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PBS Hawaii announces general contractor for NEW HOME construction project

PBS Hawaii has selected a general contractor for the construction of its future home on Nimitz Highway and Sand Island Access Road.

Allied Builders System, a locally and employee-owned company, was chosen from a field of 13 interested general contractors.

“We are so pleased to be working with a great company,” said Robbie Alm, Chair of the PBS Hawaii Board of Directors. “They have a proud record of outstanding work in this community and we really wanted to do this project with a company who will be a true partner in the building of our new home.”

Construction at the site of the former KFVE Newsplex will be underway by year’s end, with completion in 2016. The existing one-story structure will be renovated and expanded to include a second story, for a total of 30,000 square feet under roof. The building will house a main television studio and a smaller interview studio; an emergency broadcast center; and a Media Innovation Center, which will serve Hawaii’s students through the station’s flagship statewide student news initiative, HIKI NŌ. Allied will work with Atlanta-based media integration firm TI Broadcast Solutions for the project’s broadcast design technology.

The statewide public television station, which is on an expiring lease with the University of Hawaii at Manoa, has successfully raised more than 75 percent of its \$30 million capital campaign goal. PBS Hawaii is continuing to accept contributions online at PBSHawaii.org/newhome, or at (808) 955-0500.

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