

CHIPOTLE REACHES 1,500 CHIPOTLANES, ADVANCING NORTH AMERICAN GROWTH STRATEGY

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NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., Sept. 29, 2026 – Chipotle Mexican Grill (NYSE: CMG) announced it will open its 1,500th Chipotle today, Tuesday, September 29, in Bradenton, Florida, advancing the company's North American growth strategy. Chipotle has added 500 Chipotlanes in less than two years as the format remains central to its development goals.

The milestone comes amid continued growth across Florida, where Chipotle expects to grow its restaurant footprint by approximately 17% in 2026 and create approximately 1,500 restaurant jobs.

Since introducing the Chipotle in 2018, the format has consistently delivered higher volumes and returns than traditional Chipotle restaurants, making it the company's preferred format for new restaurant development. Last year, Chipotle opened 334 company-owned restaurants, of which 257 included a Chipotle. The company expects to open 350 to 370 new restaurants in 2026 as it works towards its long-term goal of reaching 7,000 locations across the U.S. and Canada.

"Chipotlanes are a powerful growth engine for Chipotle, delivering greater convenience and access for our guests while driving strong restaurant performance," said Jason Kidd, Chief Operating Officer at Chipotle. "As we expand across North America, the format will remain central to our development strategy and our ability to bring Chipotle to more communities."

Celebrating the 1,500th Chipotle

The milestone restaurant, located at 16680 SR 64 East in Bradenton, features Chipotle's new Habanero restaurant design and High-Efficiency Equipment Package (HEEP), which incorporates advanced technology to improve efficiency and enhance the employee and guest experience.

To commemorate the opening, the first 53 guests who pick up a digital order through the Chipotle on opening day will receive a limited-edition Chipotle-branded speaker, a nod to the brand's 53 real ingredients, while supplies last.*

Guests can order ahead on the Chipotle app or Chipotle.com and select the Chipotle pickup option to retrieve their order without leaving their vehicle.

*Limited to one speaker per customer while supplies last. Additional terms and conditions may apply.

About Chipotle

Chipotle Mexican Grill, Inc. (NYSE: CMG) is cultivating a better world by serving responsibly sourced, classically-cooked, real food with wholesome ingredients without artificial colors, flavors or preservatives. There are over 4,200 restaurants as of June 30, 2026, in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Germany, and the Middle East and it is the only restaurant company of its size that owns and operates all its restaurants in the United States, Canada and Europe. With nearly 140,000 employees passionate about providing a great guest experience, Chipotle is a longtime leader and innovator in the food industry. Chipotle is committed to making its food more accessible to everyone while continuing to be a brand with a demonstrated purpose as it leads the way in digital, technology and sustainable business practices. For more information or to place an order online, visit <http://www.chipotle.com/>.

Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this press release are forward-looking statements as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements about the number of new restaurants Chipotle expects to open generally and in Florida in 2026, Chipotle's long-term goal to open 7,000 restaurants and the anticipated benefits of these efforts to local job creation and our business growth. We use words such as "aim," "anticipate," "expect," "believe," "could," "have the potential," "seek" and similar terms and phrases to identify forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements in this press release are based on currently available operating, financial and competitive information, available to us as of the date of this release and we assume no obligation to update these forward-looking statements. These statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the statements, including the competitive labor market, which impacts our ability to attract and retain qualified employees, the impact of government laws and regulations relating to our employees, employment practices, restaurant design and construction, and the sale of food or alcoholic beverages, and the other risks described from time to time in our SEC reports, including our annual report on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, all of which are available on the investor relations page of our website at ir.chipotle.com.

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