

Chapter Community Service Award Entry

NARI of Central Ohio (OH6)
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Chair: Steve Clark, Mount Vernon Barn Company

The Central Ohio chapter of NARI was proud to help The Womens City Club, located in Delaware, OH, by providing a beautifully renovated bath to the ten single women residing in this charming turn-of-the-century home. This worthy organization provides a safe-haven for women of all ages transitioning from difficult circumstances into a self-supporting future.

Our team had planned to renovate an existing bathroom on the second floor with two showers and vanities. However, having it out of commission during the reno was not possible, as they would not have had a working bathroom; therefore, it was evident that the small third-floor bath had to be remodeled prior to the larger one, making this the first of two phases.

The project space is on the 3rd floor of a brick Victorian home built in 1887, under the eaves, with fire escape access only. With the existing building mechanical infrastructure being archaic, many orphaned mechanical components had to be tracked down and replaced. Difficult, to say the least. The spaces were extremely cramped with little access to accommodate the trades. Most of those involved were volunteering their services and had to sacrifice other paying jobs during an extremely busy time. The project was much more complex than each of the trades anticipated, taking at least twice as long as had been planned. Challenging at best, but the appreciation from both the residents and the Board was abundant, and they now have a beautiful, safe and efficient bathroom. With phase one complete, we look to 2019 for phase two to begin.

Those involved were: Chair Steve Clark/Mount Vernon Barn Company, Kathleen Horrigan/Change My Place, The Cleary Company, Frog Hauling, Famous Supply, Country Side Electric, Doc Thompson Plumbing, No Drip Painting, Lowe's Companies, Anne Rogers Interiors, Ferguson Bath, Kitchen & Lighting Gallery, Northern Lighting, Hamilton Parker, Pro Exterior and Peter Robinson, MCR.

The board and residents at The Womens City Club are so appreciative of our help it is very gratifying! This is the second project we have done for them, the first was a total gut of the second-floor kitchen, and we look forward to phase two of this project.

BEFORE, BEFORE, BEFORE!

Unusable and dangerous!







Exterior before – third floor fire escape access only.





New window, shower surround, plumbing, new toilet, vanity, wiring, lighting, flooring, you name it! It is a pleasant and functional space which will last for years and years to come!