

# LEARNING futures

McMillan Memorial Library has been a vital part of the community's educational and social infrastructure since 1890, strengthening it through lifelong learning. We work with parents to prepare children for school. Help early readers build skills. Encourage inquisitive students. Provide resources for in-person and on-line college and technical school students. Support small businesses and entrepreneurs. Bridge the digital divide. Provide training in computer, work-related and technical skills for all ages.



Our Learning Futures project updates over 15,000 ft<sup>2</sup> of space, including the Adult Room on the Upper Level and the Theater, the biggest upgrade to the facility since it opened in 1970. Once completed, we will offer many new or improved services.

A Business Enterprise Center. Everything a small business, telecommuter or entrepreneur could wish for, including standard business equipment, training rooms, high-level software, on-line classes and a fully equipped prototyping facility. Gigabit Internet makes this a perfect workspace.



Quiet work and study areas for individuals and groups. The rooms work for both face to face and online meetings and classes. Did we mention our coffeeshop?



A Learning Commons. The expanded Makerspace will support programs and equipment ranging from CAD/CAM, robotics and coding to photography, art and writing. A recording studio, along with sound mixing software and an updated performance space, stand out.



Our 250 seat theater is a unique community asset. It's heavily used by non-profits, musicians and the community. It makes our Children's, movie and concert programs possible. We are updating it for better accessibility, comfort and ease of use.



McMillan received a one million dollar matching grant from the Legacy Foundation of Central Wisconsin, as well as major support from the Library Endowment, the Bell Family Charitable Foundation and the City of Wisconsin Rapids. The Library Board is now seeking \$400,000 to complete the funding. We will continue to fundraise through the end of 2020. Pledges or multi-year commitments are welcome. Donor recognition levels begin at \$100 and naming rights start at \$250 for seats in the Fine Arts Center.

Additional information can be found at [mcmillanlibrary.org](http://mcmillanlibrary.org). You can request a more complete packet by calling 715-422-5128 or emailing [vsteiner@mcmillanlibrary.org](mailto:vsteiner@mcmillanlibrary.org).