FACT SHEET

FALL 2023

JUSTICE WITH DIGNITY

In order to provide for the public safety of the citizens of Jackson County, it is sometimes necessary to detain and house those who may harm themselves or others in the County Jail. Most of these individuals are awaiting trial, sentencing, or, if sentenced, incarceration at state institutions.

Jackson County will meet the community's needs by planning and building a detention center that is safe, secure, efficient to operate, and incorporates thoughtfully designed long-term solutions for the Jackson County Justice System.

One of the key elements of planning, building, and operating a detention center, is respecting the dignity of detained individuals. To accomplish this, the facility will provide evidence-based treatment and training opportunities that address the needs of the individual and the underlying causes of criminal behavior.

PURPOSE

Overcrowding and deteriorating facilities require the need for an upgraded Jackson County Detention Center. With a new facility comes a new approach. Jackson County has established a multi-phase plan to support the planning, design, construction, and activation of a new jail facility for its citizens.

The new facility will institute best management practices, and a better environment for detainees, visitors, and employees. It will include educational resources and social services programs—all aimed at making our community safer by reducing relapse into criminal behavior and helping to encourage productive members of society.

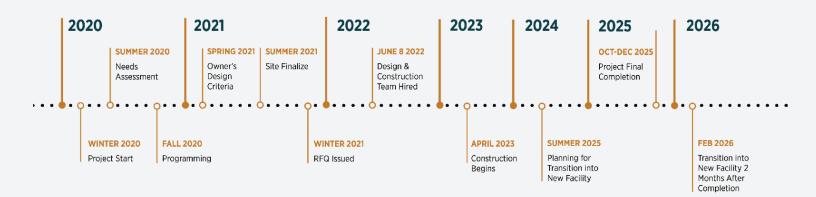
FACILITY RENDERINGS





The project design team recently completed the facility renderings for the project which highlights a visual reflection of the guiding principles for the new detention center. Designed to meet both immediate and future needs of Jackson County, the new facility will include space for mental, physical, and behavioral health services and space for conducting educational and social services programs geared toward reducing relapse into the system.

PROJECT TIMELINE



FINANCING FOR THE PROJECT

In the Spring of 2023, the Jackson County Legislature voted unanimously to approve the guaranteed maximum price (GMP) of \$301,162,067 for building the new facility. The County will finance the project with the use of \$22 million in County general fund reserves, the sale of \$262 million in bonds, \$10.5 million in construction fund interest earnings from the bonds, and \$7.5 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to finance the courtroom portion of the project.



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