



Petworth Library **Renovation**

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

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Reminders

Library Closed to the Public: December 13, 2025

Library to Reopen to the Public Following Construction: Summer 2026

Hours of Work:

Permitted Working Hours: Monday - Saturday (7am - 7pm)

Projected Workday: Monday - Friday (7am - 7pm)

[Link to the presentation from the November 12, 2025 Open House & ANC4C Meeting](#)

Construction Contractor: Chiaramonte Construction Company

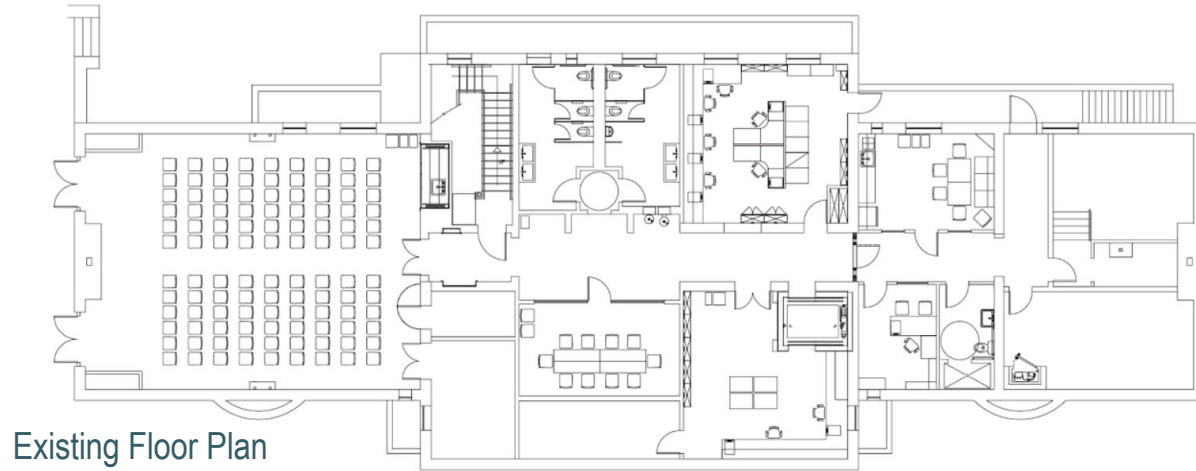
Library Project Manager: Samantha Duré, P.E.

Design Team: Moya Design Partners

Library Community Engagement: Monisa.Waters@dc.gov

Petworth Library Floor Plans for Reference

Lower Level



Existing Floor Plan



Rendering: Meeting Room



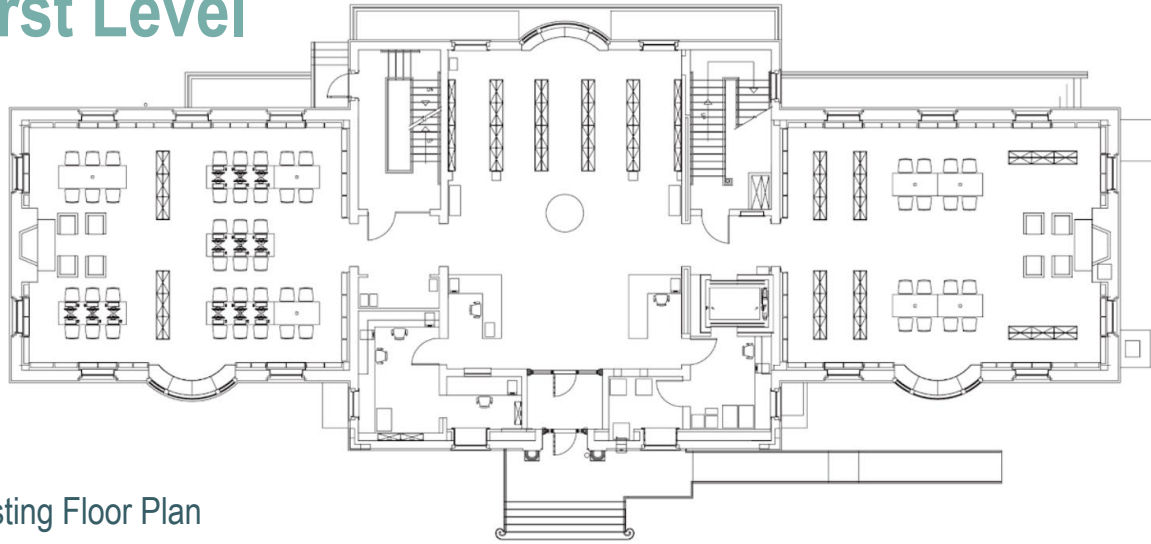
Redesigned Floor Plan



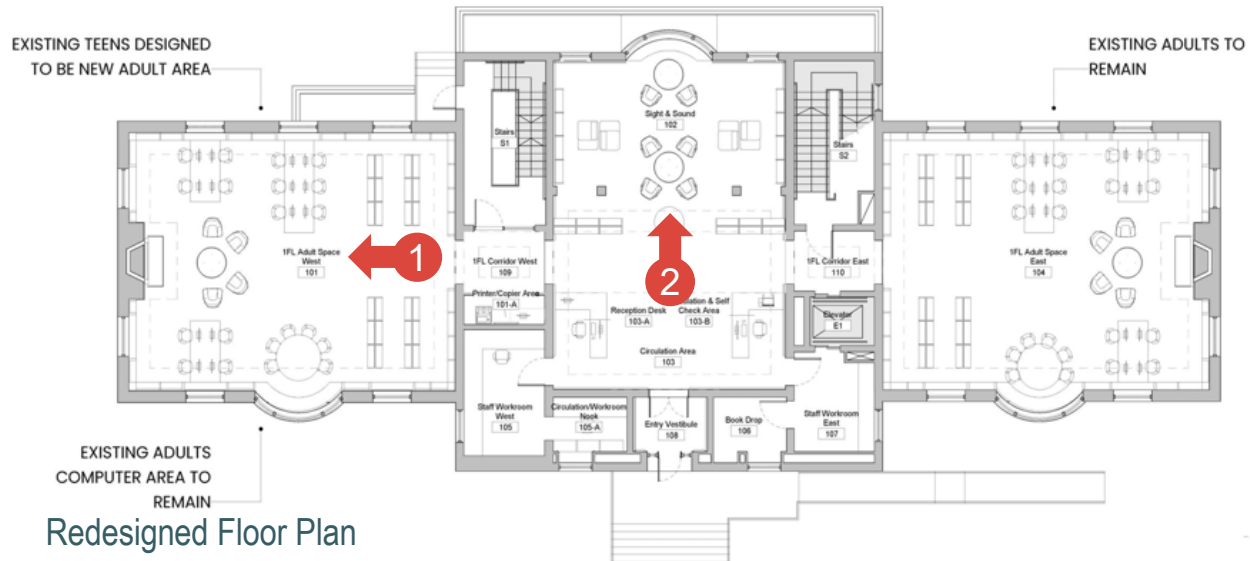
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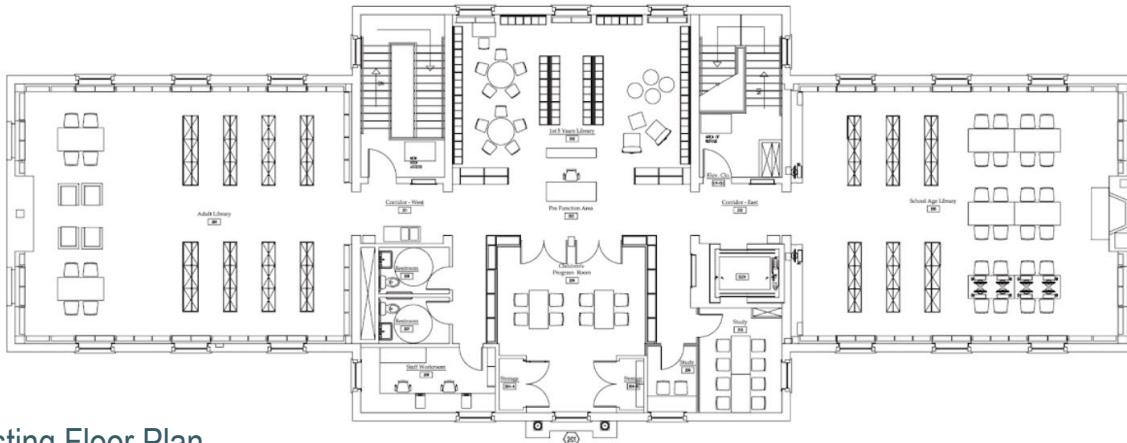
Rendering: New Adult Area (previous teens space)



Rendering: New Seating Space (previously stacks)

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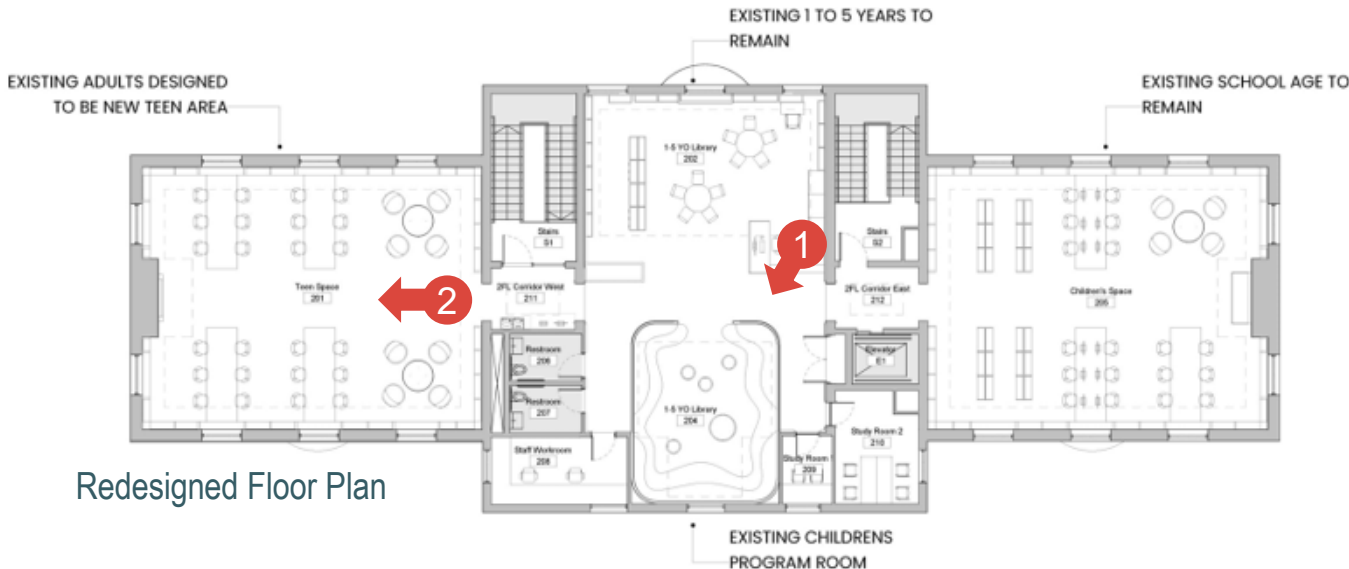
Second Level



Existing Floor Plan



Rendering: Children's Story Time Space redesigned & refurbished



Redesigned Floor Plan



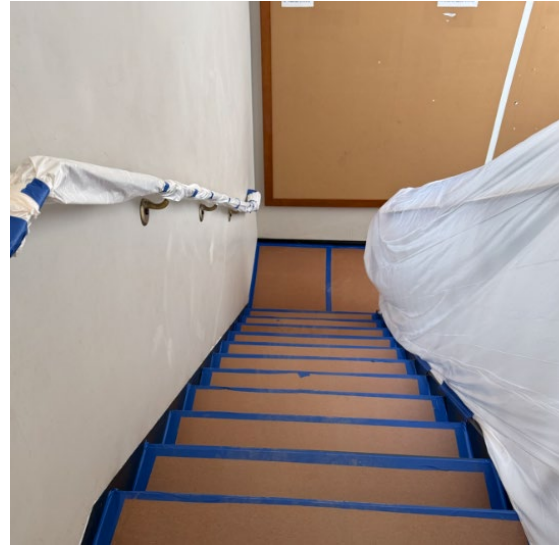
Rendering: Teen Space (previously adult space)

Preparing for Construction

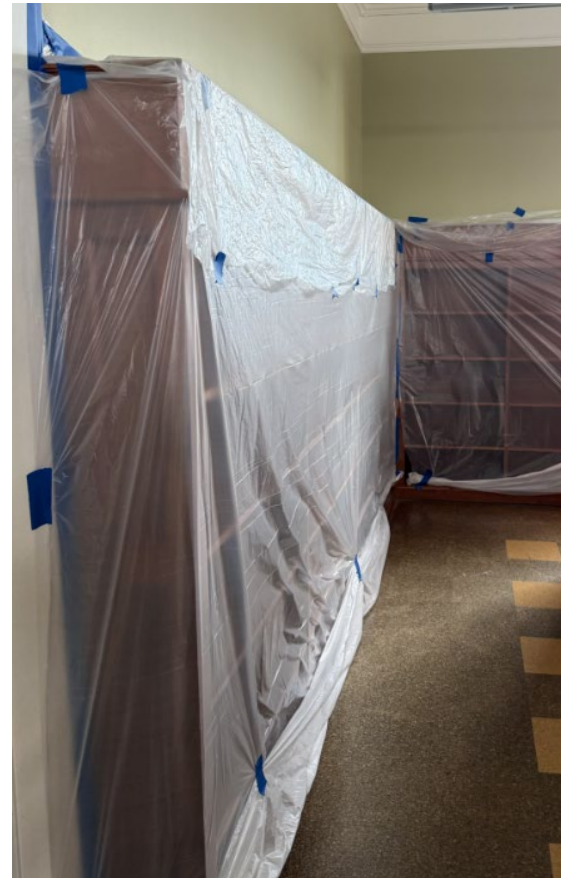
Elements to remain protected, books moved off-site



Books prepped for offsite storage.



Stairwell protected



Wood elements protected



Lighting to remain protected



Staff items moving to offsite storage.



North Staff Room protected

Preparing Site for Construction

Exterior Fencing in Place



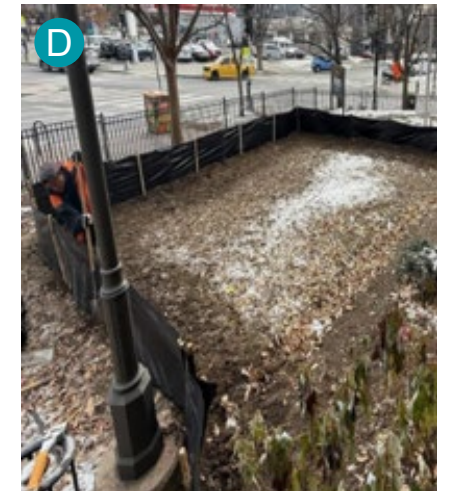
Construction fence along Iowa Ave. NW and Route 29



Construction fence along Upshur St. NW



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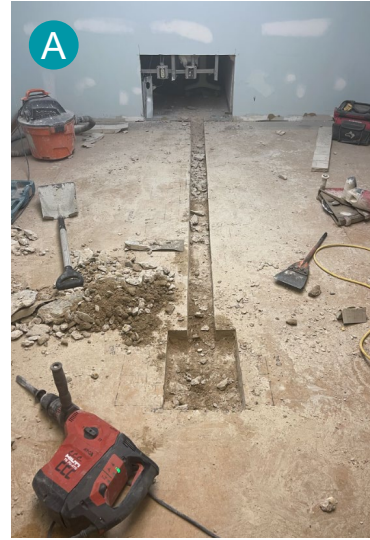
Silt fence

Construction Progress

Lower Level



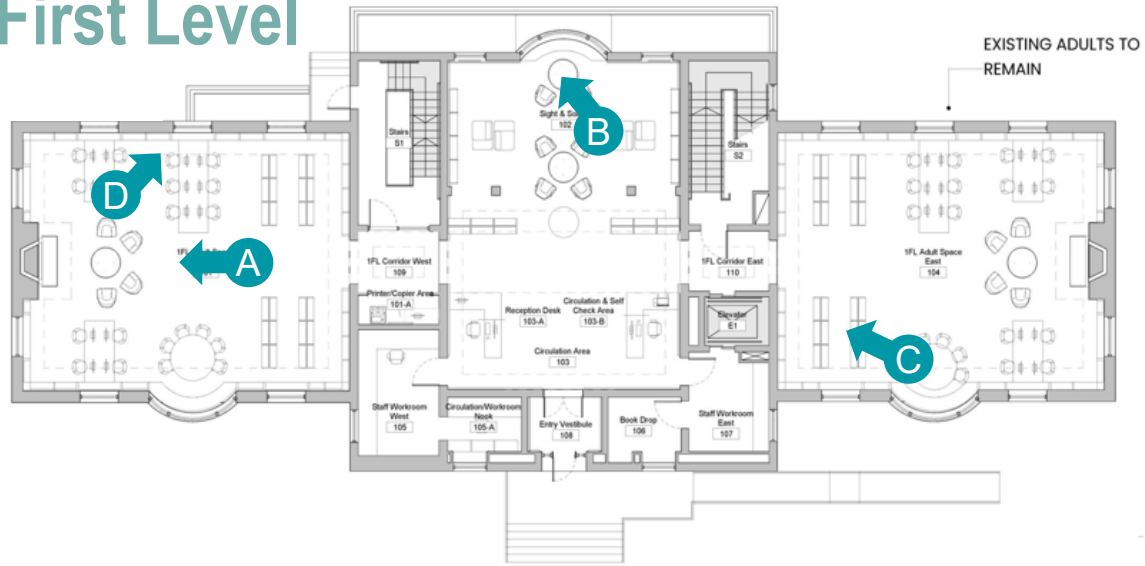
Preparation for the electrical floor box installation in the Conference Room.



Floor removal in the Meeting Room.

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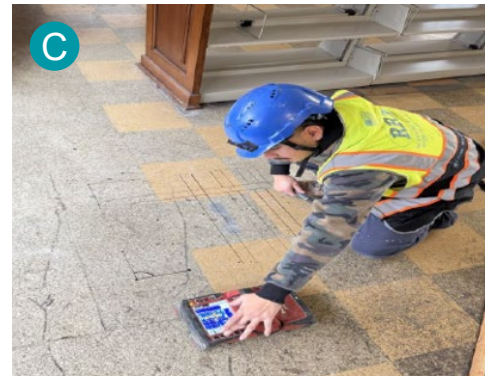
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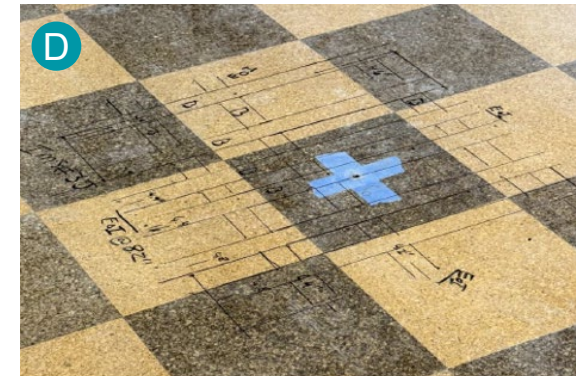
Stack removal in new Adult Area (completed early January).



Existing bench in the new Seating Space sanded.

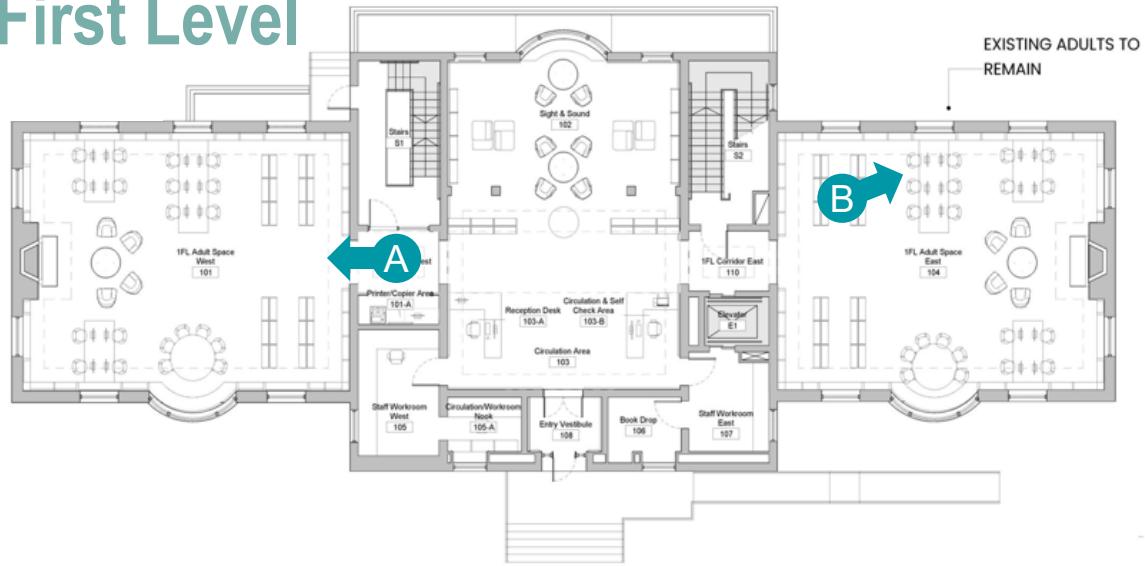


Electrical floor box installation preparation in the new Adult Area.



Construction Progress

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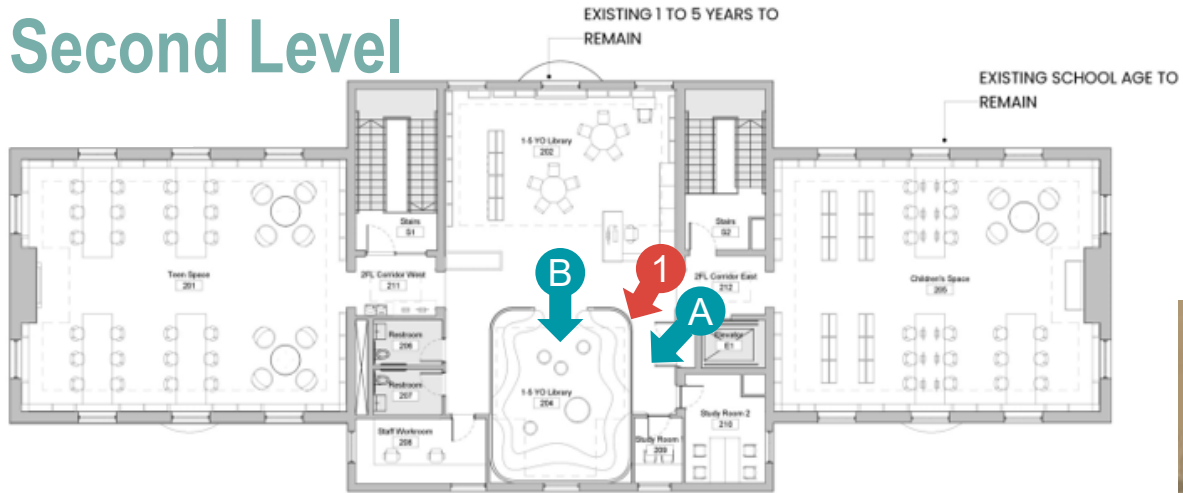
Old cork floor removal completed in the Adult Area.



Old cork floor removal in progress by the West Stair.

Construction Progress

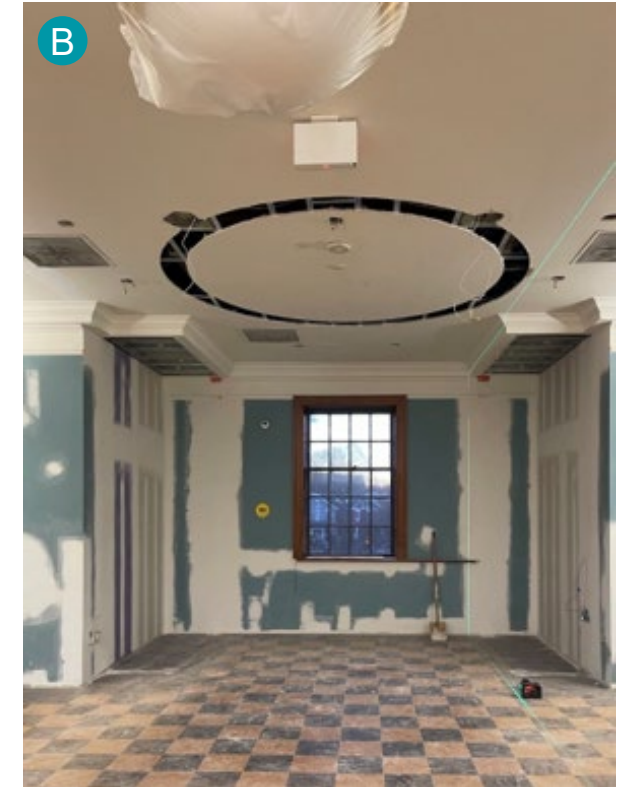
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Rendering: Children's Story Time Space redesigned and refurbished



Ceiling preparation in the Children Story Time Space.



Construction Progress

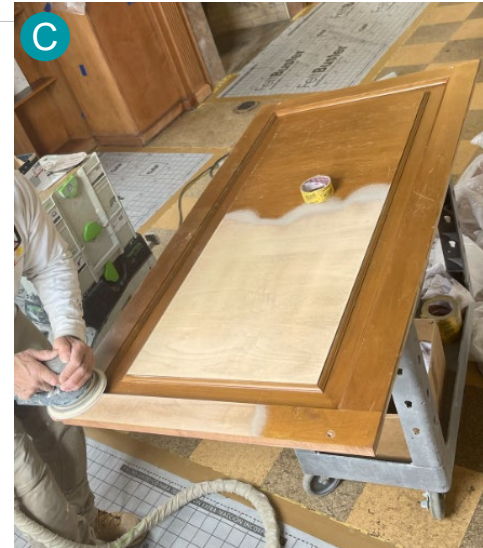
Second Level



New water fountain plumbing in progress.



Existing wood elements along perimeter being hand sanded and will be refinished.



Progress and Look Ahead

- The removal and storage of books, computers equipment complete.
- Demolition of the lighting fixtures getting replaced is complete.
- Disconnection and covering of existing electrical outlet floor boxes is complete.
- Measurements, core drilling, and junction box installation for the new electrical outlet floor boxes is in progress.
- Installation of new floor boxes will begin in mid-February.
- Installation of the new linear light fixtures will begin in mid-February.
- Millwork removal, sanding, and refinishing is in progress.
- Installation of the Children's Storytime Area balloon structure is in progress.
- Floor removal is in progress and nearing completion.
- Drywall repair, priming, and painting is in progress.
- Select window replacement will begin March.