

Building Project Update – January 2024

Construction Updates

The last month's key building project progress points from Boldt include:

- Continuing to recycle items as necessary. Weight to date is 355,305 lbs.
- Soil nails installed for freight and passenger elevators.
- Top and bottom tracks installed on upper and lower levels.
- Backfilling the footing and foundation at addition complete.
- Building soffit at east skylight is complete.
- Pilings installed at passenger elevator.
- Viewing hole at ground level cut.
- Steel installation at skylight and freight elevator began.
- Began framing at lower level.
- Continuing to install concrete masonry unit at existing window openings.
- Continuing laying out hanger locations at ground and upper levels.
- Continuing install of piping and ductwork at lower level.
- Concrete masonry unit walls on ground level and at freight elevator on upper level continues.
- Forming and pouring elevator pit for freight elevator continues.
- Framing acoustical ceiling areas continues.
- Demolition for existing elevator shaft continues.

Opening day for the new library is on track for early 2025.

Additional Updates

- The lease at our temporary location at 2411 S. Kensington was up at the end of 2023. We opened our new temporary location – 3000 E. College Avenue - Monday, January 8.
- Skidmore, Owings & Merrill has shared [architectural fly through animations](#). [Floor plans](#) and [renderings are available for viewing online](#). Please note furnishing colors in the animations and renderings are subject to change.
- Students from Appleton North High School created several art pieces that will be hung on the construction fencing in the coming weeks. Thank you to the students, their teacher Mrs. Lucas and Boldt for bringing this project to life.
- [Friends of Appleton Public Library](#) and the Capital Campaign Committee continue to make strong fundraising progress. To date they have raised \$10.784 M of their \$12 M goal.

Friends kicked off the public phase of their Building Beyond Words capital campaign last November. As part of the campaign kickoff, for a limited time, a matching donation is available to donors. Thanks to the generous support of Mary Beth Nienhaus, every donation will be matched up to \$500,000.

To learn more about the campaign and how you can participate, visit the [Friends website](#).