

PROJECT DATA

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA/DETROIT COUNCIL
DETROIT, MI

Client

Scout Community Service Center
1776 W. Warren
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Architect

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Size

27,000 sf

Cost

\$4,500,000



The life-size bronze McKenzie Scout statue that was located in the old Boy Scouts of America Detroit Chapter Headquarters now has a new home inside the new Scout Center. The 27,000 square foot building is built next to the old building so that no down time was involved during the construction. The Center is the focal point for day-to-day service to volunteers in the Detroit Area Council.

The JM Olson team developed a well thought approach and schedule to overcome the logistical challenges of constructing the new facility within ten feet of the old building which was torn down upon completion and occupancy of the new center. With construction wrapping so closely around two sides of the old building, great care, caution, planning, along with dust and noise consideration was taken into account to minimize disruptions to daily operations.

The old facility was about 12,000 sf with one meeting room and no conference rooms; it was replaced by this impressive service center of almost 28,000 sf with four meeting and five conference rooms. Meeting and conference areas grew from 936 sf to almost 4,200 sf. The center also features the Detroit Area Council Scout Shop located on the first floor of the Council Service Center.

