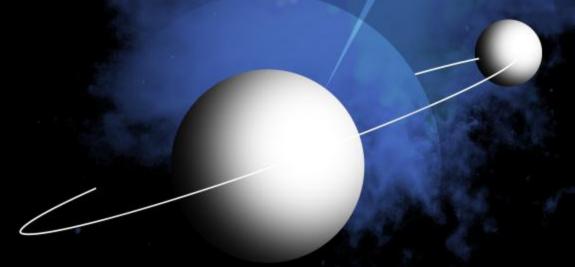


# Space Launch System America's Flagship for Exploration



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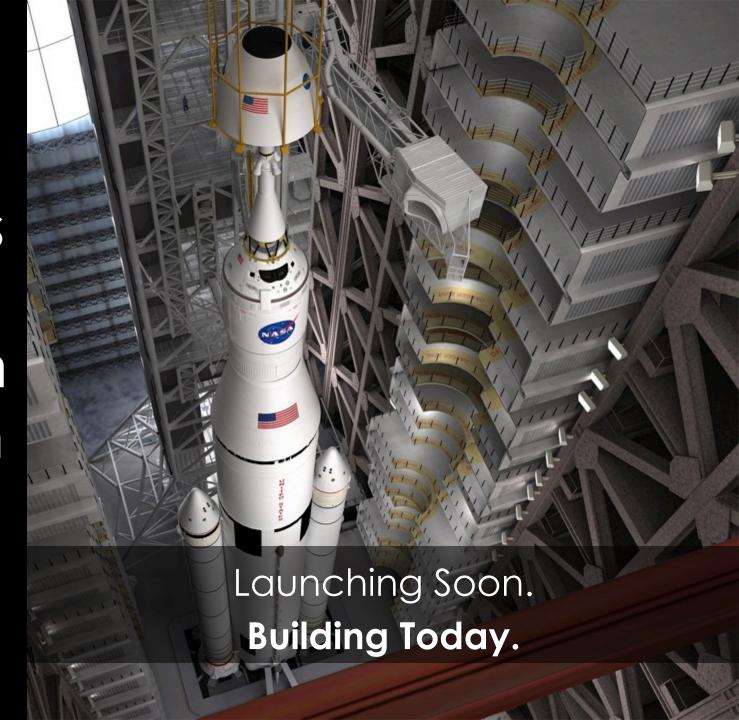


A
Deeper
Purpose,
A Bolder
Mission





NASA's
Space
Launch
System





Proven success. Greater power.

#### **Stage Adapters:**

The Orion stage adapter will be the first new SLS hardware to fly.

## Core Stage:

Newly developed for SLS, the Core Stage towers more than 200 feet tall

#### RS-25 Engines:

Space Shuttle engines for the first four flights are already in inventory

#### Orion:

Carries astronauts into deep space

# Interim Cryogenic Propulsion Stage:

Based on the Delta IV Heavy upper stage; the power to leave Earth

## Solid Rocket Boosters:

Built on Space Shuttle hardware; more powerful for a new era of exploration



Bigger
Rocket =
Unrivaled
Mass,
Unrivaled
Volume



Enables missions no other rocket can perform.



Versatile enough for a universe of possibility





A
national
resource
the nation
can
afford





'Stack it.
I'm
ready.'

-Tony
Antonelli





Moving rapidly toward the launch pad





SLS flies for the first time in 2017!





SLS is the first step in the journey to Mars





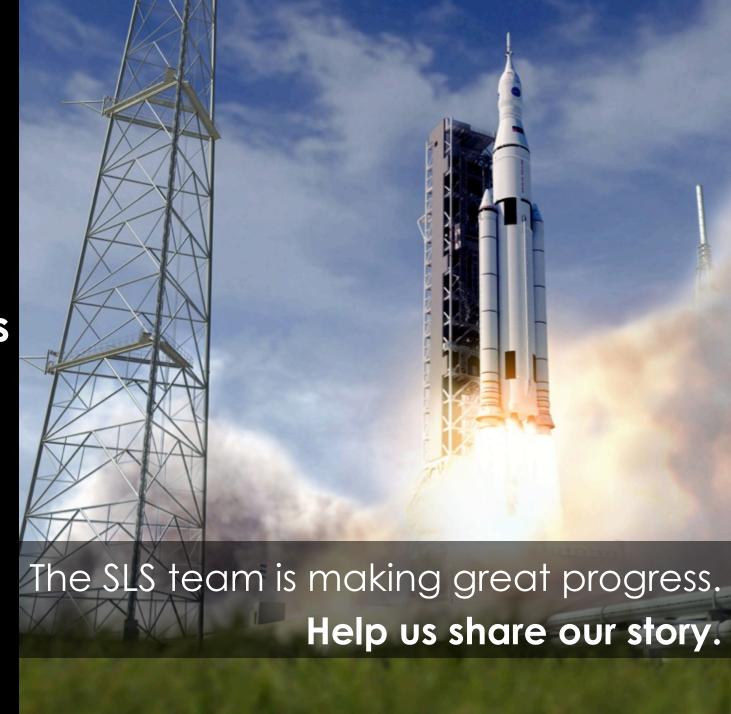
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challenges
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