

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**Toyota Boshoku America Celebrates Grand Opening of Smart Manufacturing Facility in Hopkinsville, Kentucky**

ERLANGER, KY. [December 9, 2025] Toyota Boshoku America, Inc. (TBA), a global leader in automotive components and interior systems, proudly announces the grand opening of its newest manufacturing facility in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, Toyota Boshoku Western Kentucky (TBWK). This marks the company's first-ever "smart plant," signaling a major step forward in innovation, sustainability, and regional economic growth.

Kentucky Governor **Andy Beshear**, alongside Toyota Boshoku America executives and state and local officials, joined community members to celebrate the milestone achievement. The new 354,340-square-foot facility, located on 48 acres in Hopkinsville's South Park Development, began operations last month, producing advanced seat frame mechanism parts, including seat tracks, seat recliners, and motors with gears.

Governor Beshear praised the company's continued investment in Kentucky's thriving automotive sector, stating:

"The future has never been brighter for our commonwealth, and investments like this from Toyota Boshoku are fueling our success while also creating great jobs for the people of Western Kentucky," said **Gov. Beshear**. "This new facility marks an exciting step forward for the company and Kentucky as we continue to lead the way in both automotive and advanced manufacturing. Congratulations to the TBA team, Hopkinsville and our entire Commonwealth."

Shunichi Iwamori, President & CEO of Toyota Boshoku America notes, "Today's opening marks more than a new manufacturing facility—it reflects our commitment to innovation, resilience, and long-term growth. Just as importantly, it strengthens our partnership with this community, where we are dedicated to creating opportunities and contributing to shared prosperity."

"At Toyota Boshoku Western Kentucky", President **Yoshiyuki Ando** emphasized, "innovation and sustainability will be at the heart of what we do. We're not just developing solutions for today — we're building a better future for our community and the world around us. Our commitment to progress goes hand-in-hand with our responsibility to operate ethically, sustainably, and in partnership with the people we serve."

The Hopkinsville facility further strengthens Toyota Boshoku's North American presence. Headquartered in Erlanger, Kentucky, Toyota Boshoku America employs more than 14,000 team members across 23 locations throughout the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Brazil, and Argentina.

About Toyota Boshoku Corporation

Toyota Boshoku Corporation, a member of the Toyota Group of companies, develops and manufactures automotive interior systems and key components worldwide. With operations spanning Japan, Asia, Europe, and the Americas, Toyota Boshoku continues to lead the industry through innovation, quality, and sustainability.

About Toyota Boshoku America, Inc.

Based in Erlanger, Kentucky, Toyota Boshoku America, Inc. supports operations across North and South America. The company manufactures and develops interior systems and other automotive components for a variety of automakers, delivering superior craftsmanship and advanced technology to enhance the driving experience.

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