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OGLE COUNTY DETENTION CENTER
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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The proposal is for a new OGLE COUNTY DETENTION CENTER.

- The Ogle County Detention Center (OCDC) will be the new Ogle County Jail. It is NOT a prison.
- The Sheriff's Office will remain in Oregon. (There would be a Sheriff's Office substation at the OCDC.)
- The current jail will be remodeled to become a temporary holding facility for booking and initial court appearances.
- Ogle County Courts will remain in Oregon.

About the proposed facility:

- 636 bed combination Maximum, Medium, Minimum security closed campus. Capable of expansion.
- Low profile, maximum building height less than 30 feet.
- No razor wire. Minimal perimeter fencing. The design of the building is the security.
- Designed to look like a modern office/warehouse building. (Example: the new Winnebago County Public Safety Center in appearance.)
- House Ogle County detainees both sentenced and pre-conviction.
- House immigration detainees, both civil and criminal violations.
- House United States Marshals Service detainees (which Ogle County Jail has housed since 1995).
- Courtroom space for Immigration hearings.
- Video court for remote hearings.
- Video visitation, both onsite and remote.

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What can the facility bring to the Ogle County community?

- An estimated thirty-five million dollar construction project.
- Construction jobs.
- Over 160 full-time detention related jobs.
- Food service jobs within the facility.
- Health service jobs within the facility.
- Several million dollar annual payroll.
- Revenue to the county general fund.
- Replaces old jail.

How can Ogle County afford to do this project?

- The best funding model so far is a public/private funding consortium where a private investor(s) initially fund the project. The county then leases the facility on a lease to own agreement.
- All the costs of building, financing, operating and maintaining the facility are factored in to the per diem so that neither the county nor the investors loose money.
- Long term agreement with Immigration and/or US Marshals Service (USMS).
- A guaranteed minimum number of bed space usages to be negotiated. The per diem is calculated based on this minimum thus assuring the needed revenue.

What are desirable site characteristics?

- Fifteen to twenty-five acres, fairly level, dry land.
- Water and sewer infrastructure that can support facility.
- Utilities already close to site.
- Within 90 minute drive time of downtown Chicago.
- Within 90 minute drive time to major airport.
- Within 30 minute ground transport to a trauma center hospital.
- Close proximity to major highways.
- Proximity to robust IT infrastructure.

What can interested "host communities" do?

- Publicly support project.
- Contact economic development organizations for assistance and coordination.
- Contact state and federal elected representatives.
- Assist in site selection by providing information about utility infrastructure, etc.
- Consider offering land development incentives.

Is Ogle County competing with other areas for this project?

- Yes, both Winnebago County and Kankakee County have submitted proposals.
- Kankakee County currently houses around 300 US Marshals detainees a day. They generate over ten million dollars a year in revenue. So, for them to go after another project is a good indicator that it is financially advantageous to provide detention services.
- A private company, the Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) is reportedly submitting a proposal for a site in Will County.

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