

Walmart Supercenter

Land O'Lakes, Florida

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Hawkins Construction, Inc. recently completed the new supercenter located just south of the apex of US 41 and Dale Mabry Highway. The new store boasts nearly 211,000 square feet of retail space. Open 24 hours seven days a week, it offers a full line of groceries, including a bakery, deli, meat and dairy, fresh produce, beer and wine. It also includes a lawn and garden center and an expanded electronics department. Construction started in February 2009 and was completed October 5, 2009. Hawkins completed this project in 240 days, 125 days quicker than the typical schedule.

The new store will employ 380 workers, including 240 new jobs created by the move. Sixty employees who have worked for the company at least 10 years will make the move, including five who worked at the original store since it opened in 1987.

The supercenter has been in the works since 2004 and required much haggling with state highway officials and CSX railroad officials about how future shoppers would get in and out. State officials would not allow a full median at Dale Mabry but did allow an intersection at U.S. 41 that crosses the train tracks.

To celebrate, the Walmart Foundation donated \$33,000 to six area schools and eight nonprofit agencies.



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