

Fact Sheet: Current vs. Planned

The Minnesota State Capitol Restoration will ensure that the iconic building continues to serve our citizens for the next 100 years. Guiding principles will help us meet objectives and better support the business of government in our state. Below are comparisons of the current vs. planned provisions.



Minnesota State Capitol Restoration Project

Architectural Integrity. Building Functionality. Life Safety.

Public Spaces and Accessibility		
Current	Item	Planned
8	Hearing Rooms, Governor's Reception Room	6
0	Exclusive Public Events and Display Space	1
0	Reservable Public Dining Rooms	2
0	Exclusive Public Information Center	1
0	Public Classroom/Orientation space	2
92 seats	Public Dining Capacity	162 seats
3	Accessible Entries	5
3	Public Elevators	4
11	Restrooms	14
0	Mother's Room	1
0	2nd floor Dining Area	1
1 shared	Dedicated Press Conference Room	1

Life Safety		
Current	Item	Planned
0 %	Safe Fresh Air Intakes	100 %
40 %	Area of Building Protected by Fire Sprinklers	90 %
0 %	Area of Building Served by Exhaust Ventilation	65 %
0 %	Area of Building Served by New Plumbing	100 %
0	Enclosed Exit Stairs	1
0	Exit Stairs with Direct Access to Exterior	5

STATISTICS
<p>Tours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitors: 120,000/yr. • School Tours: 1,300/yr. 60,000 Students/yr. • Info Desk Questions: 38,000/yr. <p>Rotunda Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2012 - 370 Events, 52,392 Attendees <p>(This does not include outdoor rallies, protests, festivals, dedications, remembrance ceremonies, military memorial events or TC Marathon.)</p>

Guiding Principles of the Capitol Restoration

These principles guide all work and decision making

Architectural Integrity

- Preserve and restore the essential design elements of both the exterior stone and interior details.
- Reclaim Cass Gilbert's 1905 vision of a functional and open building.

Building Functionality

- Ensure that the Capitol continues to support the functions of state government for the next 100 years.

Life Safety

- Ensure accessibility for all Minnesotans and other visitors.
- Upgrade the Capitol to current life safety codes.
- Provide security infrastructure to support and complement our tradition of an open and public capitol.