

Library Construction

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Fund: 302, Library Construction	
Total Expenditures	\$0
Revenue:	
General Fund Support	\$0
Bond Revenue	\$0
Other Revenue	\$0
Total Revenue	\$0

► Summary of Program

This fund supports the land acquisition, design, and construction and renovation of County libraries. In the fall of 1989, the voters approved a \$39.1 million Public Library Facilities bond referendum. To date, authorized but unissued bond funds in the amount of \$3.85 million remain from the 1989 referendum.

The following projects have been completed using funds from the 1989 Bond Referendum: Chantilly Regional Library and Technical Operations Center, Herndon Fortnightly Library, Patrick Henry Community Library Expansion/ Renovation, George Mason Regional Library Expansion/ Renovation, Kingstowne Community Library and Great Falls Community Library.

Bond funds will also be used for land acquisition for the Burke Centre Community and the Kingstowne Regional Library sites.

► Funding Availability and Future Considerations

Funding is available for the pending land acquisition for the Burke Centre Community Library and the Kingstowne Regional Library sites. In addition, the County has obtained a site for the future Oakton Community Library via a proffer from a private developer. New libraries are planned for these three sites.

Feasibility studies have recently been completed for the proposed renovation and expansion of four existing community libraries: Richard Byrd, Martha Washington, Dolley Madison and Thomas Jefferson. Feasibility studies are still needed for the proposed expansion and renovation of five other existing libraries (Reston Regional, Pohick Regional, Tysons Pimmit Regional, John Marshall Community and Woodrow Wilson Community); however funding is not available for these five studies.

Funding is not available for any further work on the three new libraries or on the expansion/renovation projects for the nine existing libraries listed above. It is anticipated that funding for the design and construction costs for these twelve library projects will be included as part of a future bond referendum. The current approved CIP (FY 2002-FY 2006) has identified that a future bond referendum will be required to fund future library projects.

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It is anticipated that the Fairfax City Regional Library may be expanded and renovated as part of an agreement with the City of Fairfax. The project funding requirements for this project will be addressed as part of the agreement.

► Funding Methodology

Funding for the library construction and renovation projects is provided through voter approved bond referenda. The feasibility studies that were conducted for the four existing libraries noted previously were conducted with General Funds. General Funds originally proposed to conduct the feasibility studies for the other five existing libraries noted above were never appropriated and have been deleted from the CIP. Funds are allocated based on prioritization of countywide projects by the Library Board.

► Status of Program

The 1989 Bond Referendum program included six construction/renovation projects that have all been completed. Final contractual issues are being resolved on the recently completed Great Falls Community and Kingstowne Community Library projects. The land acquisition for the Kingstowne Regional and Burke Centre Community Library sites is in the final negotiation stages and the acquisitions should go to settlement in the first half of FY 2002.

The four feasibility studies for existing community libraries have been completed and project estimates are being prepared for expansion/renovation of those libraries. County staff is coordinating with the City of Fairfax to determine when and if a development agreement can be negotiated for the expansion/renovation of the Fairfax City Regional Library. Funding is not available to pursue any design or construction work for the other nine existing libraries that need to be renovated/expanded or for the three new libraries.

The revised FY 2002 Budget includes nine projects in this program area. Construction is complete on three of these projects. The other six projects are in the land acquisition or feasibility study phase.

The Adopted Budget for FY 2002 is \$0. The current budget is approximately \$5.8 million due to the carryover of unexpended project balances from FY 2001 into FY 2002. FY 2002 expenditures are anticipated to be approximately \$5.7 million for the purchase of the two library sites. Encumbrances are anticipated to be approximately \$187,000.