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## New Justice Center getting a “green” roof

Mayor Nickels kicks off rooftop planting

Seattle – Mayor Greg Nickels today planted the first plant on the roof of Seattle’s new Justice Center located on Fifth Avenue, between Cherry and James Streets.

“The new Justice Center is an excellent example of a sustainable building and the rooftop is its crowning glory. The low-maintenance plants we’re planting will insulate the roof and the rainwater from the roof will be harvested for use on the plaza. Sustainable buildings not only save us in operating costs, but they make sense for the environment and for people,” said Mayor Nickels.

Besides the “green” roof, the Justice Center’s other sustainable features include a “second skin” on the west façade that allows for maximum natural light and views while regulating solar heat gain, the use of recycled concrete and carpet made from recycled materials.