



Dimond Park Public Library

A Library Planned Since 1983

- **1983**—Sales tax proposition passes to acquire land in the Mendenhall Valley for a community park, library and school complex. Valley Library opens in the Mendenhall Mall as a temporary location.
- **1985**—Assembly appropriates funds to purchase the Dimond Park property. Preliminary development program includes a 20,000 s.f. library.
- **1988**—Dimond Community Complex Master plan includes a library.
- **2011**—Assembly appropriates funds for preparation of application for a DCRA Library Construction Matching Grant. Friends of the Juneau Public Libraries and the Library Endowment Fund pledge \$1.3 million toward the project
- **2012**—Legislature appropriates and Governor signs capital budget including \$7 million for the Dimond Park Library

Substantial Funding is in Place

Total Project Cost

\$14,000,000

Funding Sources

✓ Alaska DCED Matching Grant	\$7,000,000	50%
✓ Friends of the Library	\$1,000,000	7%
✓ Library Endowment	\$ 300,000	2%
✓ CBJ Land Contribution Value	\$1,000,000	7%

2/3 of the funding needed is already in place **66%**

CBJ Sales Tax*

\$4,700,000

34%

***Additional grants (Rasmuson, AEA, etc.) to reduce CBJ Sales Tax contribution will be pursued but no funding is currently defined**



Proposed ~100,000 SF site between Dimond Park and Riverbend entries will accommodate a 20,600 SF building.



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CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN

25 50

NEW VALLEY LIBRARY
October 24, 2011

Proposed Site Plan with onsite parking for 33 vehicles

The Library Serves All of Juneau

Juneau Public Libraries - One Library in Three Locations

- 23,029 (74%) of Juneau's population hold Juneau Public Libraries cards.
 - **Valley registrations are 49% of the total.**
- Public libraries visits totaled 334,400 last year.
 - **184,000 (55%) visits make the Valley library the busiest branch, despite the large number of summer visitors downtown.**
- The Valley library directly serves an area that is home to 56% of the Juneau population.
 - **The Valley population of under 5 age children is 61% and the population of K-12 age children and teens is 61% of the Juneau total.**
- A survey in 2005 found that 80% of Juneau residents had visited a public library in the previous 12 months.
 - **Of those, 59% had visited the library once per month or more.**
 - **Of these more frequent library users, 61% had used the Valley library.**

The Library Offers Services for All

- Books, audiobooks, DVD's and videos, music CD's, magazines for all ages and interests
- Learning and support resources for:
 - Preschoolers and their caregivers
 - Home school parents and kids
 - K-12 independent reading and leaning
- Support for learning for all ages:
 - Homework help online
 - Tutoring spaces
- Programs for all ages that promote learning and reading:
 - Author and illustrator visits
 - Story times, class visits, summer reading
 - Tutoring spaces and instructional programs



Programs take over library open areas.



Above—Puppet show and Family Night on June 5th used both meeting room and kids' area and spilled out of both.

Left—Alaska Day celebration filled meeting room, and the magazine and reading area.

The Library Connects People to the Internet

- The public used 94,600 internet sessions at the libraries last year.
 - **Of those sessions, 47,225 (50%) were at the Valley library.**
- People come to the library to use online services if they cannot afford computers or internet connections at home.
 - **56% of all public access computers in Juneau are located in the three Juneau Public Libraries.**
- People come to the library for help learning to use new technologies.
 - **One in three reference questions is technology related.**
- People come to the library to access essential government information and services online and in paper.
 - **Libraries are the only place in Juneau to get paper IRS forms and one of the few places with paper PFD applications.**
- People come to the library for help finding essential health information online.

Computer use and access to government information



Wiring problems limit computer placement.



Use of the Library Meeting Room

The library offers one of the only free meeting spaces in the Valley

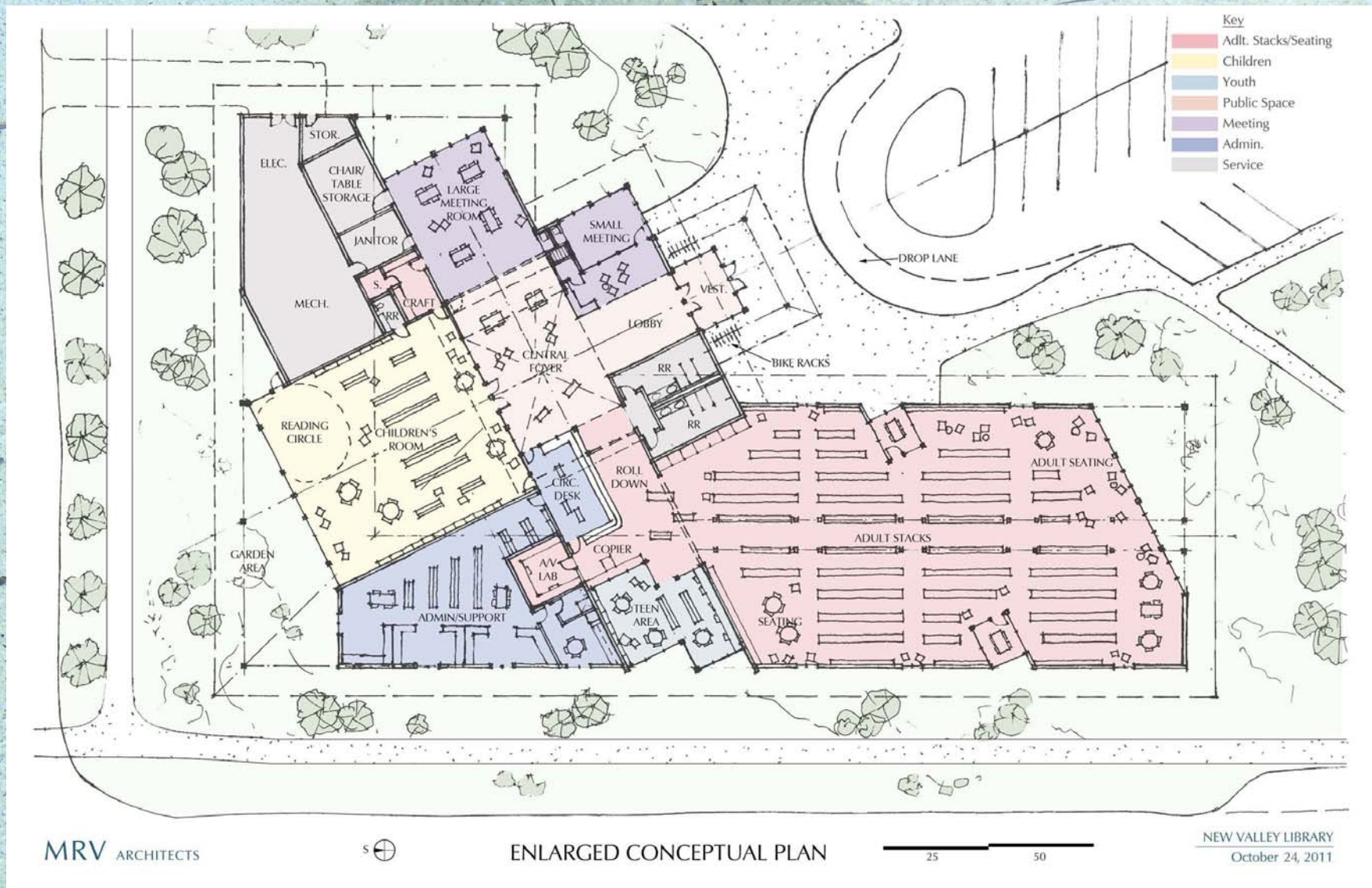
- The meeting room provides a forum for a wide variety of community groups as well as a place for group study.
 - **More than 190 organizations and CBJ agencies used the Valley meeting space last year.**
- There were over 24,000 attendees at meetings or programs in the public libraries last year.
 - **6,651 attended programs or meetings in the Valley library space.**
- Demand for the room is high, despite problems with the space:
 - **No access outside of mall hours for programs or city meetings.**
 - **Small study groups and larger meetings need the same space.**
 - **Cannot be darkened for films.**
 - **No heating control. Frequently very cold in winter.**
 - **Bathroom noises and conversations intrude from mall corridor.**

A Library Designed for Present and Future Needs

- The new library will correct problems experienced in the mall. It will :
 - Accommodate meetings of various groups at the same time
 - Provide access to the facility outside of regular hours for scheduled programs and city meetings
 - Offer a large and inviting space for children and their caregivers
 - Offer quiet areas for study separate from the busiest areas of the library
 - Have space set aside for teens to welcome their presence in the library
- The library will accommodate present and future technology needs:
 - Offer flexible access to electricity throughout the facility
 - Provide the highest grade of cabling and wireless throughout the facility
 - Provide a secure area for servers that support the library
- The library will provide a quality user experience:
 - True ADA accessibility
 - Heating and lighting that are appropriate and adjustable
 - Restrooms that are within the facility

A Library Designed for Economical Operation

- The Dimond Park Library will be designed to:
 - Be operated by two staff, just as the current Valley library, requiring no increase in staff.
 - Have work space for staff with major responsibilities at the branch, such as youth services staff providing more staff backup on site when needed.
 - Have line-of-sight control of all public areas, particularly the children's area.
- The library will be energy efficient
 - Alternative heat sources, including ground-source heat and biomass will be explored.
 - Efficient lighting will be employed to optimize energy use and provide comfortable work lighting throughout the facility.



Single Story 20,600 SF Library to replace leased space in Mendenhall Mall

Cost of Mall Library

- By the end of the current 3-year lease, the city will have spent more than \$6,500,000* on rent since the Valley Library opened in the mall in 1983.
 - **Rent will be \$16,500 per month in FY13 and \$17,000 per month in FY14.**
- Beginning in FY13, the amount of rent each year will be more than is spent on books, computers, subscriptions, online resources and supplies ***for all three libraries.***
- When budgets must be reduced, the library must cut hours and resources that directly serve the public, while the rent has continues to increase. This is at the expense of all the libraries, not just the Valley.

* 2010 dollars. ***Statistical Abstract of the United States.*** Actual = \$4,916,134

Savings of a City-owned Library

Comparison of Current Library in the Mall (9,391 SF) with Proposed Library at Dimond Park (20,600 SF) Projected through FY25

Current Library in Mall at 9,391 SF				3% inflation factor			
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2020	2025	
Personnel	253,600	261,208	269,044	277,116	321,253	372,420	
Utilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Rent	192,000	198,000	204,000	212,400	246,230	285,448	
Library budget	445,600	459,208	473,044	489,516	567,483	657,868	
Janitorial/maintenance	37,542	38,668	39,828	41,023	47,557	55,132	
Total budget	483,142	497,876	512,873	530,539	615,040	713,000	
CBJ-Owned New Valley Library at 20,600 SF				3% inflation factor			
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2020	2025	
Personnel		274,268	282,496	290,971	337,315	391,041	
Utilities		83,623	86,132	88,716	102,846	119,226	
Rent		0	0	0	0	0	
Library budget		357,891	368,628	379,687	440,161	510,267	
Janitorial/maintenance		113,565	116,972	120,481	139,671	161,917	
Total budget		471,456	485,600	500,168	579,831	672,183	
Savings in total expense over rental facility		(26,420)	(27,273)	(30,371)	(35,208)	(40,816)	

Timing is crucial for the Dimond Park Library

- 14 library projects around Alaska have already been funded by DCRA grants, including the Dimond Park Library.
 - One has been completed, six are under construction and expected to open this year, and three are in the design process.
- The terms of the DCED grant state that grant funds will be available for five years ***as long as substantial progress continues to be made on construction of the library.***
- Due to construction lead times there is a relatively small window for starting the project so that it can be completed within the five year time frame.
- By including funding for the Dimond Park Library on the 1% sales tax ballot, the Assembly will assure that this project moves forward.

Volunteers have worked thousands of hours planning for this library and working to raise funds to build it. With their contribution and with the State of Alaska contribution toward the project, Juneau has a unique opportunity to build a library that will serve for 20 years or more into the future for only 34% of the project cost.

The library is about its users.



“Libraries, like post offices, serve as centers of their neighborhoods. The Valley library provides computer access, resources and materials to its community, as well as to those of us who use all libraries as a positive place to spend time when we’re in the neighborhood. Although the convenience of having a library in a mall is nice, the design and location of the new library makes me realize just how dark and dismal the current library is.” Corinne Conlon, parent and Valley Library user

“It’s hard to use just a few words or sentences to express my feelings about a real Valley Library-not a shop in the mall- well maybe that says it all. It doesn't feel like a library to me. I've been waiting for the Valley Library since shortly after I moved here in 1989. I wanted a Valley library even more when I found that all the money being paid out was not staying in town. I hope the hours would be more user friendly. I also hope that when you are planning the building you remember to ask the elders and those with handicaps what make this a place we can enjoy. Thank you for the chance to speak.”

Paula Mezger, Northwood Drive, Valley Library user

“As an avid user of the Valley Public Library for the past 12 years and a parent of three boys, I am excited about the possibility of the Valley Library having its own space!

“It is long over due and I was surprised (and dismayed) at how much money the city has paid in rent to the mall since 1983 (over \$6.5 million dollars!). It only makes sense for the Valley Library to have its own space. Also, as someone who has had all three of her children attend story hour at the Valley Library, more space for its younger readers is always a plus. For example, tonight we attended a wonderfully produced puppet show retelling the tale of the Wizard of Oz. Having more space would have been helpful as parents and children were standing amongst the bookshelves and beyond to watch.

“Expanded hours is also a benefit. It will be wonderful to have a true community library whose hours are not tied to the mall's hours. It truly has been a community effort to get as far as you folks have with this project. I'd like to thank you and everyone else who has had a hand in making this a reality.”

Sheila Degener, parent and Valley Library user

Cost Projection Assumptions:

- Design approach will maintain sight lines from a central control point at the Circulation Desk, so that the proposed library will be operated by two staff as currently staffed at the existing Mendenhall Mall facility.
- Permanent office space will be provided in the facility allowing additional library personnel to respond as required should a situation arise that requires immediate additional or replacement staffing. These staff will be transferred from the downtown library and will not add to the total number of personnel.
- Additional costs for utilities at the facility are derived from the per square foot operating expenses at the existing downtown library (17,000 sf). These estimates are most likely conservative as the use of higher energy efficient design and a ground source heat pump system could significantly reduce the energy cost associated with heating the new library facility.
- As a City owned facility there will be an additional cost for insurance that is not part of the current budget for the existing Mendenhall Mall library.
- The library does not budget for supplies, equipment, materials (books), or services by branch, but for the library system as a whole. Certain costs, such as database subscriptions, contractual costs for systems software maintenance, courier services, and training expenses benefit all branches equally and cannot be reasonably subdivided by branch. Costs for the system as a whole would shift among the branches as some functions move to the Mendenhall Valley. There may be a slight overall increase due to an increase in overall library space and possibly services, but not increase substantially over the costs for the present three facilities.
- Janitorial and maintenance costs are not currently included in the Library budget, but in Building Maintenance budget. These are included in the operating cost estimate based on the per square foot costs at the downtown library for the past three years according to Building Maintenance's records.
- Rental costs through FY14 are based on the current three-year lease.
- An inflation factor of 3% is used throughout.

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Statewide Public Library Construction Projects Status Updates / FY2013 State Assistance Funding Requests

	Community	Project Type	Project Status	State Funding Request	State Funding Received	
State Funding Secured	✓ Cordova	New Library	Construction began September 2009. Completion anticipated Fall 2012.	\$2M	FY2011	\$13.3M
	✓ Kenai	Expansion	Grand Opening held July 9, 2011.	\$1.5M	FY2011	
	✓ Seward	New Facility	Construction began September 2011. Completion anticipated Fall 2012	\$4.7M	FY2011	
	✓ Petersburg	New Facility	Completing Design Phase. Anticipate Spring 2012 construction start.	\$3.25M	FY2011	
	✓ Barrow	Expansion	Construction Began June 2010. Completion anticipated Winter 2012.	\$350K	FY2011	
	✓ Sutton	New Facility	Construction Began July 2011. Completion anticipated Fall 2012.	\$1.5M	FY2011	

	Community	Project Type	Project Status	State Funding Request	State Funding Received	
State Funding Secured	✓ Soldotna	Expansion	Advancing to next level of design. Anticipate Spring 2012 construction start.	\$3.4M	FY2012	\$16.967M
	✓ Ketchikan	New Facility	Construction to begin Fall 2011. Completion anticipated Winter 2012.	\$6M	FY2012	
	✓ Skagway	Expansion	Advancing to design. Anticipate late Summer 2012 construction start.	\$667K	FY2012	
	✓ Kodiak	New Facility	Advancing to next level design. Anticipate Fall 2012 construction start.	\$6.9M	FY2012	

Community * (listed in order of DCCED ranking)	Project Type	Site Ownership	Space Program	Design Concept Study	Legislative Priority	Cost Estimate	Local Funding	State Funding Request	Timing For State Funding	
Fairbanks/ North Pole	New Facility	Yes-Borough	18,625 SF	Yes	Yes	\$13.6M	Portion of \$10M Trust + Grants + Local Fundraising	\$6.8M	FY2013	\$22.4M
Talkeetna	New Facility	Yes-Borough	7,840 SF	Yes	Yes	\$5.6M	Borough Funding + Grants + Local Fundraising	\$2.8M	FY2013	
Juneau, Mendenhall Valley	New Facility	Yes-Borough	20,600 SF	Yes	Yes	\$14M	Borough Revenue + Endowment & FOL Funds + Grants + Local Fundraising	\$7M	FY2013	
Sitka	New Facility	Yes-City	14,000 SF	Yes	Yes	\$11.4M	G.O. Bond + Grants + Local Fundraising	\$5.7M	FY2013	

The Following Public Libraries Are In Early Stages Of Planning. Further Information Will Be Provided As These Projects Evolve.

Anchor Point – New Facility • Craig – Expansion • Nome – New Facility •
Palmer – Expansion • Thorne Bay – New Facility • Wasilla – New Facility

SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF STATEWIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS FY2013 STATUS UPDATES/STATE ASSISTANCE FUNDING REQUESTS

This matrix represents the collaborative initiative of statewide library directors, community leadership, Friends of the Library organizations and volunteer steering committees leading new construction or renovation of public libraries in their communities. The intent of this effort is to continue to provide a comprehensive statewide view of all known public library construction or renovation projects highlighting each project's current status toward meeting today's commonly accepted criteria for applications to funders for capital funding.

Senate Bill 119 (Chapter 55 SLA 08) was signed into law on June 4, 2008. Section 2 of the bill (AS 14.56.355) established the Public Library Construction and Major Expansion Grant Program. Many Communities have completed grant applications - to secure funding from this program. A focus group that included library directors, and representatives from Alaska Library Association, The Foraker Group, state administration, and construction professionals worked with DCCED to align this grant program to better serve communities seeking state funds in FY2013 and farther into the future. Current goals are to:

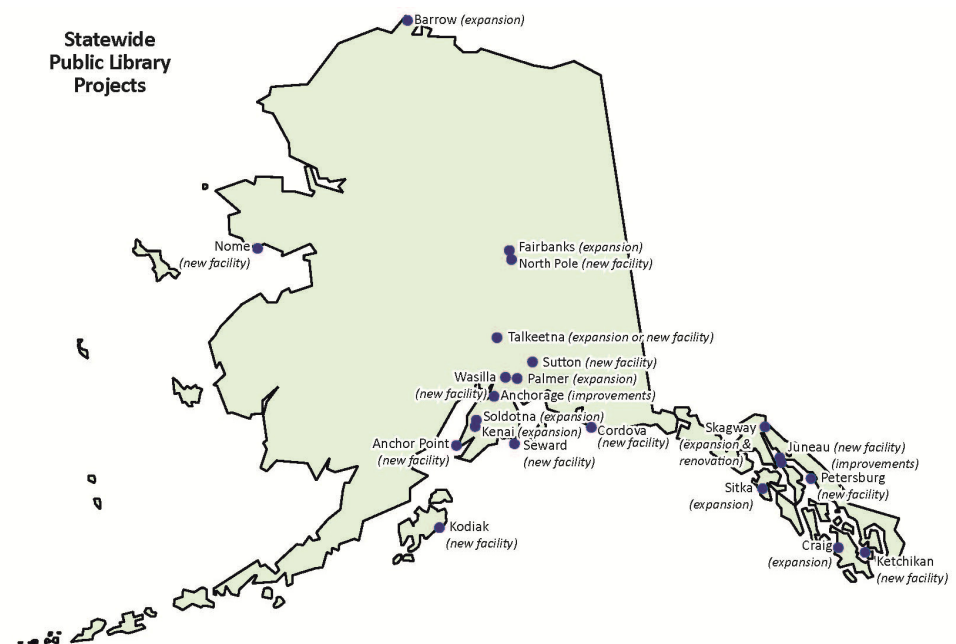
- To achieve the adoption of new language to align the grant regulations and grant solicitation processes to better serve Alaska's public libraries
- Determine the best long-term opportunity for state funding of library construction projects
- Achieve the intent of the legislation enacted and to support public library construction funding as a recurring line item of the state budget

A ranking process and criteria process was developed to confirm library projects:

- Meet a documented need
- Are consistent with strategic/community plans
- Have explored funding opportunities with collaborators
- Have appropriate facility and site plans and realistic project budgets that are financially sustainable
- Will not negatively impact the sustainability of the proposing organization
- Have a fully developed and vetted business plan
- Identify timing of need for state funding critical for each community's ability to leverage additional capital funding from agencies and private funders agencies
- Identify local matching funds as required

This information formed the basis for building the consensus among communities Fairbanks North Star Borough/North Pole, Talkeetna, Juneau and Sitka to apply and receive state funding for FY2013.

The following links are offered for your reference: [AS Statute Reference; AS 14.56.355.356](#) enacted into law September 2, 2008. [Enacted Regulations Library Construction and Major Expansion Matching Grant Program](#) Alaska Library Association, Michael Robinson, President, afmcr@uaa.alaska.edu Multiple Library Projects have received the support of The Foraker Group Pre-Development Program. To learn more about this program visit: <http://www.forakergroup.org/index.cfm/Shared-Services/Pre-Development> or contact: Chris Kowalczewski at ckowalczewski@forakergroup.org or 907-743-1200.



Representative List of Groups Using the Valley Meeting Rooms in FY11

4-H Garden Club	Leadership Book Group
Alaska Library Assn	League of Women Voters
Alaska Wildlife Assn	Life Ring
American Postal Workers Union	Line Drive Booster Club
American Red Cross	Litter Free
American Water Resources Assn	LWV Book Discussion
Aquatic Facility Advisory Board	Mariner Yacht Condo Assn
Art for Kids	Maritime Festival
Art Therapy	Mendenhall Condo Assn
Assembly Goals and Objectives Committee	Mendenhall Refugee Citizen Advocacy Group
Auke Nu Condo Assn	Morally Impoverished
Beading Buddies	Myers-Briggs Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Beta Sigma Phi	NASW
Bible Study Group	Neighborhood Kids Day-Care
Big Brothers, Big Sisters	Northern Lights Junior Theater
Black Awareness Assn	Northstar
Blue Line Club Meeting	Opera To Go
Bookmark Contest	Organize Your Photos - workshop
Books on the Side - Book Club	Pastries & Page-Turners
Brandy Lane Yacht Condo Assn	Perseverance Theatre Committee Mtg
Breast Cancer Research Foundation	Pioneers of Alaska
Bridgeview Homeowners	Poetry Out Loud
Capital City Quilters	Proctored Test
Capital City Soccer League	Puddle Jumpers
Capital Kennel Club	Rainforest Investment Club
Capital View Homeowners	Rainy Day Investors
Catholic Community Service	Raven Correspondence School
CBJ ADA Committee	Ravenstail Weavers
CBJ Affordable Housing Commission	REACH
CBJ Historic Resources Advisory Committee	Relay for Life
CBJ Janitorial Services	Renewable Energy
CBJ Juneau Human Rights Commission	Riflerange Board Annual Mtg
CBJ Parks & Recreation	River View Yacht Condo Assn
CBJ Social Service Advisory Board	Rotary Youth Exchange
Chess Club	Salmon Derby
Christine Inc.	Senior Care-givers
CJB Juneau Commission on Sustainability	SERRC Adult Literacy
CJB Sister City Community	Sierra Club
Class Visits	Singles Meeting
Communities in Schools	Sitka Debate Team
Community Stewardship	Skagway Science Fair
Concerned Parents	Sons of Norway
Crest Homeowners Association	Southeast Alaska Conservation Council
Cub Scouts Meeting	Southeast Alaska Independent Living
Daisy Troop	Southeast Family Services
Delta Kappa Gamma	Southeast Roadrunners
Discovery SE Board Meeting	Southeast Senior Services
Drop-In Study	Spalding Beach Assn
Ducks Unlimited	Special Ed Teacher Mtg
Dungeons & Dragons	Special Olympics

Eaglecrest Meeting
Energy Greenhouse Sustainability
Fairweather Equitation Center
Family Night
Focus Writing Group
Friends of Admiralty
Friends of Recycling
Friends of the Library Board
Gastineau Guiding
Gastineau Philatelic Society
Girl Scout Meeting
Glacier Swim Club
Glacierwood Homeowners Assn
Glory Hole Board Meeting
Grandmas for Literacy
Grateful Dogs of Juneau
Great Pumpkin Festival
Gull Cove Homeowners Assn
Health Yourself Mtg
Highland Terrace Annual Meeting
HIV Public Hearing
Hooptime Basketball Board
HOPE Meeting
Housing First
Jordan Creek Condo Assn
Juneau Alpine Club
Juneau Bahai's
Juneau Cooperative Weed Management
Juneau Hockey Assn
Juneau Human Rights Comission
Juneau Ice Association
Juneau Inaugural Planning Committee
Juneau Lighthouse Association
Juneau Linux User Group
Juneau Lyric Opera
Juneau Peoples Power Project
Juneau Prochoice Coalition
Juneau Raptor Center
Juneau Roller Girls
Juneau School District Facilities Committee
Juneau School District Math Cadre
Juneau Shooting Sports Foundation
Juneau Soccer Referees Assn
Juneau Tea Party
Juneau Urban Forestry Partnership
Juneau Watershed Partnership
Juneau World Affairs Council
Juneau Youth Sailing
Justice Coalition
Juvenile Publishers Preview
LaPerouse Alaska Association
Lawson Creek Condo Assn

Spruce Corners Homeowners
State of AK Long-Term Care Ombudsman
Story Time
Taku Group
Tax Aid
Teen Work Crew
Territorial Sportsmen
Three Moms Five Kids Homeschool
Thunder Mountain HS Swim/Dive
Thunderbird Condos
Toddler Time
Tongass Wilderness Outreach
Tracey's Crab Shack Training
Trail Mix
Treadwell Society
Turning the Tides
University of Alaska-Anchorage
University of Washington-Coast
Vaccinate AK Coalition
Valley Toastmasters
Wool Applique Group
Word of Life Board Mtg
Words from the World
Workshop - Author, Bruce Hale
Workshop - Author, Dana Stabenow
Workshop - Book Repair & Conservation
Workshop - Cooking, Karen Burrell
Workshop - E-book Outreach, Jonas
Workshop - Graphic Art, Klassen & Appelhan
Workshop - Intro to Fundraising Planning
Workshop - Know Your Credit
Workshop - Presentation, Stephanie Waxman
Workshop - Presentation, Will Hobbs
Workshop - Widowed Persons Grief
Workshop - Wintertime Stories & Snowflakes
Workshop - Writing, Deb Vanasse
Workshop - Writing, Deborah Hopkinson
Workshop - Writing, Peggy Shumaker
Write for your Life
Yaakoosget
Youth Services

**History of Lease Payments for Valley Library in the Mendenhall Mall
Expressed in 2010 Dollars***

FISCAL YEAR	PER MONTH	PER YEAR	IN 2010 \$\$\$	
FY84	5,700	68,400	141,649	
FY85	13,998.20	167,978	335,777	
FY86	12,898.20	154,778	303,622	
FY87	12,898.20	154,778	293,072	3-year lease
FY88	12,898.20	154,778	281,529	
FY89	11,205	134,460	233,371	
FY90	11,205	134,460	221,414	3-year lease
FY91	11,205	134,460	212,490	
FY92	12,172	146,064	224,105	
FY93	12,172	146,064	217,577	3-year lease
FY94	12,172	146,064	212,064	
FY95	12,475	149,700	212,041	
FY96	12,500	150,000	206,278	
FY97	13,257.67	159,092	215,124	2-yr. lease
FY98	13,257.67	159,092	211,736	
FY99	13,257.67	159,092	206,170	
FY00	13,103	157,236	197,064	
FY01	13,220	158,640	195,693	3-year lease
FY02	13,339	160,068	192,827	
FY03	13,339	160,068	189,231	
FY04	13,339	160,068	183,186	3-year lease
FY05	13,604	163,248	180,682	
FY06	13,962	167,544	180,914	
FY07	14,000	168,000	176,465	5-year lease
FY08	14,000	168,000	170,005	
FY09	14,500	174,000	176,784	
FY10	15,000	180,000	180,000	
FY11	15,500	186,000	186,000	
FY12	16,000	192,000	192,000	3-year lease
FY13	16,500	198,000	198,000	
FY14	17,000	204,000	204,000	
Total lease payments over 31 years=		\$4,916,134	\$ 6,530,870	

* Source: Statistical Abstract of the United States using The Inflation Calculator at <http://www.westegg.com/inflation/> Data only available through 2010. Amounts for 2010 and later expressed in actual dollars.

Square Feet per Population Served

Community	Population Served	Square Feet	Square Feet per Capita	DCED grant?
<i>Libraries Funded by DCED Grants</i>				
1 Talkeetna	876	7,840	8.95	Y
2 Cordova	2,239	8,452	3.77	Y
3 Petersburg	2,948	9,770	3.31	Y
4 Seward	2,693	7,661	2.84	Y
5 Ketchikan	8,050	16,250	2.02	Y
6 Sitka	8,881	14,000	1.58	Y
7 Fairbanks N. Pole	14,580	18,625	1.28	Y
8 Juneau: Dimond Park	17,000	20,600	1.21	Y
9 Kodiak	13,592	16,000	1.18	Y
10 Sutton	1,447	unknown	unknown	Y
<i>Existing Libraries</i>				
11 Haines	1,713	8,400	4.90	N
12 Homer	5,003	17,000	3.40	N
13 Wrangell	2,369	5,930	2.50	N
14 Unalaska	4,376	9,400	2.15	N
15 Palmer	5,937	11,400	1.92	N
16 Wasilla	7,831	7,687	0.98	N
17 Juneau: Mendenhall Valley	17,000	9,391	0.55	N

The current Valley library has the fewest square feet for population served among existing libraries serving medium-sized communities in Alaska.

Among DCED-funded library projects the proposed Dimond Park Library is within the square feet per population served range for communities within the same population range.

Populations used are current for all communities. If projected future growth is used, the square feet per population served would be lower.

Figure 17

Household Visits to Local Public Libraries

Q8. "Within the last 12 months, has any member of your household, including yourself, visited a Juneau public library?"

Base for chart: Total sample (n=406)

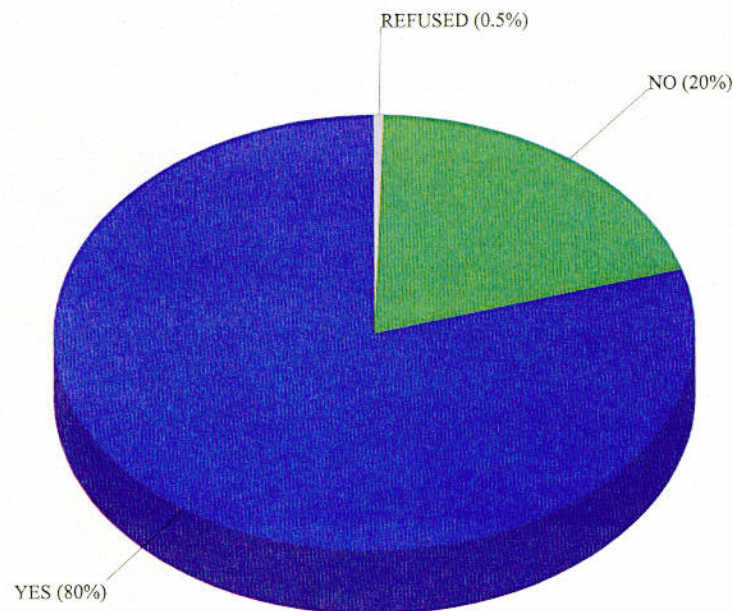
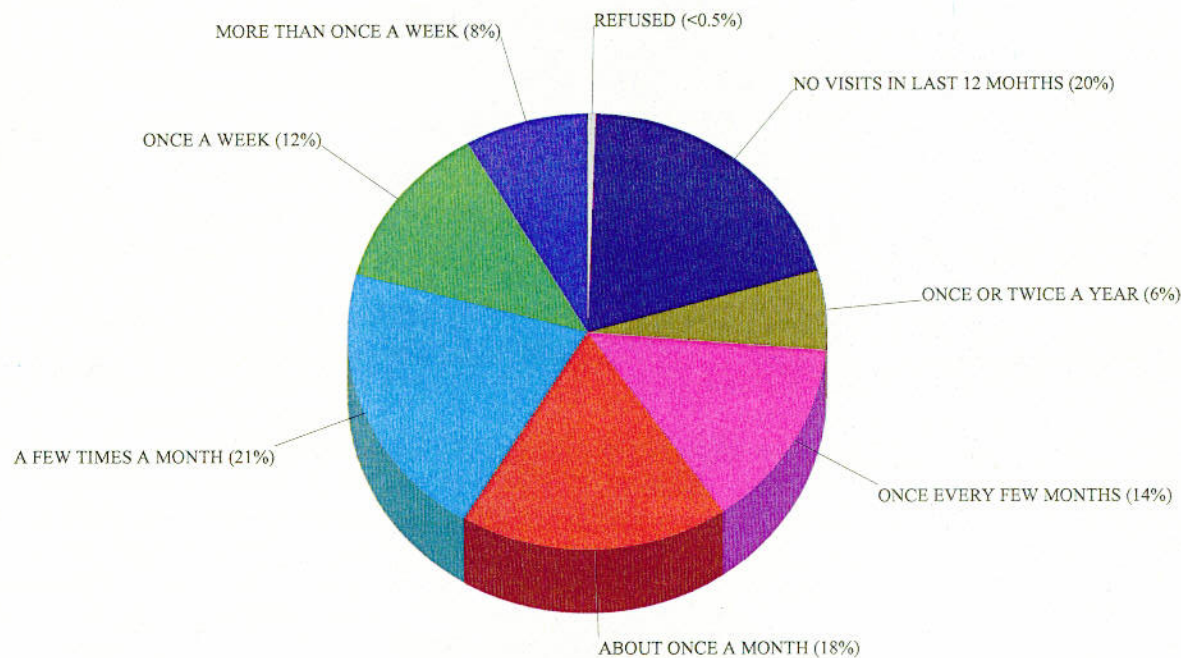


Figure 18

Frequency of Visiting Juneau Public Libraries

Q9. "Within the last 12 months, about how often on average did a member of your household visit any of the Juneau Public Libraries?"

Base for chart: Total sample (n=406)



Notes

Overall, 80% reported that at least one household member had visited a Juneau public library within the last 12 months. About four in ten (41%) said household members typically visited at least "a few times a month" or more. The median (half above, half below) visiting frequency for all households was "about once a month."

As illustrated in Figure 31, library visiting frequency was strongly associated with likelihood of using the Dimond Park Community Center's library.



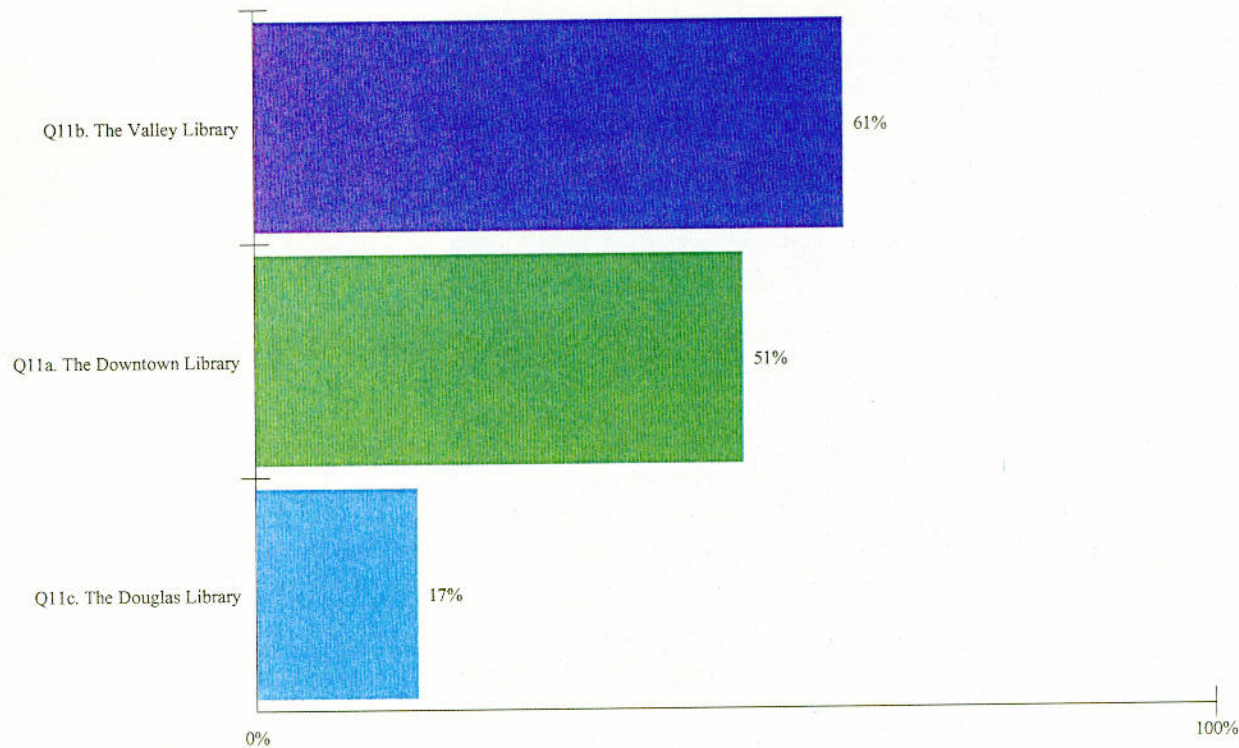
Figure 22

Visits to Specific Juneau Public Libraries

Q11a-c. "Within the last 12 months, which of these Juneau Public Libraries have members of your household visited? <Insert library name>: yes or no?"

Base for chart: Total sample (n=406) for each question

Percent of Households Having Visited Within the Last 12 Months



Notes

Households indicating multiple facility use (within the last 12 months):

- Using both Valley and Downtown Libraries: 36%
- Using both Valley and Douglas Libraries: 10%
- Using both Downtown and Douglas Libraries: 13%
- Using all three libraries: 8%

