



CASE STUDY: VALUE

COX INSURANCE ASSOCIATES OFFICES

1639 Larpenteur Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota

Originally Built: 1950

Renovated: 2010

Project Size: 12,000 sq. ft.

Project Cost: \$2.7 million

Project Owner: Ric Cox



ADAPTING THE PAST FOR TODAY'S NEEDS.

Originally built in 1950, the Cox Insurance Associates offices underwent a complete redesign in 2010, refurbishing a relic of the past into a modern building for tomorrow. The renovation gave the building a unique exterior, combined with a contemporary interior design for today's workers. While the building's aesthetic may have needed a facelift, the original structure demonstrates the strength and durability of concrete over time

01. Stands the test of time.

Concrete structures are designed to last for centuries. When the building's owners wanted to update the structure, they didn't need to worry about making structural changes; instead they could focus their resources on exterior and interior modifications, new windows and an updated mechanical system.

02. Functional and stylish by design.

The structure of the building is supported by board formed concrete walls with a Cor-Ten steel exterior wall penetrating through the building into a conference room. This building technique not only gives the structure a modern look, it makes it more resilient.

03. A safer structure.

Builders chose concrete because it is more sustainable and provides the building more structural integrity. Additionally, concrete is fire-resistant and will keep building occupants safer in the event of a natural disaster.

04. Easy exteriors.

A stucco finish was added to the building's concrete exterior, giving the structure a beautiful finish without the need for additional materials. Concrete exteriors are also low maintenance, which saves the building's owner money over time.