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Delft Theatre

139 West Washington Street, Marquette

COMPLETED 2017

Project overview

The City of Marquette has been awarded \$481,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds for the rehabilitation of the vacant, historic Delft Theatre located at 139 West Washington in historic downtown Marquette. The project will convert the vacant building into a restaurant and dinner theater. The completed project includes a rooftop deck, a flexible stage for live events, and balcony seating. The CDBG funds will be used for interior and exterior building rehabilitation. The project generated nearly \$1.3 million in private investment and created 25 jobs, with at least 13 of the positions to be held by low to moderate income persons. The City of Marquette Downtown Development Authority will contribute \$10,000 toward the project.

The Delft Theatre, a significant landmark property in Marquette's Downtown District, had fallen into disrepair and was abandoned over three years ago. This project converted the former theater into a 250-seat restaurant and dinner theater, showing classic movies three to four nights per week. The Delft restaurant is casual dining with Michigan craft beers and hand-crafted, natural and organic, locally sourced items.

MEDC investment: \$481,000 Community Development Block Grant

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Local investment: \$10,000

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