



The entrance to Mesa's new Abrazo hospital. (Photo: Courtesy of Abrazo Health)

Mesa-born Urbix Resources expands

Urbix Resources was founded in Mesa in 2014 as an environmentally friendly graphite purification company. Urbix purifies lithium batteries to store energy for electric cars.

The company expanded in November from its start-up labs on Second Street to a 31,000-square-foot facility in northeast Mesa's Falcon District.

Spokeswoman Linda Richards wrote in an email that Mesa "has gone out of their way to create opportunities, first to bring us here, and then to keep us here."

"We looked beyond Mesa. Even out of State. They worked hard to keep us here. At this point, it is very much our home," Richards wrote.

Urbix will provide 35 jobs at its Falcon Field facility and plans to expand into a second purification facility by 2021, according to Richards.



District 5 Councilman David Luna leads the ribbon cutting on Nov. 14 for Urbix's new facility in the Falcon District. (Photo: Courtesy of Travis Chenoweth)