

Presidential Towers consists of four residential towers connected by sky bridges. The original landscape installed in 1984 was outdated and the customers wanted a more up-todate look. The center atrium had four planters and a central fountain. The new design required removal of all the existing plantings and installation of a new central fountain. This fountain would be graced with a 50- by 50-foot sloping planter. Special drainage and 160 yards of custom bamboo soil mix was installed prior to planting.

Planting consisted of 250 canes of Phyllostackys nigra 'Henon,' 1,200 Ficus pumila repans, 300 Cissus rhombifolia and 102 seasonal flowers. Sky bridges and other areas were also redone using hybrid aglaonema and walls of bougainvilla.

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What made this project difficult was that all 160 yards of material had to come in through a 32-foot door. Work was done while the building was occupied so that people were always watching and safety was paramount. Bamboo was installed early in the morning to utilize the front doors.

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Ongoing maintenance is performed by the service crew, with special services being done between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. **2**