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At American Structurepoint, we thrive on the complexity of projects, and we draw from a deep well of resources to solve them.

One recent example is the Indiana University auxiliary library. Our team was responsible for expanding the facility to continue safely and securely storing rare films, textiles, and books. Our innovative architects drew from their extensive knowledge of the higher education industry to provide 300,000 cubic feet of world-class archival storage.

The Indiana University auxiliary library is one of the few three-level archival storage facilities in the country. The facility houses more than \$1 billion worth of rare books, films, textiles, and art, ranging from Glenn Close's personal collection of movie wardrobes to Native American remains that are in the process of being returned to their tribes.

Our team designed the facility to keep each, separate level at a precise temperature and humidity level, depending on the items it houses. The design also includes space for a forklift to move inside, and sliding doors maximize the space and security of each level. The building is constructed entirely of neutral materials that will not interact with the collections, meaning no rubber, plastic, or wood is used anywhere in the facility.

With a vast inventory of rare items, researchers are able to access the artifacts in three secure study rooms, and all collections are stored in acid-free, lignin-free, pH-balanced boxes. These boxes help make certain that rare items do not break down or become yellow over time.

By taking the time to understand our client's vision, American Structurepoint delivered a best-in-class facility that protects millions of treasured artifacts.



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