

U.S. EMBASSY MALABO, EQUATORIAL GUINEA

DEDICATION FACT SHEET

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Architect Karn Charuhas Chapman & Twohey

General Construction Contractor Caddell Construction Co.

Site 12.5 acres

Office Space 1,208 square meters

Residential Space 2,541 square meters

Total Project Budget \$71 million

GENERAL INFORMATION

- The new U.S. Embassy is situated on a 12.5-acre site in the Malabo Dos development just south of the existing Embassy site and alongside several recently constructed commercial and government buildings.
- The multi-building complex includes a chancery building, a service/utility building, an access pavilion, Chief of Mission residence, Deputy Chief of Mission residence, staff housing, and a recreational facility.
- The new Embassy provides a safe, secure, and modern workplace for Embassy staff.
- Construction commenced in 2011 and was completed in July 2013.

DESIGN

- The Embassy's design is based on a prototype for smaller missions with limited consular operations.
- Granite, local wood, and a screen wall are incorporated into the design of the chancery. A wide overhang suggests a front porch, and is used for exterior representational events.
- The design of the representational housing was inspired by local architectural influences.
- The Chancery includes a multi-purpose space that was designed to house the Information Resource Center – the primary source of informed commentary on the origin, growth, and development of U.S. society, politics, economics and culture to support public diplomacy goals.

SUSTAINABILITY

- The project is registered with the U.S. Green Building Council for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) certification.

- Notable sustainability features include an energy recovery unit that reduces the need for heating and cooling, and the use of regional and recycled materials, including rebar, woods, ceilings, carpets, and gypsum board.
- The new facility reduces water use with low-flow and low-flush fixtures.
- Newly planted areas cover over 7 acres of the property.

SITE AND HOUSING



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CONSTRUCTION

- Approximately 250 American, local, and other workers were involved in construction of the project, including laborers and full-time administrative and health care support.
- Caddell and their subcontractors worked over 730,000 man hours without a significant safety incident.
- The new construction project used approximately 11,400 cubic meters of cast-in-place concrete and approximately 1,180 tons of reinforcing steel.

ART

- The permanent art collection, curated by the Office of Art in Embassies (AIE), includes works by contemporary Americans who have been inspired by the Middle Africa region.
- The underlying theme of the art collection is a consideration of place, and the cultural bridges that connect Equatorial Guinea and the United States. This is produced by using a variety of media: paint, photography, textiles, and works on paper.

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