

Space Reallocation: Youth Room

Priority: 1 – 3 years

Need: The youth program at 2nd Avenue continues to grow, and the current room in the northeast corner of the building at the balcony level is too small to accommodate the group's activities. At its March 2009 meeting, the 20/20 Vision Team suggested the youth room might be better located at the northwest corner of the building at the balcony level.

Description of possible solution: Over the summer of 2009, the youth room was relocated to its new site, and now the counselors would like to proceed with some immediate renovations including:

- selective demolition of two partitions to make the space more functional, which includes removal of electrical devices and re-wiring of two light switches
- removal of some bulletin boards and painting one wall in the area with chalk board paint
- correct leaks coming through the plaster ceiling near the chimney



2nd Avenue's Youth Room is pictured on the left, while Grace Bible Church's Youth Room is pictured on the right. Which one do you think will attract and retain more people?

Eventually the counselors would like the space to get new carpeting, new furniture, and new lighting. The 20/20 Vision master plan shows a single fixture toilet room being added to the corner of the youth room; this addition will be handy for programs involving "lock downs," where the youth are sequestered for given time periods.

Estimated Project Cost:

For the immediate renovations: less than \$1,000 (\$1/sf) plus chimney repair work identified under another project and costing approximately \$3,200

For the future renovations: \$23,000 to \$30,000, plus A/E and permit fees

People involved or impacted by this project:

Church staff, ministry teams, members and visitors; Trustees; Architect/Engineer; electrician; mason

Who provided input on this item:

Denise Boyer

Vision component supported: Creating Community, Faithful Living

Does the 20/20 Vision Team recommend this project proceed?