

# Transition Plan for Wilson County, TN

## INTRODUCTION

A. Goal With the desire to become more accommodating to customers and employees with disabilities, to be in compliance with the laws and regulations of the community and state and to be qualified to apply for certain state and federal grants, Wilson County hired Kline Sweeney Architects to perform an assessment of their facilities in terms of compliance with the American Disabilities Act.

The goal was to assess existing facilities to determine areas that failed to meet the ADA Standards for Accessible Design, to describe in general the solution for correcting any deficiencies, and to provide an opinion of the probable cost to implement the improvements to correct these situations. This information could then be used by the County to develop a longterm transition plan to address these issues.

B. Process To accomplish this task, the process followed consisted of six distinct elements, as follows:

- Collection of documentation: plans and site images
- Public input
- On-site inspection and observation
- Cataloging of deficiencies
- Suggested corrective measure
- Opinion of probable cost

## **Pre-Existing buildings:**

When I first came on board, June 1992, Wilson County immediately went to work on a Self-Evaluation Plan, Self-Evaluation Analysis, and a Transition Plan. Wilson County also hired Kline Sweeney Architects to do a complete survey of all County Buildings, that would identify any non-compliances.

These buildings included the:

**Courthouse**-Modified accessible exterior route, Accessible parking, Ramps and Curb ramps, Building entrances, Interior Accessible route, Elevator, Doors and Door Hardware, Drinking Fountains, Bathrooms, Assembly areas, and Signage-Interior and Exterior

**Criminal Justice Center(Old Building)**-Modified accessible exterior route, Accessible parking, Ramps and Curb ramps, Building entrances, Interior Accessible route, Elevator, Doors and Door Hardware, Drinking Fountains, Bathrooms, Assembly areas, and Signage-Interior and Exterior

**J. E. Ward Ag Center**-Modified accessible exterior route, Accessible Parking, Ramps and Curb ramps, Entrances to all buildings, Interior Accessible route to all buildings, Doors and Door Hardware, Drinking Fountains, Bathrooms, Assembly Areas, and Signage-Interior and Exterior

**Finance Building on East Main St.(has been torn down)**

**WEMA Headquarters(Oak Street)**-Accessible Exterior Route, Accessible Parking, Accessible Interior Route, Ramps and Curb Ramps, Doors and Door Hardware, and Bathrooms

**Four Wilson Fire Stations(#2Watertown, #3Mt.Juliet, #4Lakeview, #5Gladeville)**- Accessible Exterior Route, Accessible Parking, Accessible Interior Route, Ramps and Curb Ramps, Door and Door Hardware, and Bathrooms

**Wilson County Road Commission(Oak Street)**-Accessible Exterior Route, Accessible Parking, Accessible Interior Route, Ramps and Curb Ramps, Doors and Door Hardware, and Bathrooms

**Polling Places-Accessible Exterior Route, Accessible Parking and Doors and Door Hardware**

**Baddour Building(Water Authority)-Does Not Belong to County now**

**Cherry Street Offices-Don't own now**

**Wilson County Health Department(Old Building)-Now have new completely accessible building**

**Mt. Juliet-Wilson County Library, Watertown-Wilson County Library, and Lebanon-Wilson County Library-Accessible Exterior Route, Accessible Parking, Doors and Door Hardware, Drinking Fountains and Bathrooms**

Barriers were listed, Structural and Non-Structural changes were identified, Cost of changes were estimated, a schedule of modifications was made, and different persons and organizations were contacted for their input.

These deficiencies were all corrected, and by late 1995, our buildings were in full compliance.

## **New Buildings:**

Since all our older buildings were brought up to compliance, we had to turn our attention to all our new buildings and additions, and what was involved to bring each one of them into full compliance with the ADA. All additions and new buildings involved an architect/engineer, and ADA requirements were a must.

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These buildings include the Wilson County Annex, Wilson County Judicial Center, Convention & Visitors Bureau, Health Department, Criminal Justice Center(new), Animal Control Building @ landfill, Wilson County Road Commission(TN Boulevard), Wilson County Veterans Plaza & Museum and WEMA buildings.

**Wilson County Annex**-Accessible Exterior Route into building, accessible interior route, including parking and accessible Bathrooms.

**Wilson County Judicial Center(Old College Street Church)**-Building was completely refurbished, completely accessible exterior, accessible interior, including parking and accessible Bathrooms.

**Convention and Visitors Bureau (Old Health Department)**-Building was completely refurbished, completely accessible exterior, accessible interior, including parking and accessible Bathrooms.



**Health Department(New)-2000/2004-Completely accessible exterior/interior route, including parking and accessible Bathrooms.**

**Criminal Justice Center(New)-2006-Completely accessible exterior/interior route, including parking and accessible Bathrooms.**

**Animal Control Building(Landfill)-2003-Completely accessible exterior/interior route, including parking and accessible Bathrooms.**

**Wilson County Road Commission(TennesseeBlvd)-2003-Completely accessible exterior/interior route, including parking and Bathrooms.**

**Wilson County Veterans Plaza and Museum-2016/2017-Completely accessible exterior/interior route, including parking and Bathrooms.**

**WEMA 6-Laguardo-1996-Completely accessible exterior/interior route, including parking and Bathrooms.**

**WEMA 7-Statesville-2004**-Completely accessible exterior/interior route, including parking and Bathrooms.

**WEMA 8-Tuckers Crossroad-2006**-Completely accessible exterior/interior route, including parking and Bathrooms.

**WEMA 9-Rutledge Lane/231 North**-Completely accessible exterior/interior route, including parking and Bathrooms.

**WEMA 11-Norene-2017**-Completely accessible exterior-interior route, including parking and Bathrooms.