

Oakland County Executive office Building

Fact sheet:

1. Original 2½ story built in 1929 to house the Oakland County Tuberculosis Hospital
2. 4 story addition to the east was added in 1955.
3. Used as an Infirmary until 1971.
4. Feasibility study was done by TMP Associates to ascertain if the structure was suitable for conversion to an office facility.
5. Findings indicated that the building had outlived its exist. mech & elect. systems, but that the structure was in good condition.
6. With this, TMP Assoc. was commissioned to convert structure to the "Executive Office Building" to house many county departments and all head managers under one roof. (many depts. were scattered throughout campus).
7. Space was a problem - 90,000 SF was req'd by program but only 75,000 SF were available. By building usable space within the existing open courtyard a bonus of 15,000 SF was achieved.

8. This "bonus" space was ringed w/ a continuous perimeter skylight that admits natural light into the heart of the interior. This in combination with greenery recalls the open courts original ambience.

9. Misc. facts.

- arched opps are original / they included windows
- plum carpet area / ~~was~~ exist. path of sun porches
- 3rd floor employee lounge / exist. surgical suite (trusses are existing but were covered with a flat plaster ceiling).
- main stairs are new / exist. ones were removed and converted to Rest Rooms (east & west).
- office areas were planned w/ open office landscape furniture

10. 1955 addition to the east was very awkward - we wanted to diminish its apparent mass & bulk so we clad it with a new reflective glass skin to reflect the character of the 1929 structure and the surrounding landscape.

11. JWP was responsible for all aspects of the project including interior ~~the~~ furnishings, space planning, etc.