Building a Better NOC Project

Elevating Opportunities for the Enid Community

The Northern Oklahoma College Enid campus is a beautiful, historic campus that has much space that can be utilized by the area community. This would be a benefit for the Eastern section of the Enid community, where NOC Enid, as it is located is an economically disadvantaged part of town.

The “Elevating Opportunities” project will provide public access to several floors in five historic buildings of Northern Oklahoma College Enid. The Enid campus of Phillips University founded in 1906 was purchased in 1999 as a collaborative project between NOC, the City of Enid and the Oklahoma State Regents of Higher Education. The College is a beautiful, highly revered campus by the citizens of Enid, although it is located in the impoverished Eastern edge of Enid.

Plans are being discussed to bring the community to campus. There are planned uses to allow the community members to utilize spaces within the five historic buildings, but the status is they have antiquated elevators, or in one case the building has no elevator. One elevator is completely shut down allowing very limited use of the second floor of the building. Two elevators require extensive updating. Unfortunately, elevators are an element of the infrastructure that do not draw interest of college supporters and donors.

The goal is to replace elevators in Administration Building and Marshall Hall, build an enclosure on the Art Building and install an elevator to access the varied floors, and to provide needed updates to two elevators (Zollars Hall and the Science Building) to adhere to the standards of the American for Disabilities Act.

These five buildings will provide access for community groups to take advantage of space for meetings, offices, weddings and events. These types of facilities are desperately needed on the east side of Enid. Many entities have approached NOC to bring offices and other ventures to campus. We are currently partnering with a youth program that will retrofit another building to aid disadvantaged Enid youth.

NOC will require some elevators to be installed, or updated in phase I, allowing space to be utilized in the other buildings while the work is done. Then we will progress to phase II and complete the dismantling of the antiquated elevators, and to complete
the construction & installation of the modern elevators. All work will be obligated within the first four months of the project.

External funding will be required to pay for these infrastructure updates.

Building on the NOC Core Values and Strategic Goals

**NOC Strategic Goals:**
- Student Quality of Life (including facility maintenance and renovation)
- Recruitment/Retention/Graduation (including program development and academic partnerships)
- Employee Quality of Life and Professional Development
- Increased Revenue Streams (including financial partnerships/sponsorships, grants)

**NOC Core Values:**
- Personalized Education
- Community and Civic Engagement
- Continuous Improvement

Marshall Hall
Details of the Project.

1. **Replace elevator in Marshall Hall**
   a. Provides dependable access to all floors where classrooms and faculty offices are located. The Bivins Chapel will provide space for small musical events, presentations and weddings.
   b. The third floor is unused due to undependable access and the need to be remodeled. This will be an opportunity to update the facility once the elevator is replaced.

2. **Replace elevator in Everest Administration Building**
   a. The elevator is broken and it is unable to be repaired.
   b. The elevator will expand access to the second-floor offices which are not being used since not ADA accessible.
   c. This will provide opportunities for non-profit and government entities to rent office space to allow economical offices.

3. **Build an encasing and add an elevator to the Art Building**
   a. This will provide much space that will be available for community use in this historical building.

4. **Zollars Memorial Library needs updates to the current elevator**
   a. Zollars houses the campus library on floor two.
   b. Nursing is in the basement of the building.
   c. There are many classrooms that would be available for community use.

5. **Harmon Science Building**
   a. Harmon Science Building needs elevator updates to the technology to provide more dependable access.

**Equipment/Construction (ESTIMATE)**

1. Equipment – 3 elevators .................................................................................................................. $540,000
2. Deconstruction ................................................................................................................................. $195,000
3. Construction ................................................................................................................................. $168,000
4. Maintenance ..................................................................................................................................... $200,000
5. **TOTAL** ....................................................................................................................................... $1,103,000