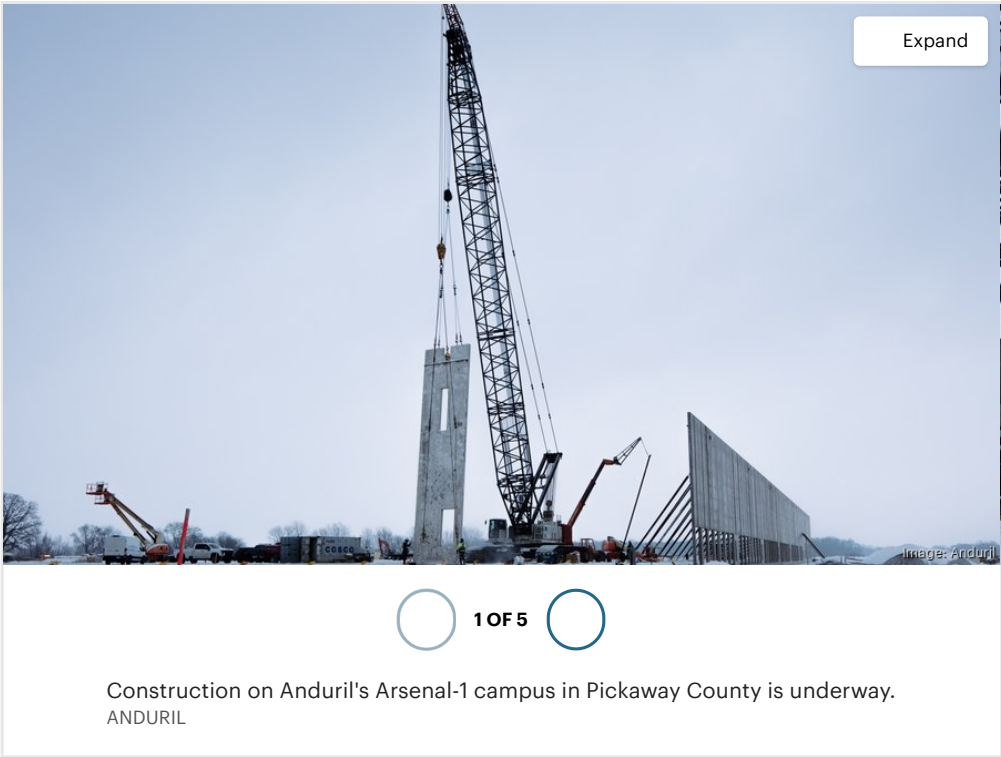
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Though the facility won't be fully built out until 2035, Anduril [hired more than 50 people to start production](#) in Ohio in the second quarter of this year.

The hires extend beyond the factory, reflecting the company's "long-term commitment to the region," it said. The employees include:

- Kevin Kerr, vice president of production for Arsenal-1
- David Frash, director of state and local government relations
- Kristen Easterday, director of external affairs

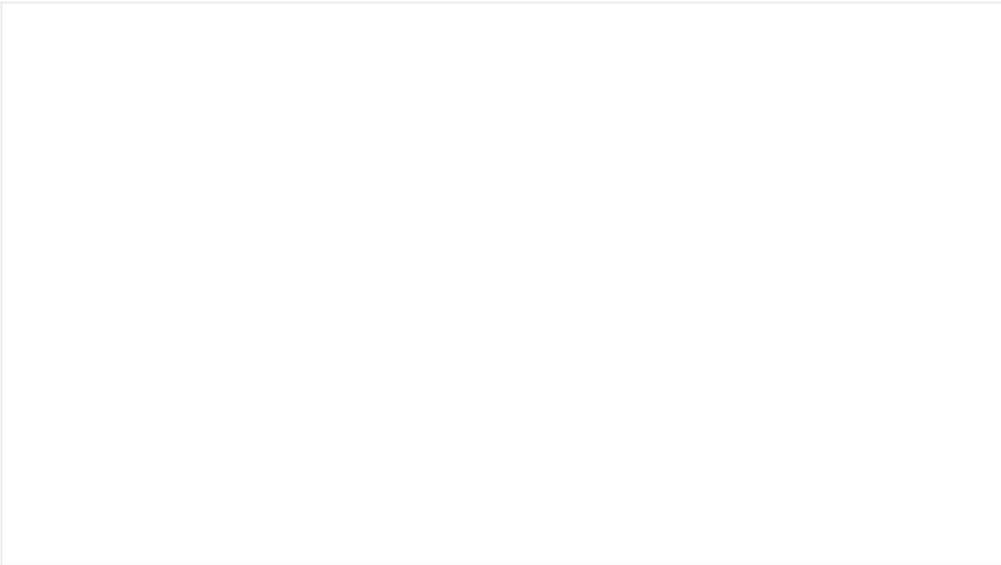
"The true measures of a factory's success are who it hires and what it builds," the company said. "We're hiring the best of Ohio to build something big."



Anduril described [construction at the first building](#) as “well underway.” It will encompass 775,000 square feet of production space and 120,000 square feet of office and support space, the company said.

After breaking ground last summer on the second building, which is planned to be about 925,000 square feet, crews have begun raising walls and expect to start internal construction “soon.”

Here’s a look at Arsenal-1’s finalized site plan:



A finalized site plan for Anduril's Arsenal-1 campus in Pickaway County.
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Each building is set to go live in a “staggered cadence,” allowing the company to “scale intentionally while staying aligned with production demands,” it said.

In addition to construction and hiring, Anduril also said its leaders have “connected with a slate of community partners and schools who are invested in Arsenal’s development.”