

U.S. CONSULATE GENERAL NUEVO LAREDO, MEXICO

PROJECT FACT SHEET



Design Architect Moore Ruble Yudell Architects & Planners

Architect of Record PAGE

General Contractor B.L. Harbert International, Inc.

Site 5.6 acres

Total Project Budget \$154 M

GENERAL INFORMATION

- The new U.S. Consulate General is situated on a 5.6-acre site in the Madero neighborhood of eastern Nuevo Laredo. The multi-building campus includes a chancery office building, a Marine Security Guard residence, a support annex and utility building, and facilities for the Consulate community.
- The new consulate will provide a secure, modern, and environmentally sustainable platform for U.S. diplomacy.
- This design/build contract was awarded to B.L. Harbert International in September 2014. The design architect is Moore Ruble Yudell Architects and Planners. The architect of record is Page. The project was completed in early 2018.

DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION

- The building meets all Department of State standards for security and provides modern office space for the consulate staff.
- The building massing is inspired by regional architecture of the Rio Grande valley that use verandas and other covered volumes to create indoor/outdoor spaces. This flow of indoor/outdoor spaces is used visually, as in the case of the grand stair and gallery, and physically, as in the consular access and waiting areas.
- The outdoor landscape takes advantage of the local flora and fauna.
- The contractor's workforce average was 300 and peaked at 500. This included a combination of U.S., Mexican, and third-country nationals. Approximately 93% of the workers were Mexican.

SUSTAINABILITY

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



Consular Waiting Area



Gallery

ART

- The permanent art collection, curated by the Office of Art in Embassies, encompasses art in a variety of media, including painting, photography, textile and sculpture, by both U.S., Mexican-American and Mexican artists. The collection seeks to create a dialogue of shared values between the people of our two countries. Highlights include site specific commissions that reflect the diversity and richness of U.S. and Mexican cultural heritage.
- Examples include a ceramic installation by Del Harrow, a monumental fiber wall hanging by Tanya Aguiniga, an exterior bronze sculpture by Alma Allen, and a woven tapestry by Lorenzo Hurtado Segovia.

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