

Greetings from your 4-H House Renovation Team,

If you haven't been following this summer's renovation updates in the House Chat section of www.4hhouse.com, here is a brief summary by pictures. Our contractors officially began on Monday, May 18th. The demolition was nearly complete by May 28th throughout most of 4-H House. The progression of the 1st floor restroom is shown below.

End of Day 1



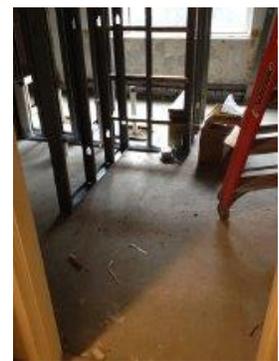
End of Week 1



End of Week 3



End of Month 1



By June 20th, the construction permit was in place and the *initial* inspections for the framing, electrical, plumbing, and HVAC had been completed. The restroom framing and drywall were being installed, and the air conditioning units were being hung throughout the house as well as the ceiling tiles and LED lighting.

Restroom Framing



Air Conditioning Unit



Ceiling and LED Lighting



As of July 7th, the ceramic tile installation was progressing nicely in the 2nd and 3rd floor restrooms. The picture on the right of the floor tile was taken on June 26th. By July 1st, our contractors had begun laying wall tiles in these restrooms as shown below. The restroom countertops were also delivered on the 1st.



The rooftop air conditioning units were dropped in by crane and set in place as shown to the left.

You will find the most recent photos below all were taken on Friday, July 10th.



Restroom Shower Bases



1st Floor Restroom



Restroom Countertops



The boiler is onsite.



2nd Floor Dorm ceiling grid, lighting, and fan

As we continued to make forward progress, we have had several change orders. The City of Urbana is requiring us to install hardwired smoke detectors throughout the house to replace the battery-operated detectors previously installed. Unfortunately, our current fire panel was not able to handle the additional load needed for the new equipment, so we are replacing the entire system. It will help us provide a safer environment for our sisters.

Below is a brief list of outstanding items:

- Installation of the boiler
- Finish the electrical upgrade
- Finish installing the ceramic tile in the three floor restroom
- Install the showers, toilets, partitions, faucets, and mirrors
- Finish installing and testing the air conditioning
- Finish installing the ceiling tiles and lighting

With the delay in receiving the building permit and the additional scope of work from the change orders, our general contractor is still about one week behind schedule. We are hopeful that the progress will continue throughout the remainder of July, so we can meet our August 15th deadline. In the event the contractors are unable to meet their date, the Illinois 4-H House Association Alum Board reserved a dorm floor with the University Housing at the end of the spring semester for use in Fall 2015 as part of our contingency plan. As we near the end of July, we will be better able to determine if temporary housing will be needed. We will be in contact with the Fall 2015 4-H House Executive Board as more information becomes available.

2015 Summer Renovation Plan:

- **Replace boiler**
- **Upgrade electric service**
- **Remodel three floor restrooms**
- **Install air conditioning**
- **Replace ceilings and lighting**

Stay tuned for more renovation updates throughout the summer.

If you have any questions regarding the renovations, please feel free to contact Erin Phillips directly at elphillips33@hotmail.com.