

President's Park Temporary Visitors Center

Washington, DC

The Challenge

A solution was needed for visitor information & screening, to include retail sales, during the 15 month rehabilitation of the White House Visitor's Center. Modular Genius provided a 1,400 sqft modular building consisting of two (2) 14′ x 50′ units with special attention to interior & exterior details. The Layout is wide open with assembly type seating for viewing presentation videos of the White House tour. Upgraded casework was used for the display counters & display boards, with upgrade display lighting. Security, planning, & coordination were critical, as this building as being installed on the White House Grounds. It was installed in a secure area that required special planning around security barriers. Units could only deliver within a limited timeframe, with USS assistance, so White House activity was not disrupted.

The Solution

The HVAC had to be designed to handle 128 occupants, while running efficiently; two (2) 5-Ton York efficiency rooftop HVAC units were used. Rooftop units were chosen for best security & aesthetics. Upgraded fresh air intakes were installed to meet high occupancy loads & airflow. All finishes were critical to ensure that the building had a permanent appearance. Interior finishes consisted of upgraded carpet; with acoustical ceilings & upgraded vinyl covered gypsum walls throughout the building. The exterior was upgraded hardi-plank horizontal lap siding w/ trim, a 45 mil epdm roof system, upgraded windows & doors designed to meet high assembly use, as well as high security. All windows, doors, and solar skylight tubes were equipped with intrusion devises & interconnected for the highest security available.