



IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO PREPARE FOR GROWTH



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If your business is on the upswing and you are feeling growing pains, it may be time to strategize. Smart plant design benefits from a well-thought-out master plan that takes into consideration the trajectory of your business. Whether you are looking to add to your product line, incorporate automation, or increase output, The Austin Company can help you navigate the complexities of your new or existing plant.

Our preliminary engineering services determine process and people flow, equipment, building materials, and methods of construction. Our in-depth knowledge of lead times makes us a trusted partner in important decisions that impact budget and schedule. We can also help you evaluate the pros and cons your choices have on food safety.

The Austin Method™ allows for design, engineering, and preconstruction process to happen in tandem. This provides us with the opportunity to look ahead and maneuver through the challenges of the materials and equipment markets. As a design-build company working daily with suppliers, we actively watch commodity prices. This high-level coordination carries into construction, where trades are scheduled and managed to efficiently complete work.

If there is one thing the pandemic has taught us, it is resourcefulness. "When the pandemic hit, many food manufacturers were producing for the hotel, restaurant, and foodservice industries. Suddenly, everybody was staying at home. This change required food manufacturers to take an entirely different approach to product parameters, packaging, and space," explained Subject Matter Expert (SME) Ed Wright. "For example, if you have been making selling whole rib that has 8-10 steaks on it, you now have to allow for it to be cut apart and wrapped individually. That is a significant change in operation." Making room for huge shifts in operations is exactly the kind of complex challenge Austin is known for tackling.

"If a new plant is in your plans, you can turn to Austin Consulting. Our site selection experts will help you analyze everything that goes into determining the ideal location for your next facility," said Sean Barr, Senior Director of Project Planning and Corporate Director, Meat & Poultry. Our site selection team provides you with an unbiased screening and evaluation of communities and properties. These services include operating cost analysis, transportation assessment, site and building evaluation, utility service overview, labor, and workforce analysis.

LET'S CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION.

Stop by booth C11662 to start a conversation about your growth plans, questions, and concerns – because it is never too early to prepare for growth.

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