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KBS Constructors Completes Shawnee County Correction Facility

Topeka, KS (May 29, 2009) —Topeka-based commercial construction company, KBS Constructors, Inc., is pleased to announce the completion of the Shawnee County Corrections Annex, a 40,000 square foot renovation project resulting in a 248 bed minimum security corrections facility.

To ensure the best possible use of taxpayers' money, Shawnee County selected a design-build delivery system, in lieu of the more common design/bid/build process. The design-build method brings the project's owner, design team, and contractor together early in the design process, allowing more communication and cooperation between all parties involved.

The design team, which included Shawnee County Facilities Manager, the Director of the Shawnee County Jail, KBS Constructors, Inc., Treanor Architects, P.A., met twice a month (for how long?) developing plans and specifications to transform the former printing plant into a top-notch corrections facility.

Thanks largely to design-build's efficiency, the cost for the finished project came in significantly lower than that of similar facilities.



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In addition to holding cells and sleeping dormitories able to house 248 inmates, the 40,000 square foot building also houses an administrative area, day rooms, laundry facilities, exercise rooms, classrooms, and kitchen and dining facilities.

The project's functional purpose required KBS Constructors to apply their unique qualifications as commercial constructors. "We pride ourselves as being leaders in Critical Environment Construction," said KBS President Dan Foltz. "I would say this is an environment that's about as critical as it gets."

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