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EBA wins new VISN I Open End Contract

ABOUT EBA

Full Service Design Firm

Established in 1988

Located in Downtown Silver Spring, MD

LEED Accredited Professionals on Staff

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EBA was awarded an Open-End Contract for the Department of Veterans Affairs in (VISN) 1. This exciting contract includes design and planning opportunities at healthcare facilities in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont. Task orders expected as a result of this contract include site investigations, engineering calculations and analyses, planning, design, and construction documents. While EBA has performed many of these services in all the states that make up this service area, this is our first contract with the VISN proper.

The Central Nebraska Community Living Center (CLC) is out to bid in Kearney, NE

EBA was selected by the State of Nebraska to design the Central Nebraska CLC and performed programming, planning, design, and workshop charrettes for the project. The facility will contain a living environment unparalleled in a typical Veterans' Care Facility. There are eighteen

individual homes containing 225 private rooms all located within six neighborhoods. The CLC includes a 75,000 SF Community Center which is central to the site and serves as the nucleus for large group activities, administration, food service, and support.



The complex is designed around an interior pond offering a social environment where one is able to experience interior and exterior solitude and

have interaction with others without leaving the campus. The project is budgeted at \$121 million and includes a chapel, arts and crafts studio, library, private gardens, therapy centers, community rooms, café, Veterans' Memorial, and private dining areas in each home. The Central Nebraska CLC is the culmination of concept and reality and represents a leap forward in long term care for our nation's veterans.

VISN I Phase II Completed



Phase II of the VISN I Master Plan has come to a successful completion. During the Pilot, we developed the initial Facility Master Plans (FMP) for five of the eleven medical campuses in VISN I. During Phase II, EBA created the integrated planning for the remaining six facilities. The process adopted a business-centric methodology from an operational, financial, and service demand standpoint. Utilizing clear communication and performing both functional and physical facility assessments for the eleven major campuses, EBA was able to complete Phase I and Phase II on time.



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'Tis The Season... EBA Donates

In keeping up with our tradition of community involvement, EBA made donations to local charities. The Fillmore Silver Spring in Partnership with Shepherd's Table had their 4th Annual Donation Drive and EBA did not disappoint.

lackie Lewis, Logistics Manager at The Fillmore Silver Spring stated, "] seriously was speechless when I got upstairs and saw all that you donated. I can't thank you enough for your generous The backpacks donations. are amazing, the scarves and blankets are perfect. Everything is just wonderful and I thank you from the bottom of my heart."

Major thanks to our staff for opening your hearts, closets, and wallets and donating to the Giving Thanks event.

For more information on A Wider Circle, please visit http://awidercircle.org/ whatyoucando.html.

Operation Clean Streets!!



Once again EBA staff members and friends came together to do their part in keeping Sligo Avenue clean and free of debris. Several times a year, EBA, neighbors, and community partners converge on the street and do a clean sweep picking up trash as part of the Montgomery County Adopt a Road Campaign. Afterwards, the team reconvened for well-earned drinks and snacks. Keep an eye out for our upcoming 2016 Clean Streets Sweep.

For more information on the Keep Montgomery County Beautiful program please visit

www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot-dir/kmcb/index.html

FORE !!! EBA Goes Golfing

We held our first Golf Tournament for employees and family members in October 2015 at Sligo Creek Golf Course in Silver Spring, MD. Several teams participated in the nine-hole match "strategically" using mulligans and free drops, but no one was subpar!! A great time was had by all, as this was a time for our team to have fellowship and see what handling business on the green really looks like. Thank you to all those who participated. We look forward to seeing you out on the course again soon!



Ending the Year With Celebration!



A wonderful time was had by all, as EBA celebrated the holiday season with our annual luncheon at Ruth's Chris Steak House in Bethesda, MD. The festivities began with a fun ride to the venue on the party bus followed by great conversation over cocktails and a fine meal. We had a wonderful time and reflected on the accomplishments from the past year and look forward to the future of EBA in the coming New Year!! *Here's to a great 2015 and an even better 2016*!

NEWEST TEAM MEMBER

EBA would like to welcome the newest member to our team, Alaina Wright, a Clemson Alumnus. As Marketing Coordinator, Ms. Wright brings more than 10 years of combined experience in marketing and event planning to EBA. Please join us in our welcome as we continue to expand the EBA family.



It's Almost That Time Again



SUMMER SLAM, 2016

EBA will be holding its biennial SUMMER SLAM this summer 2016. Be on the lookout for announcements, dates, and lots of fun times and food to come!