

## Tesco - Fresh & Easy Neighborhood Markets High Care GMP Production Renovation Project

**Austin Services**  
Programming  
Conceptual Design  
Detailed Engineering  
Construction

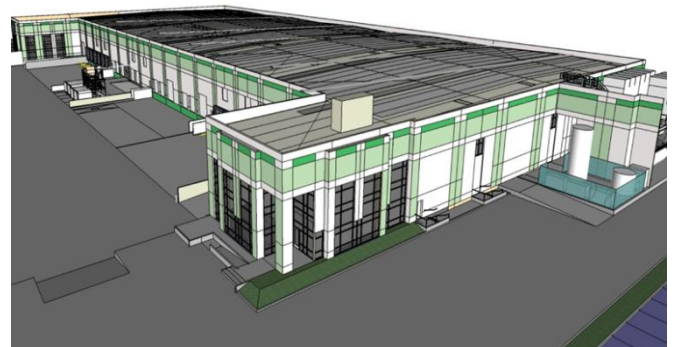
**Location**  
Riverside, CA



As part of a formal Design-Build partnership with Fresh & Easy Neighborhood Markets, The Austin Company provided planning, design, engineering and construction services for a 40,000 SF renovation of GMP production space at the Riverside Service Center. Renovations included bulk handling systems, process and packaging equipment, spiral cooling, IQF and related process infrastructure improvements, as well as expansion of the existing ammonia refrigeration system. The project involved significant investment in food grade manufacturing space and production equipment.

Fresh & Easy Neighborhood Market is a grocery chain of neighborhood markets offering healthy, take-home grocery items, including heat-and-serve meals. Headquartered in El Segundo, California, it is a subsidiary of UK-based global grocery and general merchandise retailer, Tesco.

The renovation was within an active production environment and required temporary construction barriers and work schedules to accommodate on-going operation without interruption. Austin completed the project utilizing our fast-track design-build approach and met production goals in time for the holiday season. Austin provided flexibility in scheduling



construction around the facility's production schedule and worked closely with the owner's production manager to ensure both parties' requirements were met.

Fresh & Easy's Riverside "Service Center" provides distribution and warehousing for over 550+ stores throughout California, Nevada and Arizona. The Service Center now includes three co-located food manufacturing facilities, including USDA Meat Processing, Fresh Vegetable and Fruit Packaging and Processing, and Kitchen for the preparation of their ready-to-eat Heat and Serve Meals.