

U.S. Consulate General Matamoros, Mexico

Groundbreaking Fact Sheet

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Design Architect richärd+bauer architecture

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General Contractor BL Harbert International, LLC

Site 7.6 acres

Total Project Cost \$ 176 Million

- The new U.S. Consulate General is situated on a 7.6-acre site in Matamoros. The multi-building campus includes a chancery, Marine Security Guard residence, support buildings and facilities for the Consulate General community.
- The campus will provide a secure, modern, and environmentally sustainable platform for U.S. diplomacy in Matamoros.

Design & Construction

- The building meets all Department standards for security and provides modern office space for the Consulate staff.
- The building design embraces traditional regional architecture. The signature element of the project is the latilla shade canopy. This open lattice canopy provides a significant amenity for consular visitors and enhances the building's energy performance.
- The latilla provides an open, receptive and welcoming edge to the campus. It defines functional outdoor rooms, provides shade for consular and diplomatic functions and gives a sense of openness and permeability to the new facility.
- The landscape design features extensive native plantings and storm water management features inspired by the local Resaca waterways.
- The contractor has initiated the design process and is mobilizing resources in Matamoros to begin construction. The project is scheduled to be completed by May, 2019.
- An estimated 500 workers will be involved in the construction of the new Consulate General.

Sustainability

- The project is pursuing registration with the U.S. Green Building Council for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) certification and is projected to receive LEED® Silver certification.
- The project is designed to harvest and store rainwater to serve nearly all irrigation demands, reducing the demand on local potable water supply systems.
- Low flow plumbing fixtures will be used, allowing the buildings to consume a projected 30-40% less water than a typical building built to U.S. building codes.
- The building is designed with energy efficient lighting and mechanical systems with energy savings projections of 20-30% below a typical building built to U.S. building codes.

Art

- The art collection will include contemporary art in a variety of media including sculpture, painting, and photography utilizing American and host country artists.



Gallery



Consular Arrival Court

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