

PROJECT APPLICATION FORM – 2021

Applicant: Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Soc **Submission Date:** 11/13/2020

Applicant's Address, Phone Number and Email **Purpose: (Please select all that apply)**

11 Cherry St., Fairhaven
508-858-5303
Gerry@WMFriendshipHouse.org

- Open Space
- Community Housing
- Historic Preservation
- Recreation

Town Committee (if applicable): Community Preservation Committee

Project Name: Carriage House Restoration

Project Location/Address: 11 Cherry St., Fairhaven

Amount Requested: \$ \$150,000

Thanks to the incredible fund-raising efforts of Dr. Shigeaki Hinohara the home of Captain William Whitfield was purchased and renovated in 2009 to produce the Friendship House Museum which has been operated by the Society for the past 11 years. The building was donated to the Town of Fairhaven by Dr. Hinohara at its opening ceremony. The Society's efforts have furnished the museum and we have hosted more than 8,000 visitors from all parts of the world. Generally 70% of the visitors are Japanese coming from the USA, Japan and many other countries. The original plans for the restoration included converting the carriage house to a Cultural Center but the funds were insufficient. Since that time we have connected the sewerage system between the two buildings through a CPA grant of \$20,000. Since that time we have solicited funds from other sources with which we have been able to do a great amount of exterior work. in the 2020 CPA process we applied for approx. \$154,000 to work on finishing the outside but primarily do the interior work. We were granted \$75,000 which we are using for that purpose but the in-depth probe of the building structure revealed a need to re-do the entire foundation of the original section (largest). As well we are finding that due to the COVID-19 virtually all materials are significantly increasing in price. Through our strategic planning process we have identified several corporations and educational institutions with whom we expect to develop a robust educational curriculum in our cultural center. We expect this center to attract many more visitors to this area to observe the locations of Manjiro's life in Fairhaven.

Estimated Date for Commencement of Project: June 30, 2021

Estimated Date for Completion of Project: November 30, 2021

WHITFIELD-MANJIRO FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY

CPA APPLICATION BACKGROUND

- In 1987 the Town of Fairhaven and the City of New Bedford signed a “sister city” agreement with Manjiro’s home town of Tosashimizu, Japan. For the past 30 years the Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society has fulfilled this municipal obligation by the use of abundant volunteer efforts.
- In 2009, through the efforts of 97 year old Dr. Shigeaki Hinohara, the home of Captain Whitfield was bought, renovated and donated to the Town of Fairhaven. Since that time, the Society has operated the museum hosting more than 6,000 visitors to date. The original intention was for the carriage house to be renovated at the same time. However, the cost of the house renovation used all the funds and the carriage house was left to a later date.
- After furnishing the entire three floors of the museum the Society attempted to raise funds to convert the carriage house to a cultural center. We received a \$20,000 family trust grant to initiate the funding and a \$20,000 CPA grant which was used for the connection of the sewerage between the two buildings. A grant application to the Mass. Cultural Council’s rehab division was awarded \$50,000 which had to be matched by other funds (this match has taken place). With the funds raised to date we project that we will be able to complete the stabilizing needs and the external shell of the building including new roof, new shingling, new doors and windows. We would ask the CPA committee to grant sufficient funds to complete the interior of the building as indicated in the accompanying budget.
- As for the Society putting money into the project, we have struggled for 9 years running the museum and fulfilling the municipal obligations with one part-time employee and hundreds of man-hours of volunteer services. We have been trying to raise enough on-going operational funds to afford a part-time secretary but we have been unsuccessful to date. Certainly we have no excess cash to contribute to this project. However, we will try to continue to donate the hundreds of man-hour volunteer services that our members have given to date. As well, we will continue to approach funding sources for this conversion as well as operational funds.

Submitted by: Gerry Rooney, President & CEO

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT APPLICATION

FROM

WHITFIELD-MANJIRO FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY, INC.

Narrative:

The Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society has been spreading the US-Japan relationship for the past 31 years. It is based on the initiation of grass-roots friendship between the two countries when Captain William Whitfield rescued Manjiro Nakahama and four friends from a deserted island near Japan in 1841. When Manjiro accepted the Captain's invitation to come to the USA for education he became the first Japanese person to reside in the USA.

In 1987 a delegation from New Bedford and Fairhaven travelled to Tosashimizu, the home town of Manjiro, and signed a "Sister City" agreement. Thus, was initiated the Sister City non-profit agency which has been fulfilling the municipal obligations of this agreement for the past 31 years by using the outstanding volunteer efforts of those who consider this unique relationship a significant international tie to local history.

Thanks to the incredible fund-raising efforts of Dr. Shigeaki Hinohara the home of the Captain was purchased and renovated to produce the Friendship House Museum which has been operated by the Society for the past 9 years although it was donated to the Town of Fairhaven at its dedication in 2009. The society's efforts have furnished the museum and as a tenant, the Society has hosted over 6,000 visitors of whom 70% are Japanese. Given its new international role, the sister city committee changed its name to the Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society.

In keeping with our goals we have undertaken to teach local teachers the Manjiro story and whaling which was such a central part of the economy of the local area in the 1800's. We have completed seven intensive, hands-on sessions resulting in 75 local educators having received in-depth knowledge of this significant piece of local history. The maximum class level is 10 due to the limitation of the museum facilities.

However, the original plans for the renovation included creating a cultural/education center from the carriage house behind the museum. We have now come to the point in time to make this center a reality. We proposed it as a true "community project" enlisting the assistance of the students of the local vocational high school and the benevolence of a local materials provider. Our initial intent to use the NB Vocational High School students had to be abandoned when a multi-year project was initiated by the school ahead of ours. Thus, we will need to complete the renovation using local contractors through the normal bid procedures.

When completed the Center will greatly benefit the town and its citizens as it will provide an expanded location for the many visitors, local and from afar, where they can observe a significant piece of local history while staying in the area. Prior visitors have lodged locally and patronized local gift shops and restaurants. We expect this to increase given the additional attraction of the Center (see attachment for projected uses of the completed Cultural Center). As well, the Center with its Japanese garden might well be the location of ceremonies such as small weddings.

Site Control: Given that the property belongs to the Town of Fairhaven, the Society has no control of its status.

ProjectScope: (See budget and narrative)

Cost Estimates: (See budget)

Feasibility: Based on the structural engineers report each contractor will apply for the required building permits.

Maps: *N/A*

Photographs: Photographs of the current carriage house and the architect's rendering of the finished Center are attached.

Note: Should the Committee require additional material or information, please contact us directly prior to your vote.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT APPLICATION

WHITFIELD-MANJIRO FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY

ATTACHMENTS

PROJECT BUDGET

PHOTO OF CURRENT CARRIAGE HOUSE

ARCHITECT'S RENDERING OF FINISHED CENTER

GARDEN CONCEPT RENDERING

FIRST AND SECOND FLOOR LAYOUTS

STRUCTURAL ENGINEER'S CONTRACT

PROJECTED USES OF RENOVATED FACILITIES

WHO WE ARE

RESUMES OF PRINCIPALS

-WILLIAM DO CARMO, GENERAL CONTRACTOR & CHAIR OF BUILDING
COMMITTEE, WMFS

-GERALD P. ROONEY, PRESIDENT & CEO, WMFS

LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM FAIRHAVEN SELECTMEN

MASS. HISTORIC COMMISSION LETTER



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Consulting Engineers

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Gerry Rooney, President
Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society
11 Cherry Street
Fairhaven, MA 02719

November 13, 2020

Dear Mr. Rooney:

RE: Whitfield Manjiro House, 11 Cherry Street
Phase One Renovation Costs & Estimated Completion Cost for Activity Center

As phase one of the renovation proceeds, we have discovered hidden structural problems that have required changes to the original scope of work for the current contract with Fisher & Rocha Inc., the contractor. Most notable was (1) the discovery of extensive rot in the front sills that required complete removal and replacement, including forming and casting a concrete sister wall to the existing dry-laid stone foundation walls at the front and along a portion of the rear crawl space walls; and (2) previously unknown roof leaks in the main roof and the rear shed roof and extensive damage to the shed roof sheathing.

Change order #1 authorizes the contractor to remove and replace the rear shed roof membrane, sheathing and a number of rafters at an additional cost of \$6,445.00. Change order #2A authorizes the contractor to remove the rotted sills and form new concrete sister walls to shore up the existing walls and provide a level surface for new sills, and to re-shingle the main roof. In order to reduce the financial impact of these changes, a number of planned actions have been removed from the scope of work, including about half of the exterior siding replacement and all new windows except on the front wall, allowing the front wall to be completed with new doors, the second-floor window, new shingles and trim, at a net cost of \$5,860.00. We have also revised the specifications for the doors to provide outswing doors and an accessible threshold at the main entrance – items which the proposed doors from Fairhaven Lumber did not provide. The additional cost of the doors will be approximately \$7,500.00

Work that was eliminated from the first phase of the project in order to reduce change order costs will have to be completed in subsequent phases of the work. The attached estimate of costs to complete the project includes the deferred items from phase one plus the cost of interior renovations. The estimated costs have been updated since the earlier estimate prepared in 2018. Let me know if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Charon, P.E.
Project Engineer

Whitfield-Manjiro House
 11 Cherry St., Fairhaven
 Activity Center - Completion Cost Estimate

Prepared by Charon Associates, Inc. - 11/12/20
 Estimated Costs Based on Interior Renovations Plan Dated 10/29/18

Construction Cost Estimate:

A: Demolition & clean-up:

1 Completed under Phase 1

B: Carpentry:

	Qty.	Units	Unit Cost - Mat'l.	Mat'l. Cost	Hours	Unit Cost - Labor	Labor Cost	Labor + Mat'l.
1 Install sub-floor, 5/8" CDX plywood	1745	S.F.	\$1.60	\$ 2,792.00	26	\$50.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 4,092.00
2 Frame new interior walls, 2x4 studs	960	S.F.	\$0.75	\$ 720.00	16	\$50.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,520.00
3 Frame door headers in new walls	6	each	\$45.00	\$ 270.00	2	\$50.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 370.00
4 Add sister studs in exterior walls, 2x6	900	S.F.	\$0.80	\$ 720.00	16	\$50.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,520.00
5 Install insulation & vapor barrier, R19 walls	2790	S.F.	\$0.92	\$ 2,566.80	30	\$50.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 4,066.80
6 Install insulation & vapor barrier, R30 roof	880	S.F.	\$1.90	\$ 1,672.00	8	\$50.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 2,072.00
7 Install 1/2" gypsum blueboard on walls	1860	S.F.	\$0.60	\$ 1,116.00	32	\$50.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 2,716.00
8 Install plaster skim coat on walls, 2 coats	1860	S.F.	\$0.20	\$ 372.00	32	\$50.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,972.00
9 Install ceiling furring	1200	S.F.	\$0.29	\$ 348.00	8	\$50.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 748.00
10 Install 1/2" gypsum blueboard on ceilings	1200	S.F.	\$0.60	\$ 720.00	16	\$50.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,520.00
11 Install plaster skim coat on ceilings, 2 coats	1200	S.F.	\$0.20	\$ 240.00	16	\$50.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,040.00
12 Install interior doors, wood 6-panel pre-hung	2	each	\$420.00	\$ 840.00	4	\$50.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,040.00
13 Install interior doors, wood & glass pre-hung	4	each	\$550.00	\$ 2,200.00	16	\$50.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 3,000.00
14 Install interior window casings	150	L.F.	\$2.40	\$ 360.00	12	\$50.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 960.00
15 Interior window sills	40	L.F.	\$2.60	\$ 104.00	4	\$50.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 304.00
16 Install casings for interior & exterior doors	280	L.F.	\$2.40	\$ 672.00	12	\$50.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,272.00
17 Miscellaneous trim	1	Lot	\$250	\$ 250.00	8	\$50.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 650.00
18 Install kitchen cabinets & granite countertops	20	L.F.	\$380.00	\$ 7,600.00	32	\$50.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 9,200.00
19 Install range hood & vent, stainless steel	1	each	\$780.00	\$ 780.00	3	\$50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 930.00
20 Install wood stairs, frame stringers & landing	1	each	\$400.00	\$ 400.00	12	\$50.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,000.00
21 Install wood stairs, 16 treads & risers	16	each	\$75.00	\$ 1,200.00	12	\$50.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,800.00
22 Install handrails & ballusters	26	L.F.	\$35	\$ 910.00	16	\$50.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,710.00
23 Install rest room grab bars & accessories	1	lot	\$525.00	\$ 525.00	12	\$50.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,125.00
24 Install vinyl plank flooring	1025	S.F.	\$4.50	\$ 4,612.50		\$3.20	\$ 3,280.00	\$ 7,892.50
25 Install vinyl base	225	L.F.	\$6.50	\$ 1,462.50		\$1.50	\$ 337.50	\$ 1,800.00
26 Install porcelain floor tile, grout & base	175	S.F.	\$6.50	\$ 1,137.50		\$21.00	\$ 3,675.00	\$ 4,812.50
27 Install ceramic wall tile, grout & bullnose	200	S.F.	\$6.50	\$ 1,300.00		\$21.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 5,500.00
28 Install Shoji wall	20	L.F.	\$150.00	\$ 3,000.00	16	\$50.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 3,800.00
29 Install bathroom fan & vent	1	each	\$120.00	\$ 120.00	3	\$50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 270.00
30 Install door & window hardware	1	lot			4	\$50.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
31 Install roof platform for HVAC unit	1	each	\$450.00	\$ 450.00	16	\$50.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,250.00
32 Install ceiling joists under shed roof	440	S.F.	\$4.00	\$ 1,760.00	16	\$50.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 2,560.00

33	Install roof access hatch, 36x30" alum.	1	each	\$655.00	\$	655.00	8	\$50.00	\$	400.00	\$	1,055.00
34												
	Sub-Total, Carpentry:				\$	41,875.30			\$	31,892.50	\$	73,767.80

C: Painting & Finishes:

1	Paint or varnish interior doors, 2 coats	6	each	\$24.00	\$	144.00	16	\$40.00	\$	640.00	\$	784.00
2	Paint or varnish interior trim, 2 coats	448	L.F.	\$0.24	\$	107.52	16	\$40.00	\$	640.00	\$	747.52
3	Prime + paint interior gypsum walls	2590	S.F.	\$0.20	\$	518.00	32	\$40.00	\$	1,280.00	\$	1,798.00
4	Paint or varnish stairs & railings	1	each	\$144.00	\$	144.00	24	\$40.00	\$	960.00	\$	1,104.00
5												
	Sub-Total, Painting:				\$	913.52			\$	3,520.00	\$	4,433.52

D: Electrical:

1	Install 200-amp distribution panel	1	ea	\$	1,210.00	\$	1,210.00	2	\$75.00	\$	150.00	\$	1,360.00
2	Install rough wiring, 12 GA. MC cable	1640	L.F.	\$0.73	\$	1,197.20	32	\$75.00	\$	2,400.00	\$	3,597.20	
3	Install power outlets	28	ea	\$13.00	\$	364.00	8	\$75.00	\$	600.00	\$	964.00	
4	Install lighting fixtures, recessed LED	24	ea	\$	36.00	\$	864.00	12	\$75.00	\$	900.00	\$	1,764.00
5	Install light switches	10	ea	\$	6.00	\$	60.00	12	\$75.00	\$	900.00	\$	960.00
6	Install emergency lights	4	ea	\$	35.00	\$	140.00	4	\$75.00	\$	300.00	\$	440.00
7	Install exit signs	3	ea	\$	60.00	\$	180.00	3	\$75.00	\$	225.00	\$	405.00
8	Install light fixtures, surface LED	8	ea	\$	30.00	\$	240.00	4	\$75.00	\$	300.00	\$	540.00
9	Wire kitchen appliances	3	ea	\$	25.00	\$	75.00	4	\$75.00	\$	300.00	\$	375.00
10	Wire bath exhaust	1	ea	\$	25.00	\$	25.00	1	\$75.00	\$	75.00	\$	100.00
11	Wire HVAC unit	1	ea	\$	600.00	\$	600.00	12	\$75.00	\$	900.00	\$	1,500.00
12	Install outside wall lights	4	ea	\$	60.00	\$	240.00	3	\$75.00	\$	225.00	\$	465.00
13	Install smoke detectors	7	ea	\$	30.00	\$	210.00	4	\$75.00	\$	300.00	\$	510.00
14	Install fire alarm panel	1	ea	\$	690.00	\$	690.00	4	\$75.00	\$	300.00	\$	990.00
15	Install alarm annunciators	5	ea	\$	44.00	\$	220.00	3	\$75.00	\$	225.00	\$	445.00
16	Install fire alarm strobe	1	ea	\$	96.00	\$	96.00	1	\$75.00	\$	75.00	\$	171.00
17	Wire sewage ejector	1	ea	\$	40.00	\$	40.00	2	\$75.00	\$	150.00	\$	190.00
18	Wire hot water heater	1	ea	\$	40.00	\$	40.00	1	\$75.00	\$	75.00	\$	115.00
19													
20													
	Sub-Total, Electrical:				\$	6,491.20			\$	8,400.00	\$	14,891.20	

E: Plumbing:

1	Install CI wastes for 2 sinks, d'washer & w.c.	55	L.F.	\$	19.00	\$	1,045.00	16	\$75.00	\$	1,200.00	\$	2,245.00
2	Install vents for fixtures, type L copper	40	L.F.	\$	25.00	\$	1,000.00	16	\$75.00	\$	1,200.00	\$	2,200.00
3	Install water closet & lavatory	2	ea	\$	260.00	\$	520.00	6	\$75.00	\$	450.00	\$	970.00
4	Install kitchen sink & faucets	1	ea	\$	710.00	\$	710.00	2	\$75.00	\$	150.00	\$	860.00
5	Install dishwasher	1	ea	\$	110.00	\$	110.00	1	\$75.00	\$	75.00	\$	185.00

6	Install outdoor sillcock	1	ea	\$	40.00	\$	40.00	1.5	\$75.00	\$	112.50	\$	152.50
7	Pipe gas to HVAC unit	50	L.F.	\$	3.50	\$	175.00	3	\$75.00	\$	225.00	\$	400.00
8	Install hot water heater	1	ea	\$	370.00	\$	370.00	2	\$75.00	\$	150.00	\$	520.00
9	Install cold & hot water piping	105	L.F.	\$	3.25	\$	341.25	16	\$75.00	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,541.25
10	Install triple sink	1	ea	\$	\$260.00	\$	260.00	4	\$75.00	\$	300.00	\$	560.00
	Sub-Total, Plumbing:			\$	4,571.25	\$	4,571.25		\$	\$	5,062.50	\$	9,633.75

F: Heating & Air Conditioning:

1	Install 42,000 btu package a/c unit	1	ea	\$	5,800.00	\$	5,800.00	24	\$75.00	\$	1,800.00	\$	7,600.00
2	Fabricate & install metal ductwork	1	Lot	\$	6,500.00	\$	6,500.00	32	\$75.00	\$	2,400.00	\$	8,900.00
3	Install registers, grilles & diffusers	12	ea	\$	50.00	\$	600.00	4	\$75.00	\$	300.00	\$	900.00
4	Install controls & wiring	1	ea	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00	2	\$75.00	\$	150.00	\$	1,350.00
5	Sub-Total, HVAC:			\$	14,100.00	\$	14,100.00		\$	\$	4,650.00	\$	18,750.00

G: Furnishings & Equipment:

1	Appliances - refriger.,range,d'washer & m'wave	1	Lot	\$	4,800.00	\$	4,800.00		\$	\$	-	\$	4,800.00
2	Triple sink & wash sink	1	Lot	\$	\$900.00	\$	900.00		\$	\$	-	\$	\$900.00
3	Sub-Total, F & E:			\$	5,700.00	\$	5,700.00		\$	\$	-	\$	5,700.00

Construction Cost Totals:

6.25% Mass. Sales Tax:				\$	73,651.27	\$	73,651.27		\$	\$	53,525.00	\$	127,176.27
Contractor's Overhead & Profit - 15%:				1	\$	4,603.20			\$	\$		\$	4,603.20
Architectural Fees - 10%:									\$	\$		\$	19,076.44
Contingencies - 10%:									\$	\$		\$	12,717.63
Permit Fees - Exempt									\$	\$		\$	12,717.63

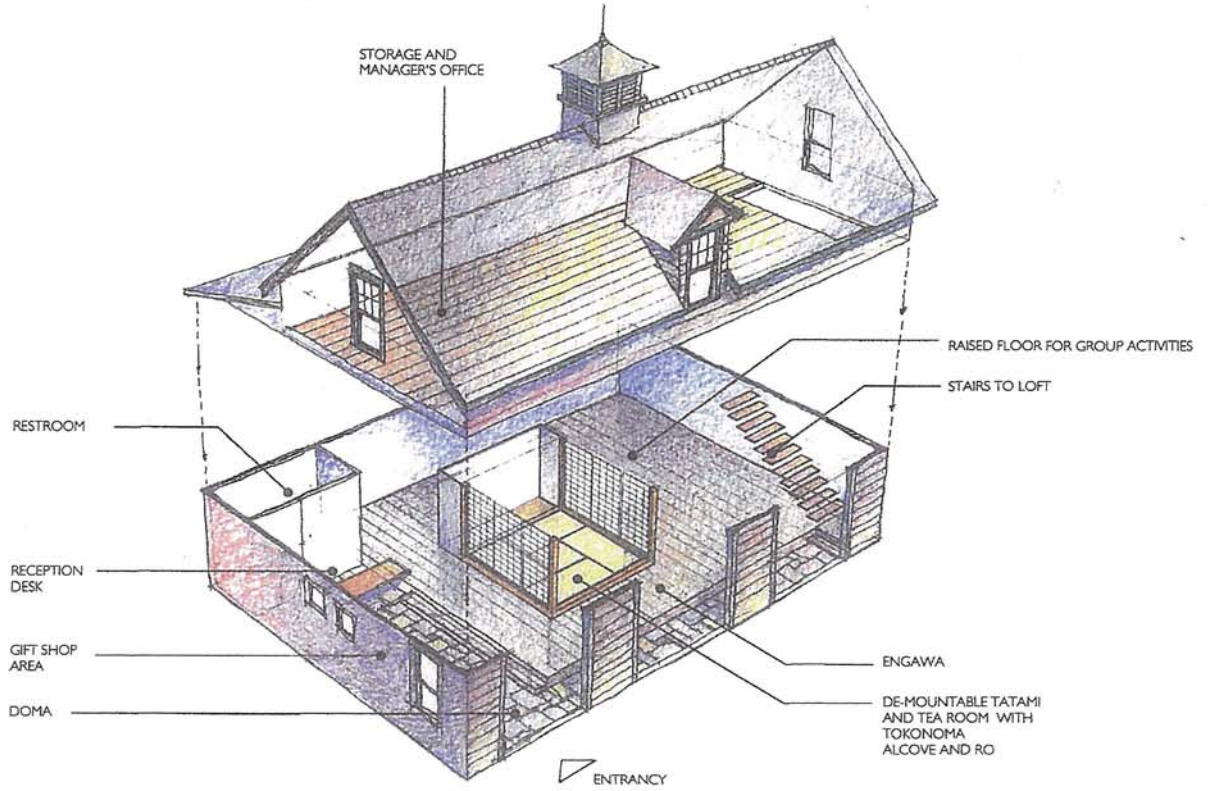
TOTAL PROJECT COST - INTERIOR

Cost per square foot for 1200 s.f. area: **\$146.32**

H: Completion of Exterior Work:

1. Install remaining windows & trim; remove and replace wood shingles on rear wall, right side wall and part of left side; install remaining trim & fascia;





May 7, 2009

WHITFIELD-MANJIRO ACTIVITY/RECEPTION CENTER

Gifford Coastal Architecture

Imai Keller Moore Architects



VIEW TO GARDEN FROM TATAMI TEA ROOM

May 7, 2009

1st floor layout

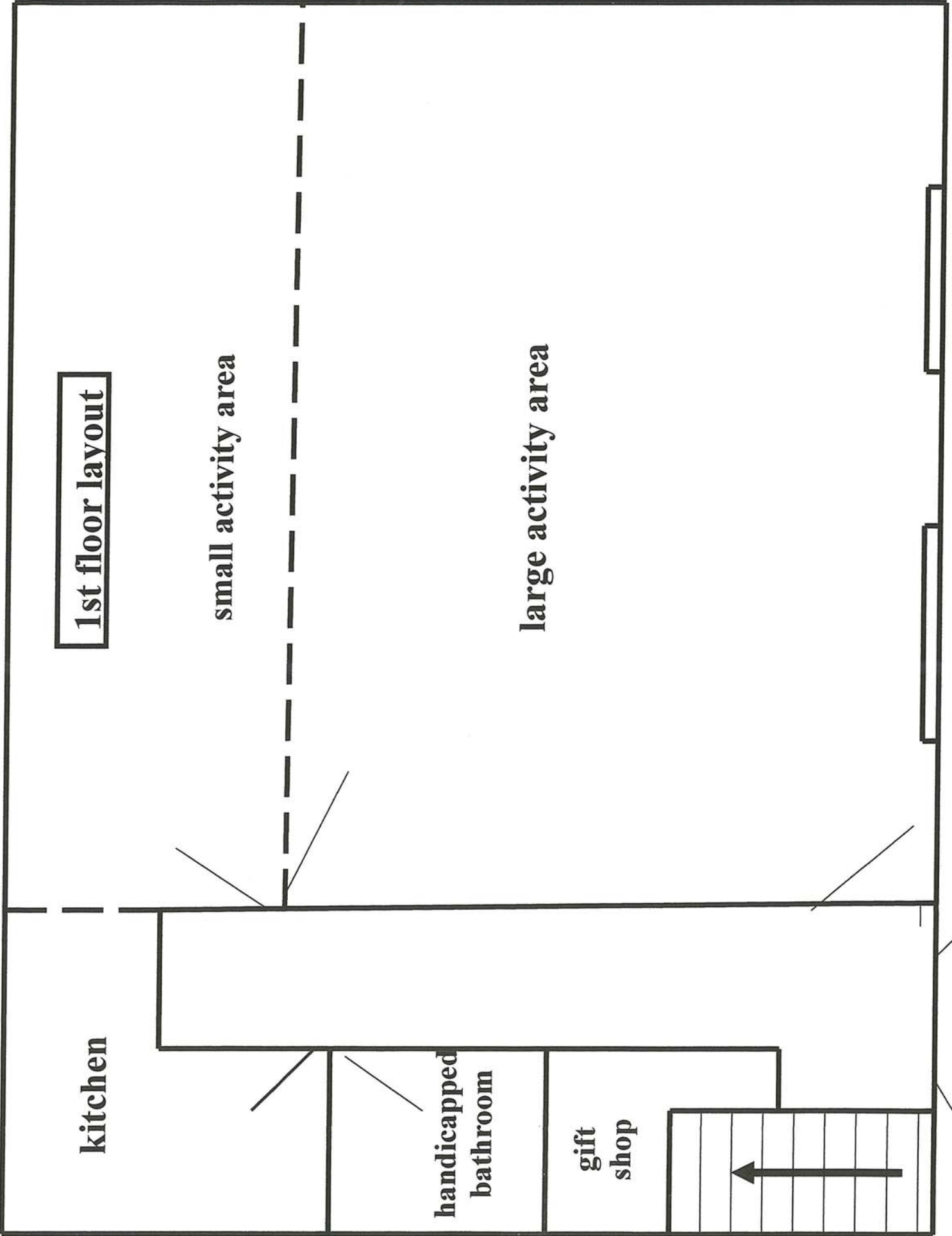
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large activity area

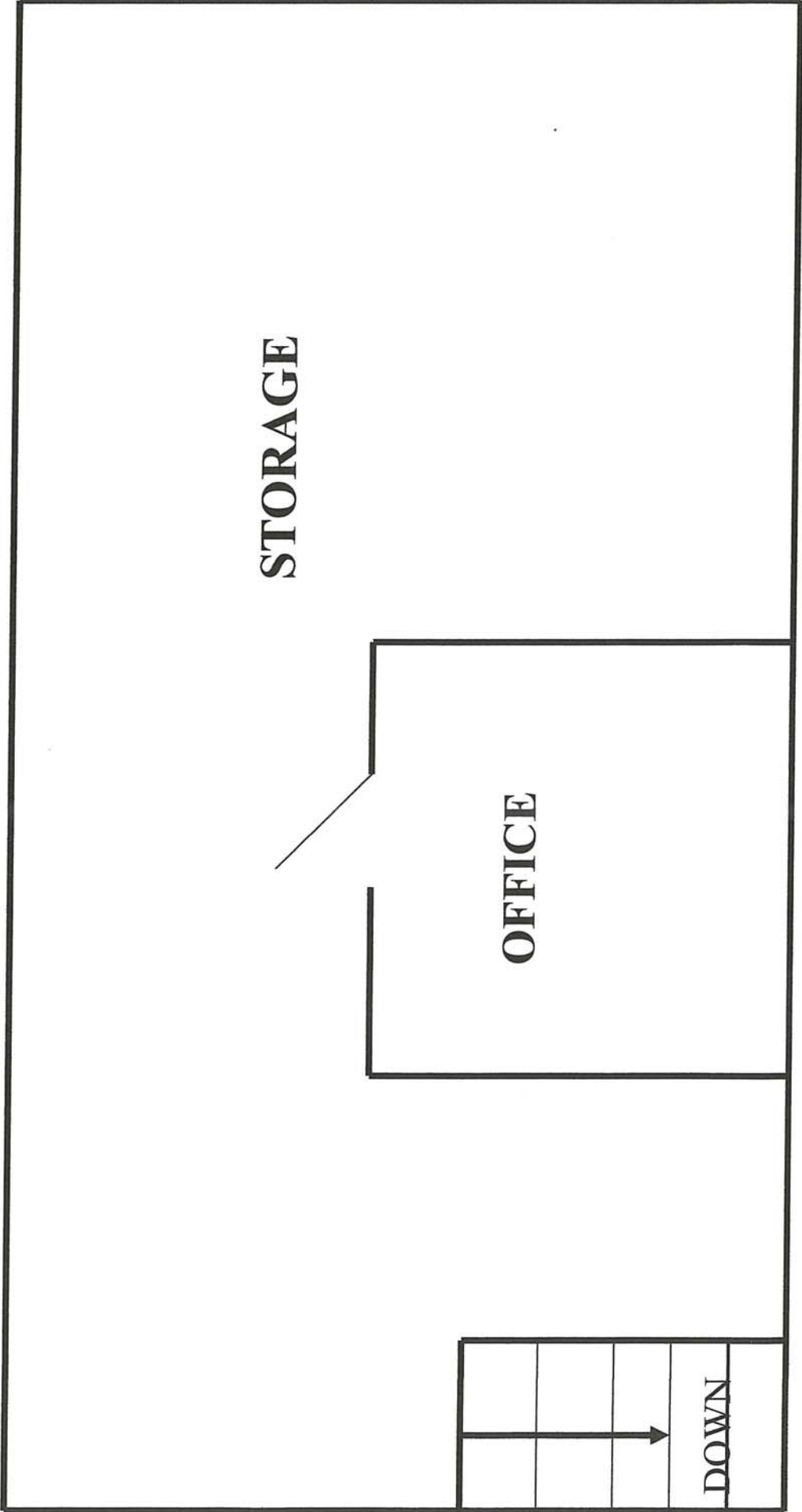
kitchen

**handicapped
bathroom**

**gift
shop**



**CULTURAL CENTER
SECOND FLOOR LAYOUT**



CAI *Charon Associates, Inc.*
Consulting Engineers

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Rochester, MA 02770
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May 11, 2015

Mr. Gerald P. Rooney
Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society, Inc.
11 Cherry St.
Fairhaven, MA 02719

RE: Proposal for Site Engineering Services, 11 Cherry St.

Dear Mr. Rooney:

In accordance with our previous discussions, we are pleased to offer the following proposal for site survey and preparation of a site plan and connection to town services:

Charon Associates will:

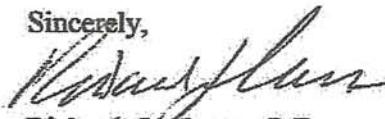
- (1) Research town and county records for property information and deed description;
- (2) Perform a field survey to determine existing conditions, including setbacks of buildings from property lines and locations of existing utilities;
- (3) Preparation of a site plan of existing and proposed conditions for the new Activity and Reception Center; and
- (4) Design of new connection to town sewer line in Cherry Street.

For a cost not to exceed.....\$1,500.00

A signed copy of this proposal would be needed to begin work, with payment due upon completion of the work. Terms are net 10 days with interest of 1.5% per month due on unpaid amounts after 30 days.

If you have any questions regarding this proposal, please give me a call.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Charon P.E.

Proposal accepted by: Gerald P. Rooney Date: 5/12/15

**WHITFIELD-MANJIRO FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY
CPA APPLICATION 2019**

**POTENTIAL USES OF THE NEWLY CREATED SPACES IN THE
CULTURAL/EDUCATION CENTER**

CLASSES:

- **TEACHERS COURSES FOR PDP'S OR GRADUATE CREDITS**
- **JAPANESE LANGUAGE, COOKING, FLOWER ARRANGING,
CALLIGRAPHY, BONSAI TREES, DANCING**
- **MARTIAL ARTS, YOGA**

DEMONSTRATIONS/LECTURES:

- **TEA CEREMONY, TRADITIONAL CLOTHING, BONSAI CARE**

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

- **KAMISHIBAI THEATER**
- **ORIGAMI FOLDING**
- **DOLL FESTIVAL**
- **CHILDREN'S DAY**
- **MANGA SOCIETY**

**AS WELL THE SPACE MIGHT BE THE LOCATION OF MANY LOCAL AGENCY
MEETINGS AS WELL AS USE FOR SMALL WEDDING AND OTHER PARTIES**

Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society, Inc.

BOARD MEMBERS

(as of October 2020)

HONORARY

- Dr. Shigeaki Hinohara, (Honorary President- in memorium)
- Mr. Shinsuke J. Sugiyama, Ambassador of Japan
- Mr. Setsuo Omori, Consul General in Boston
- Mr. Robert Whitfield, 5th generation descendant
- Ms. Kyo Nakahama, 5th generation descendant
- Mr. Jon Mitchell, Mayor of New Bedford
- Mr. Robert Espindola, Fairhaven Selectman
- Mr. Daniel Freitas, Fairhaven Selectman
- Mr. Keith Silvia, Fairhaven Selectman
- Mr. Mitsunobu Hijiya, Mayor of Tosashimizu

PARTICIPATING

JAPAN

- Mr. Junji Kitadai, Manjiro Historian – ECM

USA

- President & CEO, Gerald P. Rooney, recipient of Order of the Rising Sun, Gold & Silver Rays - ECM
- Vice-President, Michael Silvia, community leader - ECM
- Treasurer, Dr. Brian Bowcock, community leader - ECM
- Cultural Advisor, Ayako Rooney, founding member – ECM
- Educational Coordinator, Ms. Debra Almeida, Ed.D., – ECM
- Ms. Kristine Audette, bookkeeper, volunteer – ECM
- Mss. Teresa Berard, - ECM
- Ms. Joan Doyon, WMFH tour guide
- Ms. Aline Duval, retired nurse, tour guide
- Ms. Joni Gaudiello, teacher, Bristol Community college
- Mr. Enrique Goytizolo, antique dealer, WMFH Curator
- Mr. Peter Grilli, President & CEO, Japan Society of Boston (RET)
- Ms. Gail Isaksen, Fairhaven business woman, community volunteer
- Mr. Andrew Langhauser, retired businessman, tour guide
- Ms. Carolyn Longworth, Director, Millicent Library, founding member
- Mr. Henry Mastey, retired educator
- Prof. Shigeru Miyagawa, Head of Foreign Language Dept., MIT
- Ms. Cheryl Moniz, business woman, community volunteer
- Ms. Debbie Morris, Whitfield home owner
- Mr. Arthur Motta II, Dir. of Marketing, New Bedford School System
- Mr. Charles Murphy, administrator, - ECM
- Ms. Barbara Owen, past Treasurer - ECM
- Dr. Matthew C. Perry, 4th generation descendant
- Ms. Jill Simmons, past member, Mattapoisett Harbor Master, NBPD-RET - ECM
- Ms. Louise Tapper, retired teacher - ECM
- Ms. Ger Tysk, author, mariner, musician – ECM
- Mr. Robert Whitfield, 5th generation descendant - ECM
- Ms. Carolyn Wingate, teacher (RET) musician - ECM
- Ms. Cynthia Yoken, past member, retired teacher

ADVISORY

- Mr. Tsutomu Karino, Procedural & organizational advisor, New York
- Ms. Susan J. Onuma, Partner, Kelley & Drye Law Firm, New York
- Ms. Fujiko Hara, President, Diplomat, Inc.
- Mr. Kenzo Kiiikuni, Chairman, Brd. of Sasakawa Mem. Medical Foundation
- Mr. Mikio Kumagai, Sec. Gen., St. Luke's Int. Hospital Foundation
- Mr. Yoshio Okawara, former Ambassador
- Mr. William Do Carmo, Community Advocate, Business Man

NOTE: ECM = MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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William do Carmo

CERTIFICATIONS/ QUALIFICATIONS

Real Estate & Construction Consultant & Contractor
Certified HUD and MHFA Architect & Engineer
Certified Owner's Project Manager
Construction Manager/Estimator
Environmental Consultant
Construction Supervisor
Facility Manager
Home Inspector
Real Estate Broker
OSHA

EDUCATION

*Bachelor of Science, Administration of Justice – Roger Williams
University, Bristol, RI*

*Bachelor of Arts in Legal Education – University of
Massachusetts, Boston, MA*

*Bachelor of Science in Education, Architecture, and Construction –
Fitchburg State College, Fitchburg, MA*

Wentworth Institute, Architectural Construction
Cambridge College, Masters (Pending)
Graduate, Massachusetts Institute of Technology's
Center for Real Estate
Marshall & Swift, "Appraisals & Estimating Courses"
Means Company, "Construction Courses"
National Association of Real Estate Appraisers
Real Estate Development & Property Management
Northeastern University, MA
Dale Carnegie Institute
OSHA Certified

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

*City of New Bedford, Massachusetts
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740*

Position:

Owner's Certified Project Manager 2000 - Present

Duties:

Oversees the project from the feasibility study to project completion. Coordinates multiple projects as Owner's Project Manager to ensure on-time, within budget completion. Manages and maintains project record documentation, changes, deviations, contracts, project scheduling, project development, quality controls, cross functional collaborations, and customer service. Recognized for ability to work well as team member and leader, and exceptional work ethic. Proven technical, interpersonal communications, and training skills.

William Corno & Associates – Real Estate & Construction, Broker, Contractor, Inspector

Position:

Owner, Administrator, and Property Manager of Real Estate and Construction Firm.

Duties:

Engaged in selling, buying, and building residential and commercial properties, such as building apartment houses, condominiums, seafood processing plants, telephone buildings, office buildings, and a host of other related projects, including Home Inspections, Clerk-of-the-Work assignments, and Construction Management.

See Attached Sheet of Construction Activities

*Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency
One Beacon Street
Boston, MA 02108 (617-854-1100)*

Position:

Senior Field Representative

Duties:

Oversaw the development and construction of over 500 million dollars of residential, educational, and commercial developments throughout Massachusetts. Reviewed and approved construction requisitions for payment. Resolved construction disputes. Conducted construction site inspections and investigated sites for hazardous materials. Observed and recorded progress of the construction for conformance to plans and specifications.

Maintained detailed records on work performed delays, materials and supplies, contractors performance transmittals, shop drawings, change orders, and compliance with OSHA standards.

*Housing & Urban Development – HUD
One Financial Plaza
Hartford, CT*

Position:
Community Planner and Housing Development Representative.

Duties:
Responsible for the administration of HUD housing programs, property management, real estate appraisals of community development programs for low and moderate income and housing and building inspections.

*Office for Civil Rights – JFK Bldg., Room 2403,
Boston, MA 02203*

Position:
Civil Rights Investigator/Mediator

Duties:
Responsible for planning, directing, coordination and conducting investigations relating to discrimination in civil rights matters in employment, services, and federally assisted programs. Developed strategies for investigations, data collection, data analysis and problem resolutions. Conducted interviews, negotiated agreements, mediated disputes, and provided technical assistance to recipients of federal financial assistance. Conducted workshops on civil rights matters, consulted with private, public, and community officials to resolve disputes. Prepared written Investigation Reports, Letters of Findings, Compliance Agreements, Corrective Action Plans, Compliance Reviews, and trained team members in investigative techniques.

*New Bedford Redevelopment Authority
New Bedford, MA 02740*

Position:
Project Director of Development

Duties:
Responsible for housing, educational, and commercial redevelopment. Reconstructed a blighted housing community of approximately 60 acres. Supervised a staff of 20 professional

employees. Conducted assignments for social surveys, site acquisitions, real estate appraisals, family relocation, financial assistance and property demolition which subsequently resulted in the production of 800 housing units and a new elementary school.

**COMMUNITY
ACTIVITIES**

City of New Bedford Election Commission
Commissioner/New Bedford Human Relations Commission
Past Chairman of the New Bedford Airport Commission
Past Director, American Red Cross Drug and Alcohol Treatment Programs
Past Director and Teacher, Community Youth Program for Minority and Disadvantaged Youth
Past Director and Teacher, Operation Mainstream, a Disadvantaged Youth Program for Education Training in Construction
Past President National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) 1969-1974 Civil Rights Period
New Bedford Port Society

**PROFESSIONAL
MEMBERSHIPS**

Construction Specification Institute (CSI)
Association of Construction Inspectors
American Society of Home Inspectors
Housing Inspection Foundation
National Association of Real Estate Brokers
National Association of Home Builders
Aircraft Owners & Pilot Association (AOPA)
49th Fighter Group Association 7th Squadron Life Member
Veteran of Foreign Wars (VFW) Life Member
American Legion Life Member
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
National Rifle Association
Life Member of Descendant of Whalers
Certified Owner' Project Manager
Real Estate Broker #15119-B
Home Inspector #473
Home Improvement #121574
Certified Vocational Education Teacher
Construction Supervision #040601
Pilot's Certification #1748329
Notary Public 1/24/2014

REFERENCES:

Available upon request.

RESUME

of

GERALD P. ROONEY
55 Morse's Lane
Acushnet, MA 02743, USA
Tel. & FAX (508) 995-1219

EDUCATION

1950	Wilmington (MA) Public Schools	diploma
1954	Wilmington High School	diploma
1958	Univ. of Mass./Amherst	B.S. in Ch. Eng.
1959-1961	U.S. Air Force (SAC Captain)	Rated Nav/Bombardier
1970	Xerox Corporation	Certificate in Management Training
1971	Comm. of Mass., Dept. of Community Affairs	Certificate in Management of Conflict
1972	Univ. of R.I. (NE AMIDS)	Certificate in Professional Development
1974	Famous Writers School, CT	Certificate in Fiction Writing
1994	Univ. of Mass./Dartmouth	A+ in Basic Computer Programming

Note: Spent 3.5 years (1964-67) on self-planned, sponsored and executed journey around the world by bicycle and motor-scooter through 31 countries for the purpose of meeting, living with and understanding the peoples of diverse cultures. As a result, now speak Spanish, French, Italian, German and Japanese to a conversational degree primarily through self-study. In 2008 published "Hello Brother" to document the life-changing experiences of my world travel.

EXPERIENCE

	Currently President & CEO of the Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society, Inc.
2001-present	retired
1983-2001	Executive Director of the Opportunity Center, a workshop for mentally challenged adults. Annual budget: \$1,000,000.
1969-1983	Administrator & Operations Director for federally funded manpower and training programs for disadvantaged adults. Annual budget \$11M.
1968-1969	Assistant Director - Regina Pacis (Spanish) Center providing social and tutoring programs for underprivileged youth.
1967-1968	Substitute teacher of science, math, languages and social studies in Wilmington & Tewksbury Public Schools
1964-1967	(See above)
1959-1963	Navigator/Bombardier(Captain) in SAC B-52 of the U.S. Air Force
1958-1959	Research Engineer for William C. Underwood & Co. in Jonesport, ME

AWARDS

July 2003	Foreign Minister of Japan Citation
July 2010	Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays from Emperor of Japan

HOBBIES

Music, flying, historic research, designing & building furniture, foreign cultures

RESIDENCE Live in Acushnet, MA. Have two children and three grandchildren



Robert Espindola, Chairman
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November 6, 2014

Community Preservation Committee
Town of Fairhaven
40 Center Street
Fairhaven, MA 02719
Attn: Jeffrey Lucas – Chairman

Re: Letter of Support for Whitfield-Manjiro CPC Application

Dear Mr. Lucas and Committee members:

This Board has been informed that the Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society, located at 11 Cherry Street, plans to apply for Community Preservation Act funds in order to start a renovation of the carriage house at that location. The purpose of the renovation is to create a cultural center to further advance the offerings of the Friendship Society.

Please be advised that the Board of Selectmen, acting as the landlords to the Town-owned 11 Cherry Street, has given its full and complete support to this project. We hope that you will seriously consider this application. Please contact this office with any questions.

Sincerely,

Robert Espindola
Chairman

CC: Gerry Rooney, President and CEO – Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth
Massachusetts Historical Commission

February 12, 2016

Gerald Rooney
55 Morse's Lane
Acushnet, MA 02743

RE: Cultural Education Center Whitfield-Monjiro House, 11 Cherry Street, Fairhaven, MA;
MHC #RC. 59444

Dear Mr. Rooney:

The Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) is in receipt of the information requested for the project referenced above, received at this office on January 21, 2016. The staff of the MHC have reviewed the information submitted and have the following comments.

The project involves the renovation of the existing carriage house at 11 Cherry Street in Fairhaven. The information provided indicates that the project will be receiving funding from the Massachusetts Cultural Council (MCC).

Review of the MHC's files and information submitted indicates that the carriage house project, as proposed, is unlikely to affect any significant historic or archaeological resources (950 CMR 71.07(2)(b)(1)).

These comments are offered to assist in compliance with M.G.L. Chapter 9, sections 26-27C, (950 CMR 71.00). Please do not hesitate to contact Linda Santoro of my staff if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brona Simon".

Brona Simon
State Historic Preservation Officer
Executive Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

xc: MCC