

We need your help!

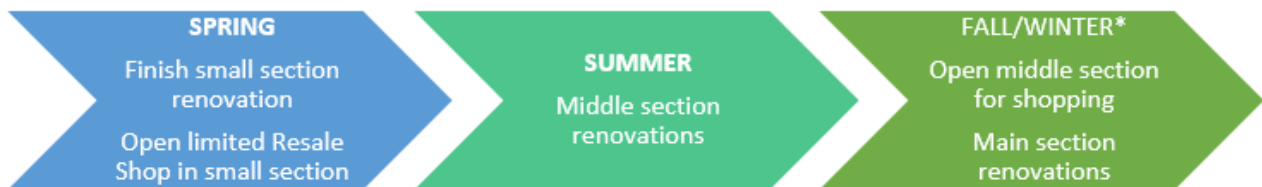
We could do it all with your help and time is of the essence!

New Building Renovation Status and Plans

Willow Tree Missions is searching for people with the desire to propel this mission forward! Your time, talents, goods, and financial resources over these next 12 to 18 months are not only welcome, but absolutely needed while we continue to prepare the new building at 100 E. Washington Street for the Willow Tree Resale Shop.

Our hope is to be completely moved in to the new space within the next 12-18 months! There is much work to do for the building itself, and we have already begun work in the smallest and least costly section that will be used as retail space. Our initial plan is to open up the section closest to Dr. Wintersteen's office this spring and then move towards renovating the larger spaces over the rest of the year.

Opening the smaller space will allow us to begin transitioning the Resale Shop uptown while renovation continues elsewhere in the building. Moving a small portion of the Resale Shop opens up opportunities for Willow Tree Missions to participate in community-wide events such as the Whites of Spring, the Reds of Christmas, and various other activities put on by the Chamber and Monticello Main Street, which in turn, could help us reach more families in need!



* We'll be looking for volunteers to help us refinish the original wood floors this fall!

How Can I Help?

We have generated a long list of various ways that you can help including ways to volunteer your time and talents, donating specific goods that are needed, or donating financial resources towards specific projects/expenses. Details for each of these can be found on the [How Can I Help?](#) menu found on our website and on the links below.

[Time and Talents Needed](#)

[Goods Needed](#)

[Financial Resources](#)

Every week or so, we'll plan to update the website with additional needs and show which needs have been met. This will help us to remember how blessed we are in this community and keep you informed of our progress. If something on this list speaks to you, we would love for you to

partner with us to keep pushing forward. Also, if you know of someone who would be interested or has a heart for projects and volunteering, please pass this on and encourage them to participate! Sometimes we just need to be reminded of the gifts God has blessed us with in order to help out.

Immediate and Critical Needs

- The most pressing and critical need is the abatement of lead paint and asbestos that was found in the basement and in some small areas of the main section. This work needs to be accomplished as soon as possible to keep volunteers safe and moving forward with progress!
- Goods and financial assistance are necessary to continue with renovations in order to meet the schedule above. Use the links to donate.
- The sprinkler project is on hold pending review by the City of Monticello, obtaining additional construction estimates or bids, and significant additional fundraising. Once we have a solid direction, we'll let you know and then we'll focus on the second-floor spaces and apartments.

What a Blessing!

It too will truly take this community pulling together to make this come to fruition. If you have any ideas on how to accomplish the enormous tasks laid before us, or if you know people that may be able to help, please contact us. Likewise, if you'd like a personal tour to learn more about what we're up to in the new building, we'd love to hear from you. Please give us a call, text, or email!

Doing His work with our hands and feet,
Jill