

## A TRUE PARTNERSHIP

## BRAZOS COUNTY, TEXAS

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An under preforming building can cost a city and its taxpayers time and money. The goal is to always have a building running at its highest performance and ability to provide a safer and more cost-efficient environment. The city officials in Brazos County wanted to work on making sure their buildings did just this. The cities that fall into Brazos County include Bryan, College Station, Millican, Kurten, and Wixon Valley in Texas.

Over the past 6 years, Convergentz, a Houston based Building Automation and Connected Real Estate Company, has worked closely with the officials from Brazos County to design an optimal plan for the updates to their facilities This was done through the Convergentz ECOS methodology: ENVISION, CONNECT, OPTIMIZE, and SUSTAIN. To date, these are the buildings that have been updated:

- 1. Brazos County Courthouse (A)
- 2. The Brazos Center (B)
- 3. Brazos County Health Department (C)
- 4. Brazos County Admin Building (D)
- 5. Brazos County Juvenile Detention Center
- 6. Brazos County Adult Detention Center

The above building systems can now be monitored from a central hub at their maintenance facility. This has helped manage operations, optimize performance, and increase functionality. Some of the other immediate benefits have included pinpointing and addressing inefficiencies before they become major issues. The new systems have helped the buildings function more efficiently through automation and monitoring, ultimately providing a safer and more cost-efficient environment. The buildings now communicate together, allowing for true energy results to be analyzed and predicted.

"The Director of Maintenance, Ernest Stutts, has made it apparent that our top-notch customer service is appreciated." says Mike Jordan, Project Manager for Convergentz, "Whenever they've needed us, my team and I make sure to do whatever it takes... 24/7. This project has been a true partnership through and through and we're proud of the work we've done."

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