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Greene County proposal to renovate and expand campus facilities

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – The Greene County Commission presented the Campus Plan to the public and media on Friday at the Greene County Public Safety Center in Springfield.

The Campus Plan is a proposal of existing facility renovations and possible future expansions of the Greene County Judicial Courts Facility, former Sheriff’s Office & Jail, Administration Building, and Historic Courthouse.

The plan is not finalized yet and is subject to change. Additionally, the Commission has not allocated any taxpayer dollars to the projects.

The campus renovations are estimated to cost approximately \$19 million and paid for with bonds issued from the 2017 county sales tax.

N-FORM Architecture, the design studio chosen to draft a facilities space and needs study, met with all Greene County officeholders and department heads in 2021 to review their needs, available space, and the county budget.

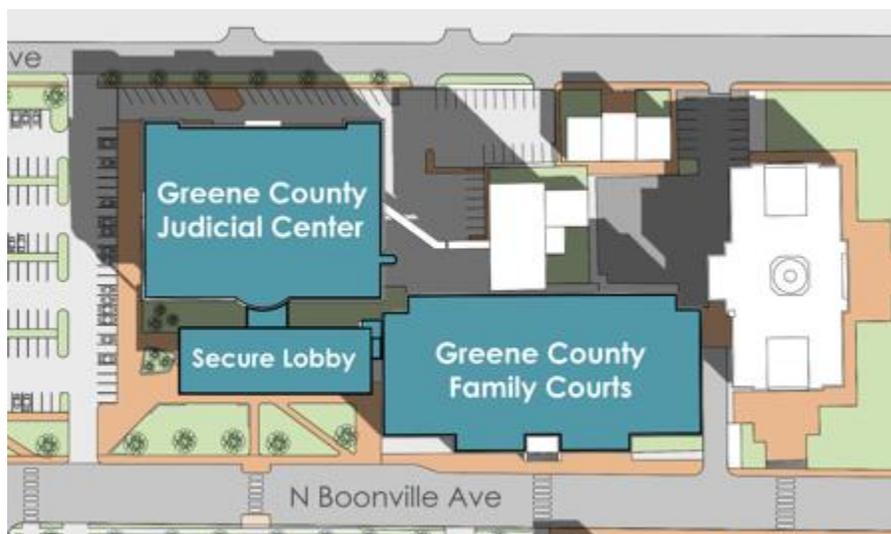
There are five primary objectives in the Campus Plan: pave the parking lot west of the Historic Courthouse on N Boonville, meet the needs of the officeholders, efficiently utilize space, consolidate offices on campus, and meet the county’s budget.

Construction on the new Greene County Sheriff’s Office (GCSO) & Jail was completed in April, relocating all GCSO staff into one building and opening up space at five existing county facilities.



The Campus plan proposes to renovate the Greene County Judicial Center and the Justice Center, and construct new courtrooms in both facilities.

An expanded single-entry secure lobby would be built for citizens to gain access to both buildings. The following pictures are a location map and renderings of the secure lobby:





Sections of the former Jail would be made into new courtrooms and the staff from the Greene Juvenile Office and Youth Academy would move into the renovated Justice Center. The following pictures are renderings of those projects:



The Campus plan also proposes to renovate areas of the Greene County Historic Courthouse. Additionally, the Commission and Public Administrator would relocate back to the Courthouse and Judicial Center, to be more accessible to the public and save money in rental costs at their current location at the Cox Medical Tower.

Greene County Human Resources and Budget Offices would move into the County's Administration Building on N Robberson. The Information Technology Office would move into the basement of the Public Safety Center.

“The Commission is pleased to announce our proposal on best uses of existing and enhanced county facilities after working with all officeholders and department heads,” said Presiding Commissioner Bob Dixon. “Greene County is working together to deliver needed citizen services in the most effective and efficient manner possible.”

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Greene County is the State of Missouri’s fourth most populous county, serving approximately 295,000 people. Its mission is to provide all citizens of Greene County, including those in its cities, a safe and thriving community through excellent customer service, unparalleled dedication, and the efficient use of taxpayer dollars. The Greene County Commission is the executive body of Greene County operating under guidelines established in the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Within that authority the Commission enacts ordinances, resolutions and policies, supervises the activities of county departments, fixes salaries, adopts the annual budget, provides for construction and other services, and conducts hearings on planning and zoning matters.

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