



PROJECT DETAILS

LOCATION

DuPage County Campus
Wheaton, IL

ISSUE

Existing building is beyond
useful life

SOLUTION

New building to host SWAP
staff and programming

BENEFIT

Modernized space to provide
improved services to
sentenced offenders utilizing
the Sheriff's Work Alternative
Program

DISTRICTS REPRESENTED

US Representative Districts:
3, 4, 6, 8, & 11

IL Senate Districts:
4, 21, 23, 24, 25, 28, 33,
39, 41, 42, & 43

IL Representative Districts:
7, 41, 42, 45, 46, 47, 48,
49, 50, 56, 65, 77, 81,
82, 84, & 85

County Board Districts:
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6

SHERIFF'S WORK ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM BUILDING



PROGRAM HISTORY & INFORMATION

The DuPage County Sheriff's Work Alternative Program [SWAP] was established in 1995 as a viable alternative to incarceration, due to overcrowding at the DuPage County Jail. Offenders sentenced to SWAP have worked in every municipality in the county performing various projects at no cost to taxpayers.

The program averages 40 offenders a day who are split into three or four work crews that are transported to work sites by marked Sheriff's Office vans and supervised by specially trained uniformed deputies.

Ninety-five percent of the offenders sentenced to SWAP complete the program, a rate much higher than other community service programs. For this reason the Illinois Criminal Justice Authority has previously called SWAP "the most innovative [alternative incarceration] program to ever come along in Illinois."

New/ Relocated SWAP Building Information

- Existing 3,700 SF building housing the SWAP program is a former service station over 65 years old, and its current conditions are inadequate.
- A new facility or relocation to other available space on campus for the SWAP program would provide a safer, better equipped space for staff and program participants.
- Better facilities for municipal vehicle maintenance and washing as provided by the program.
- Current estimate for relocation or a new building for SWAP: **\$1,750,000-\$2,250,000**