

## Joint Project with the Fair

Improve Plymouth's meeting facilities to make them more attractive for use. At the same time, to bring businesses to Plymouth, we need to show potential businesses that their children and families have facilities that help enable a good and nourishing environment.

A current focus is on improvements to our Fair's Main Exhibit Building (70' x 200' = 14,000 square feet. That makes it the largest clear span building available to the public in Amador County). It is right up against the property line with Plymouth Elementary School and might work very well as a place for after school activities, our branch library, evening adult activities, etc., and at the same time function as an improved, modern meeting/conference facility for the Fair to use for income.

As an example, take a look at the attached photos. Both buildings are roughly the same construction. The nicer one is in Calaveras and it has an improved floor, insulation, lighting and paint. The other is our current Main Exhibit Hall.

If we can find an Economic Development use for which the building is needed, we might be able to get funding for that purpose. Perhaps an entrepreneurial business center with classes and resources available would qualify. The BEC (<a href="http://www.cccewd.net/initiative business">http://www.cccewd.net/initiative business entrepreneurship.cfm</a>) offers classes at no charge, all we need are participants to register. Check it out.

Consider working with the Amador Community College Foundation to hold vocational / agricultural / viticulture / culinary classes at the Fairgrounds, find funding for the classes and building and build partnerships with educational institutions and local businesses. How about hospitality classes for our growing tourism industry?

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