



United States Postal Service Processing & Distribution Center Expansion

PROJECT TYPE: MUNICIPAL

PROJECT LOCATION: AUSTIN, TEXAS

PROJECT OWNER: UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

ARCHITECT: O'CONNELL ROBERTSON & ASSOCIATES

GENERAL CONTRACTOR: AMERICAN CONSTRUCTORS

PROJECT COMPLETED: 1997

CONSTRUCTION COST: \$4,300,000



PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Pickett, Kelm & Associates, Inc. provided structural engineering design services for the USPS Austin Processing and Distribution Center expansion.

The project included a 54,500 square foot building with exterior masonry cladding. Due to highly expansive clay soils, the first floor framing consists of a structural concrete pan joist system over a crawl space, supported by drilled and underreamed concrete piers. A lookout gallery, consisting of a metal deck supported by light gage steel stud framing, is suspended from the roof framing. The roof framing consists of metal deck supported by steel joists and beams.