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**GTC Completes Construction on a New Animal Shelter in Denver**

Golden Triangle Construction (GTC) recently completed a new animal shelter designed by Animal Arts for the City and County of Denver. One of the oldest in Colorado, the original shelter started out as a dog pound built in 1972, but over the years, the shelter's services had expanded to the point that a new facility was critical for continuing to meet the needs of the growing animal population.

The new animal shelter was being funded by the Better Denver Bond Program. The new facility will be state-of-the-art and more than twice the size of the original shelter at 36,040 square feet. So much new space will mean over 300 animals can be cared for at any given time. The site, located along the S. Platte River at 1271 West Bayaud, also houses a barn, which will make it possible for the shelter to accommodate more uncommon animals like horses, cows, pigs and chickens.

The new Denver Municipal Animal Shelter is an eco-responsible facility, and GTC's project team worked with City and County of Denver officials to ensure that the new shelter achieved LEED® Gold Certification. Because a chemical plant once operated on the site, extra precautions needed to be taken to rehabilitate the site and ensure any potential contaminants in the soil did not reach nearby storm water reservoirs. The Denver Animal Shelter hosted Grand Opening celebrations in June.

GTC and Animal Arts are an experienced team that has worked on other projects together including a remodel and addition project recently completed at the Denver Dumb Friend's League Buddy Center in Castle Rock, Colorado. They also worked together on the Longmont Humane Society project completed in 2008, which won the *Award of Excellence* from the American Concrete Institute, Rocky Mountain Chapter (Commercial/Private over \$5M category).

GTC has been a general contractor in the Front Range commercial construction market since 1977 and is a proud member of the U.S. Green Building Council. For more information about GTC or about GTC's Green Building Program, please call Dennis Richard at (303) 772-4051 or email [drrichard@gtc1.net](mailto:drrichard@gtc1.net).

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