



Department of Homeland Security/ Citizenship and Immigration Services

The new 56,700 sf design-build facility which houses the Dallas District Office of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), absorbed by DHS in 2003, replaces two separate, obsolete USCIS offices. Besides improving their ability to provide full-service immigration and benefits services, the building has been designed to celebrate the experience of becoming an American Citizen. Simultaneously approachable and dramatic, the architecture will stand as a beacon along the John Carpenter Freeway.

The design exceeds federal sustainability policies, and has achieved LEED™ Gold Certification.

Energy-efficient features of the building include architectural overhangs and sun shades to provide protection from the Texas sun, as well as a pergola with sun-shading louvers around the Ceremony Room and public lobby. Many materials, including brick, have come from local manufacturers.

Building systems and fixtures conserve energy and natural resources.



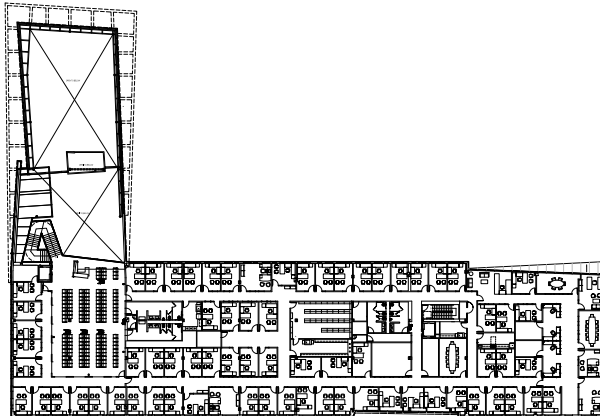
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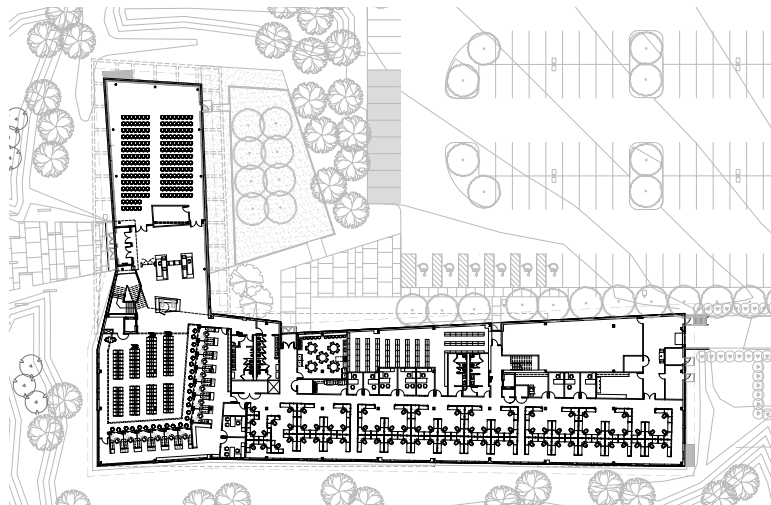
LEED Gold Certified:

- Fully daylit interior with integrated photovoltaic controlled lighting systems
- Enhanced envelope and HVAC systems achieving greater than 17.5 % energy efficiency over baseline code
- Water efficient landscape
- Maximization of open space on site.
- Low flow fixture design for enhanced water efficiency
- Views to exterior for 90% of all regularly occupied spaces designed
- 100% of exterior surfaces roof and non roof surfaces designed to reduce heat island effect
- High recycled content for materials specified
- Low Emitting materials specified

location: Irving, Texas
total square feet: 56,700 sq ft
completion date: Winter 2008



second floor



first floor