



November 5, 2025

Inland Northwest AGC  
Build Northwest Awards  
4935 E. Trent Ave.  
Spokane, WA 99212

Re: Cornerstone Construction project submission - building under \$10 million

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our project for consideration in the Build Northwest Awards under the Building Category (projects under \$10 million).

The Christian Aid Center of Walla Walla has been a cornerstone of hope and support since 1946, serving community with a mission to feed the hungry and help individuals transition out of homelessness in a faith-based, compassionate environment.

Before construction, the men's shelter and community meal facility operated from a patchwork of aging, repurposed buildings including an old church converted to sleeping quarters and offices, a small kitchen and dining addition, and several outbuildings used for services. These facilities had long exceeded their useful life, offering limited space and increasingly poor living conditions.

Cornerstone was selected as the general contractor through a Construction Manager at Risk delivery method, which enabled early collaboration on constructability, risk management, and budget control. This approach also allowed us to establish a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) and accelerate the project schedule, ensuring the Christian Aid Center could continue serving the community without extended disruption.

Because the project required complete demolition of the existing facilities, the entire men's shelter operation was displaced during construction. Temporary offsite housing was arranged for more than 30 residents, and meal services for an average of 130 people per day were relocated offsite, no small feat. The team worked under a tight 15-month schedule to deliver a new, state of the art facility that reflects the Centers enduring mission and the community's deep commitment to compassion and renewal.

Attached you will find our project narrative detailing the difficulties, construction, quality and finishes, safety and completion.

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# The 2025 HUB Build Northwest Awards Entry Form - Contractors

## PROJECT TYPE

**CHECK ONE** (See **Project Category** section in Entry Packet for detailed descriptions of each project type.)

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|---|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building (under \$10 million) | <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy & Utilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Projects   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building (\$10 million and over)         | <input type="checkbox"/> Sub-Contractor    | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Projects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Highway & Transportation                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Out of Area       |   |

## CHECK ONE

- ☒ New Construction ☐ Renovation

## CONTRACTOR INFORMATION

Must be an Inland Northwest AGC member in good standing

Company Name (list all if a joint venture): Cornerstone Construction & Development, Inc.

Entry Submitted By: Matt Wheelwright Title: Vice President

Email: mwheelwright@cornerstoneconstruction.com

## PROJECT TEAM INFORMATION

Owner: Christian Aid Center

General Contractor: Cornerstone Construction & Development, Inc.

Lead Architect: ZBA Architecture Lead Engineer: Coffman Engineers, L&S Engineering

Major Sub-Contractors: Alden Plumbing & Mechanical, Walla Walla Electric, Don Jackson Excavation, Amos Construction, Bargreen Ellingson, Nelson Construction

## PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Name: Men's Shelter & Meal Program

Location: Walla Walla, WA

Contract Amount: \$8,187,715.27

Date Project Started: June 3, 2024

Completion Date: September 11, 2025

What was the percentage of volume of work on this project performed with your own field personnel? 20 %

Were there any fatalities on this project? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Attach additional sheets if necessary

Send this form and your completed entry package to:

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All entries must be received no later than 4:00 pm on November 6, 2025 at the AGC office. There will be no exceptions or extensions.



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The Men's Shelter & Meal Program is a new state of the art two story facility covering 17,467 square feet and located in the downtown metro of Walla Walla Washington on a half-acre city block site. The building consists of 35 shelter beds, 10 dwelling units, 5 flexible units, commercial kitchen, community dining center, offices, classrooms, and private courtyard.



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This project presented several logistical and technical challenges. The tight city urban site, combined with zero lot line building, required precise coordination of deliveries, staging, and utility tie-ins to avoid disruption to surrounding city businesses and services. The construction phase presented a variety of supply chain challenges from long lead mechanical and electrical equipment to the introduction of a new interior wall paneling system that had never before been used on a commercial project. These factors required meticulous coordination among the design team, subcontractors, and suppliers.



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The facility combines a variety of functional spaces within a single structure including intake and offices, a commercial kitchen and dining area, dormitory and apartment style sleeping quarters, classrooms, and a chapel/multipurpose space. Each space required careful consideration of sound and fire ratings, along with different construction types and building systems to meet code requirements. This led to demanding detailed planning and continuous communication with subcontractors, design team, client, and inspectors to deliver a 15 month construction schedule. With 32 subcontractors and 23,866 man hours from start to finish, Cornerstone is proud to say that zero injuries were reported during the project.

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The Christian Aid Center project is more than a building, it's a symbol of hope, resilience, and community partnership. From navigating complex site logistics and innovative construction challenges to delivering a facility that meets diverse functional needs, this project reflects Cornerstones' commitment to relentless execution, extraordinary experiences, and lasting impacts. We are proud to have contributed to a facility that will serve the Walla Walla community for generations, and we believe it exemplifies the quality, innovation, and dedication celebrated by the Build Northwest Awards.

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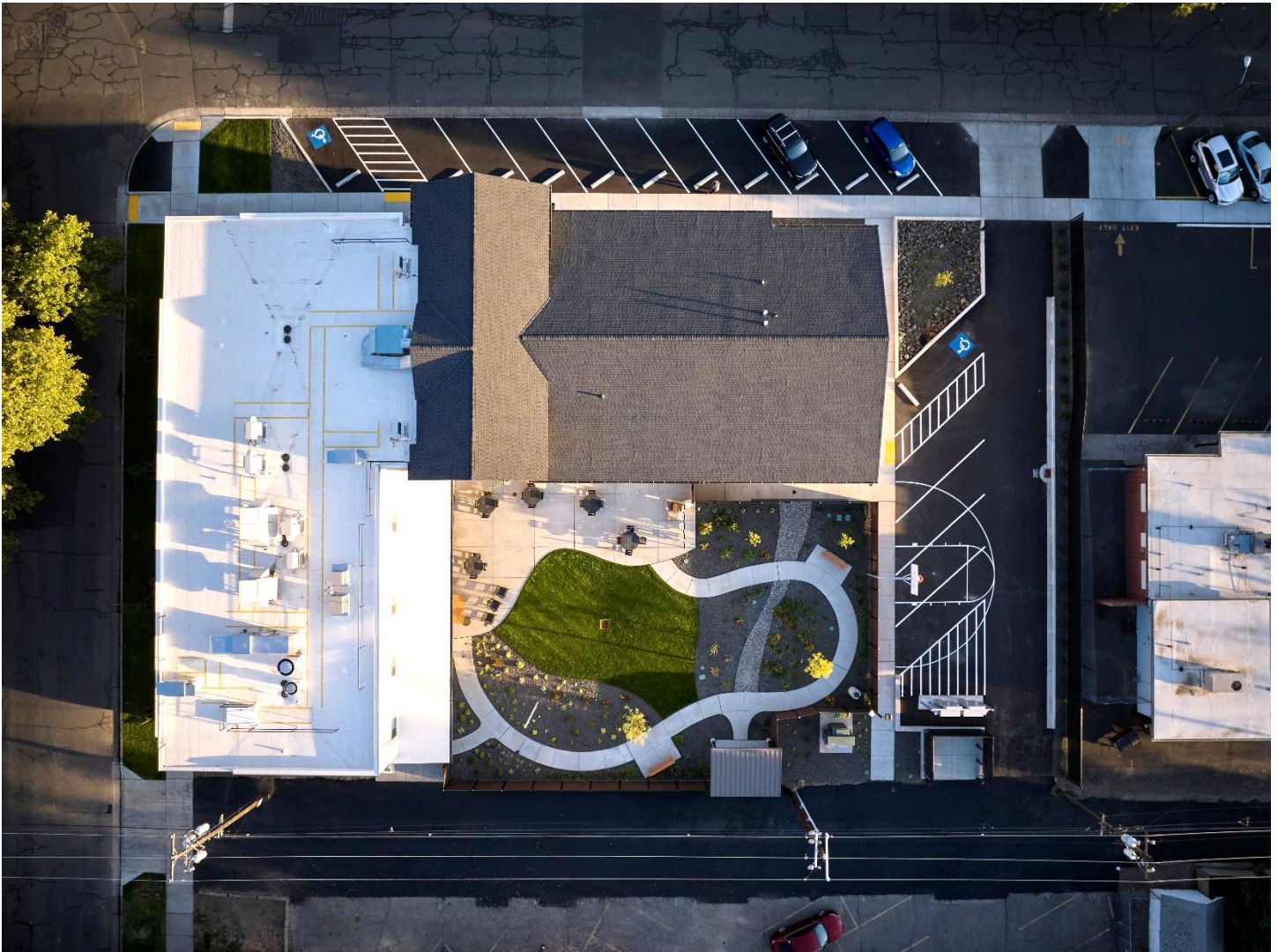
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