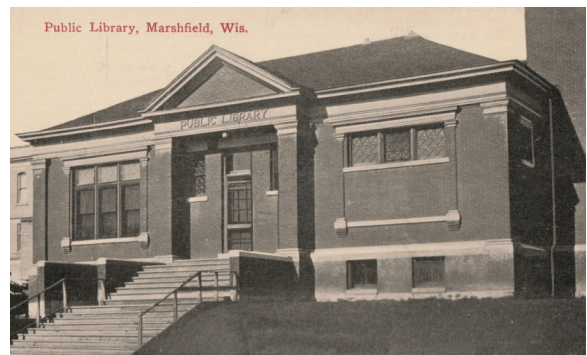


112 E 2nd Street
Architectural Style: Neo Classical
Marshfield's First Library Building

Built in 1900-01 as the city's 1st library; designed by Van Ryan & DeGelleke. The main façade has a pedimented pavilion entry outlined by a simple cornice with a flat frieze with denticulated pattern. That pattern extends around the building. Here it rests on attached piers. The cornice on the current entry below rests on small square piers sitting on tall brick pedestals. The original entry was within the window above; much of the now visible fieldstone foundation was then below grade, & exterior stairs led up to the door. Window sills & the band surrounding the building between floors are limestone. Most 2nd story windows have "capitals" above, & 2 on the main façade have "piers" on both sides. The corners of the building have engaged piers, visually supporting the hipped asphalt shingled roof.



The old Marshfield Public Library as it sits today as part of Tower Hall Apartments.



The old Marshfield Public Library after being built.

204 South Maple Avenue WO 12/7

This single story Neo-Classical brick library is located in the middle of the 200 block on the west side of South Maple Avenue. The building sits on a raised rubble-stone foundation. Since its remodeling in the early 1960s, the foundation has been further exposed and pierced to accommodate a new entry. The three bays of the main (east) facade each have a large modern nine-light fixed sash window. The middle window is placed within a projecting pedimented pavilion that originally enframed the library's main entry. The asphalt shingled hip roof is trimmed by a wide denticulated cornice and is visually supported by corner pilasters. The use of polychromatic bands emphasizes the horizontality of the mass of the building.

Although physically linked to the old Marshfield City Hall, there is no interior connection, and the Library has its own entrance, therefore it counted separately as a resource.

(Excerpted from the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form, pages 12-13. <file:///C:/Users/Mother/Documents/Local%20History%20stuff/Brochure%20Folders/National%20Register%20Applications/District%20Central%20National%20Register%20Application.pdf>)

See story on the [Marshfield Public Library](#) written for the Marshfield History Project:

Also see story on the Marshfield Public Library building at 211 E 2nd Street:

Another related story—[Friends of the Marshfield Public Library](#)

For additional information on this building at the Wisconsin Historical Society:

*110 E 2nd Street:

<https://www.wisconsinhistory.org/Records/Property/HI28177>

*204 S Maple Avenue

<https://www.wisconsinhistory.org/Records/Property/HI28212>