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Oak Marr RECenter Renovation Wins Design Award

The Fairfax County Park Authority and Hughes Group Architects received a 2015 Fairfax County Exceptional Design Honor Award for recreational design excellence. This award recognizes the renovation of Oak Marr RECenter in Oakton, VA that was completed in 2014. The finished project includes an updated lobby and administration area, a new entrance to improve facility access and security and a two-story, 5,500 square-foot fitness center with state-of-the-art equipment.

In announcing the award, the judges said Fairfax County “can be very proud of this beautifully done renovation of one of its mid-1980’s recreational buildings.” They praised the architectural addition of the front façade and reception area for creating “a neighborhood statement by the use of unique shapes.” The judges also noted that the curved façade and triangular canopy “allow natural light to flood the entrance and exercise areas.”

In addition, the renovation scored high marks for its environmentally friendly design, which earned a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver certification. Overall, the judges called the project “an excellent renovation.”

The design awards program is sponsored by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and administered by the County's Department of Planning and Zoning in cooperation with the County Architectural Review Board and the Northern Virginia Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. The purpose of the awards program is to recognize outstanding achievement in the total design of a building and the site and to create an awareness of superior planning and design projects.

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