Library RMR Project
Renovate, Modernize, Reorganize
Library Serves Patrons of Every Age
This Library is Well-Used!

Last Year:

70% of residents had a library card
237,000 Visits to library
195,000 Visits to library website
238,000 Items checked out
1,370 Youth, adult and community group programs attracted 19,640 Visitors
737 Children signed up for Summer Reading Club and read 15,200 books
Community Feedback Verified Strategic Plan

• Posted on library website November 2015
• Plans displayed at library December 2015

• January/February 2016 newsletter
• Meetings with community groups
• News items in Chatham Courier, TapIntoChatham and Chatham Patch
RMR Project

Groupings

1. Renovate Infrastructure (Physical Plant Issues)
2. Reorganize Spaces and modernize services to meet community needs

Estimated Total Cost: $4.5 million
Costs

Grouping 1: $1,689,251

Needed regardless of whether we do the rest of the project.

- $1,286,497 -- for electrical, HVAC, security
- $551,875 -- the balance of unfinished items from 2013 capital request not in above
Reorganize, renovate and modernize Teen Space
Reorganize Children’s Room

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Modernize Local History Room
STEM Room
Floorplans Lower Level

EXISTING LOWER LEVEL PLAN

PROPOSED LOWER LEVEL PLAN
Costs

Grouping 2: Modernization of Existing Footprint: $2,810,749

- Teen Room, STEM Room, Local History Room, Larger Community, Room & More
- Creates clear lines of sight, enhancing security

Probably need funding only for bid documents and solicitation of bids in 2017 – estimated at $221,000.

Total anticipated cost: $4.5 million
Where’s the money coming from for Grouping 1?

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Total library contribution $1.2 million

Fund Development / Gifts

• Woman’s Club of Chatham – Teen Room Funding -- $150,000
• Edwin Kruse Estate -- $250,000 allocated by Board
• Combined smaller gifts -- $600,000
• From this year’s operating budget -- $200,000
If the Towns Decide to Bond

Estimated cost per household per year for 10 years

Chatham Borough: $14.62
Chatham Township: $23.46

(Approximately the cost of a good book.)
What is the value to our community?

• Community Center
• Great libraries go hand-in-hand with great schools
• Connect in person
• Teen Room, STEM Room, Community Room
• More small-group meeting spaces
• Cherish community history
• Adapt to unprecedented rate of change
• Costs rise each year.
You Can Help Make It Happen!

Please attend to show your support:

Chatham Township Committee Meeting on November 10

and

Chatham Borough Council Meeting on November 14

both at 7:30 PM