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Success Story Renovation & Interior Fit-Up



Ascend Bank

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Project Overview

Munger Construction completed an extensive **34,500-square-foot renovation and interior fit-up** for Ascend Bank's new Operations Center in Wallingford, Connecticut. The project coincided with a significant period of transition as Guilford Savings Bank rebranded to Ascend Bank and prepared to consolidate its employees into a centralized operations facility.

The renovation transformed an existing commercial building into a modern workplace designed to support the bank's employees, administrative operations, and continued growth. The project included substantial interior reconstruction, structural modifications, and upgrades to the building's mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and life safety systems.



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Situation

As Guilford Savings Bank prepared to transition to Ascend Bank, the organization was also undertaking a major operational change: bringing its employees together in a new Operations Center.

The bank needed a facility that would support collaboration, improve workplace functionality, and accommodate its evolving business needs. The new workplace would play an important role in this next chapter, providing a centralized location for employees while reflecting the organization's new identity and direction.

Rather than constructing a new building, the bank chose to renovate an existing commercial property, requiring significant improvements to the interior layout, infrastructure, and building systems.



Challenges

Transforming the existing facility required extensive interior reconfiguration, structural modifications, and upgrades to mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and life safety systems.

Coordinating multiple trades and integrating new infrastructure into the existing structure required careful planning and sequencing, particularly as the bank prepared to relocate employees into the new Operations Center.



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Solution

Munger Construction managed the comprehensive renovation, coordinating subcontractors, construction activities, and building system upgrades under the leadership of Director of Operations Dan Lamberton, Project Manager Pete Kruglik, and Project Supervisor Jeff Landon.

Improvements included selective demolition, structural steel modifications, interior framing, drywall, flooring, ceilings, glazing, architectural millwork, and new office configurations. Significant HVAC, plumbing, electrical, and fire alarm upgrades supported the building's new use.



The project also reunited Munger with Owner's Representative Scott Davidson of Sachem Construction + Consulting, building on a longstanding working relationship established through previous projects for The Lee Company.

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Final Result

The completed Operations Center provides Ascend Bank with a modern, centralized workplace designed to support its employees and evolving business operations.

Featuring open workstations, private offices, meeting spaces, and inviting employee gathering areas, the renovated facility represents an important investment in the bank's future.

The project highlights Munger Construction's expertise in complex commercial renovations and its ability to coordinate extensive building improvements while supporting clients through significant organizational change.



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