





Key Project Information

Type: Project Size: New/Reno 35,000 SF new;

Market Segment:

restoration, historic Civic/Libraries Ken Best has worked on the Stratford Public Library repeatedly since 1979. This 100-year old library was expanded and connected to an adjacent 1920 American Legion Building, to create a 35,000 SF library.

Following the expansion, and as a separate project, Ken provided preservation services for the original library building. The project involved re-roofing with existing clay tiles, copper restoration, masonry re pointing, plaster repairs, stained glass restoration, basement waterproofing and ceramic tile reproduction. In addition, modifications were made to use the original building as a theatre.

Other projects through the years included modifications to technical services, reference department, children's room and circulation to meet the ever-changing demands of library service.

Ken also provided assistance in re-planning the Young Adult and Lobby spaces and assisted in the selection and bidding of furnishings, carpeting and furniture relocation. He completed projects between 1979 and 2016. Ken Best completed some of this project prior to joining DRA.