



JACKSON COUNTY DETENTION CENTER

COUNTY LEGISLATURE
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CONSTRUCTION STATUS

Construction activity continues across many fronts as illustrated in the images below. Crews are simultaneously working on the roofing and completion of the exterior building envelope. On the interior masonry and metal stud partitions are being erected. As spaces advance lighting fixture installation and painting are occurring.

Additional exterior work begins this month including site footings for the judge's parking canopy, dock/receiving slab on grade, and general staff and public parking. The cooling tower steel has been erected signaling the installation of larger equipment along with the roof top units. Scheduled completion dates remain intact, with Substantial Completion set to occur this December.



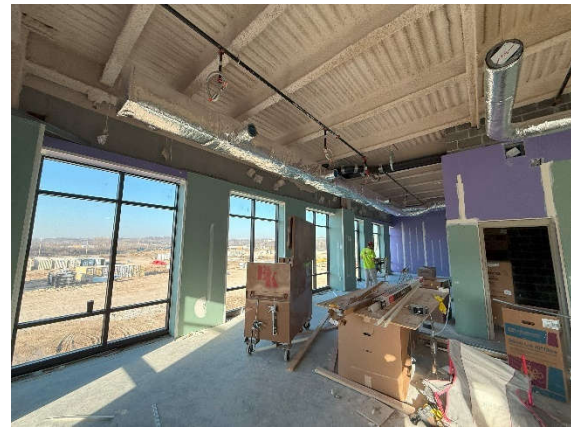
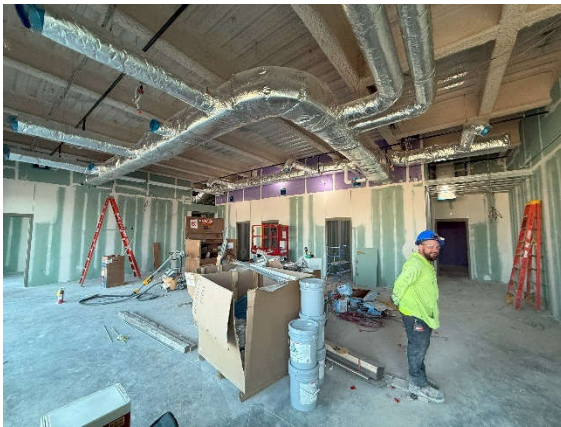
Above: Roof top equipment installation is ongoing as the last areas of roofing insulation and membrane are being installed. Roofing is scheduled to be completed this month.



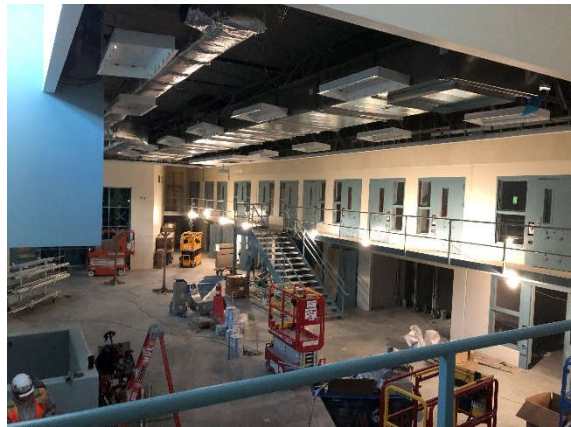
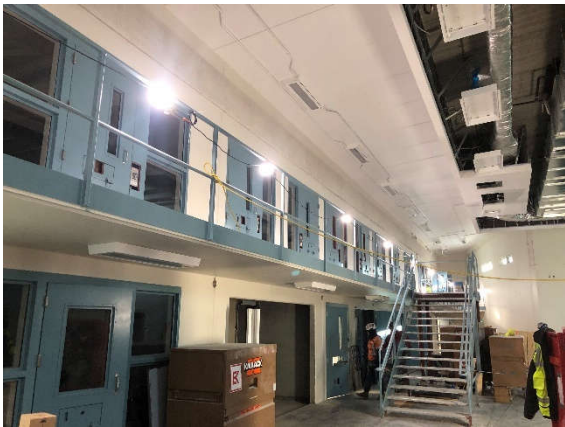
Above: Window installation on the south public facing façade of the administrative building.



Above: Masonry partition construction continues to advance within the interior of the building.



Above: Gypsum board installed over metal studs in the administration spaces.



Above: Overhead light fixtures are being installed within the dayroom spaces.



Above: Central Utility Plant equipment installed and County staff touring for a deeper understanding of the building systems and their operation.



Above: Cooling tower steel erection behind the Central Utility Plant and the loading dock area.

DESIGN STATUS

Coordination efforts on security, network and inmate technology scopes are nearing completion with meetings to finalize inmate tracking systems this month. Proposed scopes of work on Wi-Fi coverage are also finalized with input from County staff with a separate inmate system. Efforts have included the Courts IT group which provided input and oversight over the courtroom technology and audio-visual systems.

Additionally, designed right-of-way improvements to US Highway 40 at Ewing Avenue have been reviewed by MODOT and when off-site drawings are complete will be submitted for approval. Changes include a dedicated turn lane and improved alignment of the intersection with Westport-Independence Road for safer vehicular movement.

Furnishings, fixtures and equipment design and pricing has been finalized. Orders will be placed for delivery in 4Q25.

TRANSITION & ACTIVATION

Transition and activation functions are continuous and ongoing with regular meetings between the Jackson County Detention Center Transition Team and both public and contracted stakeholders. The transition efforts are currently focused on the coordination of messaging, training of affected staff, planning both policy and operations, and the identification and troubleshooting of new facility and operational needs which come with the building of a new multipurpose facility.

Move management and preparation planning has begun and decisions regarding the selection of an inmate management vendor which will best support daily operations of the detention center and provide integration opportunities for contracted health care providers and local law enforcement are impending.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Team provided the copy/content for a social media post for Women in Construction Week, which was accompanied by a photo of women from the construction team on the JCDC site.

The Communications Team has been gathering information and requirements for various events and recognitions that highlight best practices in detention center facility management and rehabilitation trends and innovations. Attending these conferences and applying for relevant awards can help the County stay informed, network with experts, and gain recognition for its commitment to improving conditions and practices within the new center and overall system.