

Project Description - b.

There are four areas of the Vermontville Opera House that require restoration. The roof is showing many signs of deterioration and needs restoration. The furnace is not efficient and should be replaced with a heating and air conditioning unit. A restroom for the main floor and a small service kitchen are also needed. These items are listed in priority and are expected to be completed within the time line established in 1990.

Project Description - c.

The work to complete these items will begin when funding is available if this project is accepted, and be completed no later than December 31, 1991.

Project Description - d.

This will be the only community center in the service area and it is hoped that it will be used for: Youth activities--programs, dances, meetings, wedding receptions, Little League groups, and art exhibits. This names only a few of the possibilities.

When we get the memorabilia available on early tent shows, theater pictures, programs and related items we will have a unique display available to visitors and researchers from many areas. Verne Slout, a native of Vermontville, owned one of the early tent shows, Slout Players. Some of his performances were done in the Opera House. It is expected that the restoration of this facility will attract many new visitors to the area.

Project Description - e.

The Township and Village make small appropriations yearly to restore the Opera House. The funding is accomplished by budgeting a portion of the income tax, sales tax, intangible tax and one (1) mill property tax returned to the Township. (See Rider B and letters of support).

Project Description - f.

The Opera House has undergone some excellent restoration changes this past year. However, it was discovered that the aging roof was starting to create some real problems and the non-efficient furnace needed to be replaced. The Library is housed on the ground floor and needs to be equipped with air conditioning. When the heating and air conditioning is installed it will serve both floors. A barrier-free restroom is necessary and a service kitchen would make the building more useable for groups requiring refreshments.