



TOWN OF EDGARTOWN  
Community Preservation Committee  
70 Main Street, P.O. Box 5158  
Edgartown, MA 02539  
508-627-6180

Date: 9/26/2024

## **APPLICATION AND APPLICANT INFORMATION FORM**

**AMOUNT REQUESTED \$** 300,000

### **Purpose (please check each that apply):**

Open Space/ Recreation ☐ Affordable Housing ☐ Historic Preservation ☒

Sponsor Name: Martha's Vineyard Preservation Trust, Inc.

Mailing Address: PO Box 5277 Edgartown, MA 02539

Physical Address: 99 Main Street Edgartown, MA 02539

Telephone: 508-627-4440 E-Mail: nevette@mvpreservation.org

### **Summary of Proposal:**

Brief Description of Project: (You will be attaching a more detailed description as required in #1 on page 3)

This grant request is for the Old Whaling Church (89 Main Street, Edgartown) to replace the 30-year-old elevator with a modern, code-compliant system providing universal access to all three levels of the building. We seek funding for elevator replacement, as well as the architectural and engineering plans required to complete the project.

List Sponsors (including, if applicable, governing Boards, Trustees, Directors, Management, etc...)

This project is duly authorized and has the full support of the Vineyard Preservation Trust's Board of Trustees, owners of the Old Whaling Church.

Supporting Town Committee(s) ("NA" if none) as attached

### **Submitter or Project Director:**

Name Nevette Previd Telephone# 508-627-4440

E-Mail nevette@mvpreservation.org

**\*\*This form is required with your application packet\*\***

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## **APPLICATION FOR 2025 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE FUNDS**

### **OLD WHALING CHURCH ELEVATOR RESTORATION PROJECT**

#### **1. Detailed project description, specific objectives for the project and Sponsor's experience in similar projects.**

This grant request from the Edgartown Community Preservation Act (CPA) is for the Old Whaling Church to **replace the 30-year-old elevator with a modern, code-compliant system**, providing universal access to all three levels of the building. The new elevator will serve the Baylies Level (ground floor), the 1st floor, and the Chapel, ensuring seamless accessibility to key areas, including bathroom facilities. In addition, we seek the grant to fund the architectural and engineering plans that are required for the project.

Specific objectives of the project include:

- Replacing the outdated elevator with a modern 3-story system.
- Reconfiguring the Baylies Level to include men's, women's, and family/unisex bathrooms.
- Updating the catering kitchen.
- Expanding the 'green room' and adding storage.
- Implementing energy-efficient upgrades, including HVAC and insulation.

Vineyard Preservation Trust, a private non-profit based in Edgartown, owns and maintains 20 of Martha's Vineyard's most iconic landmarks for public use. With nearly 50 years of experience in acquisition, restoration, and stewardship, the Trust ensures these properties, including The Carnegie, Dr. Daniel Fisher House, and the Old Whaling Church, remain preserved, accessible and functional for the community.

#### **2. How does this project accomplish the goals of the CPA?**

This project is consistent with the goals of the Community Preservation Act in that it preserves for public use one of Edgartown's premier landmarks. Historic Preservation is a key objective of the Act and this proposal will achieve that goal by preserving the integrity and accessibility of this iconic gathering place.

#### **3. How does this project impact Edgartown's citizens and address current need? What is the estimated or target number of people this project will benefit/effect? How will you measure the success of this project.**

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The Old Whaling Church, built in 1843, is Edgartown's largest public gathering space, hosting over 80 events annually, including weddings, concerts, community gatherings, and performances. As one of New England's finest examples of Greek Revival architecture, it is a symbol of Edgartown's historic charm.

Currently, the elevator only serves the 1st and 2nd floors and is too small to accommodate wheelchairs or larger individuals. Without an upgraded elevator, accessing the Chapel and ground-floor bathrooms/event space is extremely difficult for mobility-impaired guests due to steep stairs, making it unsafe for many visitors.

Upgrading the 2-story elevator to a 3-story, wider elevator is essential to providing Edgartown citizens safe, comfortable access to all levels of the Old Whaling Church and the events that are held at the landmark. This improvement will ensure that the Church is fully inclusive, allowing everyone to attend events, access the bathrooms, and navigate the space with ease.

Annually, an estimated 10,000 people attend events at the Old Whaling Church, including weddings, concerts, memorial services, the Edgartown Town Meeting, graduations, and nonprofit or corporate gatherings. In addition, weekly tours and open houses bring in thousands more visitors each year, showcasing the building's historical significance and drawing both locals and tourists. The success of this project will be measured by enhanced safety, increased accessibility, and the ability to host an even greater number of community and other events, making the church a fully inclusive space for all.

#### **4. Projected Action Plan and Timeline including major steps needed to complete the project.**

The tentative timeline is to begin work in January 2025 and finish by the end of 2027.

<b>Task</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Timeline</b>
<b>Phase I: ASSESSMENT, ARCHITECT PLANS, STRUCTURAL ENGINEER</b>		
Preservation Consultant / Existing Conditions Report	Provide expert guidance and services to ensure that the restoration aligns with preservation best practices while maintaining the historical integrity of the building.	January 2025
Architect: Design Plans*	Architects produce architectural plans for the OWC, the new elevator, and the church's basement floor redesign.	July - December 2025
Structural: Engineering Plans*	Structural engineering plan for elevator and basement reconfiguration	July - December 2025
<b>Phase II: RESTORATION AND CONSTRUCTION</b>		
HVAC	Install HVAC (Ground, Chapel)	2025 or 2026

General Contractor	Build/reinforce elevator shaft Relocate one of the restrooms to allow elevator access to the basement Upgrade bathroom two Add family bathroom three Redesign 'green room' Upgrade Kitchen	2026
Elevator Removal & Upgrade*	Elevator Contractor installation of the upgraded elevator system.	2026
Plumber	Relocate pipes for one restroom	2026
Electrician	Relocate electric for one restroom Connect Elevator	2026
Paint	Paint bathrooms Paint elevator area	2027
*Specific CPA funding items requested		

**5. Provide detailed financial information including the following, as applicable:**

- **Initial Capital budget:** please see below, and attached estimates from Hutker Architects and Home Healthsmith LLC.

<b>PROJECT BUDGET</b>		
Architecture/Structural Engineer/Code Consultant/ADA Consultant	\$200,000	<i>architect estimate</i>
Construction	\$1,750,000	<i>contractor estimate based on 2500 square feet at current construction cost average of \$700 sq ft.</i>
Elevator	\$100,000	<i>contractor estimate</i>
Contingency	\$185,000	10%
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$2,235,000</b>	
*Specific CPA funding items requested		

- **Proposed schedule of CPC disbursement of funds, should application be accepted;**  
We would request the CPC funds to be distributed from December 2025 to May 2026.

- **Other revenue sources including private/public funds or in-kind contributions;**  
The Vineyard Preservation Trust is pursuing federal, national, and local grants for the project. A portion of the 2025 Patrons' Party fundraiser will be dedicated to it, and the Trust will also commit funds from its annual operating budget, if necessary, to cover any costs beyond the



requested grant amount.

<b>OLD WHALING CHURCH ELEVATOR RESTORATION PROJECT</b>	<b><u>2025/2027</u></b>	
<b><i>FUNDING SOURCES</i></b>	<b><i>Amount</i></b>	<b><i>Current Status</i></b>
CPC Grant Town of Edgartown (2025)	\$300,000	<i>pending</i>
Patrons' Party / Paddle Raise (2025)	\$250,000	<i>pending</i>
Friends of Old Whaling Church (2026)	\$700,000	<i>pending</i>
National Trust for Historic Preservation	\$100,000	<i>pending</i>
Cape Light Compact Energy Efficiency Grant	\$400,000	<i>pending</i>
Other Grants	\$500,000	<i>pending</i>
<b>Total Sources</b>	<b>\$2,250,000</b>	

- **Annual revenue and operating costs, once the project is operational;**

As an example of income/loss for the landmark, please see attached P&L for Old Whaling Church in 2023. Any operating costs and ongoing maintenance will be funded by revenues generated from Vineyard Preservation Trust properties and events.

- **Annual cost to the town, once the project is operational;**

There will be no annual operating costs or any additional costs to the Town of Edgartown once the Project is operational.

- **What are the key assumptions in the budget? What are the risks?**

This proposal is based on internal estimates and bids submitted by experienced, licensed contractors. We are confident in their ability to deliver high-quality work for the proposed amount. The Vineyard Preservation Trust guarantees to cover any additional costs, including time, materials, and project contingencies.

- **Financial sustainability – how will the continuation of the project be secured after the grant?**

The Vineyard Preservation Trust has a 49-year track record of property management and generating revenues via grants and fundraising to sustain its landmarks.

## **6. Are there any legal ramifications and/or impediments to this project?**

There are no legal issues or other potential impediments that would negatively impact this project.

## **7. Do you have the authorization of the property owner? What permits/orders/licenses will**

**be required from which Town, Regional or Federal Agencies?**

This project is duly authorized and has the full support of the Vineyard Preservation Trust's Board of Trustees, owners of the Old Whaling Church. Town permits (e.g., the Building Department and the Board of Health) will be required for the proposed work; these will be obtained following town guidelines. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts will require a Certificate For Use of Elevator. No Federal permits will be required.

**Vineyard Preservation Trust**  
**Profit & Loss**  
January through December 2023

11:54 AM

09/26/2024

Accrual Basis

Jan - Dec 23

Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4500 · Old Whaling Church Income	80,300.00
Total Income	80,300.00
Gross Profit	80,300.00
Expense	
7140 · OWC Repairs & Maintenance (Old Whaling Church)	37,669.77
7140-01 · OWC - Event Services	23,061.00
7240 · OWC Utilities	13,854.35
8310 · General Liability/Property Insurance	23,655.00
Total Expense	98,240.12
Net Ordinary Income	-17,940.12
Net Income	-17,940.12



Gretta Hehre <gretta@mvpreservation.org>

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## Fwd: Old Whaling Church Renovation - Baylies level spaces

1 message

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**Steve Kelly** <steve@mvpreservation.org>  
To: "Gretta@mvpreservation.org" <gretta@mvpreservation.org>

Thu, Sep 26, 2024 at 11:00 AM

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From: **Matt Cramer** <mcramer@hutkerarchitects.com>  
Date: Thu, Sep 26, 2024 at 10:26 AM  
Subject: Old Whaling Church Renovation - Baylies level spaces  
To: Nevette Previd <nevette@mvpreservation.org>, [steve@mvpreservation.org](mailto:steve@mvpreservation.org) <steve@mvpreservation.org>  
Cc: Greg Ehrman <gehrman@hutkerarchitects.com>

Good Morning Steve, Nevette,

Thank you for speaking with me yesterday. This email serves to outline the revised scope of services that were discussed and agreed to. We look forward to working with you on this project.

HA wants to provide key information and to be of most help to the Trust in obtaining the CPA grant. We understand that the current CPA application will be for the Architectural design services and the cost for the installed Elevator. Based on our conversation, we have prepared a budget range for architectural design services (ranges are provided as the final scope is not yet known). However, for planning purposes, the revised scope is based upon our discussion during our phone call, the understanding that the space requiring our services is approximately 2,250 sq. ft, and that this project will be a partial renovation of the the Baylies level spaces.

Please review the outline of information below. If we have captured the goals of the project and it meets with your expectations, we can send you a Letter of Agreement. Could you also confirm the contact information listed below (to be used in the LOA).

Our current understanding of the proposed project will focus on Baylies level of spaces and more specifically the following:

1. Designing the installation of an elevator that also extends to the Baylies Level to provide universal access from the main entry to those spaces and the bathroom facilities
2. Relocate and upgrade the bathrooms to a more discrete location
3. Design a more comfortable "Green Room" for the use of 10 guests and consider adding a unisex / family bathroom
4. Reconfigure current storage space
5. Consider adding doors to separate the Baylies level spaces from upper spaces to provide increased privacy, better control sound, and separation of conditioned spaces

Client:

1. Vineyard Preservation Trust
2. Nevette Previd
3. [nevette@mvpreservation.org](mailto:nevette@mvpreservation.org)
4. P.O. Box 5277
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Project:

1. Old Whaling Church
2. [89 Main Street](#)
3. [Edgartown, MA 02539](#)

Scope of Work is to include:

6. The following Architectural services
  1. Predesign
  2. Schematic Design
  3. Design Development
  4. Construction Documents
  5. Construction Observation (as required)
7. Understanding and defining the current and future needs for the Baylies level spaces of the Old Whaling Church in the context of making it function better in hosting guests using the “Church” space above as well as a separate rental / event space
8. During Schematic Design evaluate the various program elements and determine if they can be achieved without causing any building code or regulatory issues
9. During Schematic Design confirm with the Client that the proposed design(s) meets the general budget and schedule expectations
10. Develop documents to visually describe the scope of work for use in fundraising efforts, the permitting process, development of budgetary construction figures and development of a construction timeline

Pre-design & Schematic Design (for marketing materials and obtaining a budgetary price): \$33,750 - \$56,250

Design Development, Permitting, and Construction Documents (to obtain a construction cost): \$67,500 - \$112,500

Construction Observation (we assume that this phase will be wrapped into the Construction Cost Budget): (hourly / as required)

Note that outside of the architectural services above there will be costs for structural engineering, code, and accessibility consultants. Additionally, meeting time is difficult to estimate for representation of the project in front of Preservation Trust Committee(s). In the proposal, HA will carry 2 meetings within the Schematic Design process and 3 meetings within the Design Development and Construction Documents phase of 1.5 hours each.

An appropriate allowance to anticipate for each of the above-mentioned consultants would be:

Structural Engineer: \$12,000 to \$20,000

Accessibility consultants: \$ \$10,000

Code consultants: \$10,000

Once you have reviewed and confirmed this information HA will put together a requisite hourly proposal.

Please call with any questions.

**Matthew Cramer, AIA**

Principal

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**Fwd: Home Healthsmith Informational Estimate - Old Whaling Church**

1 message

**Steve Kelly** <steve@mvpreservation.org>

Wed, Sep 25, 2024 at 6:04 PM

To: "Gretta@mvpreservation.org" &lt;gretta@mvpreservation.org&gt;, Nevette Previd &lt;nevette@mvpreservation.org&gt;

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From: **Linda Bohmbach** <linda@homehealthsmith.com>

Date: Wed, Sep 25, 2024 at 4:57 PM

Subject: Home Healthsmith Informational Estimate - Old Whaling Church

To: Steve Kelly &lt;steve@mvpreservation.org&gt;

CC: Linda Bohmbach &lt;linda@homehealthsmith.com&gt;

Good Afternoon,

The following correspondence is an INFORMATIONAL ESTIMATE for the installation of a new Vertical Platform Lift for the Old Whaling Church on Martha's Vineyard, MA. Attached is the brochure for this unit as well as the Spec Sheet. I have provided an outline of what we would provide below. We also invite you to our showroom to see a working Harmar VPL.

- Harmar **VPL1200** with a lifting height of 142" with a 90 Degree platform size of 42" x 60" x 42".
- Commercial Application; Indoor Location; 3-Stops.
- Left Hand Tower Orientation.
- Emergency Tower Light Backup.
- Three (3) 42" Hoistway Doors with Interlocks.
- Three (3) Automatic Door Operators.
- Keyed Call Sends for three (3) stops with Call/Send Station Control Boxes.
- Lighted E-Stop with audible alarm.
- Phone Jack
- Ready UPS Back-Up Battery included.
- Emergency Tower Light Backup.
- Weight capacity of 750 lbs.
- Platform Speed of 10 Ft/Min.
- Five (5) Site Visits.
- Home Healthsmith to pull permit to decommission the existing lift - State ID#89-R-4.
- Two (2) days to remove existing unit.
- Home Healthsmith to pull permit for installation of the new lift.
- One (1) day to prewire hoistway for call/send's.
- Four (4) to Five (5) Days for VPL Installation.
- One (1) additional day for MA State Inspection.
- Comprehensive on-site project management.
- One-year comprehensive warranty period including two (2) warranty calls at 6-months and 1-year.
- Manufacturer provides a 3-year limited warranty.
- We offer maintenance plans after the 1-year period.

## Work by Others:

1. Contractor to Furnish and Install (F&I) dedicated 120 Volt 20 AMP fused, lockable disconnect at tower landing in advance of the installation. (Current electricity would need to be rerouted closer to the hoistway.)
2. Contractor to build hoistway/shaft to manufacturer's specifications. (Contractor will need to open up the hoistway width.)
3. Provide for a pit. (It was noted that there is a crawl space under the existing hoistway that would allow for contractor to build pit and extend the hoistway.)
4. Contractor to provide clear and direct access to the location of the lift – to allow for delivery.
5. Information to be provided on project specific drawings from the manufacturer once installation is signed and deposit is received.

**Delivery, Project Management, Equipment, Permits, Labor, Inspection & Installation, - \$96,600.00** *\*Note that if manufacturer is experiencing supplier and delivery restraints on their end, we will keep all lines of communication open regarding delivery. **THIS QUOTE IS GOOD FOR THIRTY (30) DAYS.***

The above descriptions are meant to serve as a broad outline of services to be provided. When you are ready to proceed a formal installation agreement will be sent out via DocuSign along with the deposit invoice. Once we receive both, we will order the project specific manufacturer plans and upon receipt send them to you and/or your contractor as well as provide a COI.

We appreciate the opportunity to bid on this project and look forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions, please call the office at 401-293-0415.

## Linda Bohmbach

President

Home Healthsmith LLC

Home Healthsmith provides custom solutions for unmet accessibility needs that improve people's lives.



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# HIGHLANDER II

## VERTICAL PLATFORM LIFT



### VPL400-1400 PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

<b>CAPACITY</b>	750 lb	<b>SPEED</b>	10.4 FPM
<b>DRIVE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ACME screw</li> <li>- 90V 2/3 HP fully sealed DC gear motor</li> </ul>	<b>POWER</b>	115V AC 15 AMP circuit breaker
<b>PLATFORM SIZES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- VPL400-VPL600: 36" x 48" clear platform</li> <li>- VPL800-VPL1400: 36" x 54" clear platform</li> </ul>	<b>WARRANTY</b>	3-year limited
<b>CERTIFIED</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ETL listed</li> <li>- CSA B44.1/ASME A17.5</li> <li>- Safety standard ASME A18.1</li> <li>- Rated commercial and residential</li> </ul>	<b>FEATURES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 4" x 5" constant pressure paddle control</li> <li>- Seal-Kor powder coat with stainless steel hardware for outdoor use</li> </ul>
<b>SAFETY FEATURES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Safety pan beneath platform</li> <li>- 4-LED indicators in top cap</li> <li>- Emergency stop button in platform</li> <li>- Overspeed brake</li> <li>- Overload protection</li> <li>- Interlocks for doors/gates</li> <li>- Manual lowering tool</li> </ul>	<b>OPTIONS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Battery backup UPS system</li> <li>- 36" or 42" platform gates with EMI interlock</li> <li>- Grab bar in platform</li> <li>- Fixed or auto-fold ramp</li> <li>- Fire-rated doors</li> <li>- Wired or wireless call/send controls</li> <li>- Lighted E-Stop with alarm</li> <li>- Key lock in platform</li> <li>- 3-stop with 3-button control panel</li> </ul>

## PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS SHEET

**Model:** Highlander II VPL400-VPL1400

**Document Information:** 13/09/19 PN: MKT-000126 Rev A

Vertical Platform Lift

Maximum Capacity <sup>1</sup>	750 lb (340.2 kg)
Maximum Lifting Height	<b>VPL400:</b> 53" (134.6 cm) <b>VPL600:</b> 77" (195.6 cm) <b>VPL800:</b> 101" (256.5 cm) <b>VPL1000:</b> 125" (317.5 cm) <b>VPL1200:</b> 149" (378.5 cm) <b>VPL1400:</b> 171" (434.3 cm)
Power Source <sup>1</sup>	¾ hp 90V Fully Sealed DC Motor
Motor Speed <sup>1</sup>	4,160 RPM
Motor Rating <sup>1</sup>	Intermittent Duty, Class H
Gear Reduction <sup>1</sup>	Gearbox at 26:1
Maximum Duty Cycle (trips/hr)	<b>VPL400:</b> 30 <b>VPL600:</b> 20 <b>VPL800:</b> 15 <b>VPL1000:</b> 12 <b>VPL1200:</b> 10 <b>VPL1400:</b> 8
Required Power <sup>1</sup>	115V AC
Motor Brake <sup>1</sup>	Electric and Mechanical Holding
Optional Battery Backup <sup>1</sup>	Integrated Uninterruptable Power Supply (UPS)
UPS Option, Minimum Battery Capacity	<b>VPL400-VPL600:</b> 2, 12 AH batteries <b>VPL800-VPL1000:</b> 4, 12 AH batteries <b>VPL1200-VPL1400:</b> 2, 35 AH batteries
Drive System <sup>1</sup>	1" diameter ACME Screw
Overspeed Brake <sup>1</sup>	Yes
Lift Speed <sup>1</sup>	10 FPM (Feet per Minute)
Standard Platform Size (Inside)	<b>VPL400-VPL600:</b> 36" W x 48" L x 36" H (91.4 x 122 x 91.4 cm) <b>VPL800-VPL1400:</b> 36" W x 54" L x 42" H (91.4 x 137.2 x 106.7 cm)
Footprint	<b>VPL400-VPL600:</b> 52" x 50" (132.1 x 127 cm) <b>VPL800-VPL1400:</b> 52" x 56" (132.1 x 142.2 cm)
Footprint with Ramp	<b>VPL400-VPL600:</b> 52" x 70" (132.1 x 178 cm) <b>VPL800-VPL1400:</b> 52" x 76" ( cm)
Tower Height	<b>VPL400:</b> 72" (183 cm) <b>VPL600:</b> 101" (256.5 cm) <b>VPL800:</b> 125" (317.5 cm) <b>VPL1000:</b> 149" (378.5 cm) <b>VPL1200:</b> 173" (439.4 cm) <b>VPL1400:</b> 197" (500.4 cm)
Finish <sup>1</sup>	SealKor Exterior Grade Powder Coat

<sup>1</sup> Applies to all models.

**NOTE: All specifications subject to change without notice.**



## PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS SHEET

**Model:** Highlander II VPL400-VPL1400

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Vertical Platform Lift

Controls <sup>1</sup>	4" x 5.13" (10.2 x 13 cm) Constant Pressure, Paddle
Safety Features <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Designed to meet or exceed requirements of ASME 18.1-2017, Section 2 or 5-Vertical Platform Lifts</li><li>• Safety Pan Beneath Platform</li><li>• 4-LED Indicators in Top Cap</li><li>• Emergency Stop Button in Platform</li><li>• Overspeed Brake</li><li>• Overload Protection</li><li>• Interlocks for doors/gates</li><li>• Manual Lowering Tool</li></ul>
Commercial Applications Include <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continuous Handrail in Platform</li><li>• Lighted E-Stop &amp; Alarm</li><li>• 42" (106.7 cm) Height Guard Panels</li></ul>
Option(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continuous Handrail in Platform</li><li>• Key Lock in Platform</li><li>• 3-Stop with 3-Button Control Panel</li><li>• Lighted E-Stop &amp; Alarm</li><li>• Platform Gate</li></ul>
Ramp Option(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Auto Fold: 36" (91.4 cm) or 42" (106.7 cm) width (Residential only)</li><li>• Fixed: 36" (91.4 cm) or 42" (106.7 cm) width</li></ul>
Warranty <sup>1</sup>	3-Year Limited 1-Year Battery

<sup>1</sup> Applies to all models.

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Old Whaling Church  
(1843)



steep staircases limit accessibility



elevator entrance 1st floor  
(43' width)



elevator entrance 2nd floor  
(31' depth)





Old Whaling Church  
ground floor level



proposed 3-story ground floor location





123\owcseats

stairs to stage  
↓

Stage

← stairs to stage

Back Stairs

18 rows

Stairs

Stairs

18 rows

15 rows

15 rows

Entrance to hall

Entrance to hall

Entrance to hall

↑ stairs to ~~lower~~ level

Elevator

Stairs

Stairs

Stairs

Stairs

Lower (street) Level

★ stairs to lower level

Entrance to building  
(w/ handicap ramp)

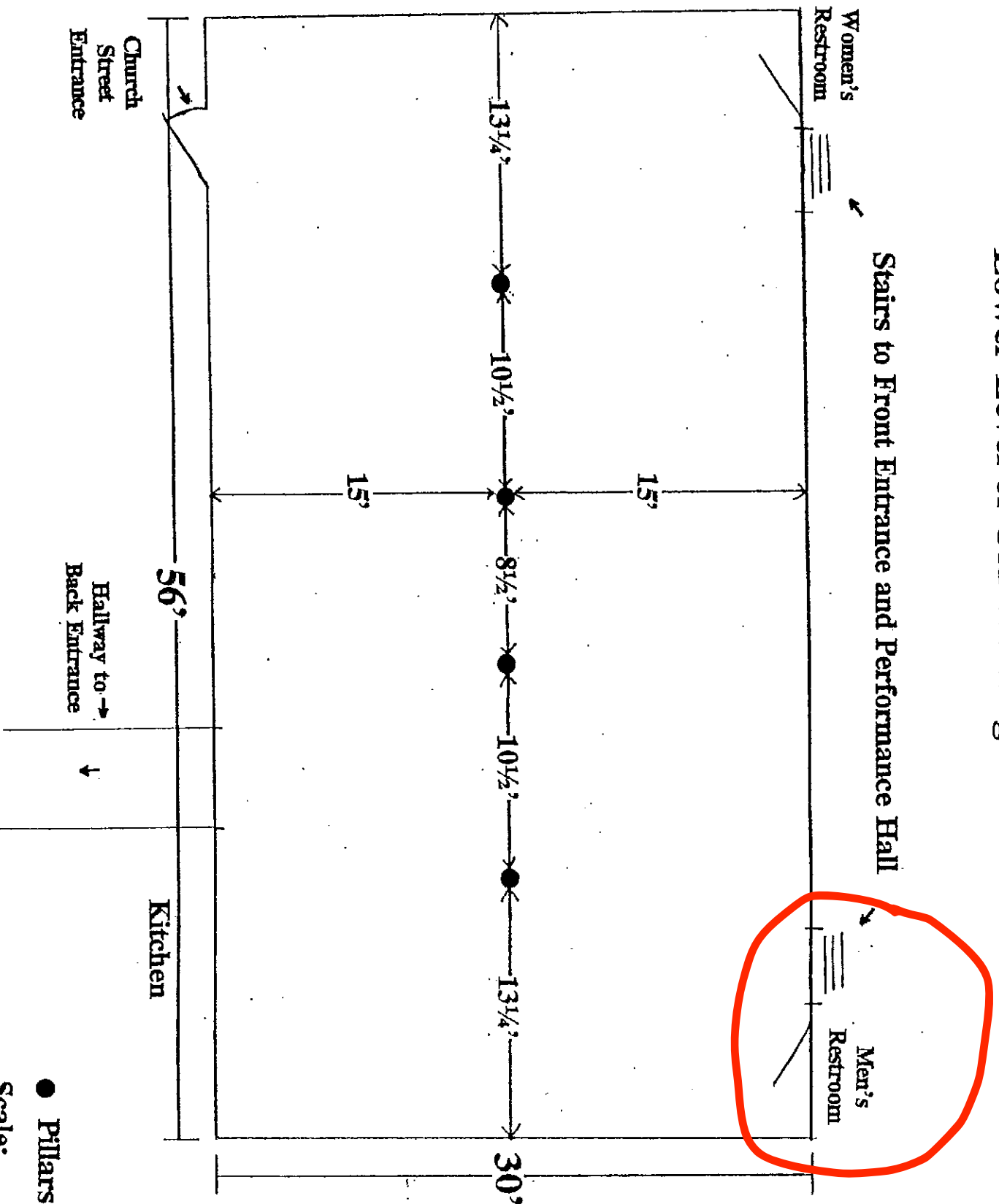
Entrance to building

Entrance to building

→ Each box represents a pew, which seats 5 persons.

Old Whaling Church Performance Hall

# Frederick Baylies Room Lower Level of Old Whaling Church



proposed 3-story ground level location

● Pillars

Scale: 1" to 7'

# Island community Chorus

Incorporated 1998—a 501(c)(3) nonprofit  
Box 4157, Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

William D. Peek Jr., *Music Director* • Molly Sturges, *Accompanist*  
Peter Boak, *Founder & Music Director Emeritus*

*President*

Nis Kildegaard

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Betsy VanLandingham

Sept. 11, 2024

To the Edgartown Community Preservation Committee:

I'm writing in support of the Vineyard Preservation Trust's application for funding to support its plans to improve the Old Whaling Church, with an eye toward bringing this 1843 structure into compliance with modern accessibility standards.

An iconic building that connects Edgartown with its rich history, the Old Whaling Church serves the people of Edgartown and of the Island as a living resource that continues to enrich our lives. The Preservation Trust has a daunting responsibility as the keepers of Edgartown's largest place of public assembly: it would be tempting, and far less costly, for the Trust simply to restore this grand church and then put it behind velvet ropes as so many museum operations do. But instead, the Preservation Trust puts the Old Whaling Church, and facilities like it across the Island, into public service — inviting the community to use it, and then undertaking the maintenance necessary to ensure that it will continue to serve.

I know the importance of the Old Whaling Church to Edgartown's civic life as a citizen. I've attended town meetings there, and in this hall I've celebrated the graduation of both our children from the Edgartown School. I also know the Old Whaling Church as president of the Island Community Chorus, one of many Island groups that have enjoyed the grandeur of this space, as a setting for our performances over the past three decades.

Ever since acquiring the building almost half a century ago, the Vineyard Preservation Trust has been true to its promise of caring for the Old Whaling Church. I cannot imagine a landmark more important to the history of Edgartown than the Old Whaling Church, or an organization more worthy of being entrusted with its care than the Vineyard Preservation Trust. I urge you to support this plan to extend the reach of this building's service for generations to come.

Sincerely,



Nis Kildegaard  
President, Island Community Chorus





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Edgartown Board of Trade  
Post Office Box 5134  
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September 22, 2024

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the Edgartown Board of Trade, also known as Visit Edgartown, I write this letter of support for the Vineyard Preservation Trust and their application for the Edgartown Community Preservation Grant.

The Old Whaling Church is an iconic focal point of our beloved downtown. For our community, its ability to welcome so many residents at once makes it an irreplaceable venue in Edgartown. From Town Meetings, holiday concerts, weddings and celebrations of life, the building serves as a backdrop to many unforgettable memories for residents and visitors.

We are lucky to have a building - so rich in history and beauty - serve our community in the many many ways it does. For visitors, it stands as a stately welcome and offers a lasting impression of our village and Main Street, enticing those to come again.

The Old Whaling Church should be able to accommodate all visitors and residents. Updating the failing elevator is a needed upgrade that allows everyone to continue to congregate there and enjoy the historical property. Town dollars used to make the building more accessible and safe are town dollars well spent.

Thank you,

Erin Ready  
Edgartown Board of Trade, *Executive Director*



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