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WHO WE ARE & WHAT WE DO

OUR MISSION

We **raise funds**, **enhance early literacy programs**, and **inspire community engagement** so that all children can discover the wonder of books through Noyes Children's Library.

AND MORE

We champion children of all backgrounds and abilities by **raising funds for the Make MORE Noyes Campaign** for a universally accessible and creatively expanded Noyes.

We **enhance the Library's early literacy programs** through Penny Theater performances, early literacy outreach, and our support of the Jan Jablonski Early Literacy Training Center at Noyes.

We **inspire community engagement** by **activating volunteers** of all ages through our family events and early literacy outreach, **and by creating partnerships** with committed businesses and organizations.

OUR STORY

In 1991, an all-volunteer group formed a 501(c)(3) nonprofit to help fund the historic Noyes Children's Library - which is part of Montgomery County Public Libraries - during a County budget crisis. The newly-formed nonprofit became known as the Noyes Children's Library Foundation. Since then, the Foundation has continued to support Noyes by providing funding, supplementing the library's literacy programming, and holding community events to raise public awareness about the "little library with a big mission." Today, the Foundation is an integral part of a successful public-private partnership working to open Noyes' doors wider - literally and figuratively.

Built in 1893, the Noyes Children's Library is the oldest public library in the Washington, D.C. area and is one of only a handful of public libraries in the nation dedicated to children. More than a century after its opening, Noyes remains a treasured and unique community centerpiece where our very youngest children are introduced to and transported by books.

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THE MAKE MORE NOYES CAMPAIGN

CAMPAIGN OVERVIEW

The Foundation is leading the **Make MORE Noyes Campaign**, a major capital project that will transform the current one-story Library into three accessible floors while working with the Library's current footprint. The Make MORE Noyes renovation, designed and funded in cooperation with **Montgomery County**, will create a more inclusive and enriching environment to engage young children of all abilities and backgrounds with books.

The need for the renovation originated with the fact that Noyes has never been accessible for people with physical disabilities. Montgomery County's Project Civic Access Settlement Agreement with the Department of Justice, signed in 2010, requires that the Library comply with the ADA Standards for Accessible Design. The Library's small size and historic status made compliance a challenge, if Noyes was to continue as a working Library.

The Foundation has turned that need into an opportunity – an opportunity to expand both the space within Noyes, and the early literacy programming and outreach it provides. **All elements of the renovation are based on principles of "Universal Design,"** going far beyond the letter of the ADA standards to the true spirit of inclusion and accessibility.

RENOVATION DETAILS

The proposed three-story Noyes will provide elevator and stairway access to three floors, and will include:

- A **main level housing the Library's book collection** and librarian's checkout desk.
- A **light and airy lower level with a large space for literacy programs**, enabling a wide range of early literacy activities to be conducted while the reading room is also open.
- An **upper level with a work space for staff**; for visiting writers and artists; and for the new **Jan Jablonski Early Literacy Training Center**, a County-sponsored initiative to create, model and export best-practice early literacy teaching techniques.

FUNDING THE RENOVATION

The Foundation and Montgomery County have **created a partnership to fund the \$3.1 million project budget**, with the Foundation committed to raising \$1.6 million. Funds from the State of Maryland's Grant Program, the Town of Kensington, several visionary foundations, and generous community supporters have the Foundation's campaign off to a strong start. Go to noyeslibraryfoundation.org to find out more.

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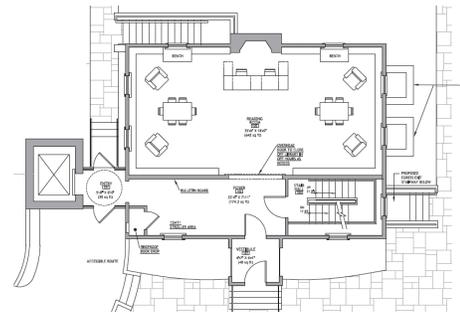
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THE MAKE MORE NOYES RENOVATION PROPOSAL

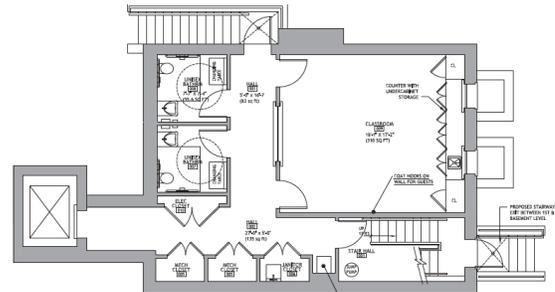
RENOVATION PROPOSAL

The Noyes Children's Library is a cottage-sized building on a small triangle of land in the center of the Victorian-era Kensington, MD. Built in 1893, Noyes is within Kensington's Historic District, which is on the National Register of Historic Places. The Library has one usable level and a roomy upstairs storage area that can only be accessed by a ladder. There is a single, non-accessible bathroom and no separate staff area. **The renovation proposed by the Foundation and Montgomery County meets the many challenges of designing an accessible renovation of this unique, historical structure in a way that honors the Library's history and purpose.**

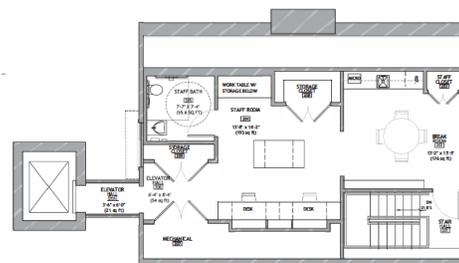
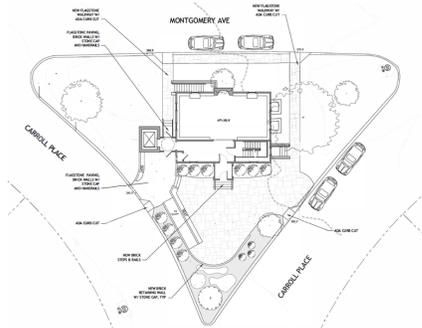


Proposed Main Level

This proposed front elevation shows the proposed glass elevator tower that will make all three stories of the new Noyes accessible, including the newly-dug lower level and the spacious existing upper level. **Details such as the exterior appearance of the tower are pending approval by the Maryland Historic Trust and the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission.** The drawing below shows the "island" on which Noyes sits. This cozy perimeter will have accessible hardscape, welcoming patrons to enjoy the outdoors.



Proposed Lower Level



Proposed Upper Level

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MAKE MORE NOYES RENOVATION BUDGET

RENOVATION BUDGET

Montgomery County Department of General Services (DGS) has developed an estimated **budget of \$3.1 million** for the Make MORE Noyes Renovation, based on the design proposed by the collaborative team of Wiedemann Architects, LLC, and Grimm and Parker Architects. The cost breaks down to **\$550K for Design**, and **\$2.550M for construction**.

The **Foundation has committed to raising \$1.6M**, or just over half of the total cost. This commitment enabled Montgomery County to endorse the Make MORE Noyes Design for three accessible floors and a broader early literacy mission.



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MAKE MORE NOYES RENOVATION TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET **\$3,100,000**

FINANCIAL COMMITMENT FROM MONTGOMERY COUNTY **\$1,500,000**

Montgomery County, MD: General Budget	\$1,000,000
Montgomery County, MD: Arts & Humanities Grant	\$500,000

FINANCIAL COMMITMENT FROM THE FOUNDATION **\$1,600,000**

FUNDS PLEDGED AND FOUNDATION'S CASH-IN-HAND

State of Maryland Bond Bill 2011	\$50,000
State of Maryland Bond Bill 2016	\$100,000
State of Maryland Bond Bill 2018	\$100,000
Town of Kensington Donation 2016	\$25,000
Town of Kensington Donation 2018	\$25,000
Shizu-Coles Bequest / held by Friends of the Library Montgomery County	\$75,000
NCLF Cash-in-hand as of 5/1/2018 From Community Donations & Events	\$340,000
NCLF Board of Directors Outstanding Pledges due 9/30/2018	\$35,000
TOTAL PLEDGED & CASH-IN-HAND FOR THE FOUNDATION	\$750,000

PLANNED SOURCES FOR THE FOUNDATION'S REMAINING COMMITMENT

Community Contributions	\$150,000
Leadership Gifts	
Annual Fundraising Campaigns (2018, 2019)	
Foundation Special Events & Community Partner Events	
Grants from Non-profit Foundations & Corporate Philanthropy	\$700,000
FOUNDATION'S REMAINING COMMITMENT	\$850,000

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THE NOYES LIBRARY

The Noyes Library, located among towering trees and Victorian homes in historic Kensington, MD, **was founded in 1893 by Crosby Noyes**, editor-in-chief of the Washington Times, and Brainard Warner, the town founder. It is the oldest public library in the Washington area, predating even the venerable Thomas Jefferson building of the Library of Congress by four years. Noyes joined the Montgomery County Library system in 1950, and was **designated by the County as Noyes Children's Library and resource center for children's librarians in 1972**. Noyes is one of only a handful of public libraries just for children in the U.S.

This "little library with a big mission" inspires a love of reading in young children by providing a welcoming, warm, small-scale environment that encourages exploration and wonder. It serves children from birth to early elementary school age through its book collection; storytimes and other programs; and library services offered by trained children's librarians. With the establishment of the **Jan Jablonski Early Literacy Training Center at Noyes** by Montgomery County Public Libraries in August, 2016, the Library plays an even more valuable and unique role in promoting early literacy in the D.C. region and the nation.

The Library's storybook exterior and cozy interior appeal to young children's imaginations and growing sense of independence. On the face of the pediment above the entrance, a carved owl greets visitors. Inside, children can choose and check out books on their own, play with trains or puzzles, or curl up to read on a parent's lap. Noyes is also a **welcome destination for parents of children with special needs**, who find that its small size and trained staff create a friendly environment for inclusion. The staff also offers frequent reading programs. A full schedule of programs can be found at noyeslibraryfoundation.org/events.



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THE NOYES CHILDREN'S LIBRARY FOUNDATION

The Noyes Children's Library Foundation, a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit, **was established in 1991** to serve as the private arm of a unique public-private partnership to help fund the operating expenses for Noyes Library. Since 1991, the Foundation has **raised over \$900,000 to support Noyes while also creating nationwide awareness of the Library**; conducting special events such as family dance parties, storybook parades, readings by children's authors, and book illustration workshops for children; and providing Penny Theater performances to thousands of children throughout the Washington DC area. In 2012, the Foundation was awarded a grant by the American Physical Society for a program to promote young children's learning about space and time. Other honors include recognition as a Point of Light by the national Points of Light Foundation, for extraordinary service to the community.

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If you are interested in becoming a Sponsor or a Community Partner, or if you just want to find out MORE about the little library with a big mission, please email Diana Ditto and Sheila Dinn at: presidentnoyeslibraryfoundation.org, or send a letter to the Foundation address below.

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www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/noyes.html

Open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 9-5 and Wednesday from 1-8.

Check website for program schedule.

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