

JOHNSON ROBERTS ASSOCIATES



The Tilton Library expansion will nearly triple our square footage allowing us the room we desperately need to serve our community today and tomorrow, as the demand for the library continues to grow.

TODAY	TOMORROW
4,366 square feet of area	12,784 square feet of Area
21,487 books and audiovisual items	36,335 Books and Audiovisual Items
26 total seating not counting computer chairs	68 total Seating not counting meeting rooms and computer chairs
3 fixed computer stations for public use	14 fixed Computer Stations will be available for public use including 4 for teen use and 4 for children's use
1 bathroom tucked in the children's room	6 Bathrooms including adult's and children's
No space for public gathering, large community meetings and events	A Community Meeting Room with adjoining kitchen will seat 80 and will be accessible to the public even when the library itself is closed.
Meetings of book clubs, volunteer groups, and tutoring are held around the only table in the adult collection, blocking access to other patrons.	A Small Meeting Room will seat 10-12 adults for groups. 2 designated Small Study Rooms will be available for tutoring sessions and patrons looking for solitude.
Small entry foyer with staircase leading to main collection.	A large Entry Area will allow visitors to access the book return, 2 bathrooms, and the Community Meeting Room without coming through the reading areas. It will offer temporary parking for strollers, racks for sale books, literature, free publications, library directions, town maps, and samplings of art displays. This will open to the Library Lobby with entry to the Children's Room and additional meeting rooms.
Children's Room has limited shelving, seating and tables for reading and projects.	A Children's Room with shelving for over 12,000 items will have 6 tables seating 12, a story area, a work space for projects, and a play area for young children at which parents can supervise

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Teen room has a small collection in a former closet with only enough room for one person at a time. Teens spill out into the Children's Room and adult reading area to use computers.	A designated 746 square foot Teen Area which includes a project room allow teens to read, complete homework assignments, use computers, socialize, participate in individual or group activity, watch videos, play games, eat and relax.
Handicapped lift is outmoded, parts difficult to obtain or unavailable, subject to frequent break-downs	An enclosed high speed Elevator to upper level
Chairs and desks for reading are scattered throughout the adult section and exposed to the noise and activity of the circulation desk.	A separate, bright Reading Room/Conversation Area will be located in the original building's second floor, providing 10 lounge chairs in a cozy setting,.
Periodicals are shelved behind the library's only group table.	Periodicals will be housed in the Multipurpose Room (next to the Reading Room) with space for craft making and co-working.
Local History and Special Print items are at the back of the adult collection and difficult to reach.	The Local History Collection will be on the shelves in either the Reading Room or Multipurpose Room, within easy reach for studying.
1 printer wirelessly connected to public computers and the director's laptop located in the adult collection area making it difficult for people who wish to do short term printing	A 70 square foot Business Center containing a computer, copier, printer, scanner, paper cutter, stapler, and appropriate lighting
Our rapidly growing and popular Library of Things collection needs proper storage space and display area.	A series of large mobile Library of Things display cabinets in a designated storage area will allow this collection to keep expanding as demand grows.
Circulation area serves multiple purposes which should ideally have their own distinct work areas.	A new Circulation Area will allow space for sorting, shelving holds and returns, as well as a self-service check out station.
Staff work areas consist of parts of the circulation desk, the director's desk and another desk in a corner that office. When those are being used, work spills out into the public area. Staff store coats and personal belonging on hooks in the Director's office.	A 380 square foot Staff Work Room will provide space for classifying and repairing materials for loan, managing the library catalog and web site, and preparing communications. It will also hold a photocopier, staff workstation computers, and staff cubbies.
Interlibrary Loan deliveries, sorting and storage happen in small area behind the circulation desk. Bins of delivered items must be carried to second level to process	A separate receiving room on the ground floor for secure after hours delivery of Interlibrary Loans .
No storage space for janitorial and housekeeping, limited space for library materials and supplies	1 dedicated Custodial Closet as well as numerous cabinet and cupboards available for the collection, furniture, special equipment, and other items
7 paved Parking spots and no staff parking	27 paved Parking spots include space for staff