



PUBLIC LIBRARY NORTH TONAWANDA

Lewiston, New York

Owner / Client: North Tonawanda Public Library

Area: NA

Cost: NA

TRM has maintained a close, long-standing relationship with the administration of the North Tonawanda Public Library spanning several years and a multitude of projects. Beginning with a simple roof replacement, additional work has included two additions, an interior remodel, new exterior signage, and a façade renovation.

The main addition was designed in 1994 to alleviate the problems of limited workspace and storage space, and the desire to provide a children's area. The limited budget would not allow an addition in the traditional sense, but by making use of an existing covered portico that was rarely used, TRM was able to take advantage of existing brick piers and existing roof construction to furnish an economical solution to spatial constraints.

The construction of new brick walls with ribbon windows between the existing piers offered an economical solution to creating additional enclosed space. A reveal on each side of the piers helped to camouflage minor differences in brick color and coursing. The result is a substantial new workspace that integrates seamlessly into the original design.

In 1999, TRM used a synthetic sand texture stucco material to re-surface the existing, deteriorating precast concrete fascia that had begun to leak despite repeated caulking and waterproofing work. In addition to drastically improving the overall exterior appearance, the new surfacing added insulation value to the building envelope that helped to reduce energy usage.



“Our relationship with TRM represents the best in business relationships where such terms as service, quality, accountability, honesty, caring, and friendship really do have meaning.”

*Daniel R. Killian, Library Director
North Tonawanda Public Library*

