

Congregation Beth Jacob Galveston The Shul by the Shore

Five -Year Facility and Programming Plan Summary

Background

Congregation Beth Jacob (CBJ) is housed in historically significant buildings in the heart of Galveston Island's historic district. CBJ has served as Galveston's center of Orthodox, and now Conservative, Jewish life for more than 80 years. CBJ lead by Rabbi Todd Doctor, the CBJ Board of Directors, and Executive Director David M. Rockoff, CBJ has developed a Five-Year Master Plan to create new worship space for the congregation and to repurpose its facilities to house not only the congregation, but also the Galveston Jewish Historical Center, Third Coast Jewish Cultural Retreat Center, and the Island Mikvah Center.

The Need and the Opportunity

- **Congregation Beth Jacob:** In the wake of Hurricane Ike, and in light of the current size and broad vision of the congregation, the synagogue's facilities are in need of renovation to better serve its members and the community.
- Galveston, an Historic Coastal Destination: Galveston is home to many cultural and historic sites.
 Valuable components of the island's history, including the influx of Jewish immigrants in the late 19th
 and early 20th centuries, the creation of Congregation Beth Jacob and the stories of CBJ's families,
 remain untold. CBJ's Galveston Jewish Historical Center will provide a new educational resource for
 Galveston and surrounding communities.

The Plan

- Renovate the original 1930's synagogue building to provide worship space for weekday and Shabbat services. The worship space will be expandable to accommodate over 200 people for High Holiday services, Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, weddings and other life-cycle events.
- Develop the three areas of focus of the Galveston Jewish Historical Center Collection, housed throughout the facility, featuring Galveston's Jewish immigration, the history of CBJ, and CBJ's families.
- Establish the Third Coast Jewish Cultural Retreat Center—a place of learning and renewal. It will
 enable CBJ to offer living and dining space for Jewish and non-Jewish youth groups, boards and
 families to learn and experience Judaism. Facilities will include dormitories, classroom and meeting
 spaces, a kosher kitchen, dining room, worship space, and historic exhibits. Marketing efforts will focus
 on youth groups, nonprofit boards, synagogues groups and Jewish youth organizations in Texas, New
 Mexico, Colorado, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas and Louisiana.
- Create the Island Mikvah Center by restoring its Mikvah to serve Jews in Galveston and throughout the region.

	Historic 1930's Building				1960's Building			
PHASES TARGET DATE FOR COMPLETION		1A Enlarge Chapel	1B Complete 1st Floor	2A Demo 2nd Floor	2B Complete 2nd Floor Sanctuary 3rd Floor Offices	3 Renovate Mikvah	3 1960's Sanctuary Renovation to Create Event Center	
		September 2014	February 2015	February 2015	August 2015	August 2016	August 2017	August 2017
Worship	Capacity	95			200			
Monday & Thursday Shacharit/Torah Shabbat (Adult & Children's Services) High Holiday Services Festival Services and Events Other services by request		The Congregation's worship space will grow with the expansion of the chapel for the 5775 High Holidays and the revival of the original 1930's sanctuary on the second floor. With the completion of the original sanctuary, CBJ can fully serve worship and celebratory events for "destination" life-cycle occasions for 200 attendees.						
Outreach Programming	Capacity	50			50			
Big Tent Judaism Outread Interfaith Family Outreach Community Outreach Pro		As phases are completed, the ability to serve individuals and families will increase with additional room for activities.						
Adult / Youth Education	Capacity	70	100					
Torah, Talmud Study, History & Philosophy Hebrew Language B'nai Mitzvah Preparation Youth and Family		The capacity to hold classes, study groups, meetings, performances, and other events, will grow as phases are completed						
Third Coast Cultural & Ret	Capacity	y 70	100	100	200			
Building Jewish Identity School Classes, Youth Groups, Young Adult Groups, Family Reunions, Summer Camps					eate the ability to p ce participants kn			
Galveston Jewish Historical Center		Open Monday - Friday 10am - 3pm						
Build the three core collections The Immigration History of Beth Jacob Families of Galveston - Documents, Artifacts, History, Photos		Exhibit space will grow as phases are completed.						
Kosher Kitchen (dairy, cook and serve 3 meals	Capacity a day)	70	100	100	200		200	
Mikvah	Mikvah renovations will take place in Phase 3 of the Master Plan							

A Phased Approach to fulfilling The Master Plan

Phase 1

Step A Enlarge chapel to create additional worship capacity and multipurpose space

Renovate kitchen

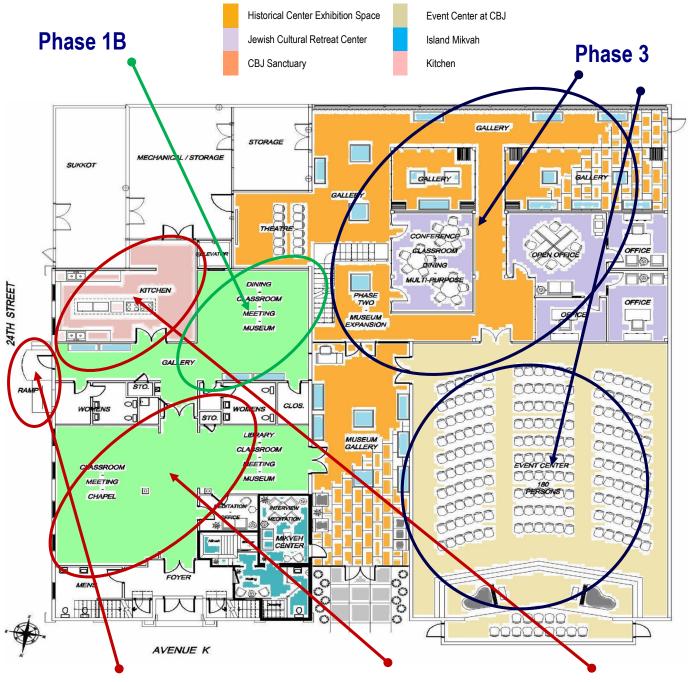
Temporarily move the Rabbi's Study to the second floor

Step B Create additional multipurpose space

Install unique wall system to create multiple classroom, worship and programming spaces

Install new 1st floor modular air conditioning system

Rehabilitate potable water supply piping



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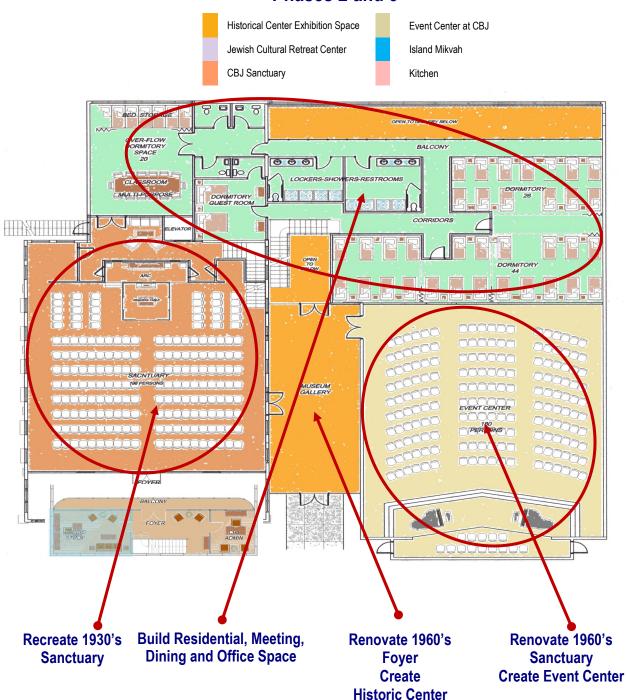
Phase 2

Remove 2nd floor walls and ceilings to expose the original 1930's sanctuary space Refinish 2nd floor sanctuary space Install stairway and elevator access to second floor Move Rabbi's Study and Executive Director's office to the 3rd floor

Phase 3

Renovate the 1960's sanctuary to create Event Center Renovate the 1930's Mikvah Build the retreat center and additional Historical Center space within Clark Hall

Phases 2 and 3



Congregation Beth Jacob Galveston Island



Restored 1930's Sanctuary

Architects Renderings of Renovated and Repurposed Beth Jacob Spaces



Restored Mikvah



Rendering of 1960's Repurposed Foyer as Entrance to Galveston Historical Center