



Mission Statement

To serve the people of Leon County as a responsible steward of public real estate and building infrastructure necessary to support County operations in a timely, professional and cost-effective manner.

Strategic Initiatives/Support Highlights

Quality of Life

- Improving the Lake Jackson Town Center at Huntington to serve as a town center as part of a sense of place initiative. A new Leon County community center was opened next door to the recently expanded and renovated Lake Jackson Branch Library. Additional town center site improvements are nearing completion.
- Constructed and opened the Public Safety Complex.

Environment

- The Leon County Cooperative Extension building (Sustainable Demonstration Center) produced renewable energy at least equal to the amount of energy consumed over the course of the year as a result of improvements the County made to the 50-year-old facility, making it a net-zero energy use building.

Governance

- Identified opportunities for vacant, underutilized County-owned property, such as flooded-property acquisitions, to be made more productive.

PROFESSIONAL CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE FOR COUNTY BUILDINGS

- Leon County managed the construction of the Public Safety Complex (PSC), under budget and on time. This 100,000 square foot facility, which was projected to cost \$47.5 million, was delivered on-time and under budget. The PSC was constructed in partnership with the City of Tallahassee and the Leon County Sheriff's office. The PSC:
 - » Meets Department of Defense anti-terrorism and FEMA tornado shelter requirements
 - » Is self-sustaining with redundant supporting power and cooling systems.
 - » Is projected to operate 28% more efficiently than a conventional building, according to the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) comparison model. The PSC, which will receive LEED Silver certification, is energy efficient with extensive L.E.D. lighting and a chilled water system, using a geothermal condensing water source.
- Completing improvements to the Lake Jackson Town Center at Huntington, as part of a sense of place initiative (refer to page 40).



Lake Jackson Town Center Before & After

Constructed and opened a new Leon County community center adjacent to the expanded Lake Jackson Branch Library that opened last year. Additional improvements to the town center that are nearing completion include:

- » Pedestrian walkways, which connect parking areas, a new StarMetro bust stop, and sidewalks along Fred George Road.
- » Walking trails for patrons and new landscaping.
- Operated the Sustainable Demonstration Center (the Leon County Cooperative Extension building) as a net-zero use facility, as intended through renovations completed in 2012. Renovations included the addition of solar power and an ultra-energy efficient geothermal heating and air system. One year later, the data proves this retrofitted 50-year-old building produces renewable energy at a rate equal to or greater than what the building annually consumes.

Demonstrating Highest Standards of Public Service

Leon County was awarded Facility Maintenance Decisions magazine's 2013 Achievement Award for sustainability.



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