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Arapahoe County receives Design of Excellence Award from Aurora

The Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners and Bob Roby, Project Manager, received a Design of Excellence Award for Arapahoe CentrePoint Plaza from the City of Aurora on March 15.

In recognizing CentrePoint Plaza, judges for the 2003 Design of Excellence Award said the project was well sited, pleasing to the eye and included outstanding use of landscaping and exceptional detailing. Judging criteria included: design innovation, efficiency and flexibility, quality of construction and materials, conservation of natural resources, open space and environmental quality, overall harmony with the surrounding uses, landscaping and continued maintenance of the property.

CentrePoint Plaza, which is the home to 400 employees, opened in May 2002 to provide easier access to County services for citizens living in Aurora and eastern Arapahoe County. CentrePoint Plaza is located at 14980 E. Alameda Dr., Aurora and includes offices for Arapahoe/Douglas Works!, Assessor, Human Services, Information Technology and meeting space for the Board of County Commissioners. The building, which was designed by Barker Rinker Seacat Architecture and built by Saunders Construction Inc., opened six-weeks ahead of schedule and \$1.3 million under budget at the time the certificate of occupancy was issued.

“This is a great accomplishment for Arapahoe County because the County team along with the architect, and contractor took a concrete building to another level of design,” said Roby, who served as project manager for CentrePoint Plaza. “The building feels like a historic building in Denver with a stone base and brick exterior, and the inside is very colorful, which adds an inviting quality to the building. The function and feel of CentrePoint Plaza provides an environment for providing our customers with excellent service.”
