



## Trace Creek Construction Completes New Rowan County Detention Center



*New, modern detention facility in Morehead, Kentucky, scheduled to open July 31, 2018*

**MOREHEAD, Ky. - July 26, 2018 - [PRLog](#)** -- Trace Creek Construction, a general contracting company in Vanceburg, has completed construction of the new Rowan County Detention Center in Morehead, Kentucky. A ribbon cutting ceremony was held July 20, and the facility was open to the public for tours that day. It is scheduled to be in use by July 31.

The \$20.7 million detention center was constructed to help with overcrowding at the current jail, which was built to hold 78 inmates but sometimes holds as many as 140. The new jail has beds for more than 275 inmates.

Trace Creek acted as construction manager-at risk on the project, and DLZ Kentucky Inc. of Frankfort was the architect for the project. The jail, built on the site of the former Eastern Kentucky Tobacco warehouses off of U.S. 60 East, features three wings to house inmates and a work-release area. It has a full-body scanner, two indoor recreation rooms, classrooms, and medical facilities.

The Kentucky Department of Corrections authorized the county to move forward with the project in 2014, and Trace Creek began construction in July 2016.

After construction started, new laws were passed that necessitated changes to the design. The change orders totaled less than \$403,000, which is far less than the 10 percent contingency typically allowed for this type of project. Trace Creek adapted quickly to these changes and adjusted construction schedules to keep the project on track.

"The entire project team worked well together from the design stage through construction," David West, president of Trace Creek, said. "It was a real privilege to work with the DLZ team and so many talented organizations. We are happy to provide a state-of-the-art detention center for Morehead and to do so on budget, on time and with no injuries. This is an important building for our community, and this new facility

is aligned with current and future detention needs."

### **About Trace Creek**

Trace Creek Construction, Inc., is a Kentucky-based contractor that performs construction-related services from its office in Vanceburg, Lewis County, Kentucky. With more than 25 years of experience, Trace Creek specializes in construction management, design/build and general contracting. Trace Creek's operating philosophy—"Your job is our reputation"—infuses all aspects of their work, and their innovative construction approach is based upon the careful planning and execution of projects, which perfectly meet their client's needs and budgets.

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