Renovation and Expansion of CLP – Mt. Washington

Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh (CLP) is pleased to announce plans for renovating and expanding the historic CLP – Mt. Washington, located at 315 Grandview Avenue overlooking Downtown Pittsburgh. This $4,098,000 investment is the 18th project in CLP’s Libraries for LIFE neighborhood library revitalization program.

The overall goal of the CLP – Mt. Washington renovation project is to become a well-utilized community resource for the 15,000-plus people living in or visiting the library’s service area, which includes the neighborhoods of Mt. Washington, Duquesne Heights, Allentown and Beltzhoover, and visitors from around the world who come to enjoy the view and ride the inclines.

With each renovated library, there is a renewed sense of excitement. Our goal is that families with young children will enjoy exploring the engaging, colorful environment; teens will benefit from the space designed just for them; and adults will find the resources they need – whether it is a comfortable place or information on starting a new business or exploring a new career.

In order to preserve the historic fabric and designation of the library, a two-story extension will be added to the rear of the building. Elagin Architecture is designing the project that features:

- 2,721 square feet of additional space (making the Library 46% larger)
- New slate roof with new copper gutters and downspouts
- ADA-compliant facility including new entrance ramp, elevator and restrooms
- Energy efficient HVAC, electrical and lighting systems
- Dedicated areas for children, teens and adults, as well as spaces for community meetings
We anticipate the Library will close in summer 2019 for approximately 12 months. During the closure, CLP staff will continue outreach visits to area schools and partner organizations. A grand reopening celebration is planned for 2020, which coincides with CLP’s 125th Anniversary and CLP – Mt. Washington’s 120th anniversary!

How You Can Help

With support from generous funders and government grants, the Library has raised $3,582,000 to date for the renovation and expansion of CLP – Mt. Washington. An additional $516,000 is needed to complete the project.

We invite you to support your library and your community by making a contribution to support the renovation and expansion of CLP – Mt. Washington.

Gifts and pledges at all levels are welcomed. Commitments may be paid over several years. Naming opportunities are available in spaces throughout the building. Recognition levels, which range from $25,000 - $1,000,000, are based on the size of the space, visibility and usage. A listing is available upon request.

You may also make an online gift at www.carnegielibrary.org/donate/mt-washington-renovation/.

Thank You!

Thank you for ensuring that Pittsburghers can continue to learn, grow and transform their lives. Together we can realize the potential for individuals, our library and our entire community.

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