

DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNEX PROJECT FACT SHEET

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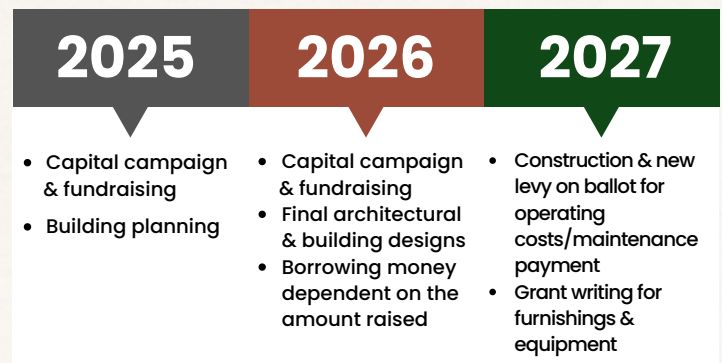
Invested/donated to date:

- \$1 million in library funds set aside
- Real estate - \$470,000 (\$260,000 donated, \$210,000 library funds)
- Donated property assessed at \$490,000 by Bigner Appraisal

Estimated total construction cost: \$5.3 million
Including renovations at the Carnegie building

Estimated architectural fees: \$475,000
(9.5% of construction cost)

TIMELINE



- 1905 - Carnegie Library opens its doors**
- 1962 - East Wing addition**
- 1969 - West Wing addition**

This will be the first expansion of Defiance Public Library in over 50 years! This project supports the library & city strategic plans, and fills a documented need in the community for more public meeting spaces. The annex meeting spaces would be for library, city, and local nonprofit use.

Proposed functions for annex:

Early planning calls for expanded children's services on the first floor, a makerspace and large meeting room on the second floor, as well as space for an adult literacy coordinator, huddle rooms, and basement storage.

Renovated space in the Carnegie building would allow for expanded teen and local history services, repurposing of the mezzanines for office space, improvements to the bathrooms, and possibly the addition of a small coffee shop.