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## **BKV Group Selected as Designer of New Law Enforcement Training Center**

Minneapolis, Minnesota — August 31, 2006 —Minnesota State Colleges & Universities selected BKV Group as the designer for the Metro State University and Minneapolis Community and Technical College Co-Location Law Enforcement Training Center at Hennepin Technical College-North Campus, Brooklyn Park. The new 59,000sf facility will provide an environment for enhanced criminal justice and law enforcement training including smart classrooms; indoor firing range (designed for lead free bullets), physical training, simulation training, forensic lab, computer lab, student services and faculty offices.

“The Law Enforcement Training Facility represents an extremely exciting opportunity as an architect,” says Ted Redmond, AIA, and Partner-in-Charge at BKV Group, “the program demands focus on creating innovative, flexible, and technically complex law enforcement training spaces delivered within a specialized academic environment. BKV Group is excited about our small role in helping to assure a high quality education for our regions' law enforcement professionals for generations to come.”

BKV Group was selected as designers for the Law Enforcement Training Center based on their team's understanding of the challenges and opportunities of the project. Their clear and well articulated project approach encourages participation of the numerous, and variety of, stakeholders. Ted Redmond points out, “This project provides an occasion for a dynamic collaboration between three of the Metropolitan area's quality colleges.”

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