

Washington Township Veterans Memorial Building

FREMONT, CALIFORNIA



SIZE

11,000 sf

COST

\$2.5 million

COMPLETED

2002

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AWARDS

2008

California Preservation
 Foundation Design Award
 in Sustainability

DESCRIPTION

The historic Veterans Memorial Building was designed by Alameda County Architect Henry Meyers and built in 1929-30. The building was constructed utilizing hollow clay tiles for its load bearing walls as was typical for buildings of this period. The structural system was subsequently demonstrated to perform very poorly during earthquakes and, as the building sits in the “near field” of the Hayward Fault, a full seismic upgrade was required.

Other building system upgrades include a new kitchen, bathrooms, mechanical and electrical systems. Access has been improved to comply with ADA requirements. Minor programmatic changes were made and historic finishes were restored. All design and construction followed the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Rehabilitation of Historic Structures. This \$2,500,000 project was completed ahead of schedule and under budget.



