



Fact Sheet – Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner’s Office

- Construction Cost: \$10,770,000
- Funding source: General Obligation Bonds
- Square footage: 20,980
- CMAR Contractor: Q&D Construction Inc.
- Project Manager: Poggemeyer Design Group
- Architect: VanWoert Bigotti Architects, Inc.
- Specialty Forensic Architect: McClaren, Wilson & Lawrie, Inc.
- Construction jobs generated: 50-60

Why Is This Important?

The Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner’s Office serves not only the residents of Washoe County, but 18 additional counties in Nevada and California. The Office plays a critical role in investigating unexpected and unexplained deaths. The County recognized the space and infrastructure limitations of the current facility at 10 Kirman Ave. and with direction and support from the County Commission, initiated this project resulting in a new facility which meets both the current and anticipated future needs.

New Features

Renewable energy. The new heating and cooling systems will utilize an energy recovery loop system to capture available energy for exhaust emissions to reduce overall energy costs. All indoor lighting is LED.

Environmentally friendly. The project will use low water-demand planting and will not incorporate sod or grass features.

Numbers to Know

4,150 cases reported in 2016

1,000 body exams per year (autopsies and external examinations)

15 full-time staff, plus **10** additional part-time investigators

3 full-time doctors. ME’s Office also utilizes several part-time contract pathologists