

Precise Handling Provided by Gorbel® Workstation Crane Transforms Motorhome Manufacturer

About Gorbel®

Gorbel® has over 40 years of experience providing material handling solutions that help companies improve their safety, ergonomics, and productivity.

Providing a comprehensive line of overhead lifting and ergonomic positioning equipment, Gorbel® uses a consultative approach to match solutions with industry needs. Regional distributors bring expertise to the local level while Gorbel® products are used internationally in industries ranging from heavy manufacturing to aerospace. Products include enclosed track workstation and jib cranes, monorails, G-Force® Intelligent Lifting Devices, GS Electric Chain Hoists, and Cleveland Tramrail® patented track cranes. Additionally, Tether Track™ provides fully engineered fall arrest for those working at heights.

For warehouses and distribution centers, Destuff-it™ portable ergonomic conveyors provide a safe and efficient solution for handling floor-stacked packages in shipping containers or related vessels. The Gorbel® Warehouse Solutions line also includes rugged cascading belt conveyors that can withstand even the toughest order-fulfillment environments.



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Background

Tiffin Motorhomes is a family-operated RV manufacturer that has operated in Red Bay, Alabama for more than four decades. Specializing in luxury motorhomes, Tiffin is dedicated to superior craftsmanship and improvement. They care deeply about input from their craftsmen and recognize that those individuals have a keen understanding of the manufacturing process. This open exchange of feedback results in a dynamic, safety-oriented workplace conducive to producing worldclass motorhomes.

The Problem

During annual process improvement initiatives, Tiffin decided to overhaul their material handling strategy so that workers no longer had to manually place components. Often, workers would also have to wait upwards of 45 minutes on components to be placed by forklift operators. Tiffin knew Gorbel® offered a wide variety of systems and chose to invest in our overhead solutions.

The Solution

Tiffin installed a Free Standing Workstation Bridge Crane with a 1,000 lb. capacity that included an electric chain hoist. This system allowed workers to guide components into place without the use of a forklift or manual lifting. Workers immediately felt the positive effects as they were under less physical strain throughout the day. They were also able to increase productivity.

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