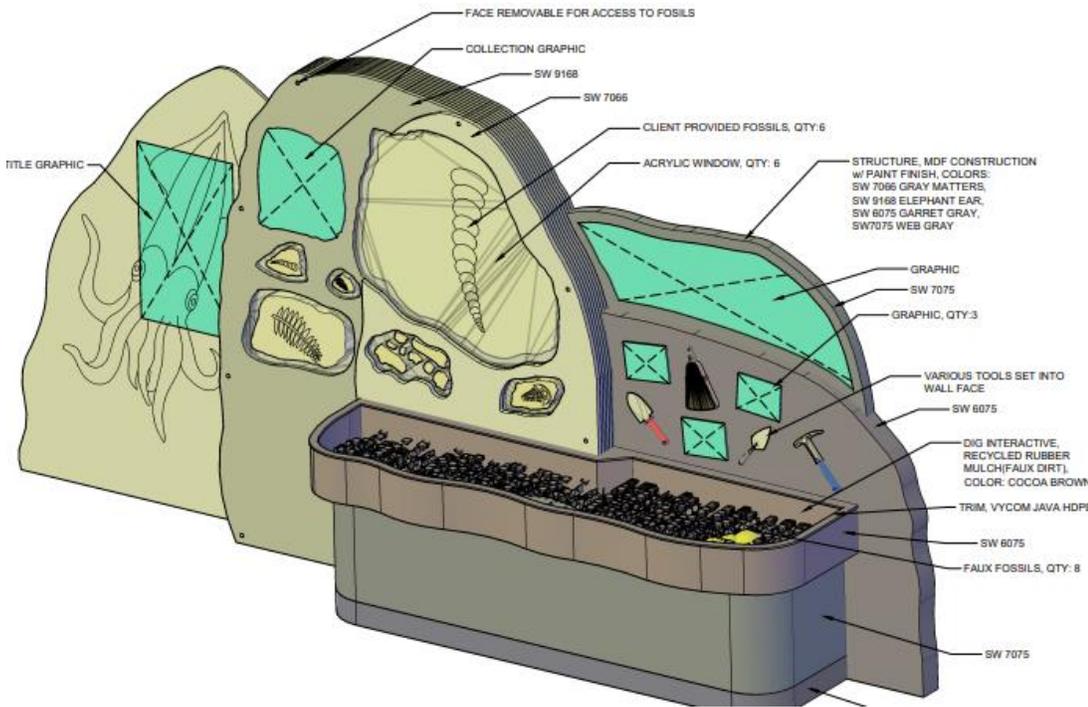




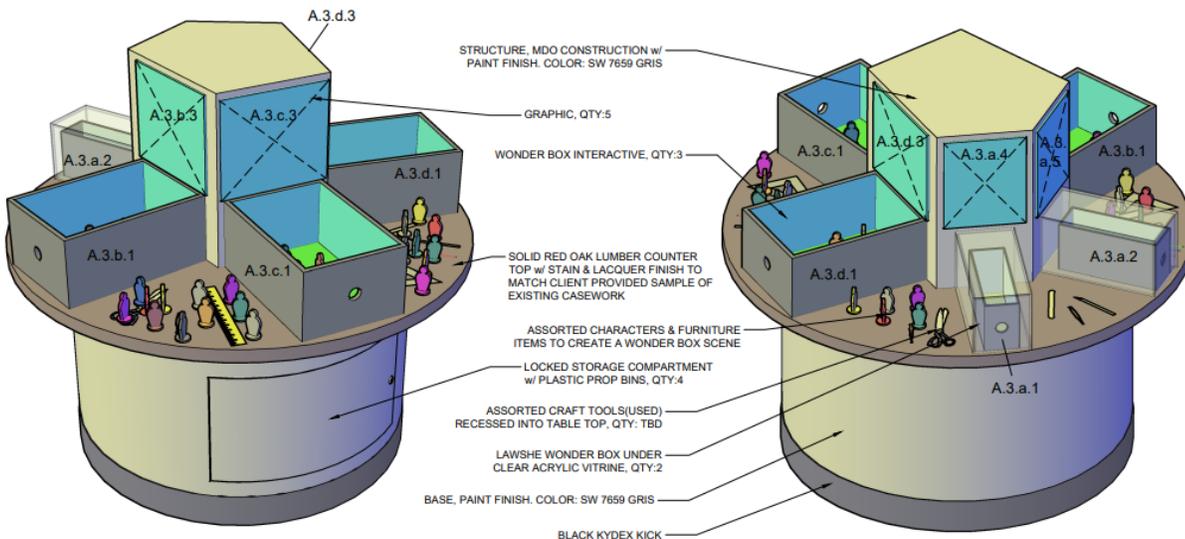
The Dakota County Historical Society's Lawshe Museum seeks a \$287,500 Legacy grant for a new, interactive, inclusive, and accessible Children's Exhibit. This exhibit will provide visitors a hands-on look into Dakota County's pre-historic past through an archaeological dig, a deeper understanding of the immigrant experience viewed through the eyes of workers at the world's largest stockyards in South St. Paul, and a look into the positive benefits for families from all walks of life spurred by rural electrification.

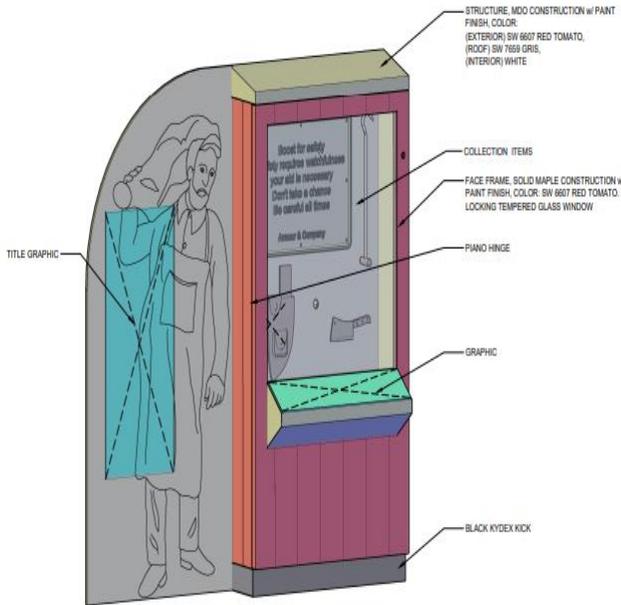


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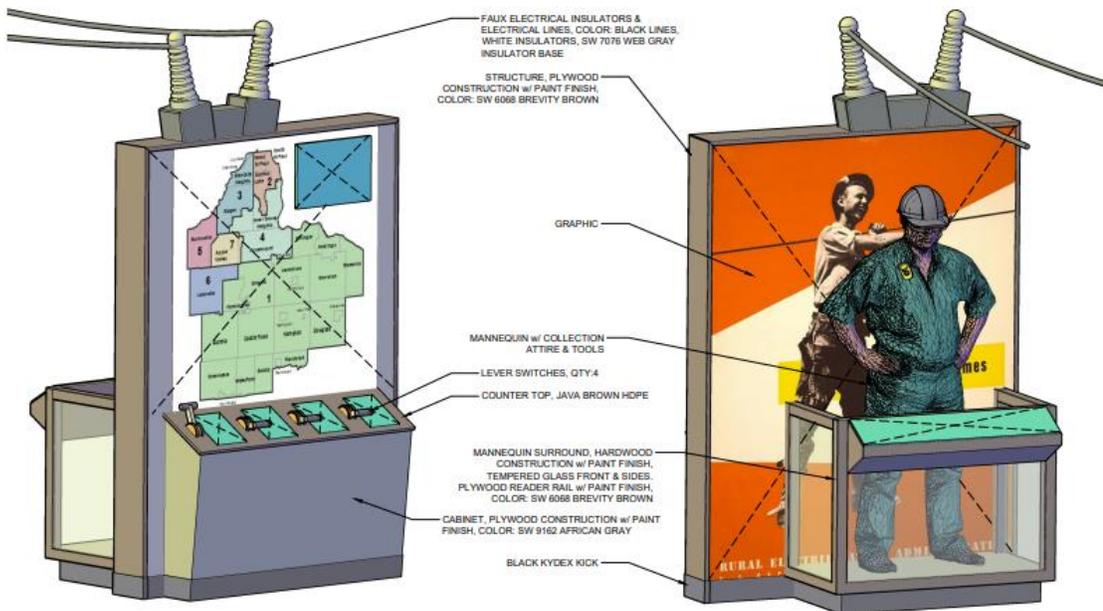


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Dakota County Historical Society	Interactive Archaeology Exhibits
Area: B- Prehistoric Dakota County	Casework & Fossil Dig Interactive
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- All hands-on components will be at heights approved through ADA requirements for children with mobility issues
- The replica freight car in the exhibit is specifically designed for ADA accessibility and young children
- By being designed in four sections, there will be plenty of room to maneuver throughout the space, with no tight corners or spaces
- The exhibit designer is KidZibits, a nationally recognized children's exhibit design firm
  - They build exhibits for children's museums throughout the country
  - They have constructed numerous exhibits for the Minnesota Children's Museum
  - This means that the quality of exhibit will be the same as if a person was to travel to the Minnesota Children's Museum, or a similar institution



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 Interactive Archeology Exhibits  
 Area: D- Rural Electrification  
 Electrification Map

- In 1976, Dakota County Commissioners wanted to build a county museum to be a resource to the community
  - It opened as a free resource to county residents in 1978
  - The Lawshe Museum remains open to the public free of charge with no admission fee as a way to continue acting as a resource to the community
  - Families on a tight budget that cannot afford extravagant trips can visit our museum with high-quality exhibits, similar to the larger institutions, such as the Minnesota Children's Museum, for free
  - A visit to similar children's museums can cost a family of four more than \$100 when adding admissions, parking, and food into the cost of a visit
- Our museum offers free parking and is located along a bus route, providing families multiple, easy and affordable transportation options to get to our museum to enjoy the children's exhibit