

**Dear Michiana Neighbors and Friends,**

As March approaches, a month symbolic of renewal and fresh beginnings, we are reminded of the power of collective action and the spirit of community. Today, we come to you with a request that resonates deeply with the essence of this season.

You may have seen glimpses of our progress in recent updates regarding the renovation of our cherished Village Hall. Through the cold winter months, our dedicated team has been working tirelessly, fueled by a shared vision of revitalizing this cornerstone of our community. Now, as the promise of spring beckons, we are ready for the next phases of transformation!

The strides we've made so far are tangible: new windows, new doors, and the hallmark of our Hall - the fireplace - now radiates warmth once more, thanks to the generosity of some of our beloved residents.

Yet, our journey is far from over.

As we inch closer to completing Phase 1, we find ourselves at a crucial juncture. Phases 2 and 3 loom on the horizon, brimming with promise and potential. But we cannot embark on this next chapter alone. We need your support and your generosity to keep the flames of progress burning bright.

**Phase 1** has laid the foundation for our renovation, with accomplishments including the installation of new windows and trim in the kitchen area, along with the addition of three double doors in the hall and a single door in the kitchen. Trim work now exists for the doorways, breathing fresh life into familiar spaces. This was informed by valuable feedback from our recent survey, where many expressed a desire for improved aesthetics and accessibility.

**Phase 2** promises the next chapter of transformation, from relocating furnaces to ushering in a new era of comfort and efficiency. This phase includes enclosing and insulating the furnaces in the Village Hall attic, installing new circular, colored overhead ducts, and removing outdated ductwork. Additionally, the open attic space will be enclosed with finished paneling, matching the interior color theme, and equipped with an attic scuttle access for future HVAC maintenance.

**Phase 3** will continue by activating more visible improvements, with visions of upgraded amenities and more modern conveniences. Here, we will undertake critical updates such as new flooring, lighting, and ceiling fans, alongside essential bathroom renovations and kitchen remodeling. Our aim is to enhance the overall experience for all who grace our Village Hall, including upgrading audio-visual equipment and implementing a powerful new WiFi system. These plans have been crafted with careful consideration of the feedback gathered in our survey, reflecting the transparency, desires and aspirations of our community members.

But beyond the tangible upgrades lies something far more profound: a testament to our shared heritage, our collective history, and our unwavering commitment to each other. The Village Hall is more than just a building; it is a place where memories are forged, and bonds are strengthened.

So, we urge you to spread the word, to ignite the spark of hope within every heart that holds Michiana dear. Together, let us march forward with unwavering resolve, united in our quest to breathe new life into our beloved Village Hall.

Won't you please stand with us to help us all March Forward and donate today? Your contribution, no matter how modest, will be a beacon of hope for generations to come.

We look forward to reporting back to you on our progress!

With heartfelt gratitude,  
The Hall Renovation Team