

Construction starts on retreat center

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The Green Shoe Foundation of Oklahoma City held a groundbreaking ceremony for its new retreat center at 645 NE 63rd St. in Oklahoma City. (Photo by Brent Fuchs)

OKLAHOMA CITY – The Green Shoe Foundation of Oklahoma City has started construction on the 7,500-square-foot Green Shoe Retreat Center on 10 acres of land at 645 NE 63rd St. in Oklahoma City.

The nonprofit organization plans to offer up to six free self-discovery and transformational change retreats a week.

The Green Shoe Foundation is the recipient of the 2017 Dr. Murali Krishna Eliminating the Stigma Award.

The Green Shoe Foundation hosts five-day events that promote transformational change, focusing on personal growth, self-actualization and self-realization.

The Green Shoe Retreat Center was designed by Kerr 3 Design. The contractor is Clyde Riggs Construction and Johnson & Associates are providing engineering services.

Guests at a groundbreaking ceremony for the center included Gov. Mary Fallin, Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Commissioner Terri White, Oklahoma City Mayor Mick Cornett, state Sen. Anastasia Pittman, District Judge Kenneth Stoner, Oklahoma City Councilmember John Pettis, County Commissioner Brian Maughan, state Rep. Jason Lowe and Green Shoe founder and board Chairman Chad Richison.

“Green Shoe is passionate about addressing barriers that hamper our ability to lead healthier and happier lives,” White said. “Their commitment to healing and personal growth is extremely important.”

The nonprofit organization is accepting capital campaign donations for the construction of the retreat center.