



Architectural rendering of a repurposed Tri-City Jewish Center courtesy of Studio 483 Architects.

TIMELINE:

Strategic Plan, 2013-2014

- The need was established by the public that the Rock Island Public Library should focus its energy on creating safe, comfortable, and welcoming spaces.

Long Range Plan, 2014-2016

- Three options were explored.
 1. Renovating and expanding the Main Library into the only library.
 2. Repurposing the Tri-City Jewish Center into a Central Library, keeping a presence at the Southwest and Downtown locations.
 3. Repurposing and expanding the Tri-City Jewish Center as the only library.

Feasibility Study, 2017

- The results indicated that Option 2 was the most supported and financially feasible option for the citizens of Rock Island.
- The Board voted in favor of this option at their March 21, 2017, meeting; with final approval contingent upon the outcome of the private philanthropic campaign.

Private Philanthropic Campaign, Present

- The Rock Island Public Library Foundation, an independent 501c3 organization, was charged with hiring a consultant to work on a private campaign.
- Planning for the campaign is currently underway.

