UM CLAPP BUILDING RENOVATION

The Clapp Building was built in 1971 and has 99,700 square feet. This aging building is used to teach classes and conduct labs for students studying Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Biology, Forestry, and other STEM fields.

As one of the most heavily used buildings on the UM campus, many critical renovations are needed to address serious health and life safety hazards.

- Asbestos must be abated on the 2nd, 1st and basement floors. The State of Montana funded the removal of asbestos on 4th & 3rd floors in 2006-07.
- Deferred maintenance in mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems must be addressed.
  - Pipes and restroom fixtures need total replacement.
  - Fire alarm system needs total replacement.
  - Mechanical systems need upgrading, and temperature controls need replacement.
- The elevator is unsafe for human use and tagged by the State inspector. Without use of the elevator, people with accessibility needs cannot access classes, offices and labs. The elevator needs to be replaced and made ADA accessible.
- The restrooms need a total remodel with ADA upgrades. There is currently no restroom on the first floor.
- The exterior wall of Clapp is composed of 1” thick asbestos board and single-pane glass windows. With no insulation value, the entire exterior envelope needs total replacement for energy efficiency.
- The teaching labs and classrooms in Clapp are over 50 years old and in need of complete modernization, with new audio-visual technology and furniture.

The total Clapp Building LRBP request: $37 million.
$27 million in cash from the Legislature and $10 million “skin in the game” from UM.

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