

## The Legacy Project - Our Vision For What Will Be

The Aspen Gardens Community Hall was built in the mid-to-late 60's and has had a number of smaller scale renovations over the decades. As many of you know, the Little Aspen Play School took up residence in the main space of the building in the 80's and were loyal tenants for nearly 40 years! However having a full time tenant in the main usable space made it difficult to host other community events, or make the room available to the community at large in any significant way. For decades, different League Boards explored options that would allow us to maintain a tenant and create usable space for the League and community, however these pursuits would run out of steam for a number of reasons - usually due to funding barriers.

Fast forward to Spring 2022. The Board faced the decision of shelving the project again, or pursuing the option that required us to only use the space contained in our existing building footprint; we decided to move forward. So with that being the case, I want to share with you what the Board's vision is with respect to having this renovation completed.

### WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT TO SEE

We need more space! The biggest change you will see with this renovation will be the removal of several interior walls that will open up the main room and add significant square footage. The addition of new picture windows and glass doors will allow the natural light to flood in from the south and west side of the room. There will be a new full kitchen completed, giving us the ability to have indoor cooking facilities, and all new dinner/glass ware as well as kitchen utensils will give community members the ability to host their own small events in this space, with some style!

New audio/visual systems will bring technology into the room, and allow for better capabilities when hosting meetings or running social events such as movie night, sports event watch parties or birthday parties. New lighting will add the ability to adjust for ambiance.

Upgrades to our infrastructure items such as hvac systems, plumbing, and electrical will get this structure up to code and ensure the longevity of their operations for the foreseeable future. New design of storage spaces will streamline how we accommodate our existing supplies and assets, providing more organization and overall efficient use of available space.

New flooring, paint, furnishings and decor will make this space inviting and conducive to multipurpose use, where it can be converted from a social entertainment area to open floor space used for small scale indoor recreation (ie. yoga etc).

Finally, budget permitting, we will develop the exterior south-west side of the building (playground side), where we hope to install a large patio with a covered gazebo structure and adjacent fire pit area.

### HERE IS OUR VISION

The Board has many hopes when it comes to the use of our updated building. It will be essential to develop an efficient rental program to assist with generating revenue to subsidize operating costs, especially with LAPS making the move to relocate their program. However, we are confident that our space is going to be beautiful, and it's aesthetic appeal will be competitive with other League's facilities. With a focus on small group rentals, we envision that birthdays, family/friend gatherings, or small group activities (ie. girl guides, scouts etc) will enjoy accessing our facility that borders both playground, spray park and ice rink amenities. With a built in fire pit area, our facility as a whole will offer 3 distinctive gathering areas, accommodating both indoor and outdoor use.

Aside from what the community can plan to use personally, the League is SO EXCITED to explore the additional programming that it can offer - movie nights, pub nights, after school programming, seniors activities, recreational classes (yoga etc), art classes, family skate nights with a fire to sit by - really the list is endless for the opportunities that we will have to pick and choose activities that will offer you and your families additional services and bring our community together even more than we do now! We just need you to want to come out and enjoy it :)