



### - OVERVIEW -

"The heart of a thriving city, the library connects and inspires the community to transform lives." Waukesha Public Library embraces a Vision Statement that is both timeless and future-oriented:

generations, and 2021 marks the institution's 125th year of service. The Library already claims a long track record doing exactly that. It has anchored downtown Waukesha for

additions and renovations (most recently, in 2005 and 2010) have expanded the space to more than 70,000 sq. ft. each generation. While the original Carnegie façade remains an integral and beloved part of the institution, five Its services — and the physical footprint on Wisconsin Avenue — have changed along with the evolving needs of

Waukesha residents In each case, the capital reinvestment paid high dividends in the form of enhanced services and amenities for

community. many as the growing City's de facto community center. The Library is seeking \$1.5 million in private support to renovate the building's first floor and equip the institution for the next chapter of exemplary service to the Now more than ever, the Library is one of Waukesha's most beloved and well-used public assets - and is seen by

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## **Snapshot: Waukesha Public Library**

variety of ways. Illustrative data points (2019) include: Residents appreciate and support their Library. No less important, they use it – regularly and in a

✓ Population served: 91,964

✓ Card holders: 43,835 (48% of service population)

√ Total visits: 380,262 (approx. 1,042 per day)

4th highest circulation of all public libraries in Wisconsin!

√ Total circulation: 1,038,411 (approx. 2,845 items per day)

Reference materials accessed: 59,693 (approx. 164 per day)

 $\checkmark$  Public Computer use: 32,208 hours (approx. 88 hours per day on multiple devices)

√ 1,031 programs (about 20 per week)

✓ Program attendance tripled in the last 10 years (from 19,494 in '09 to 56,331 in '19)

## **Project Background**

expansion: In 2001-2005, the Library commenced a two-phase renovation and

**PHASE 1:** The first phase added a new central entryway, a teen zone, new collection areas, and a partial renovation of meeting rooms

**PHASE 2:** Plans for Phase 2 included renovation of the second-story underway. unrealized enhancements form the basis of the renovations now improvements to the ground floor that never came to fruition. These Children's Library (completed in 2012), along with significant

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### This Campaign

for everyone to learn, explore and grow. our community's central place to impact lives and provide opportunities This is an exciting time for the community to reinvest in its library as

We are committed to completing Phase 2 of this project, which includes:

- Demonstration kitchen for all ages
- Innovation Lab equipped with in-demand technologies and crafting tools
- Repair and enhancements to the rotunda entrance space
- Expansion of the 60-capacity meeting room to a 180-seat space
- Four new conference rooms for group meetings of various sizes
- Multi-use and modular public spaces
- Dedicated spaces for community art

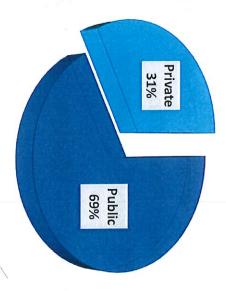


# A Public/Private Partnership

to match the full project price tag. additional \$1.5 million in private dollars demolition and building costs. The Library must secure an The City of Waukesha has put forward \$3.3 million towards design,

PROJECT REVENUE





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#### **Project Costs**

Construction - \$4,162,000

√ Overall Renovation of 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

√ Rotunda Entrance Repairs, including Front Panels

✓ Local History Room Renovation

√ Ceilings and Efficient LED Lighting

Furnishings, Fixtures and Equipment - \$280,000 Design Fees - \$353,000

