

PROJECT DETAILS

LOCATION

DuPage County Campus Wheaton, IL

ISSUE

Existing building is beyond useful life

SOLUTION

New building to host SWAP staff and programming

BENEFIT

Modernized space to provide improved services to sentenced offenders utilizing the Sheriff's Work Alternative Program

DISTRICTS REPRESENTED

US Representative Districts 3, 5, 6, 8, 11, & 14

IL Senate Districts 21, 23, 24, 25, 28, 39, 41, 42, & 43

IL Representative Districts 41, 42, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 56, 77, 81, 82, 84, & 85

County Board Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6

SHERIFF'S WORK ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM BUILDING



PROGRAM HISTORY & INFORMATION

The DuPage County Sheriff's Work New SWAP Building Information Alternative Program [SWAP] was • established in 1995 as a viable alternative to incarceration, due to overcrowding at the DuPage County Jail. Offenders sentenced to SWAP have worked in every municipality in • the county performing various projects at no cost to taxpayers.

The program averages 40 offenders a . day who are split into three or four work crews that are transported to work sites by marked Sheriff's Office . vans and supervised by specially trained uniformed deputies.

Ninety-five percent of the offenders sentenced to SWAP complete the program, a rate much higher than other community service programs. For this reason the Illinois Criminal Justice Authority has previously called SWAP "the most innovative [alternative incarceration] program to ever come along in Illinois."

- Existing 3,700 SF building housing the SWAP program is a former service station over 65 old, vears and its current conditions are inadequate.
- A new facility for the SWAP program would provide a safer, better equipped space for staff and program participants.
- Better facilities for municipal vehicle maintenance and washing as provided by the program.
- Current estimate for a new building for SWAP: \$1,750,000-\$2,250,000