Cornerstone dedication and open house scheduled for Greene County Operations Center

The public and members of the media are invited to attend a traditional cornerstone dedication ceremony and open house for the Greene County Operations Center.

**The event is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24 at 1210 N. Boonville Avenue.**

This exciting new building will house a variety of important services for the County, including janitorial and maintenance, wood shop, HVAC/electrical shop, print shop, metal fabrication/plumbing shop, microfilm, mailroom and central supply. Presently these services are operated from various locations throughout the County campus. The Operations Center has a footprint of approximately 17,500 square feet and includes loading docks and warehouse space – two features currently not available in any of the existing County facilities. A partial second floor contains offices and mezzanines for storage.

N-Form Architecture along with Branco Enterprises provided the design and construction of the new building. The building has taken shape quickly over the last year:

Sept. 2018 – Branco awarded construction bid  
Oct. 2018 – Groundbreaking ceremony  
Nov. 2018 – Site excavation work conducted  
Jan. 2019 – Site prep work continues  
Feb. 2019 – Concrete placed  
March 2019 – Building walls installed  
April 2019 – Wall framing begins  
May 2019 – Walls enclosed and interior work begins  
Oct. 2019 – Project complete
The cornerstone dedication ceremony will begin with a color guard presentation from the Sons of the American Revolution, remarks from the Greene County Commission, placement of the stone along with items from each Greene County officeholder as time capsule mementos and ending with an official ribbon cutting and tours inside the facility.

In addition to community members, Greene County legislators and business leaders, members from nine masonic lodges will be in attendance to help commemorate this event. The cornerstone is paid for by the masonic lodges of Greene County and the ceremony will be officially conducted by the Grand Lodge of the State of Missouri, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

“The Operations Center is such an important facility for the County and the Community,” said Presiding Commissioner Bob Dixon. “Not only will this allow us to more effectively and efficiently provide much needed services, this building also signifies important progress in the promises made to voters with the passing of the tax and related resolution in 2017.”

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Greene County is the State of Missouri’s fourth most populous county, serving more than 275,000 people (2010 census). Its mission is to provide all citizens of Greene County, including those in its cities, a safe and thriving community through excellent customer service, unparalleled dedication, and the efficient use of taxpayer dollars. The Greene County Commission is the executive body of Greene County operating under guidelines established in the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Within that authority the Commission enacts ordinances, resolutions and policies, supervises the activities of county departments, fixes salaries, adopts the annual budget, provides for construction and other services, and conducts hearings on planning and zoning matters.

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