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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEMORIAL - AUXILIARY BUILDING | NEW CONSTRUCTION

To Honor Dr. King's mission, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Foundation awarded the ground-up construction of the auxiliary building to a minority-owned general contractor. POUNDS was selected through a competitive proposal and interview process.

EXECUTION

The auxiliary building measures approximately 4,000 SF and houses the gift shop, U. S. Park Ranger stations and public rest rooms. The building exterior features custom glass panels, and the rear of the building has a stone façade that is the same stone featured throughout the memorial. The interior also features a number of high-end finishes including a granite wall that lists the names of donors, marble counter tops, stone floors and custom millwork. The auxiliary building also houses the mechanical and electrical rooms that control the entire site. The POUNDS team played an instrumental part in value-engineering and unexpected design-build services for the roof overhang and mechanical systems.

Due to the land being owned by the US Park Service, the site had to be secure at all times, and also due to the high number of visitors and VIPs that often visited the site, site safety was also a top priority. At no time during the construction phase was the site compromised, and the POUNDS team received glowing reviews from the owner, Park Service & OSHA for its above board safety procedures.

POUNDS Construction was thrilled to be part of such a special project.

scope	New Construction
location	National Mall, Ohio Drive SW, Washington, DC
owner	Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Foundation
architect	McKissack & McKissack

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