

2024 RENOVATIONS

Our 2024 renovations for BaristaCats Cafe, made possible with the grant received from the City of Whitewater. We are grateful for this incredible opportunity and ability to continue to impact lives.



WHAT DID WE DO?



This renovation focused on the back area of our building. Helping create and shape a useful space for the behind the scenes stuff at the cafe. Including a treatment area for the cats, storage, and more!



THE IMPORTANCE OF PLANNING FOR THIS PROJECT.



Planning is the foundation of successful cafe renovation. It involves the thoughtful allocation of space to maximize functionality and aesthetics. These go hand-in-hand together.

Effective planning considers the intended use of the space, ensuring it accommodates our daily routines, activities and of course cats. By understanding the flow of movement, furniture placement, and traffic patterns, we can create a space that is both functional, aesthetically pleasing and safe..



SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT & MORE

In addition to the actual build, we were granted funding allocated to some much needed supplies and equipment. These were essential to helping us continue saving lives.

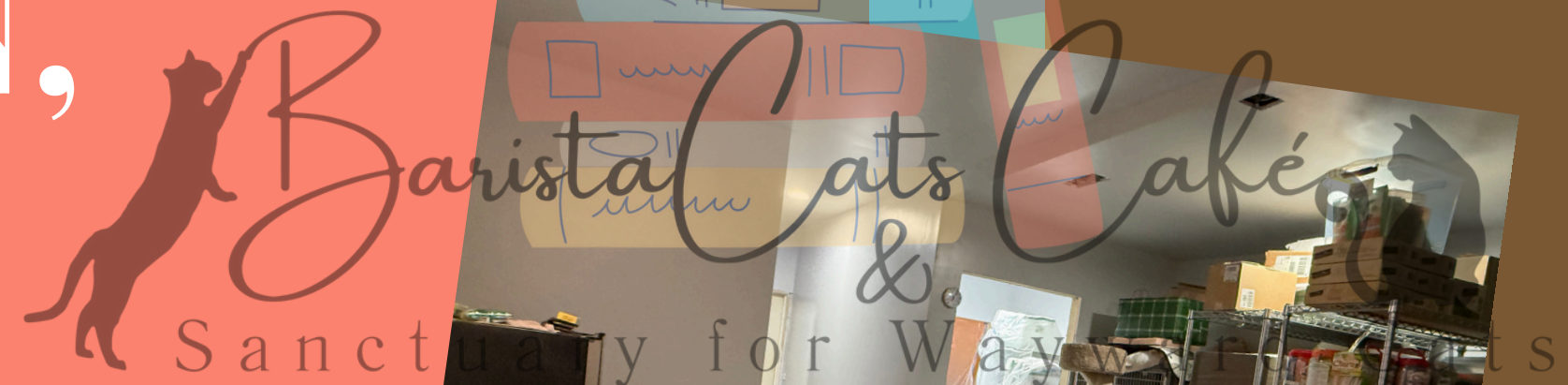
This equipment included:

- stainless steel tables
- new refrigerator
- stainless steel storage shelves
- stainless steel commercial grade shelves
- new dryer
- Large Cat Condo for quarantine
- steel storage cabinet for medical supplies

These items allowed us to create a space that is sanitary for treating, safe for the cats to decompress, and helps us organize EVERYTHING.



LIGHTING, DESIGN, & LAYOUT



We were incredibly lucky that all our electrical was already in place before our build. Several double outlets and lighting boxes throughout the area. We carefully designed around those to prevent additional delays with permits.

The design was meant to allow different areas, but maximizing the space and allow us to streamline our existing processes.

We built a laundry room, office, and utility room for ease of electrical box access. Installed 6 new doors including a new back door and hung all new drywall.



ARRANGEMENT AND PLACEMENT



We carefully arranged the equipment so we could maximize space but still allow for functionality.

FUNCTION AND FLOW

We considered how we will move through the space and how the equipment supports our activities. We designated areas for specific purposes, such as treatment, food, or supplies.



SCALE AND PROPORTION

When ordering items, I was sure to take proper measurement so everything would fit and give me the ability to create useful stations/areas.

FOCAL POINT

Our focal point is our medical station and treatment area. This cabinet has organized all our medically necessities and supplies. From emergency liquids, antibiotics, and more!

BALANCE AND SYMMETRY

I designed the layout to maximize my space, organize and streamline our process, and keep a clean symmetrical feel.



SUSTAINABLE DESIGN PRACTICES

We have made sure to put sustainability at the top of our list! From our Energy efficient appliances, ventless dryers, LED puck lighting and more!



ENERGY EFFICIENCY

We minimized energy consumption by using energy-efficient appliances, LED lighting, and proper insulation.



WATER SYSTEMS

We have installed a reverse osmosis system to help create healthier communities and cats.



MATERIAL SELECTION

We chose eco-friendly materials that are durable and minimize impact on the environment.



WASTE REDUCTION

We help reduce waste by utilizing recycled materials, using ALL-NATURAL septic safe litter, recycling, and promoting proper disposal.



CONCLUSION AND NEXT STEPS

We've covered the essential aspects of our renovation, from space planning to sustainable practices, and more!

Now, it's time to show you how my vision came to life.



Barista Cats & Café
Sanctuary for Wayward Cats





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THEM.**

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