



Barron County Justice Center Barron, Wisconsin

The new Barron County Justice Center is a low rise, one-and two-story horizontal building located on a 24-acre site. The project consists of a detention facility, Sheriff's facility and new secure courts facility. It replaced an outdated, overcrowded existing jail and inadequate Sheriff's facility.

The Justice Center relies on a geothermal system for heating and cooling, which will yield significant energy cost savings over the lifetime of the building.

The detention facility is composed of inmate housing, intake, transfer, release, video visitation, inmate program and facility support spaces.

The new Sheriff's facility contains jail administration, Sheriff's offices, E911 communications, emergency operations center and garage.

The new courts facility contains three courtrooms, one hearing room and offices for the Clerk of Courts, Register in Probate, District Attorney, Child Support Enforcement Agency and Judiciary.



Voorhis Associates, Inc. conducted a needs assessment identifying options that included renovation of existing Justice Center, construction of a new Justice Center, or development of a more complete Justice Center, including the courts. We developed a pre-architectural program for the complete Justice Center and worked with the architect and representatives of the County Board to establish project capital and operating budget.



Beds:
192

Project Cost:
\$15,000,000

Completion Date:
2004



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