PUBLIC WORKS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

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Under the County's new organizational structure, the Facilities Management Division has been realigned to the Department of Public Works and Community Development. Facilities Management serves the citizens of Leon County and the occupants of County facilities through the provision of professional construction, operation, and maintenance services. The Facilities Management team consists of highly qualified architects, engineers, and building support staff who provide professional design, construction, operation, and maintenance services to all of the buildings facilities owned and operated by Leon County.

To provide safe, clean, and fully functional County facilities for the community, Facilities Management is responsible for the physical maintenance and operations within a network of Leon County's 84 buildings including community centers, libraries, and the County Courthouse.

Tom Brantley, a multi-state-licensed professional engineer and certified general contractor, has led the division of Facilities Management since 1995. Brantley is a member of many organizations including the National Society of Professional Engineers, the Florida Engineering Society, and the International Facilities Management Association.



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PROFESSIONAL CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE FOR COUNTY BUILDINGS

- To continue to enrich the community and provide a dynamic resource for creative and intellectual pursuits, Leon County through Facilities Management oversaw the design and construction of five library projects:
 - » B.L. Perry and the Northeast Branch library expansions
 - » Completion of the Woodville Branch Library as an addition to the Woodville Community Center
 - » Eastside Branch Library, another major branch library project, entered construction in the past year and opened in November 2011.
 - » Lake Jackson Branch Library project entered the design phase this year. The project, which also includes a community center and renovation of Huntington Oaks Shopping Center, is anticipated to be complete in late 2012.
- In order to ensure that Leon County is recognized as a leader in sustainability, Facilities Management assisted the Office of Sustainability with several projects this past year:
 - » Implemented a 40,000 gallon rainwater cistern for the Cooperative Extension building which consists of four reclaimed 10,000 gallon fiberglass tanks.
 - » Constructed the Fort Braden Community Garden and provided irrigation and fencing.
 - » Coordinated the installation of more than 80 energy efficient windows at the Fort Braden Community Center.
 - » Completed the Energy Efficient Community Block Grant lighting project to provide energy efficient lighting at the Courthouse, Bank of America Building, and Main Library.

- As public safety is one of the critical responsibilities of county government, Leon County and the City of Tallahassee broke ground on the joint Public Safety Complex this year. The County's Facilities Management team will manage the oversight of the private sector construction manager and contracting process. Completion of the complex is scheduled for January 2013.
- To provide safe, clean, and fully functional County facilities for the community, Facilities Management completed several midsize renovations and project upgrades throughout the year, including:
 - » Renovated the Jury Room in the Courthouse to provide seating for 126 jurors.
 - » Completed major renovations to 6th/7th floor bathrooms for ADA compliance in the Bank of America Building
 - » Completed the design and construction of the restrooms located at Tower Road Park. This park provides recreational activities for hundreds of citizens annually.
- In order to streamline all real property acquisition, appraisal, tax certificates, and management, Leon County created an inhouse Real Estate Management Division through the utilization of existing vacancies. Previously four different divisions handled various aspects of the real estate functions.



Did You Know

Facilities Management staff maintains approximately 1 million sq. ft. of Leon County buildings including community centers, libraries, the Courthouse, and the Public Works complex.