

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Are we planning for ongoing building costs as well as someone to oversee the maintenance of the facility and grounds?

Our current rental expenses of \$110,000 per year (which would be freed up with the purchase of Southside) are projected to cover ongoing building and operating expenses. We will look for someone to serve as a lay leader over a team that manages the grounds and facility so that our leadership team can focus on leading the church spiritually.

Are we taking on debt to fund this project in the short-term?

Yes, we will have to take out a loan to fund the project in the short term. We are comfortable with this loan because the resulting debt would be based on the pledges received from the church body. The debt will be repaid over a 3-year period as pledges are fulfilled.

Why is the project goal higher than what was originally stated?

The original \$3.55 million estimate of the total project cost was based on a very bare-bones, conservative approach to do only those things that were absolutely necessary for us to get in the building. Because God moved in such a big way through our leaders, we now have the opportunity to add the additional changes we would have tackled in future years and fully transform a tired, 20-year-old building into the home of Crossroads from the very start.

Are we draining our savings to purchase this building?

No, we have \$1.7 million in our unrestricted savings. With a down payment of \$1.2 million, that leaves a minimum of \$500,000 in reserve.

Why is Southside Church selling?

They are looking for a smaller ministry space that better fits their congregation and a location that also helps them serve the city of Sheboygan better.

What if I already give or tithe to the Crossroads' general fund?

Please **do not** switch your current giving away from the general fund to support this project. Switching your giving is not a win for the church as it will detrimentally affect other ministry efforts. All gifts to the BaseCamp Project should be above and beyond your current level of giving.

What programs will be possible in this new facility?

We will not become a program-driven church that burns its people out. We will utilize the new facility to improve our evangelism, outreach and discipleship efforts. But we will carefully evaluate any new programs to make sure they make world-changing followers of Jesus.

Are we still planning to plant churches?

Yes! This has and continues to be one of our key core values at Crossroads. We believe the Southside facility will help establish a good church-planting base and residency program. Our current church planting fund remains untouched and will be ready as we seek to plant 2 more churches in the next 5 years.

When can we move in?

We anticipate moving into the Southside facility sometime in spring 2021. During this time, we may experience a period of co-occupancy with Southside as they secure a future facility for their church family. Additionally, we may delay occupying the building after purchase in order to complete necessary repairs and renovations.

Have another question?

Please email basecamp@crossroadssheboygan.org if you have any additional questions.