Project Profile



David's Certified Auto Repair (DCAR)

Scope: New Auto Repair Shop Location: Waunakee, Wisconsin Designer: Angus-Young Architects



DCAR's new auto repair facility is an 8,000-square-foot pre-engineered metal building. The Friede team came to the rescue when material issues and scheduling threatened the project's timeline.

The Friede design team represented DCAR in the initial online planning meetings. This allowed the project to move forward during the height of COVID-19. Officials wanted the new building to blend in with the Waunakee industrial park. The design team worked to meet the City's architectural guidelines and DCAR's budgetary requirements.

With permits in hand, construction began in August 2021. The structure features a steel-supported mezzanine, an office, and extensive storage. It also includes a high-tech auto repair shop equipped with six car lifts and an alignment rack. A machine scans customers' cars when they enter the garage. These scans record wheel alignment, tire tread depth, and existing dents or scratches. This information enters a database and allows the mechanics to better serve clients.

DCAR was able to move into its new facility in January 2022. DCAR maintained operations in their previous shop before occupying the new Waunakee location. The Friede team's communication and coordination on this project ensured its success.

This project was recognized by the Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) of Wisconsin as a 2022 Silver Project of Distinction.







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