

Fairbank Community Center October 2023 Update

A mere 3 months ago, our last update reported finalizing the enclosure of the building. Driving by today, you will see what almost looks like a finished building! Siding is almost complete, daylighting panels are installed at the gym, glassed entry is installed at the Senior Center and SPS entrance, and panels are about to be installed on the roof to hide mechanical equipment. Sitework is ongoing with landscaping work imminent as loam is being spread for planting. Parking lot lighting and sidewalk work are in progress. Even the flagpole has been erected!

On the inside, too, the project is making great strides. Doors and interior glass are wrapping up installation. Ceilings and lights are in progress, along with all of the “stuff” that runs above the ceilings. Floors are being laid. Plumbing and locker installation is underway in the pool locker rooms. Cabinetry has been installed in the break rooms and public coffee areas, and kitchen equipment connections are being made. And Eversource finally got the building hooked up with permanent power, so now the mechanical equipment startup has begun!

You may have heard about additional leaks in the pool and schedule delays as a result of delayed permanent power connections pushing back the move date. The project team is working hard to minimize delays and disruptions to the ongoing programming, in coordination with the staff from the three user groups. Transition planning is underway with staff, and they are in the midst of packing and purging, readying for a move sometime between Thanksgiving and Christmas. The building is expected to be open to the public soon after the holidays. Your patience is appreciated.



The lights are ON! View from the parking lot at the Senior Center and SPS side.



Overall view of the Fairbank Community Center from the Haskell fields parking lot.



Approaching the Senior Center/SPS Offices side from the crosswalk to Haskell parking lot.



View of the outdoor Commons area along Fairbank Road, from the walkway to Haskell field parking. The gym is behind the flagpole, Senior Center and SPS offices in the foreground.



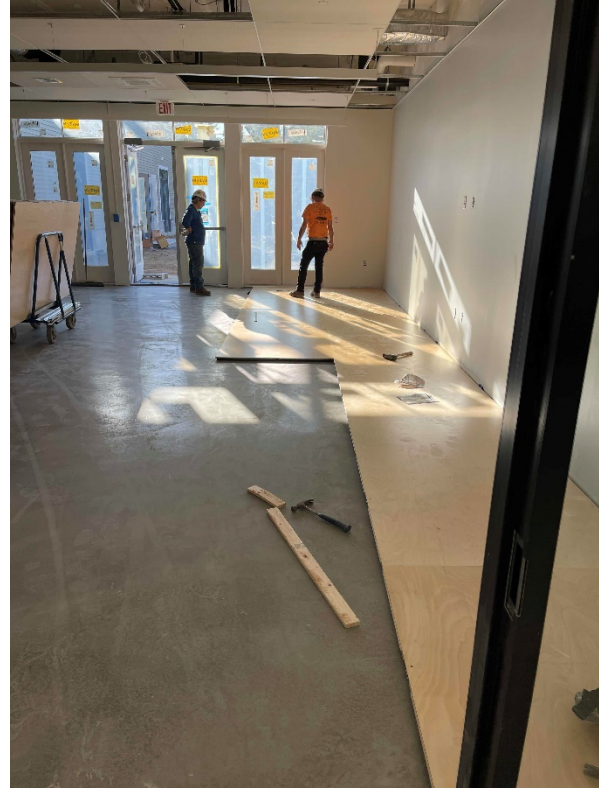
Views of the Senior Center and SPS entry from the sidewalk to Haskell field and the parking lot.



Spreading loam outside the rear of the Senior Center, around the trellised patio.



The trellis-covered patio outside the Senior Center lounge. Fitness Center and Arts and Crafts rooms are to the right and open onto what will be a lawn area for outdoor activities from those program spaces.



Laying the flooring in the Senior Center game room (left) and Fitness room (right)



Laying tile in the Senior Center lobby and café area (left) and Park and Rec main corridor.



The lights are on and basketball hoops are hung in the gym! Gym flooring will soon be installed.



Ceiling installation in the Multi-purpose room continues. Lights are ON!



The stepped ceiling in the Multi-purpose room.



Cabinetry at the coffee station outside the SPS conference rooms, and in the SPS break room.



Preparing to install equipment under the exhaust hood in the kitchen.



There's a lot going on above the ceilings....



And tons of wire for all the technology!



The emergency shelter team inspected the building and gave it a thumbs up. 🍷



And the project team met with the staff to discuss the moving process.



We'll leave you with this image, a major milestone for the project team! Stay tuned...