

After the closing of the Carnegie Library in 1967, a new library was established as a one-room facility in the basement of the Iron River City Hall.

In 1995, a much needed change of location occurred with the help of a generous donation by local attorney, Les Fisher, and his sister Aileen, a nationally known author of children's books. They purchased the Selin building and donated it to the library. The renovated former hardware store, measuring 6,500 square feet, became the library's new home.

Due to strong program attendance, ongoing collection development, and the public's appetite for computers, the library once again became "space challenged." In 2002, the neighboring establishment-Header Inn-was purchased and dismantled. Plans for a 3,500 square foot addition that would enlarge juvenile, young adult, and adult collection areas, provide a computer room, relocate the staff workroom, and dramatically increase program space were made.

With a Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs grant, public donations, The Friends of the Library support, and generous bequests from Robert H. Loo and J. Patrick White, the new addition opened in August 2008.

Future building plans include an outdoor courtyard on the North side of the library.