

For more than 20+ years, South Bay Church has been a life-giving church in our community. We have seen lives transformed, hope given, and families restored. As you know, the South County area has seen a massive surge in population. Businesses have been flourishing, restaurants have been packed, and the amount of people we've seen inside our walls has been increasing, particularly in the 0-12 age range. Due to this surge of members, we began preparing a project in late 2018 called 'NEXT'. The goal of NEXT was that the next generation would be able to find a safe and secure place at South Bay Church. The scope of the project is

- 1. the renovation of our current admin and conference spaces to become kids-only zones
- 2. The expanding of our staff and adult learning on the south side of the property to replace the spaces being renovated
- 3. the creation of a larger lobby to hold the growing number of families we have.

In Q1 2019 we debuted the project with a positive response from our congregation and beyond. We have seen families sacrifice to raise funds so this project can begin. Throughout 2019 we have raised funds, firmed up plans, filed, and obtained all necessary permits.

The plans have always been to begin our construction around this time. Before March, we were expecting to lengthen our timeline because our plan was to use the building for services and other events even in the midst of construction. Because of the Stay-at-Home guidelines that were put in place mid-March, our congregation and staff have been worshipping and meeting exclusively via online platforms. This will actually shorten the length of time construction will be occurring since our building is vacant until large gatherings are permitted again. With no public gatherings or meetings on our property, this is the opportune time to renovate existing space as well as prepare the land for the future space.

If you feel that you have lost privacy due to trees on our property being removed, we recommend considering a privacy fence or shrubbery planted on your property per South Fork 1 HOA guidelines.

Blessings to you and your family, stay safe.

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