



Wake County Justice Center Opening Ceremony

Monday, July 1, 2013

Wake County Justice Center
300 South Salisbury Street
Raleigh, North Carolina



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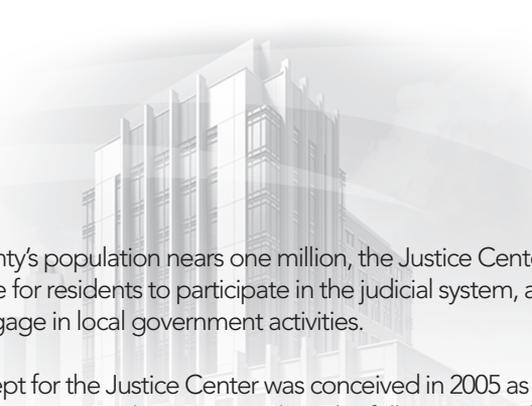
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Wake County Commissioners and Officers of the Court

SCHEDULED EVENTS

- Walking Tours (immediately following the ribbon cutting ceremony)
- Ceremonial Joint Session of District and Superior Court, Courtroom 701, 1 p.m.
- Wake County Board of Commissioners' Meeting, Room 2700, 2 p.m.





As Wake County's population nears one million, the Justice Center will be a prominent place for residents to participate in the judicial system, access public records and engage in local government activities.

The initial concept for the Justice Center was conceived in 2005 as part of the County's 30-year Justice Facilities Master Plan. The following year the Blue Ribbon Committee on the Future of Wake County recommended the development of a new criminal courthouse in downtown Raleigh. A Steering Committee was formed in 2007 and members held work sessions with designers and contractors.

Wake County and its partners – including The Raleigh Planning/Urban Design Center, Downtown Raleigh Alliance, Wake Bar Association and N.C. State University – have worked closely together to design and build a facility for the public to participate in the judicial system, access public records and engage in local government activities.

Wake County officially broke ground in May 2010, and celebrated the “topping out,” or completion of the steel frame of the 577,000 square-foot facility, in February 2011.

Today, Wake celebrates the opening of the \$184 million Justice Center ahead of schedule and more than \$30 million under budget.

The building has 17 elevators to accommodate the public, judges and county employees. Courtrooms are efficient, and secure and have adequate space for public seating. Security features include separation of staff, inmate and public populations, weapons screening through x-ray and metal detectors and secure corridors.

The Justice Center was designed and constructed to achieve a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver rating, and includes energy-saving and environmentally mindful features that will reduce ongoing operating costs.

Most importantly, the Justice Center has the capacity for growth. Nineteen of the 23 courtrooms have been built out. Three additional courtrooms can be added as the county grows, ensuring that the judicial needs of the Tenth Judicial District are met for the next 30 to 50 years.



Wake County Justice Center
dedicated to the people of Wake County 2013
authorized by the Board of Commissioners March 28, 2008

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County Services

Budget and Management	4 th Floor
Commissioner Meetings	2 nd Floor
County Attorney	4 th Floor
County Commissioners	4 th Floor
County Manager	4 th Floor
Finance (and Bids)	2 nd Floor
Marriage and Vital Records	1 st Floor
Public Affairs Office	4 th Floor
Register of Deeds	1 st Floor
Revenue	3 rd Floor

Court Services

Clerk of Court – Cashier	2 nd Floor
Clerk of Court – Criminal	1 st Floor
Clerk of Superior Court	2 nd Floor
District Attorney	8 th Floor
Jury Assembly	3 rd Floor
Probation	3 rd Floor
Public Defender	5 th Floor
Southlight	1 st Floor
Traffic Tickets	1 st Floor



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