

GSA Insider

Great Service Always!

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From the Director...

This issue of the *GSA Insider* brings our agency firmly into the spotlight—showing once again how GSA values providing great service always to our internal and external customers.

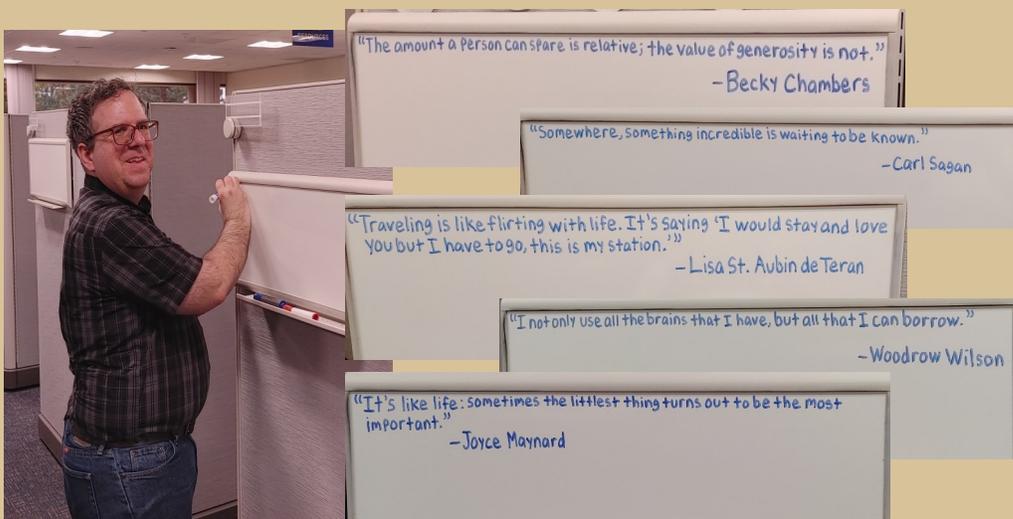
You'll see many great stories about how GSA employees have been going the extra mile: helping out DAO to install a Lactation Room at HOJ, Special Services having their semi annual e-waste event, Fleets services lending a helping hand to ITSD to transport and install a new generator, a beautification project at Solimar Beach and the 2022 Employees of the Year. And we would not want to miss a chance to celebrate those staff that have reached milestone anniversaries with the County.

One major change to GSA, is we will now have five departments. With growth in volume and importance to the County mission, GSA elevated Procurement from a division to its own department. With this new department we welcomed, Cliff Chroust as a new Deputy Director and County Chief Procurement Officer

David J. Sasek, P.E.

GSA Quote of the Day

Walk down to GSA in the Lower Plaza and you'll see a whiteboard with the daily quote for the day. Rory Aronsky, a Procurement Buyer, writes these messages for all to see and marinate on throughout the day.



New Lactation Room in Hall of Justice

According to General Regina Benjamin, the 18th Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service, "Whether you're a clinician, a family member, a friend, or an employer, you can play an important part in helping mothers who want to breastfeed."

Ventura County has established its own [Lactation Accommodation Policy](#) in support of employees' choice to breastfeed. The County has been establishing lactation rooms throughout various county locations and has over 75 designated and dedicated lactation rooms available for county employees to use.

Employees who are nursing mothers have access to an appropriate place to express their breast milk while on the job. A Lactation room is composed of, at a minimum, a private, secure place, shielded from view and free from any intrusion from co-workers and the public, with access to electricity for the employee's use. For a location near you of County lactation facilities, employees are to contact the Work/Life Program Manager in the CEO-HR Benefits Division or visit the Work/Life Program website.

Recently, GSA Projects office was approached by the District Attorney's Office (DAO) in HOJ to convert an underutilized breakroom into a lactation area. GSA's Paul Woolson and the Job Order Contractor, MTM, renovated the space into a fully functioning lactation room. New furnishings were procured by the DAO for the space through the

GSA Projects office and Tri-County Office furniture. Cynthia Klante, Management Assistant and POC for this project, was very pleased with the end result. Great job by Paul and MTM crew who took the opportunity to deliver Great Service Always to the DAO on this project.



Paul Woolson, GSA Projects with Cynthia Klante, DAO point of contact.



Congratulations to GSA's 2022 Employees of the Year

Congratulations to the employees of the year for 2022 Vanessa Varela, Parks Department, Park Ranger III, Andrew Smith, Senior Accountant, Fiscal and Jill Siela, Facility Operation Specialist II, Maintenance, Facilities and Materials. Their nominating team members and fellow coworkers had plenty to say about the great work these folks do every day.

Vanessa Varela, 2022 Employee of the Year, Line/Field Staff:

Vanessa consistently delivers exceptional customer service and exhibits positive leadership skills. Multifaceted, Vanessa with a Junior Ranger sticker brings joy to any child and equally tackles difficult enforcement scenarios to gain compliant results. She volunteered to break historical schedule hours to pilot a “night watchman” overtime midnight shift. Her dedication provided critical insight, a strong deterrent to illicit activity, and camping guests gave positive feedback on the increased safety. She assisted with the new software implementation to help meet her fellow ranger’s needs. She truly embodies a great Park Ranger and inspires others to take great pride in their work as a Ventura County Parks employee.



Andrew Smith, 2022 Employee of the Year, Administration:

Andrew’s mathematical agility paired with his natural curiosity make Andrew an extraordinary accountant. He lends his expansive wealth of knowledge and expertise to his fellow coworkers daily. Andrew stands with operations every step of the way through rate calculations, budget adjustments, and revenue projections. Andrew spearheaded the technical creation and continued refinement of transparent program rates. Andrew can often discern the right question to ask even before the team articulates its needs which has led to break through insights and trusted communication. His true goal is solely to save the County taxpayers’ money and ensure his team’s reasoning and numbers are honest, sound, and valid. Though quiet by nature, Andrew is so much more than “smart”. He is friendly, kind, has impeccable turn-around time, and is always happy to provide thorough explanations no matter how many times asked.



Jill Siela, 2022 Employee of the Year, Supervision/Management:

Jill embodies the GSA vision to be valued as a reliable, strategic, and innovative partner. With excellent oversight, she consistently maintains the lowest average time of open work orders managing 35 HCA clinics and the Medical Examiner’s Office. With unparalleled communication skills, she bridges the gap with landlords at leased buildings even when GSA is not the contract holder. She exudes customer service and partnership better enabling an enhanced quality of life delivered to county residents. Additionally, Jill led an extensive and prolonged venture to upgrade the Computerized Maintenance Management System (CMMS). Jill’s prowess and diligence led to a positive implementation creating many efficiencies and process improvements. Jill successfully contributes to HCA’s healthcare mission and paved the groundwork for Maintenance to better integrate and internally manage its massive workload through the CMMS upgrade.



2022 Electronic Waste Collection Event



Cyndy Taschman and Ruben Silva sorting through donations of e-waste to recycle.

On November 14th and 15th, in recognition of America Recycles Day, the GSA Special Services Team held another successful E-Waste Collection Event. This event was open to all county employees and members of the public.

Over this two day period, all those who had e-waste were able to drive right up to the GSA Service Building and drop off items directly into waiting bins. This event collected 10,855 lbs. of e-waste, 825

DVD/CDs that have already been donated to the County Library, 617 lbs. of used batteries that were recycled via the Big Green Box, 158 toner cartridges recycled via the County agreement with Staples, 53 writing instruments recycled via our recycling program with Terra Cycle, and 383 lightbulbs, which, while considered hazardous waste, will be disposed of by PWA's Integrated Waste Management, through Special Services' partnership, at no cost to us.

This semi-annual event demonstrates GSA's commitment to the environment and sustainability.

Thank you to all who volunteered and helped make this event a huge success. Stay tuned for information on the next E-Waste Recycling Event in association with Earth Day.



Cyndy Taschman and Ruben Silva accepting donations of e-waste to recycle.



- * **10,855 lbs. of e-waste collected**
- * **617 lbs. of used batteries recycled**
- * **825 DVD/CDs donated to the VC Libraries**

GSA Shows its "Can"-Do Spirit!!



On December 2, 2022, Ventura County FoodShare held its 11th annual CAN-Tree event, with multiple County agencies participating in a little friendly competition to see who could build the most creative holiday trees out of canned goods. While we saw some amazing canned trees, GSA was not ready to concede defeat—vowing to come up with the most creative tree ever... "next year"! In the meantime, everyone who participated donned their holiday hats and holiday spirit, and joined several other County agencies, including Public Works, RMA, CEO, and others, to build trees out of canned goods that were donated to FoodShare to help feed the less fortunate in Ventura County.



Agency Director David Sasek was there to lend a hand, and special thanks go to event coordinators Lieba Butler, Meighan Batinica and Rebecca Moak, who put in lots of time to fundraise money. Thanks also go to all the GSA helpers who came to build trees on the rainy morning of December 2nd—the festive CAN-trees were on public display all weekend in downtown Ventura before being transported to FoodShare.

We look forward to participating again next year!



Above: Tryna Huebner and Jesse Pacheco

Above Right Clockwise:

Director David Sasek, Jesse Pacheco, Tryna Huebner, Rebecca Moak, Lieba Butler, Adrian Bonilla, Diane Grace, JJ Vaivao, Vanessa Varela, Hayden McPherson and Cynthia Rodriguez.

Bottom Right: Diane Grace, Vanessa Varela, Adrian Bonilla & Hayden McPherson



Employees' Years of Service Honored at Annual Awards Ceremony

On December 15, 2022, **GSA** honored its longtime employees celebrating 10 years or more of service at the annual awards ceremony, held in the Lower Plaza Assembly Room at the Hall of Administration. More than 75 GSA and County employees were present to honor 19 agency employees celebrating a combined **405 years of service**, including one employee with a memorable milestone: Maintenance Engineer, Selva Measurall with Facilities and Materials, Maintenance, celebrated her 40-year anniversary with the County.

The annual event featured refreshments from local bakery Nothing Bundt Cakes and was commemorated by **County CEO Dr. Sevet Johnson**, who welcomed the assembled guests and thanked them for dedicating their careers to public service. GSA Director David J. Sasek, Administrative Services Director Greg Bergman, Chief Deputy Director Craig Clutts and Deputy Directors Chris Melton and Colter Chisum presented each honoree with their service award and a special gift. Congratulations to everyone who celebrated a milestone anniversary with the County and with GSA, and best wishes for many more to come!



CEO Dr. Sevet Johnson welcoming GSA to the 2022 Annual Service ceremony.



Kevin Perry graciously accepts his certificate for 20 years of service.



Lorenzo Villa accepts his certificate for 10 years of service.



Nacho Balderrama accepts his certificate for 15 years of service.

Spotlight on:

New Facilities Manager: Tammy Barbey



The Maintenance Division welcomes Tammy Barbey onboard. Tammy is an addition to the Facilities management team and is responsible for work planning and scheduling for the division. She has oversight over MaintStar, the Computerized Maintenance Management System (CMMS) that houses all maintenance data. She will supervise 3 direct reports and reports to Rob Harris.

Tammy fills the missing void in the Maintenance Division. She will take over the large task of monitoring all 20,000-plus work orders received in the division. Her responsibilities will include work order review, priority setting, parts procurement and assignment, labor allocation, and

scheduling. Her team will provide quality control over the process to improve the quality of recorded information, thereby achieving proper forecasting and increased planning over the division managed assets. She will be responsible for report creation, distribution, and analysis; as well as providing input and tracking the capital renewal process. The two current managers will oversee maintenance operational duties and Tammy will oversee all support elements for the division.

Tammy brings experience and a proven track record of success in the area of project management, budget and cost tracking, data-driven decision-making, customer focus, and team collaboration, which will be invaluable in meeting departmental goals and objectives. Before accepting this position, she served as Facility Maintenance Supervisor for the City Of Oxnard and had previously served as Project Coordinator for Ojai Valley Inn Resort, overseeing small everyday projects to multi-million dollar new build projects. Tammy graduated from Ventura College with an Associate in Science degree and has a Certificate from UCLA in Project Management.

Tammy lives here in Ventura County with her husband of 25 years. She has a daughter that is currently attending Purdue University and is a pitcher in their softball program. In Tammy's spare time, she enjoys volunteering for youth programs in our local community and watching her daughter play ball.

New Department, New County Chief Procurement Officer, Deputy Director: Cliff Chroust

Recognizing the growth in volume and importance to the County mission, GSA elevated Procurement from a division within Administration to its own department reporting directly to the Agency Director.

GSA welcomed back Cliff Chroust as the new County Chief Procurement Officer, Deputy Director of Procurement Services after a brief time with The Greater Orlando Aviation Authority where he was Vice President of Procurement at Orlando International Airport. While at the Authority he worked to restructure the purchasing function and revise procurement policy to improve efficiency and transparency.

He has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics from the University of California at Santa Barbara and a Master of Business Administration from Chapman University in Orange, CA. He is also a Certified Project Management Professional and both a certified buyer and a certified contract manager. While with the State of Florida, he worked on implementation of the Six Sigma DMAIC methodology for quality improvement in State Purchasing.

Cliff grew up in Oak Pak and lives in Thousand Oaks with his wife and 3 young children. In his time off you can find him in the outdoors with his family hiking, fishing, and camping around the county.



We are very excited to be welcoming Cliff back to the County team to head this new Procurement department.

New Generator at Sisar Park



Fleet Mechanics carefully trek up the Sisar Peak Mountain

GSA Fleet Services partnered with the Agriculture Department and ITSD to solve a unique, difficult problem in an innovative and cost-effective fashion through technical expertise and teamwork.

In June 2022, IT Services Department (ITSD), ordered a new generator to replace the failed one on Sisar Peak, an over 2,500 feet mountain top between Ojai and Santa Paula. The problem was the new generator would not be delivered for another ten to twelve months. A back-up, diesel generator was in place but during the upcoming winter months there is no access to Sisar Peak for fuel delivery. ITSD needed an outside-the-box solution to ensure there was no disruption of service.

Fleet Operations manager Jorge Bonilla, Fleet supervisor Jeff Brown, and ITSD assembled a group of experts to figure out a solution to this tricky situation. Fleet's Alfredo Jauregui, Jose Acosta, Maeco August, Kevin Perry, and Andrew Leon devised and implemented an impressive full County team plan. Fleet contacted the Agriculture Department to borrow a crane truck and trailer. Fleet worked with the Camarillo Airport to remove and borrow an unused existing generator there. Together, the new generator was expertly transported to Sisar Peak.

The nine mile trek up the rugged steep mountainside road took over two hours to reach their destination. The Fleet team of mechanics successfully installed the new generator to last during the winter months with no disruption of service.



Fleet Mechanics carefully trek up the Sisar Peak Mountain



Delivery of generator



Connecting fittings: Samuel Garcia and Maeco



Sisar Peak Mountain job site.



The team pictured with Chris Melton, Fleet Deputy Director, far right and David Sasek, GSA Director, far left, received a GSA Director's Challenge Coin for their leadership and all their hard work.

- Jorge Bonilla** Fleet Operations Manager
- Maeco August** HE Mechanic II
- Jeff Brown** Fleet Supervisor
- Andrew Leon** Garage Attendant
- Alfredo Jauregui** HE Senior Mechanic
- Jose Acosta** Senior Parts Specialist
- Kevin Perry** HE Mechanic II (not pictured)



Customer Service Shout

The Parks Department Maintenance Team really stepped up these past couple weeks to prepare the seawall south of Solimar Beach for a graphic mural depicting Ventura County sealife. **Fernando Naranjo, Orlando Gonzales-Martinez, Jose Velasco, Caleb Newcomb, and Adrian Bonilla** worked tirelessly to repair the cracked seawall to create a smooth surface for the paint application. Thank you team for your great work and Customer Service. Thank you, the **Jeri Cooper**, for finding this great artist and providing great Leadership and Innovation on this project.

A huge thank you and highlight the Grounds Team, **Jade Alamillo, Antonio Barajas, Juan Rivera, Sabino Benitez**, for their great work keeping all the storm drains clean and free of debris during our rain event. This helped keep parking lots, roadways, and buildings from flooding in our County Facilities. It reflects the great Customer Service, Stewardship and personal attention they provide to their customers.

A big thank you to **Kenny Schmidt and Warren Falk** for repairing a broken door at the Central Motorpool Kiosk. Just before the end of the day Motorpool received a call one of the doors would not close and as a result all the keys were exposed. A quick call was made to Kenny, and he and Warren immediately drove there and repaired the hinges on the door, securing the Motorpool keys.



Our former CEO's Assistant, **Veronica Gonzalez** wrote after **Carol King** created a Motorpool account for Dr. **Sevet Johnson**: "This is wonderful. I was so pleasantly surprised!! Thank you, Carol and team again for going above and beyond!!!! GSA Team is Excellent and Rocks!!!!"

Carol answered Veronica's several questions during the setup and reservation use with promptness and clarity. Carol King and Andrew Leon cleaned and fueled the vehicle ahead of Dr. Johnson's reservation.

Vet office, Foster and Pet Food Pantry volunteer Sally wants to thank Darren Downey from General Services, who came to the rescue of her team doing Kitten Foster Rechecks in a hot room with an air conditioner on the fritz. Somehow, Darren was able to find an air conditioning unit that afternoon, to keep the team and the kittens cool and comfortable. Thank you Darren for the wonderful Customer Service and Leadership and Innovation.

Maintenance vendor Jason De Villiers wrote that he was impressed with the service, attention to detail, and dedication displayed by Accounting Assistant Eric Alamillo. Eric cared to follow up with Jason who promptly submitted the forms. Eric exhibited the values of Stewardship, Customer Service, and Partnership. I believe that this is the first time I've seen a note like this from a vendor for our employee highlights. Great work Eric!!

Over the past 2 weeks during the worst of the winter storms our Standby (after hours on call) Engineers **Brian Earles and Frank Macias** did a stellar job juggling all the rain related emergencies as well as the non-rain related workload. At one point Frank was stranded in Ventura when the 101 was closed in both directions. He slept in his car and still responded to all the calls. Special mention to **Michael Palacio** for answering the call when Frank and Brian needed help. **Brent Clements** also answered a call at 3 am to respond to a power outage at 1911 Williams Dr. During the 1911 outage, Brian called Brent for help trouble shooting and resetting the main as well as **Nelson Salonga** for the proper procedure to reset the main. Lee Ramer also responded to the power outage because of the medical refrigerator alarms. So great job to Brent, Nelson and Lee for participating in getting power back at 1911 Williams Dr. This is the epitome of Great Service Always, specifically Customer Service!

Shout out to Ellen Reclusado and Janina Gonzalez. We received a note from Bobbie McQueen, Information Processing Operator-IV in HOJ: "I want to complement one of your staff members, Ellen Reclusado. She does an amazing job every day keeping our restrooms supplied with necessities as well as sparkling clean throughout the day. The elevators including the receptacles at the elevators shine and are emptied regularly. I have yet to see a mess anywhere near a trash receptacle! I am so impressed with Ellen's work ethic as well as her bright personality, I wanted to let you know how lucky Ventura County is to have her as part of the staff! I have been working 100% from home since the pandemic but have been coming in for the last two weeks to train a new employee. I immediately noticed how shiny and well-stocked everything was day after day. I was able to track down Ellen and thank her personally for the great job she does for us consistently. Thank you for the amazing Customer Service and Stewardship. I want to thank you, Janina Gonzalez, as well for being a great leader as it reflects positively in your staff."

We received from Dwayne Conary: "Jesse Chavez was awesome!! He did a great job with the contractors and keeping me informed of progress of the fan room floor epoxy application so I knew when work was happening and I could time my "drop in" visits. I know I am not telling you anything you don't already know. But I wanted to say it anyway. Far too many people voice their complaints when things go wrong, and not enough people say anything when things are done well. Jesse did a great job and was key in the successful completion of this project." Jesse truly demonstrated the value of Partnership during this project.



Movin' & Shakin' –

Who's coming, who's going in GSA

NEW HIRES

Administrative Services: Administration

Aaron Wilson, Public Service Intern

Mail Center

Jose Roberto Lopez, Courier II

Document Management

Lauren Fisher, Inventory Management Assistant III

Facilities and Materials: Maintenance

Gabriela Cervantes, Office Assistant III

Tamarra Barbey, Staff-Services Manager I

Kevin Powell, Public Service Intern Special Services

James Dollar, Staff Services Manager II

Housekeeping

James Szatkowski, Custodian II

Daniel Wiggins, Custodian II

Grounds

Juan Manuel Rivera, Maintenance Worker II

Adrian Grimaldo, Management Assistant II

Fleet Operations:

Carlos Montiel, Student Worker III
Colin Weber, Program Administrator III

Hector Murillo Medina, Auto Service Worker

Raul Avalos, Student Worker III

Ian Navarro, Student Worker III

Andrew Leon, Garage Attendant
Joseph Ponce, Garage Attendant
Heavy Equipment

Lon Ralston, Heavy Equipment
Garage Attendant

Kasten, Steven, Heavy Equipment
Mechanic I

Parks Operations:

Martin Smith, Parks Maintenance Worker I

Jacob Passantino, Maintenance Worker II

Monica Demetry, Parks Services Ranger I

Christian Gonzalez, Maintenance Worker III

Arika Benavidez, Technical Specialist IV-PH

Procurement:

Peter Berry, Purchasing Technician I

Cliff Chroust, Chief Procurement Officer, Deputy Director

Gabriel Pena, Buyer

PROMOTIONS

Administrative Services Administration

Chastity Gaynor, Accountant I

Mail Center

Ali Esquivel, Clerical Supervisor I

Facilities and Materials Maintenance

Edward Olafsson, Certified Bldg. Maint. Eng.

Fleet Operations Heavy Equipment

Joshua Foutch, Heavy Equipment Mechanic I

Parks Operations

Nicolas Grandin, Park Services Ranger I

Joshua Walker, Park Services Ranger II

Procurement

Samantha Crostic, Buyer

RESIGNATIONS / SEPARATIONS / TRANSFERS

Administrative Service

Quynh Linton, Accountant II
Anthony Requena

Facilities and Materials

Cynthia Rodriguez

Christian Cruz

Paul Anda

Armando Garcia Jimenez

Arian Ayala

Jacquelyn Nunez

Fiscal

Shannon Tahkar

Fleet

Miguel Sanchez

Jeff Dawson

Parks

Patricia Monsour

Procurement

Bettina Vicencio

RETIREMENTS

Fleet

Ricard Vasquez

Procurement

Maria Moreno

*Spotlight on...
Retiring Employees*



Maria Moreno,
Accounting Manager II, Fiscal
Retirement Date: November 12,
2022 after 35 Years of Service

What's New in Parks?



Rincon Beautification Project – A Mural in the Making

The Rincon Parkway has been long known for its beautiful beaches, ample day use parking, surfside camping and abundant sea life. In recent years, it has also been known for copious amounts of graffiti and vandalism painted onto the seawall. In an effort to ensure the continued beauty of the Rincon, Ventura County Parks embarked on a mural project with local artist, Lisa Kelly, to capture that natural beauty of the area and memorialize it. "I was pleasantly surprised when Jeri asked if I was interested in painting the wall and well yeah, hang out at the beach everyday and paint pictures on the wall, it is fun," said Kelly.

What began with a paper sketch was transformed into an amazing art piece featuring a variety of sea life, beach-goers recreating, local residents, and a student doing a beach clean-up. At the completion of the mural, an anti-graffiti coating was applied to ensure that any vandalism could be easily removed. Since the installation of the mural, which is located in the Day Use Parking area south of Solimar Beach, there has been no tagging effectively solving a regularly occurring issue in this area. Ventura County Parks has a continued commitment to beautify County Parks and will be embarking on the next mural project in the near future .

Contact Us

If you have questions about park projects, please e-mail Colter Chisum at colter.chisum@ventura.org. All other inquires can be directed to the appropriate e-mail address or phone number listed below.

Park Reservations Line:
(805) 654-3951
(to reserve group day-use areas and individual campsites)
Park Ranger Desk:
(805) 672-2071
Park Maintenance Desk:
(805) 672-2073
General Questions and Comments:
county.parks@ventura.org

Visit us on the web at:
www.ventura.org/general-services-agency/parks-department.



The Culprit: fire main origin of underground leak



Vanguard Saga

On Sunday, October 31, 2021, around 8:30 AM, a Security Rover noticed water exiting the building located at 1400 Vanguard Dr in Oxnard, CA. County of Ventura Human Services Agency (HSA) occupied the facility, commonly known as "Vanguard." What happened that day contributed to catastrophic damage on the first floor from a combination of water and natural soils.

Maintenance arrived on scene and found the main fire sprinkler riser line underground had ruptured on the North side of the building. The rise of the outside soil into the building coupled with the power of the water flow created a large sink hole under the building foundation. Water and soil went through the main riser sleeve through the concrete slab flooding the entire first floor. Offices closest to the riser room had about 5 inches of debris.

Maintenance turned off the water. QwikResponse, water restoration services, were on the floor within the hour with a crew of 50+ employee's hands deep in soil. The crew assisted HSA pack employee's cubicle belongings and move out all saturated Herman Miller modular furniture including 160 cubicles. Water was extracted and all flooring was removed down to concrete; dryers, fans and dehumidifiers were brought in to remove moisture. Damaged drywall (3' to 4' high) was removed and even tile walls and flooring in all restrooms removed.



Damage to 1st floor spaces

Just to start work, three air conditioning condensers had to be temporarily removed to access the work area of the ruptured pipe. The start of the riser was buried under the building which required excavation and shoring in to perform required repairs. It was noted there was no seal between the PVC sleeve and the fire riser, which allowed water to enter inside the building when the pipe failed outside underground near the "thrust" block.

Remediation/repair work was completed by multiple contractors:

- QwikResponse – water and soil remediation
- Tri County Office Furniture – moving services
- EMCOR – server room coverage
- J&H Engineering – parking lot clean up
- MTM Construction Inc. – General Construction
- Alliance Environmental – Environmental Health clearances
- COSCO Fire Protection – outside underground piping and sink hole work



Remediated area on 1st floor

Vanguard 2nd floor empty/cleared



Repurposed adjustable tables

By the 2nd week of November, our General Contractor MTM took lead to complete required electrical damage repairs and insulation and drywall repairs. At this time, GSA was advised HSA staff would no longer be returning to the Vanguard building. MTM's scope halted and then minimized to just interior drywall replacement, painting, and window glazing to repair peeling and bubbling caused by the excess moisture in the building. MTM completed their portion of the repair work and was off the floor by mid-January, 2022.

To conclude the Vanguard saga, in July 2022, HSA contacted GSA Projects to manage their vacating of the Vanguard building, including emptying and removing 21 storage containers in the parking lot. GSA Projects Group managed vendor costs and project scheduling to remove all the assembled systems furniture on the 2nd floor in addition to all items left on the flood damaged 1st floor. GSA Surplus was able to reuse much of the seating and height adjustable tables, however much of the furniture was 20+ years old or out of the manufacturer's warranty so deemed of little or no value and recycled. A total of 128 height adjustable tables were reused, saving the County about \$89,600. The contractor completed the project on time and \$79K under budget.

