



Northwest Vital Records Center, Inc owns this 30 acre, decommissioned NIKE Missile site. It has three underground vaults with 12 above ground steel buildings housing nearly 2 million boxes of records.

Within the 30 acre complex, we have been approved to develop over 5.6 million cubic feet of records storage. Our buildings are steel structured and meet or exceed the universal building codes for this type of building. At an average of 1.2 cubic feet per storage box, that gives the ability to store almost 4.8 million more boxes of records.



Northwest Vital Records Center, Inc owns the surrounding undeveloped 200 acres. This was to ensure the security of the location as well as provide for future growth.



The company started as Northwest Microfilm, Inc in the business of filming and processing microfilm over 40 years ago. Our customers requested the ability to store records as well as film them. Due to the growth of the business, the NIKE site was purchased in the early 1970's to house both the records and the microfilm service bureau. As microfilm was coming to an end, we changed the name to Northwest Vital Records Center, Inc to reflect what our current business has become.



We still use many of the original structures, such as the barracks building. Our administration and receiving departments utilize this building. It also serves as a check-in point for anyone visiting the site, as it is a secure facility.



The entire 30 acre complex is surrounded by a 6 foot chain link fence topped with barbed wire. We have caretakers on site 24/7 as well as dogs that are released at night to patrol the complex to deter any unauthorized visitors.



Our new building style is shown above. They are all steel construction and are 104' by 171'. This design allows us to store your records on properly installed steel shelving. Maximizing the amount we store per building but protecting the integrity of the boxes your records are stored in.



The records are securely stored on shelving. Every shelf and every row is identified and correlates with our storage tracking software. Your records are easily retrievable by our trained staff.



Your boxes of records are bar-coded and entered in to our storage tracking software. Complete storage or activity reports are available at anytime. We are able to track your records from the day we receive them until such time as you destroy them.

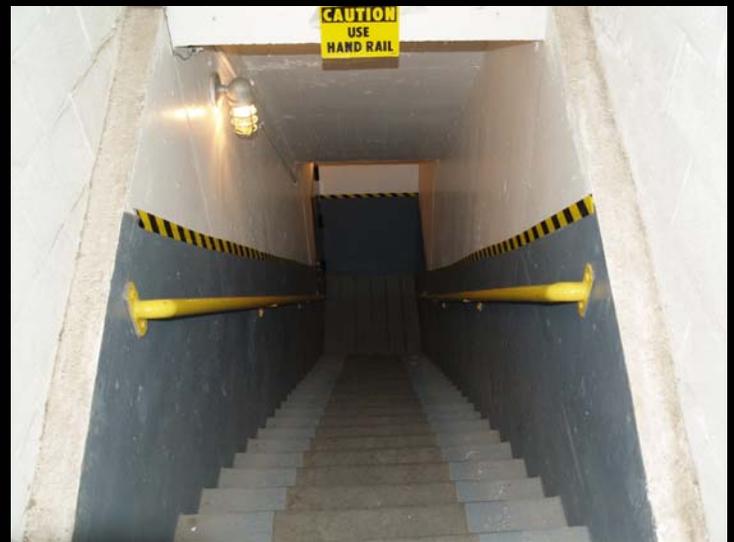


Our facility is completely alarmed for both fire and intrusion. If an alarm is set-off, the proper agency is notified automatically. Our fire detection system exceeds the universal building code for advanced warning.

All of our staff have had background checks and have signed confidentiality agreements. Constant training occurs in regards to the ever changing privacy laws.



The uniqueness of the NIKE missile sites were their underground storage of the missiles. This picture is of the top of the elevator. The elevators are about 50 feet long and ten feet wide and were used to bring the missiles to the surface so they could be launched. Our site has three missile bays.



The missile bays also have surface entrances. The bays descend approximately thirty feet underground, down the stairwell as pictured.



The missile bays were the first storage areas used on the site. As the business grew and the bays filled, the buildings were built on top of them, as we continued to grow to house more and more records.

The picture above shows the underside of the doors that open to allow the elevator to raise to the top. The elevator is raised by a single cylinder driven by hydraulics. The missiles would have been staged on either side of the elevator where the records currently reside.