Libraries

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Fairfax County Public Library branches differ in size, collection, and customers served. The libraries all have one thing in common: a commitment to provide easy access to a multitude of resources for the education, entertainment, business and pleasure of Fairfax County, Town of Herndon, Vienna and City of Fairfax residents of all ages.

LINK TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Fairfax County's Comprehensive Plan has established a number of objectives and policies in order to:

- ✓ Provide at least 0.5 square foot of library space per resident, to be served by regional libraries between 25,000 to 39,000 square feet and community libraries between 10,000 to 17,000 square feet, as well as redesign and renovate existing libraries to maximize the use of information technologies.
- ✓ Renovate John Marshall; develop a program for the relocation of Reston Regional; and construct a new regional library in Kingstowne.
- Consider future library presence in the Tyson's Urban Center.

Source: 2017 Edition of the Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan, Areas I (amended through 10-24-2017), II (amended through 4-4-2017), III (amended through 3-14-2017), and IV (amended through 3-14-2017), and the Policy Plan Element (amended through 7-25-2017), Public Facilities Section, as amended.

PROGRAM INITIATIVES

Changing demographics indicate a growing diversity among residents and among communities within Fairfax County. Expanding technologies offer new opportunities and users demand improved access to information resources and service delivery. The Library must provide a network of facilities that offer library services responding to the needs of the community in which each library is located, and it must provide system-wide mechanisms to share resources among branches. New facilities must be designed to utilize new technologies for information delivery, and existing facilities redesigned and renovated to maximize the use of space and incorporate modern technologies.

The Library Board of Trustees, whose members are appointed by the Board of Supervisors, the School Board and the City of Fairfax Council, are responsible for library policy. Planning is based on "Recommended Minimum Standards for Virginia Public Libraries," published by the Library of Virginia, which sets basic requirements for receiving supplemental State Aid. The priority of construction projects is based on many factors, including the



Tysons Pimmit Library Renovation



age and condition of buildings, projected population growth in the service area, usage patterns, insufficiencies at existing facilities and demand for library services in unserved areas of the County. Library projects have been primarily financed with General Obligation Bonds.





Pohick Library Renovation

Funding in the amount of \$25 million was approved by the voters on November 6, 2012 to renovate Pohick Regional Library, Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, John Marshall Community Library, and Reston Regional Library. The Pohick Library project is complete and the library opened to the public in January 2017. The Tysons Pimmit Library is also complete and re-opened in October 2017.

CURRENT PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS

- 1. John Marshall Community Library 2012 (Lee District): \$6,300,000 for the renovation of the John Marshall Library. This library is approximately 16,500 square feet and was built in 1974. The existing facility was in need of renovations to meet the needs of the community and prolong the life of the building and building subsystems. Renovations will provide for a more efficient layout and use of the available space, upgrades to the building systems for operations and energy efficiency, and updates to the power and technology capacity for public access computers and wireless networking to meet the technological demands of customers. This library was approved for renovations as part of the fall 2012 Library Bond Referendum in the amount of \$5 million. Since then, staff has completed a feasibility study to determine and prioritize the renovation work and other project savings of \$1.3 million were redirected to this project to enable this library renovation to include several replacement/upgrades, rather than repairs, and extend the life cycle of several building subsystems. This project is currently in construction and the library is scheduled to be completed in the late fall of 2018.
- 2. **Reston Regional Library 2012** (Hunter Mill District): \$10,000,000 for the Reston Library. The current library is located within the overall master plan area that reconfigures and provides integrated redevelopment of approximately 50 acres currently owned by Fairfax County and Inova at Reston Town Center North. The redevelopment of the site will be implemented under the PPEA guidelines and include the replacement of the Reston Regional Library. Phase 1 Development will include the two County-owned parcels, known as Blocks 7 and 8, which currently house the existing library and shelter facilities. As a result of the Phase 1, Part 1 solicitation issued in summer 2015, prequalified development partners were identified. A Phase 1, Part 2 solicitation for development proposals was issued in summer 2017 and evaluation and community coordination is underway. The existing facility was constructed in 1985. Funding for this library was approved as part of the fall 2012 Library Bond Referendum.
- 3. **Feasibility Studies Library Facilities** (Countywide): \$477,998 to conduct feasibility studies to determine the scope for renovations of various libraries. The Pohick and Tysons-Pimmit Regional Libraries, and John Marshall Community Library feasibility studies are completed. It is anticipated that feasibility studies will also be conducted for the Kingstowne Regional Library, the Lorton Library and the Patrick Henry Library.

PROJECT COST SUMMARIES LIBRARIES (\$000's)

Budgeted

1	Project Title/ Project Number John Marshall Community Library - 2012 LB-000008	Source of Funds	or Expended Through FY 2018	FY 2019 \$200	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	Total FY2019- FY2023 \$200	Total FY2024- FY2028	Total Project Estimate \$6,300
2	Reston Regional Library - 2012 LB-000010	В	\$400	\$2,000	\$2,600	\$2,600	\$2,400		\$9,600		\$10,000
3	Feasibility Studies - Library Facilities 5G25-011-000	G	\$478						\$0		\$478
	Total		\$6,978	\$2,200	\$2,600	\$2,600	\$2,400	\$0	\$9,800	\$0	\$16,778

Notes: Numbers in **bold italics** represent funded amounts. A "C" in the 'Budgeted or Expended' column denotes a continuing project.

Key: Source of Funds						
В	Bonds					
G	General Fund					
S	State					
F	Federal					
Χ	Other					
U	Undetermined					

LIBRARIES PROJECT LOCATIONS

