

30 MOST ARCHITECTURALLY IMPRESSIVE PRISONS IN THE WORLD

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14. KENTON COUNTY DETENTION CENTER, COVINGTON, KENTUCKY, USA



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U.S. architectural firm **Brandstetter Carroll Inc.** replaced the old multi-story jail in Covington, Kentucky with an attractive new facility. The new institution is double the size of the initial one and, taking inspiration from an institution in Florida, features state-of-the-art technology programming, too. It also has energy-efficient elements, such as insulated load-bearing panels on its façade, motion-sensitive lighting and a roof that regulates temperature – and it's hoped that these innovations could save up to \$100,000 in annual costs. Plans for a new jail in the area had been in the works since 1984, but the finished article didn't open until 2010. Now, it can house up to 630 male and female adult inmates.