



**TILTON LIBRARY**

**Coming in 2026:  
A Renovated and  
Expanded Building!**



**Phase 1  
Opening in January!**



**Imagine that  
You  
can help!**

# The Library IS the Core of Our Community,

Providing lifelong  
learning for all –  
babies to seniors –  
in a central downtown  
location



## What your library will offer...



## Obstacles with the Current Building:

- > Accessibility
- > Space
- > HVAC
- > Energy Efficiency
- > Computer Availability
- > NEW Needs (COVID)



BETTER TEEN SPACE



BETTER ACCESSIBILITY

## ...and the improvements we have made:



MORE & BETTER GATHERING SPACES



BETTER TECHNOLOGY



BETTER AIR QUALITY



MORE SPACE FOR ITEMS TO LEND



BETTER ENERGY EFFICIENCY

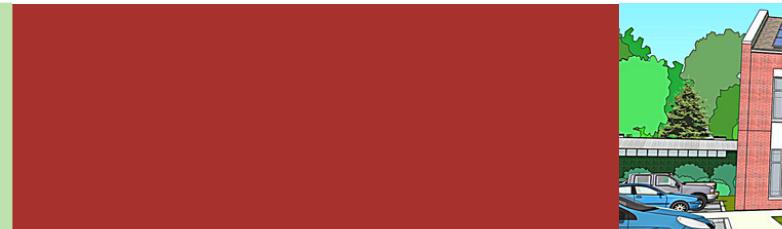


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## THE CHILDREN'S ROOM HAS GROWN!

ASK US  
HOW TO  
SUPPORT  
THE TILTON  
BUILDING  
EXPANSION  
PROJECT.

- more space, more to do!
- craft room
- more computers, more books
- gaming area
- sensory room
- access to 4 restrooms



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## READING & LAPTOPS WITH A VIEW!

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- 2nd floor sitting area: floor to ceiling windows
- expanded adult collection (books and more!)
- additional computers
- expanded business center
- self check-out station
- access to 2 second floor restrooms



## SPACES TO MEET, LEARN, EXPLORE!

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- large meeting room w/ kitchen & restrooms - reserve anytime day or night
- lobby cafe
- collaborative work/maker space
- smaller meeting room
- 2 quiet study rooms to reserve

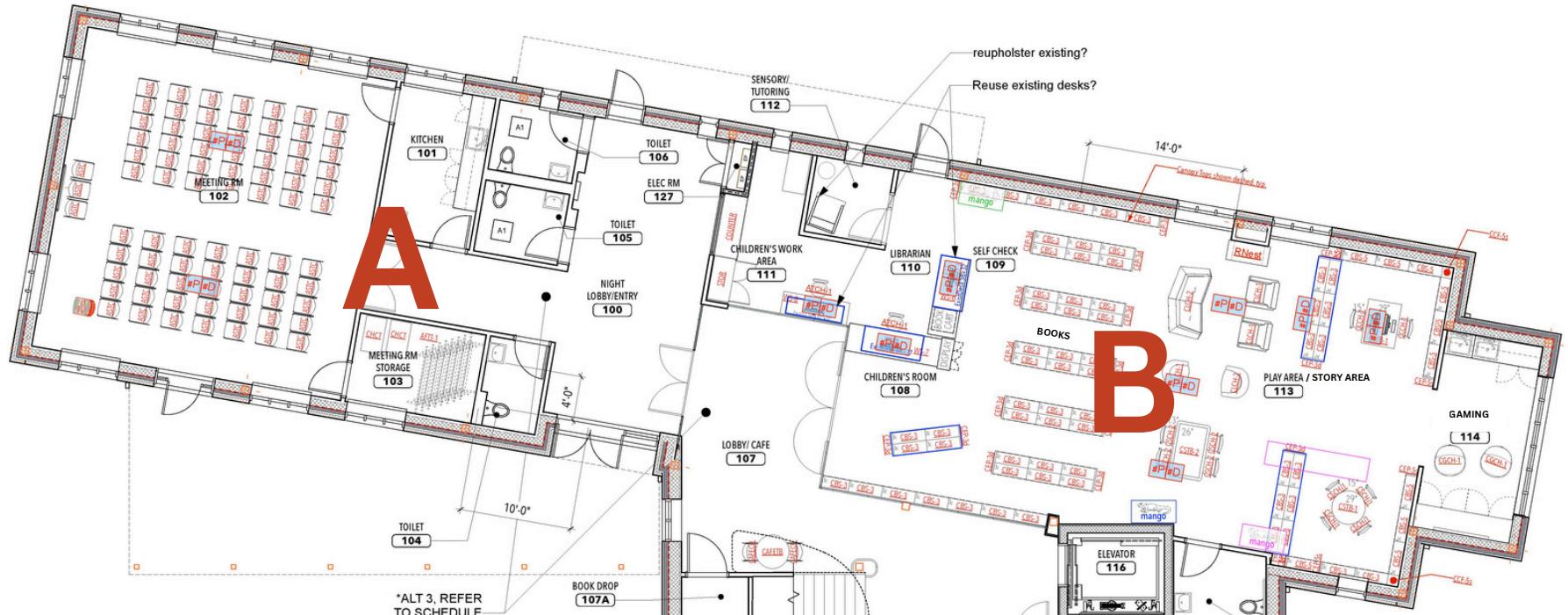


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## TEENS GET TO CLAIM THEIR SPACE!

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- more space, more programs
- more books, computers
- comfy seats
- gaming area
- crafts area
- a place just to be (alone or together)



# The Design: First Floor

## A: Expansion, left

- ALL OPEN TO COMMUNITY AFTER HOURS, WITH KEY: Lobby, Large Gathering / Meeting Room, Kitchen, A/V, Restrooms

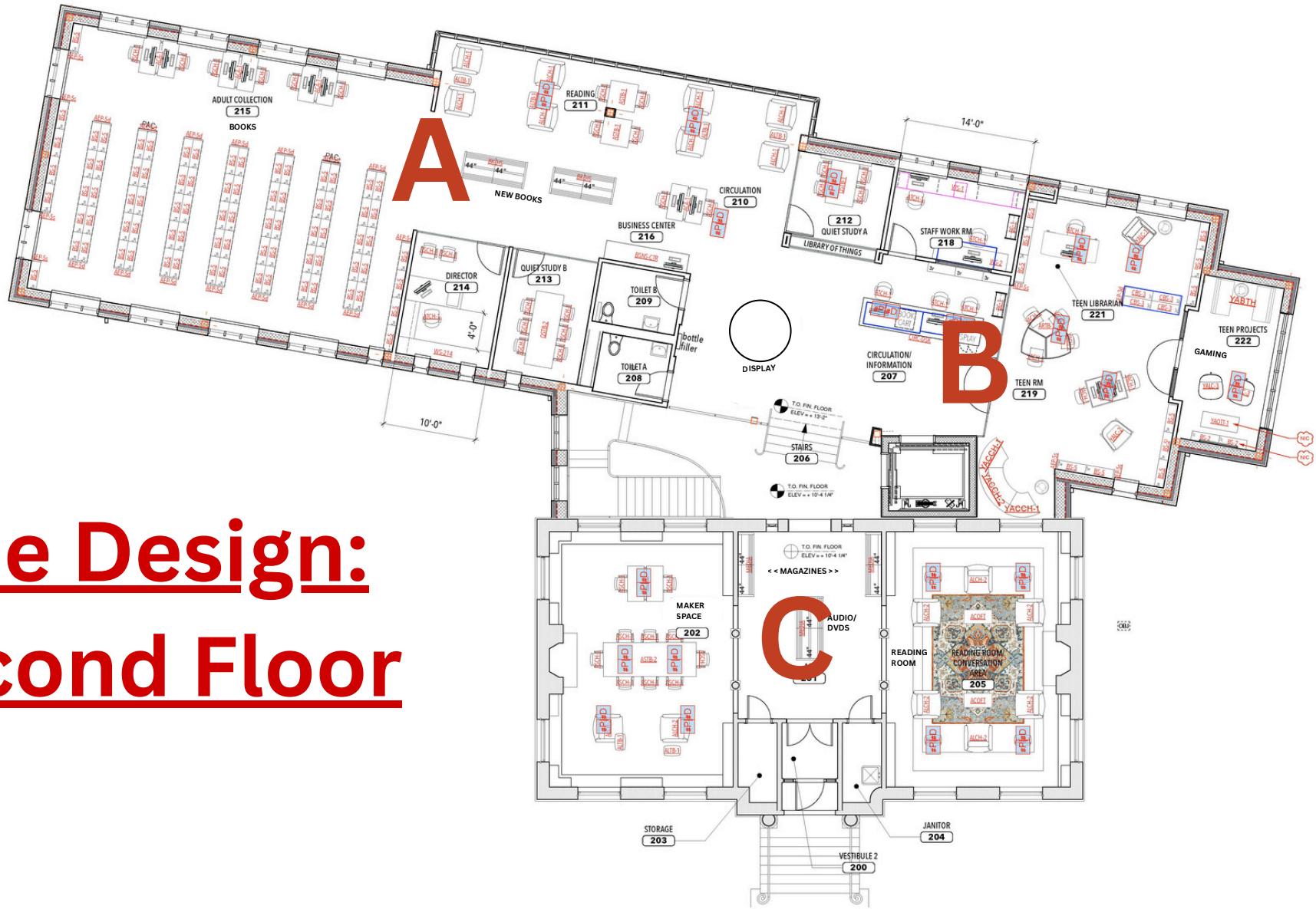
## B: Expansion, right

- Stairs, Elevator, Children's Room, Cafe

## C: Current Building

- Staff room, storage, Friends Room, Electrical, Mechanical

# The Design: Second Floor



**A: Expansion, left**

- Reading Area, Computers, Adult Book Collection, Quiet Study Rooms, Business Center

**B: Expansion, right**

- Teen Room, Main Circulation Desk, Library of Things, New Books

**C: Current Building**

- Meeting Room/Maker Space(left), Reading /Conversation Room (right), New DVD / Audio, Magazines

# BUILDING PROJECT TIMELINE\*

1

Complete construction without elevator  
11/2025

2

Open doors to public (1<sup>st</sup> floor)  
1/2026

3

Complete construction with elevator  
3/2026

4

Grand Opening  
4/2026

*\*Due to a delayed installation of the elevator, it has been decided by the Library Trustees for the library to only occupy and operate from the first floor in the renovated and expanded facilities, until the elevator has been installed and passes inspection. Therefore the library in this Phase One of opening would be accessible to all staff and patrons. This phase will include: a portion of the adult and teen collections, two meeting tables, two public computers, printer/copier/scanner, and three staff in the large first floor community room; three public restrooms in the lobby; a fully operational children's room with a family restroom, gaming room, and sensory room; full access to the lobby from the front and back doors, a 27-car capacity parking lot, and access to public WiFi. WE CLOSED NOVEMBER 19, TO MOVE AND SHOULD BE OPENING THIS PHASE OF THE NEW BUILDING BY JANUARY 10, DUE TO CLOSURES FOR MAJOR HOLIDAYS AND MINOR DELAYS CAUSED BY CONSTRUCTION.*

## WHY IS THE TILTON FUND FUNDRAISING FOR THE LIBRARY BUILDING?

- We want to **give back** to the town department that gives the most to our whole community
- We're doing it for the **kids and families** who need and want more books, programs, and technology to supplement and improve their lives
- We're doing it for **seniors** who will benefit from the additional services and programs the library will provide in a multigenerational environment
- We're doing it for the **teens** who will finally have a space just for them to be after school for studying, socializing, and taking part in programs in a safe place.
- We're doing it for **everyone** because all are welcome and everyone benefits from a library that will offer so much more.

## WHAT IS THE HISTORY OF THIS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN?

- **Project started 10 years ago**, as the Long Term Plans show growing needs of library with need for additional space in 2014 and again in 2019
- A **grant application** is written for funding from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners in 2014
- In 2015 the **Tilton Fund forms the Capital Campaign Committee** in anticipation of the grant, in order to help the town pay for the project, AND several large pledges are made from community members
- In 2017 the **MBLC Grant is awarded** for 50% of project cost (we are #15 on waitlist)
- In 2020 the **MBLC grant program paused due to COVID** and subsequently building materials prices went up.
- The **grant was offered to us in 2022**
- **Town voted to accept** the project in 2023
- **Fundraising is brought to the forefront** now that project is moving forward and 12 events were held that year to bring in additional donations.
- In 2024 so far we've **secured pledges from all the private schools and Greenfield Savings Bank**, and our list of individual donors has increased to **185 households**.
- Going forward we still have more to raise to meet our **\$2M goal** and here are our plans
  - Applying for large state and federal **grants**
  - Hosting more **events**
  - Making more connections to local **businesses and organizations**
  - **Reaching back out** to local families
- With the building **set to be finished in 2026** we have some rivers to cross to make our goal in time. But we see the horizon and will keep working very hard to get there.
- **We need your help.**

# Tilton Library Expansion Capital Campaign

**Be a community partner and help us write the next chapter. Make a difference in so many lives - donate today!** The Tilton Fund is raising \$2M to add to a \$4.3M state grant that together will offset the \$12.3M cost to the town. Visit [tiltonlibrary.org](http://tiltonlibrary.org) or click QR code below.



*"Greenfield Savings Bank is proud to support the Tilton Library Capital Campaign. The Tilton Library is creating an enhanced community treasure which will serve future generations. I'm excited that the renovation will ensure that the library meets the anticipated needs of the greater Deerfield community. Our region will benefit from this beloved institution for years to come."*

*- Thomas J. Meshako, CEO & President, Greenfield Savings Bank*

## Tilton Library Building Expansion Capital Campaign Donation Form

Enclosed is my gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to **The Tilton Fund, Inc.** for its Capital Campaign

Enclosed is my pledge of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to **The Tilton Fund, Inc.** for its Capital Campaign, to be fulfilled by 10/15/26.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ (OK to add email to library news list?  ) Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I/We wish to have the donor(s) of this gift listed as: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We would like this gift to be:

Anonymous  In honor of  In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Tilton Fund, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization. Your contribution is deductible to the fullest extent allowable by law.*

