

**DESTACO**

## Like Clockwork

**Efficient scheduling is always important, but for some projects you need a contractor that can make the timetable work like a well-oiled machine.**



DESTACO produces manufacturing fixtures and clamps for use in the automotive industry. With an ultimate goal of consolidating their production, being closer to their clients and reducing their number of facilities, they acquired a property in Mount Juliet that was a good fit for a new production facility and office space.

Since they were closing down another facility and wanted to shift work to their new site without any downtime, financially there was a lot riding on finishing the project on time. The Carden Company team got access to the site in early June, and DESTACO wanted to begin production in mid-October, so Carden had to beat the clock.

Preventing gaps in the work schedule meant right-on-time scheduling of subs. To make things just a little more complicated, there were actually 2 projects going on simultaneously, since the office and manufacturing areas were being worked by different crews. “We had to make sure we had the right people on the job, the right number of people when we needed them,” said Architect Giselle Newman of Supportive DesiGN. “That was critical.”

Another special feature of the project was a set of confidentiality parameters included in the contract that we, as their builder, had to stay within from start to finish. All our personnel and all subs had to sign a confidentiality agreement before work could begin. “This project was so confidential that we did not even know the name of the company or our contacts until construction started,” said Gary Carden.

John Gray, the owner’s representative for the project, appreciated how Carden handled the time constraints. “They would attack things early. And they’d communicate with us at the weekly meetings. They did a really good job of buffering us from the time pressures they were feeling – even though they told us about them,” he said. “We were shutting down a facility and there was a date we had to hit. We were able to start production October 12, as planned.”

He summed up this experience working with Carden, “I relied on their expertise and I was able to communicate clearly with them – I feel like we had a very positive business relationship. It was very direct and we understood each other. There were some change orders that came up but I appreciated the way they were handled. I felt good about it. And I still feel good about it.”

**When your project is challenging, call Carden.**

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