

HISTORY  
&  
PROCESS

SLEEPY HOLLOW  
COMMUNITY CENTER  
RENOVATION



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## ONCE UPON A TIME A NICE COMMUNITY NEEDED TO REBUILD ITS COMMUNITY CENTER ...



### 2011 – 2014: COMMUNITY INPUT, DESIGN AND APPROVAL FOR REBUILD

- Community meetings, surveys, focus groups
- Functionality and dual use priorities established
- County Board of Supervisors approved Planning Review, October 2014

### 2013 – 2016: COSTS, BIDS, AND FUNDRAISING ROUND 1

- Plan competitively bid competitively bid for construction
- Low bidder selected at \$2.8M
- Residents gave over \$800,000 in tax deductible donations to SHCF



### 2016- 2018: FINANCE ARRANGEMENTS AND COST INCREASES

- Fundraising paused for financing restructure and SHFPD lease decision
- Bank mortgage commitment obtained June 2018, closed September, net proceeds \$770,000
- Private financing arranged up to \$1.1M
- October 25, 2018, SHFPD voted publicly to enter into lease agreement upon occupancy
- Round 2 Fundraising launched with initial goal of \$800,000

# PROJECT HISTORY



## 2018 – 2019: REDESIGN FOR RENOVATION COST SAVINGS, AND PHASING

- Community gifts and pledges \$550,000 by March 2019
- Construction pricing and fundraising goal increase
- April 2019, SHCF & SHHA Boards reconsider design to reduce costs \$1M, reduce private debt & fundraising goal \$500,000 each.
- Independent cost estimate reports desired savings achieved
- June 2019 Community Town Hall enthusiastically received Renovation Concept Design, budget, and potential phasing
- SHFPD confirmed its intent to lease
- Renovation competitively bid, contractor selected
- Planning Department design amendment approval 12/12/19, submitted for Building Permit 12/19/19

## 2020: COVID19, BUILD FUNDED PHASE 1

- SHCF & SHHA boards agree:
  - Defer fundraising campaign until conditions more favorable
  - Scale & phase project to build scope allowed with available funds
  - Reduce total costs and deferred fundraising need
- Contractor rebid project in phases
- Signed construction contract 7/30, building permit received 9/1.
- Renovation began September 2, 2020

... AND SLEEPY HOLLOW WILL ENJOY IT FOR DECADES EVER AFTER.

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From the earliest days of the community center rebuild, in 2011, the community contributed ideas about whether to rebuild or tear down and build anew, what the purposes of the new center should be, what it should look like, and how to pay for it.

We think you will see that the goals on the next two pages are born out in the design, its dual purpose, how it can be used, and how it fits into the neighborhood.

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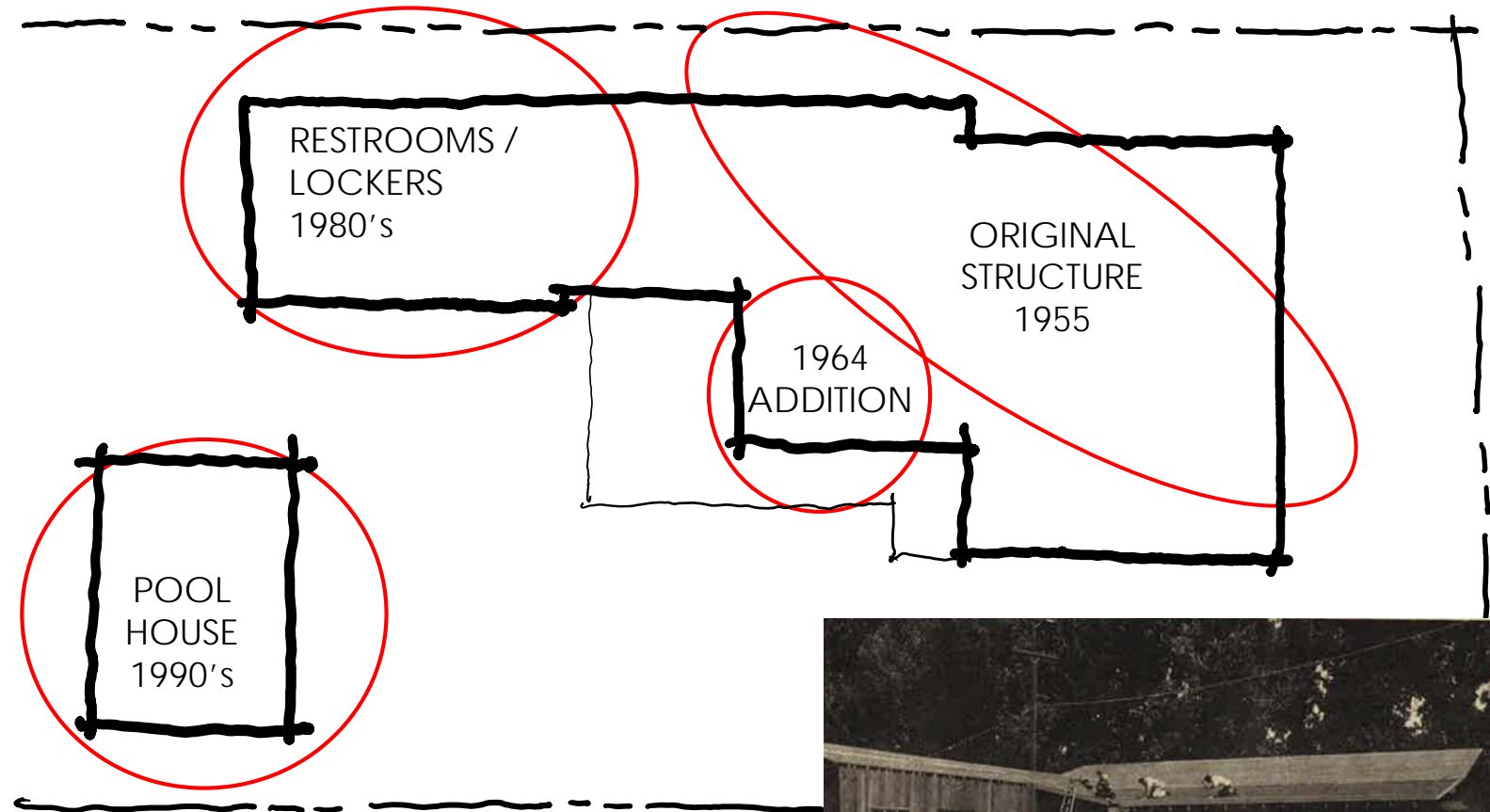
- Provide adaptable spaces for the community for a variety of uses and ages
- Provide lease space for the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District - office and meeting
- Provide accommodation for back-up power and emergency (C.E.R.T.) storage
- Be an asset to home values in Sleepy Hollow and a benefit to residents now and future.





# COMMUNITY GOALS

- **Build to a scale and cost to operate** that allows ample support for site and activity management
- Build to as high a standard of **energy efficiency** and **safety** as feasible
- **Incorporate technologies** to enable cost effective energy management, building and site management
- **Renew** and extend the useful life of the buildings



KEEP THE PIECES THAT WORK AND  
HAVE VALUE



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## **Narrative History**

Link now to Project Background and Features and History and Process, or visit [shha.org/communitycenter](http://shha.org/communitycenter) page any time and select "Project Background and Features" and "History and Process".

## **On the Shoulders of Our Giants**

So many people worked so hard for so long, we want to take this space to remember and thank them. Coming soon.

