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Q2

What are the goals and objectives of your project?

To improve look, user friendliness, and overall environment of the library.

Q3

How will this project change the library building?

It will improve the space by making it safer to navigate, and make it look cleaner.

Q4

How will this project benefit your patrons?

The children who come in will have a clean unstained floor to sit on, there will be no loose carpet or threshold's to trip on, and the library will look much cleaner.

Q5

What is the timeline for the project?

To be completed in the Next 6 months

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Q6

EVALUATION: What tools will you use to evaluate the program quantitatively (i.e. statistics)? What tools will you use to measure the program's success qualitatively?

We will use tools in the form of evaluations, feedback, and productive board meeting discussion. We will measure success by encouraging patron feedback about the before and after, and by staying on budget.

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Upload WALK-THROUGH NARRATIVE

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Upload PROJECT BUDGET

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Upload PHOTO DOCUMENTATION

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Upload LONG RANGE PLAN OF SERVICE

Budget:

In the "details" column, provide information on the item being budgeted for in this category.

Category	Project Funds Requested	In-Kind/Matching	Total	Details
Purchased Services	5,000	6,500	11,500 -	Team Benjamin Construction LLC flooring estimate
Equipment			-	
Materials/Supplies			-	
Personnel			-	
CE Program Registration			-	
Travel			-	
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

Library Director Signature: Desiree Thomas

Board President Signature: Cherie Brooks

Date: 4/4/2023

Submit all documents as PDFs through our online application portal.

Stony Creek Free Library Construction Grant Walk-Through

Community Member: Nicole Allen

Nicole uses the library 2x a week with her daughter for speech therapy. She explained that the library is easy to identify and up to date from the outdoor perspective. She thinks that the site is very cozy and the layout is very easy to navigate. The staff are always there to answer her questions and point her in the right direction in a very kind and friendly way. She explains the facility looks clean, other than the carpet, due to its many stains. Nicole feels that the library is very organized and well-spaced out, with many signs to make browsing easy. Her daughter enjoys playing in our children's area and playing our many board games and puzzles with her speech therapist. Nicole believes that new flooring will improve the library experience by having somewhere cleaner and more welcoming for children and others to sit down on, and will also improve on the overall look of the library space, making it cleaner and more inviting.

Walk-through Narrative written by

Desiree Thomas (Director) with the help of community member, Nicole Allen.







Five Year Plan

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2022

The Stony Creek Free Library is a community-oriented organization, dedicated to building healthy minds and spirits. We hope that by opening our doors to the community, and extending our welcome, we will provide opportunities for community members to enjoy their lives and enjoy each other. The Stony Creek Free Library is open to men, women, children of all ages, and to people of all ages, incomes, abilities, races and religions.

- **Existing Building**
 - Explore redesign of entry way
 - Explore the creation of quiet space
 - Reorganize children's area
 - Replace/modify shelving
 - Organize existing hall closet more efficiently
 - Clean or replace carpet
 - Paint interior

- **"Church"**
 - Clean up interior, evaluate repairs needed
 - Explore how to make handicap accessible
 - Remove interior false ceiling to expose original ceiling
 - Install toilet/sink that we have on hand
 - Create artist workshop/gallery co-op space
 - Hire a co-op director to work in conjunction with library director for programming

- **Grounds**
 - Revitalize front of library landscaping
 - Create bird feeding area on right side/back of library
 - Explore creation of small "greenhouse"
 - Have survey done of both properties to clearly mark boundaries

- **Programing**
 - Continue to offer viable programs to the community with a goal of at least one a month, and continue the on-going "craft" nights and youth afternoons
 - Explore free programs offered through other state and local agencies
 - Establish book clubs for adults and teens
 - Establish better programming for the senior community
 - Explore and continue partnerships with other community organizations

- **Collections**
 - Evaluate collection bi-annually
 - Evaluate periodicals
 - Create specific collections and promote

- **Administration**
 - Allocate funding for library services
 - Conduct a community survey
 - Evaluate library hours of operation through survey/statistics
 - Evaluate statistics on staff hours

- **Future Building Projection**
 - Create a long term vision plan for the future partnership with the Town in obtaining property space to build a new library.
 - Create a standing committee for this project with the goal to create a solid plan within 1 year from the adoption of our five year plan, to specify long term goals of partnership, objectives, grant writing, construction plans, programming, etc. This can then be presented to the library board of trustees and the Town for review and agreement.