

Combine Masonry with Structural Concrete

Why hire two separate contractors for concrete and masonry services when Ceco Concrete can get the job done faster and easier? By choosing masonry as an added service, our structural concrete clients benefit from enhanced project scheduling and site coordination as well as increased structural integrity—up to and including window tolerances and the stucco finish.

CECO FLORIDA HAS BEEN OFFERING MASONRY as an added service since 2016 and self-performing masonry work since 2018. Notable projects include Rocky Point in Tampa, 3550 S. Ocean in Palm Beach, The Ray Hotel in Delray Beach, Marina Walk Apartments in St. Petersburg and 790 E. Broward in Ft. Lauderdale.

HOW IT WORKS

The structural concrete for a project is generally awarded several months ahead of the masonry package. When the work is awarded to separate entities, the result is two trades working around each other on the jobsite, each focused on their own scope of work. Because the structural concrete begins first, bringing in the masonry contractor later in the project schedule can lead to change orders after the structural concrete is poured, which can be costly and time-consuming.

When the structural concrete and masonry work is packaged together, the client has one less subcontractor to manage. The project benefits from more seamless coordination between the two scopes and higher-quality connections where the two structural components meet. Ceco's Concrete and Masonry divisions work together as a team, constantly coordinating with each other to eliminate tolerance issues, which allows the stucco to start sooner.

When the masonry work is awarded to Ceco along with the structural concrete, the Ceco team can review the masonry schedule and resolve design requests for information (RFIs) earlier in the process. The layout



for masonry sleeving is incorporated into Ceco structural concrete planning, which includes the structural concrete BIM model to produce a timely and accurate layout. This allows for early conflict resolution.

THE CECO ADVANTAGE

Safety. When you choose Ceco for your project, you have a contractor with the highest safety standards and commitment in the industry. To ensure crews are meeting and exceeding safety guidelines, Ceco performs daily, weekly and monthly safety audits and necessary training.

Cost. Adding Ceco's masonry service helps:

- Cut remedial costs and punch list callbacks because the coordinated work minimizes offsets between the concrete and masonry block.
- Minimize conflicts since multiple subcontractors aren't splitting the charge of shared equipment, laydown areas, scaffolding and staging.
- Increase purchasing power with CMU suppliers that also provide concrete for Ceco's projects.
- Reduce the expense of awarding two separate contracts.

To learn more about Ceco's Plus masonry added services, contact Ceco: Tampa at 813-622-8080 or South Florida at 813-622-8080.



To provide perimeter protection against hurricanes, masonry blocks are set, reinforced and those cells are grouted full of concrete.