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COMMUNITY.  
OUR  
CORNERSTONE.

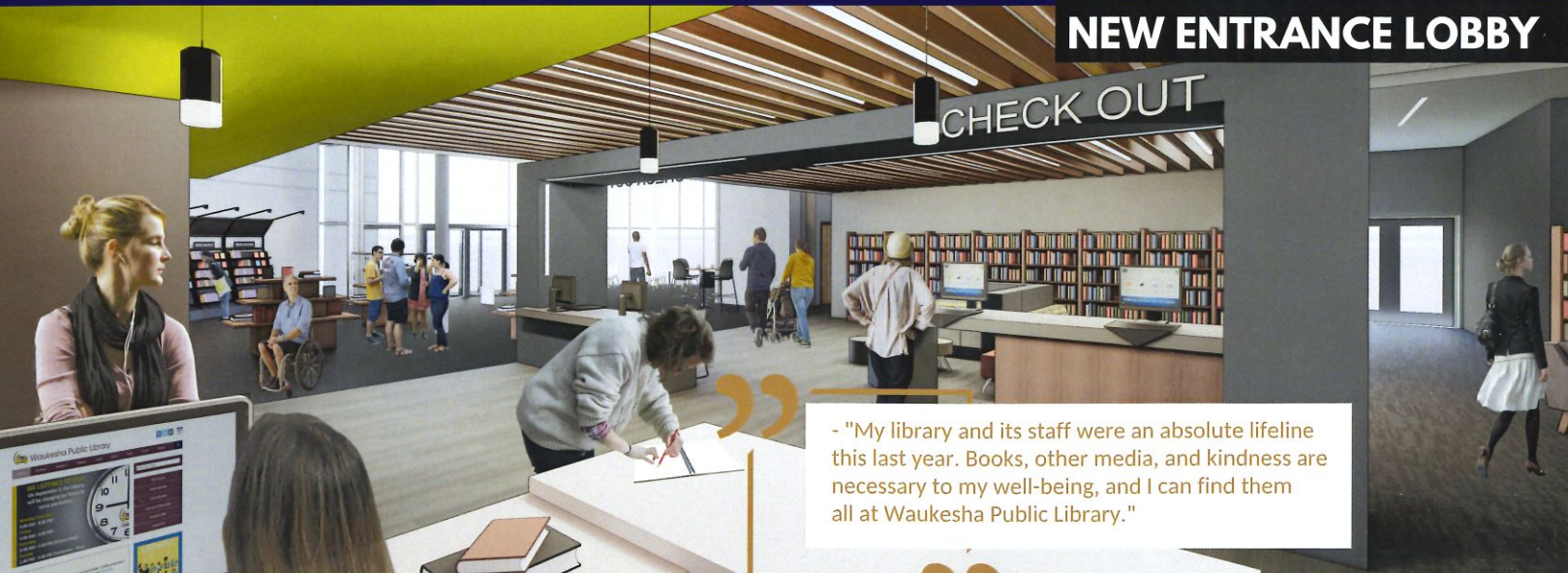


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## NEW ENTRANCE LOBBY



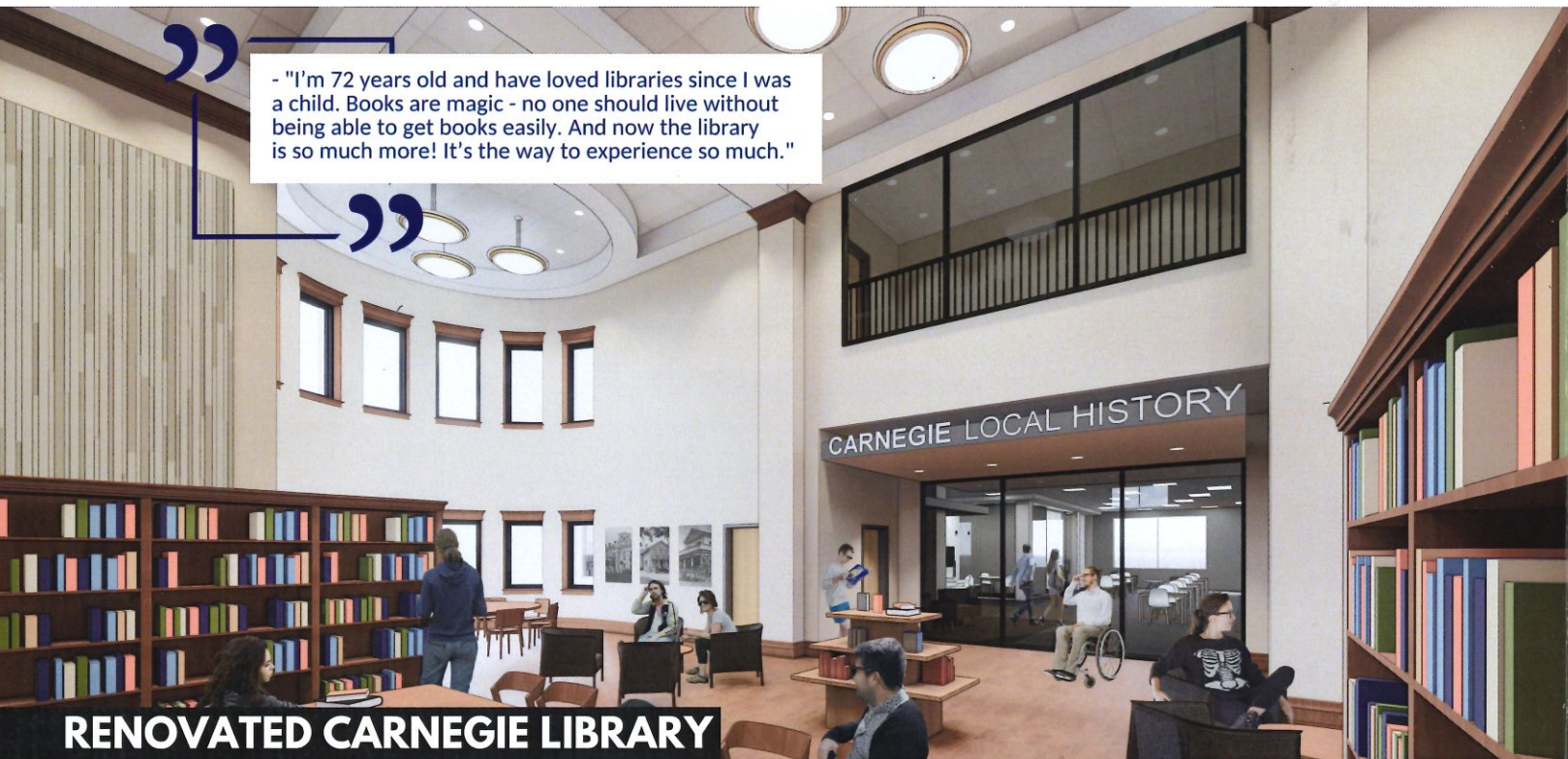
- "My library and its staff were an absolute lifeline this last year. Books, other media, and kindness are necessary to my well-being, and I can find them all at Waukesha Public Library."

# Impact.

Libraries serve everyone, providing access to knowledge and entertainment, lifelong learning opportunities, creative outlets, and places to gather and socialize.

The Waukesha Public Library is our community cornerstone, the heart of our city, and the place where future generations will come to be inspired. Join us in this exciting opportunity to transform our Library into a state-of-the-art facility for Waukesha's next 125 years.

- "I'm 72 years old and have loved libraries since I was a child. Books are magic - no one should live without being able to get books easily. And now the library is so much more! It's the way to experience so much."



## RENOVATED CARNEGIE LIBRARY



# Enrich. Empower. Engage.



"The heart of a thriving city, the library connects and inspires the community to transform lives." -Waukesha Public Library's Vision

For the last 125 years, Waukesha Public Library has been the cornerstone of Waukesha, evolving with the needs of each new generation.

While the original 1904 Carnegie building remains, five additions and renovations have transformed the building into a 70,000 square foot resource serving the information and entertainment needs of our community.

Now it's time to evolve again. This generation demands greater access to technology, more meeting and gathering spaces, and opportunities for hands-on learning. The Library has begun a \$4.8 million effort to turn the page into the next chapter of our story.

" - "I was able to help my grandson start his journey of reading due to Waukesha Library. P.S. He's now reading Harry Potter, etc. in 2nd grade!"

" - "Our kids attend weekly engagement activities. They love the preschool and think-build-create kits!"





## DEMONSTRATION KITCHEN

# The investment.

The community's needs are changing, so this is the perfect time to reinvest in the Library. Our goal is to transform people's lives and provide opportunities for EVERYONE to learn, explore, and grow.



**PRIVATE**  
31%

**PUBLIC**  
69%



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## A dual partnership.

The City of Waukesha has contributed \$3.3 million to design and building costs. The Library must secure an additional \$1.5 million in private dollars.

### **Project Revenue**

City Funds - \$3,300,000

Private Campaign Donations - \$1,500,000

Total Project Budget - \$4.8 million



# A better tomorrow.

Investing in the Waukesha Public Library means investing in the community's cornerstone: the place that will transform and inform generations to come.

New enhancements coming in 2022:

- A demonstration kitchen
- An upgraded rotunda entryway
- Dedicated spaces for community art
- 4 new conference rooms for groups of various sizes
- A large community room with space for 180 people
- A renovated 1904 original Carnegie Library for local history and events
- A makerspace with state-of-the-art technologies and innovative crafting tools



## STUDIO 321

**MAKERSPACE**

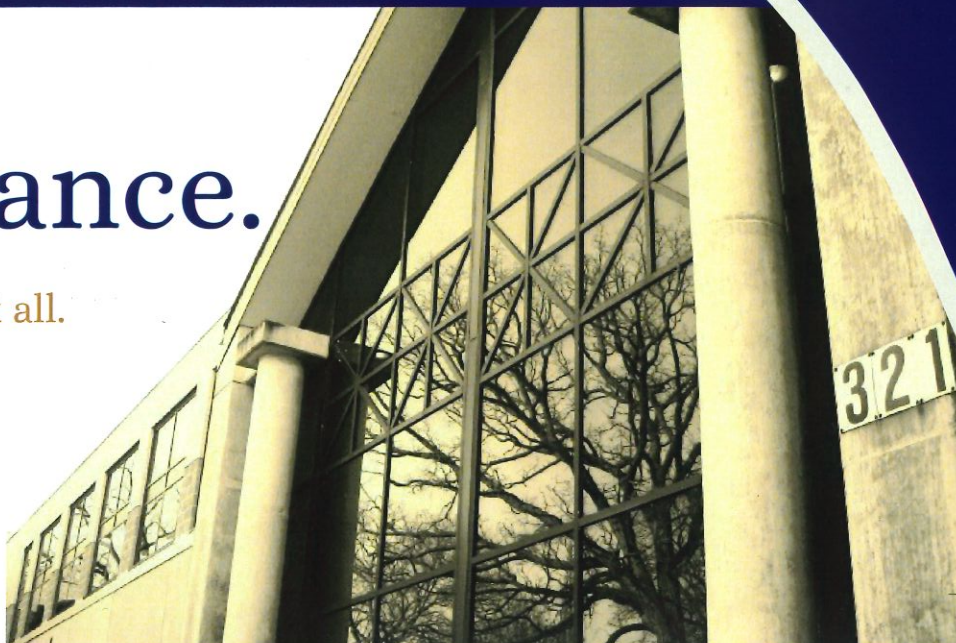




# At a glance.

The numbers say it all.

Waukesha uses  
and appreciates  
all the Library  
has to offer.



## VISITORS

1,000+ people  
visit the  
Library and  
check out  
more than  
2,800 items  
every day!



## PROGRAMS

The Library  
offers  
20 programs  
per week &  
attendance has  
tripled over the  
last decade!



## OUR COLLECTION

284,000 items in  
our building  
can be borrowed  
and 750,000  
downloadable items  
can be used with  
a library card.



## COMPUTERS

Library  
computers  
are in use  
more than  
32,000 hours  
per year.



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