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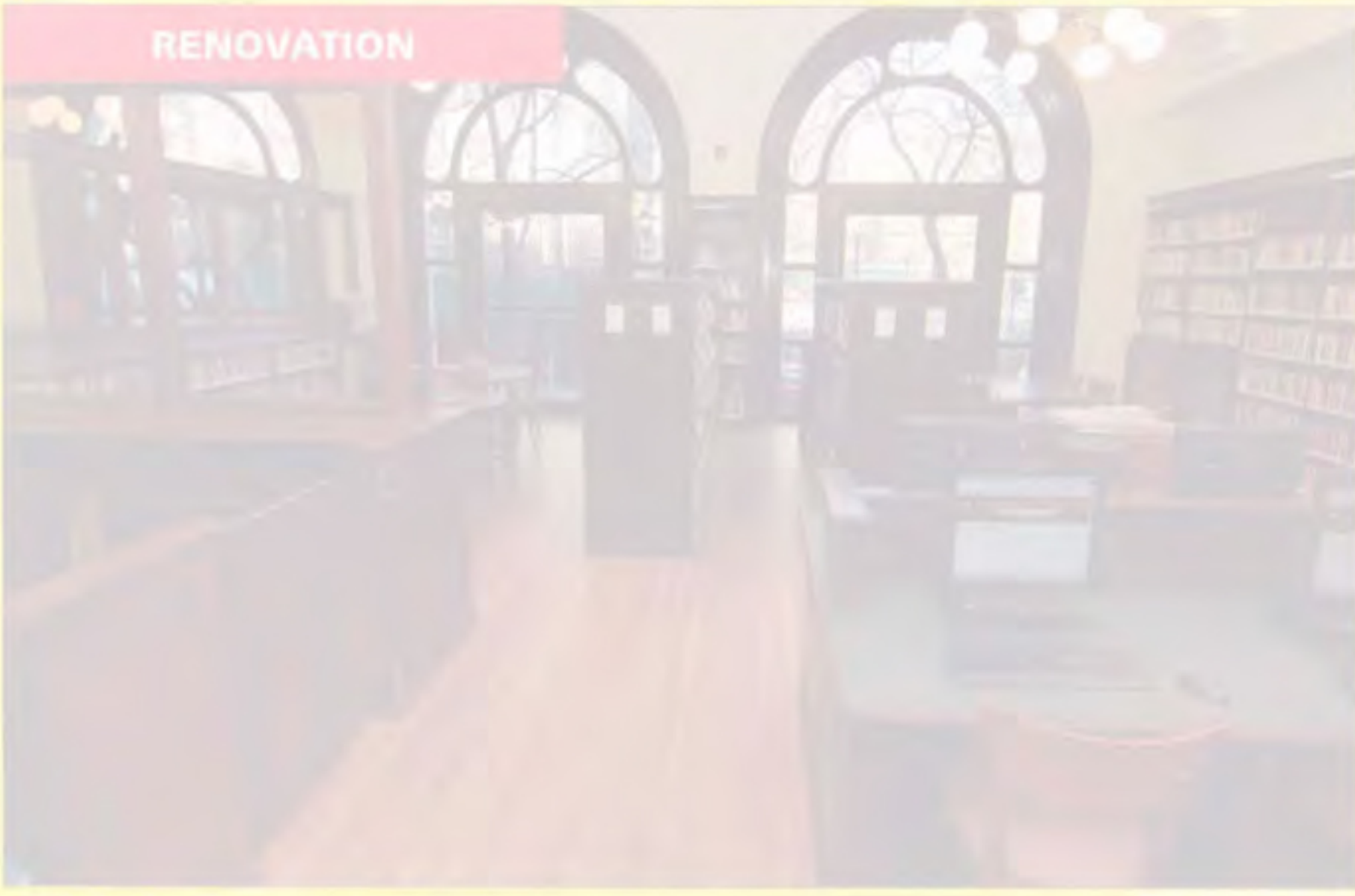
**SHOWCASE  
OF NEW  
AND RENOVATED  
FACILITIES**

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**PLUS** NEW LIFE FOR OLD CARNEGIES ■ CONSTRUCTION FUNDING 101  
APPLYING THE HEALTH CLUB MODEL ■ AN EXTREME LIBRARY MAKEOVER



## RENOVATION



### 67th Street Branch

New York City

HELPERN ARCHITECTS

WWW.HELPERN.COM

Size: 14,000 sq. ft.

Cost: \$3 million

A complete renovation of a Carnegie built in 1905, New York Public Library's 67th Street branch received wireless internet access; upgraded heating, cooling, and electrical systems; new restrooms, staff work areas, and administrative offices; and improvements to make the facility ADA-compliant. The project also included restoration of numerous details, including original wood, decorative metalwork, and mosaic tile floors.

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## NEW CONSTRUCTION



### Westwood Branch

Los Angeles

STEVEN EHRLICH ARCHITECTS

WWW.S-EHRLICH.COM

Size: 12,500 sq. ft.

Cost: \$6.4 million

Visitors to Los Angeles Public Library's Westwood branch pass through a two-story entry lobby to reach the second-floor reading room, which offers views of the lush green space next door through a wall of expansive windows. Other features include subterranean parking, a first-floor meeting room, and numerous energy-efficient technologies.

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