



**ANIMAL SHELTER**  
of northeast nebraska  
*For the Love of Animals*

Animal Shelter of Northeast Nebraska  
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To Whom It May Concern:

To properly address the exceptional service Beckenhauer Construction provided for the Animal Shelter of Northeast Nebraska (ASNN), I must explain our history with them and how they were a catalyst to our success.

The ASNN originally started with a plan to build new construction. This was when we approached various construction companies for a bid. As a struggling non-profit, we needed more than just a construction company willing to do the job. We needed a partner to help us stretch our donor's dollars as far as we possibly could and someone to be the experts where we weren't. We decided on Beckenhauer because they understood that. They knew they would be doing additional work to find us better than the best deals around and were happy to do it.

They started with a list of things that needed to be done and company contacts so that we could reach out for in-kind support. They were patient as donations take a lot longer than regular transactions and guided us through the entire process. After a substantial amount of ground work had been done for the new construction, we changed our plans and decided to renovate an existing facility instead. This change started the process all over again with planning and materials needed. Beckenhauer was not only patient with our changes but their trusted judgement was a substantial part of that decision process.

The ASNN was only renovating part of the facility and this required some creativity to ensure the newly renovated part wouldn't be damaged by the older-out-of-code part we did not have the funds to touch. Our Superintendent, Terry Sparks, and the Project Manager, Ben Fink, were instrumental in fixing problems that came up, sometimes with just the tools and supplies in their truck. These guys also created specialized equipment for us as an animal shelter, knowing that our unique needs wouldn't be satisfied with something that already existed.

Ultimately, our project was under budget and finished on schedule (including donated labor and materials), but what Beckenhauer was and continues to be for us is so much more than that. They continue to be our go-to handy men and experts on any problem that may arise since the construction has finished, whether it had to do with their project or not. When you spend this kind of money, you want a partner for your venture who can be the expert where you aren't and trusted to make the best decisions for your business. Beckenhauer was and continues to be that for the ASNN and much more.

Sincerely,

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