

Elmwood Community Centre Board 2025 Capital Budget Request

Elmwood Community Centre and Lion's Park

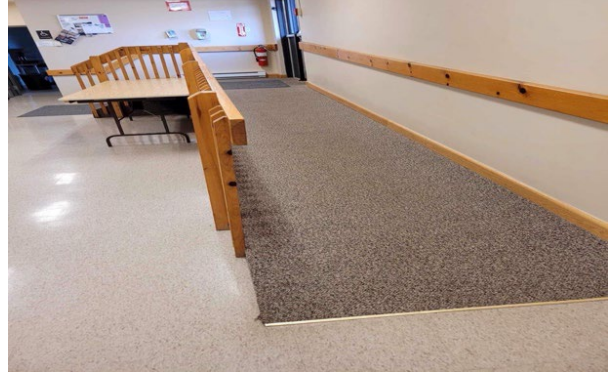
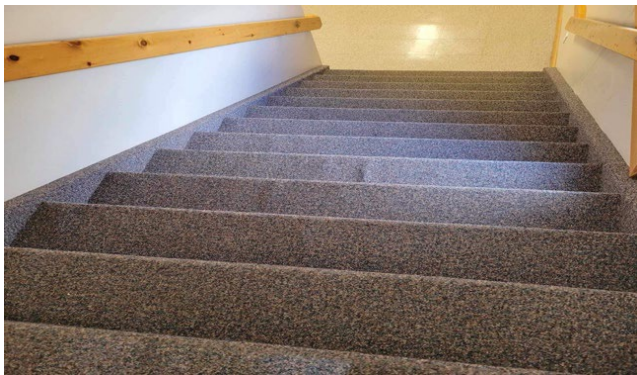
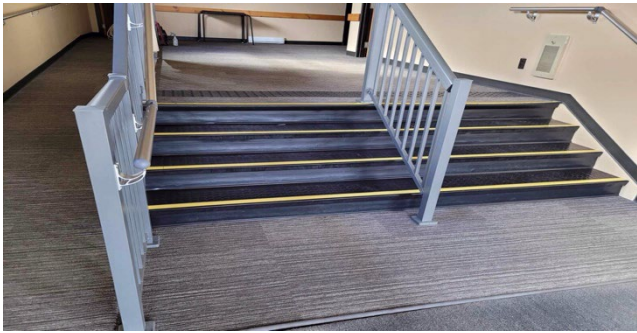
The Elmwood Community Centre consists of a large upper auditorium/hall with a kitchen and bar, and a downstairs dining hall and full recently renovated kitchen. Some of the ECC rentals include conferences, Bingo, weddings, family events, Celebrations of Life, seniors activities and fitness classes. The Elmwood Community Centre was built in 1966 and expanded in 1992.



The fully serviced outdoor pavilion with washrooms, kitchen and bar is regularly booked for Elmwood Chamber Wing Nights, family gatherings and other events. The children's playground was upgraded with new ground cover in 2023. The property also includes a ball Diamond with new dugouts and resurfaced infield and welcomed the formation of a local mixed softball league this summer with new teams joining next ball season.



The ECCB is a joint Board that operates the Community Centre and Lion's Park. Our Capital Upgrade Budget request is in part for the Community Centre for \$15,000 for replacement of all carpet upstairs including stage and floor, replacing the carpet with rubber treads on the stairs to the lower level and the lower level entrance stairs, and new carpeting on the downstairs disability ramp. The carpet is stretched and has become a tripping hazard. The front entrance carpet and stair treads in the first photo was upgraded this year.



Lion's Park is in need of some major grants and investment. The picnic shelter, built in 1994, should be rebuilt and the tennis courts have not been a safe play space for many years. A pickleball court would be well used. There are many young families in the community who enjoy coming to the playground but the grounds are very wet most of the time.

The first step to rehabilitation of the Lion's Park will be installing a new drainage system and some new benches. A new roof for the pavilion is needed but perhaps the whole shelter should be replaced in the near future. The ECCB capital budget request is for \$15,000 for new drainage system, benches and pavilion/picnic shelter upgrades.

The total budget request for capital upgrades is \$30,000 shared between Brockton and West Grey. We offer great value for these upgrade expenditures to our border municipalities. The community centre and green spaces are a valuable community hub for Elmwood and area

