



CASE STUDY:

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With a complex construction project, an owner's representative is an essential member of the team.

When you think about a construction project called an Earth Retention System, few people are going to know the first place to start. While on staff construction management and architecture teams have years of experience sometimes projects come along that challenge even those talented individuals. When that happens, it's best to have a teammate who has the specialty knowledge and expertise to handle even the most difficult and obscure construction management challenges.

The Project: Earth Retention System at Gallaudet University designed to stabilize a piece of land to enable new construction on it and prevent further damage to an adjacent parking garage.

The Need: Because of the scope of the project, Gallaudet needed help determining where to start with the project. They needed assistance identifying who could do the kind of highly specialized work that was involved and do it well and on time. Once the potential contractors were identified, Gallaudet needed assistance bidding the project and managing its overall oversight.

The Solution: Owner representative firm, Artisan Partners.

The Value: The Artisan Partners team knows (1.) how to get a construction project started – regardless of its scope and complexity, (2.) how to manage projects with the owner's best interests in mind and (3.) how to get projects completed on time and on budget.

To do that, the Artisan Partners team brought expertise in managing the critical initial components of the construction project from researching, identifying and assembling a list of potential contractors. Artisan Partners knew that the best resource for this complex project was going to be a specialist in heavy civil engineering and they helped identify the right one that represented the best fit. Additionally, Artisan coordinated the details of the bidding process crafting the specifications for the proposal solicitation that was sent to the list of qualified bidders. With these project pieces in place, Artisan Partners placed Gallaudet University in a strong position to have the most qualified contractors hired for the complicated Earth Retention System project.

PROJECT SPOTLIGHT:



"Complex projects allow us to really deliver extra value to our clients. When a client isn't sure where to start or how to finish because of the difficulty level of a project we use our experience to chart the best, most cost-effective course while being their advocate on the construction site."

Geoff Azaroff
Principal, Artisan Partners

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