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TEMPLE, TX

The Sammons Senior Center is a public-use building to serve Temple's senior citizens. The center has activity spaces, classrooms, a computer lab, workout facilities, a billiards room, a full-service kitchen and cafeteria, and a community library. The building was renovated due to a significant bond that passed in 2016.

The senior center consisted of the original Sammons Golf Course clubhouse and 70 years of subsequent renovations. As a result, the 17,500-square-foot building was a maze of small rooms, differing elevations, and aging and incompatible infrastructure.

MRB Group used staff-conducted surveys and wish lists developed from surveys and questionnaires administered by City staff to create a design that provided for the list of required changes and a majority of requested spaces. The City posted the proposed plans in the existing senior center. It held public forums to discuss the plans and ensure citizens that their personal concerns were adequately addressed.

Once all parties were confident that the planned space solved the most significant number of issues addressed under the available budget, the project was designed in conjunction with selecting a Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR). MRB Group coordinated the design and budget with the City to provide the most value for its funding. Through the renovation of the existing areas and the addition of a 2,500-square-foot classroom, MRB designers were able to achieve the requested and required goals.

PROJECT DETAILS

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Completion Date: Completed in 2017

Project Role: Architecture

