

The original FacilCost Committee conducted interviews with the chairpersons of each of the chartered clubs in existence at the time of their study. They also visited various other Sun City complexes and provided us with very good information to use to continue our study. Their conclusions were as follows: (see chart)

AREAS FOR ANTHEM ANNEX

CLUBS

SQ. FT.

ARTS & CRAFTS

3000

BILLIARDS

3400

CARDS/TILE

1500 (MULTI)

AEROBICS.DANCE

4000

GOURMET/KITCHEN

800

SEWING/QUILTS

2700

TABLE TENNIS

1350 (MULTI)

WOODWORKING

2500-3500

MULTI-PURPOSE/ REST ROOM/CIRULATION

20,000 APPROXIMATELY

Our responsibility was to take this information and conduct additional studies in the community to assess the overall opinion of the existing clubs, activities and future activities. After the info was collected via surveys, focus groups, ballot boxes and visits to existing sun cities in other areas, the following changes were made to the original study: (see new chart)

CHANGES TO EXISTING CENTER

FITNESS	ENLARGED TO DOUBLE SIZE/ADD ADDITIONAL SHOWER/LOCKERS FOR MEN
AEROBICS	STRETCHING/ FREE WEIGHTS
BILLARDS	LEAVE SEVERAL TABLES FOR RECREATIONAL USE
COMPUTERS	AS IS
WELLNESS	AS IS
CERAMICS	OCCUPY SEWING AREA
PERFORMING ARTS	BALLROOM/ STAGE RE CONFIGURED

**PROVIDE BETTER ROOM DIVIDERS WITH MORE SOUND
PROOFING.**

ADD MORE EQUIPMENT UP IN TRACK AREA.

**CONSIDER OTHER USES OF EXISTING SPACES: I.E: TV AREA,
ENTRANCE TO BALLROOM,
GALLERY AREA.**

As result of the additional information to the original recommendations to the study, we have developed some suggestions for the future facility and the existing facility. We have developed a plan that meets the criteria that came from the studies. It became abundantly clear that the main focus was our fitness area and future needs for more space. Additionally, flexible space became a real need so that the various clubs that don't have needs for a fixed space could be accommodated. These clubs were: card/tile, hiking, finance, gardening, singles, language classes, cooking, current events, etc. This space would be a part of the new 40,000 sq. Ft facility.

A concern for the Anthem Center Annex would be to provide as much flex space as possible. This was targeted in all of the studies conducted. A good example would be the new Henderson Multi-generational Facility. Their use of space and storage are areas we

would recommend Del Webb consider for the new facility. The Performing Arts group made a plea for help for their club. Their request for a large auditorium has met with both positive and negative response. In the final analysis we would recommend that by looking at what is in existence this group could be satisfied with some construction changes to the stage areas and the back rooms. Additionally we could recommend should space allow a 300 person dedicated auditorium be included. There were a number of clubs that requested storage, which can be accommodated in the Anthem Center Annex, and the future satellite facility. (At a later date.) .by establishing storage closets in each room, as well as locking storage bins for use by the various clubs, we can establish a standard for the satellite facility. Arts and crafts will need additional space when construction is completed and would be accommodated in the satellite facility. **Scheduling of the various rooms would become increasingly important as our community grows. A scheduling program is available and would aid in the control of the multipurpose spaces.** In all the studies, we kept in mind that we are an "active lifestyle community" and we chose to concentrate on the active community rather than the aging community. As our research has indicated there will be need in the future but by providing the flexible building standards, we can adjust the spaces as certain clubs become obsolete or less of an interest. As part of Sherm's (Sherman Uchill) study his group felt that a therapy pool should be included. It would need to be near showers, lockers and toilet facilities, thus ruling out the Anthem Annex. Perhaps, after further study, this could be incorporated in the satellite facility.

Our recommendations are as follows:

1. **To meet the need for a large fitness area, add on to the existing area.** This would provide a space double what is existing now and maintain the views that all have expressed they cherish. A new men's locker room could be built adjacent to the existing, thus enlarging the women's to satisfy the increased population. Should there still be a need in the future for more fitness area, there could be a smaller area in the satellite facility.
2. **The aerobics room** would be used for stretching and free weights.

3. **The aerobics classes** would be provided with new space in the Anthem Annex.
4. **The billiards club** would be housed in the anthem annex, while leaving several tables in the Anthem Center for the recreational player.
5. **The sewing club** would be housed in the new annex.
6. **The sewing clubs' present room** could be used as an adjunct to ceramics, thus increasing their size as requested and /or accommodating a newly formed clay/sculpture club.
7. **The cards and tile club** would retain the Emerson room as well as some tables in the gallery at Anthem Center, but would be provided space in the anthem annex in the multi-purpose rooms to meet their growing club.
8. **The computer club** would remain where it is presently located.
9. In the Annex, **a kitchen** would be provided, preferably between two of the multi-purpose areas so it could service both. It would be like a "church" kitchen, not a full commercial kitchen. This would meet the requests for potlucks by various clubs. It could also offer the ability to have cooking classes, as well.
10. **The table tennis club** would have a storage area in one of the multi-purpose areas to store 6 tables. They would schedule their times, as will all the other clubs using multi-purpose spaces.
11. **Woodworking** would be provided with a separate room in the annex, with the ventilation system and other requirements included.
12. **The ballroom** would be provided with a larger dance floor to accommodate the dance club in the existing large hall, or they could use the aerobics room.
13. **Multi-purpose rooms** would be provided with overhead, pull down electric, and extra ducting for future utilities in the perimeter walls for future needs. It has been recommended, that the annex be "footed" for a second story, or perhaps, a second story be built but not finished.
14. **Organ club**, which is now part of the performing arts group would be accommodated in either the ballroom or a new auditorium.

In conclusion, with the plans for the existing Anthem Center and the Anthem Annex, we feel that we have included the needs of the community as assessed over the past four months via surveys, focus groups and questionnaires. Some changes will be necessary to anthem center, to make the best use of all the areas. It is clear that the fitness center needs to be more than double in size, that the locker areas are inadequate, the aerobics room too small, the stage area not well

designed for our purposes, and there is not enough multifunctional space, or storage to meet our present and future needs. There are other areas within the Anthem Center, which could be used as more multi-purpose space, rather than as they are presently used. The committee could address these, in the final analysis.

Our committees have spent long hours with their various tasks in order to provide the best recommendations for our present and future community. There will be items, which will surface in the future, but as our community ages, with the ample multi-purpose spaces provided and other considerations we feel we can meet the ever-changing needs of Sun City Anthem residents.