



NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY MASTER PLAN

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The North Valley Public Library is currently located in the historic Rasmussen Building, built in the early 1940s. The library made a home in this building after moving from Town Hall in 1991 and has been a feature of Main Street ever since. The library serves as a staple in the Stevensville community and is currently experiencing various growing pains, with its current facility causing hardship to serve its constituents. For this reason, the North Valley Public Library (NVPL) hired MMW Architects and our consulting team to conduct a Masterplan Report to better understand its needs for the future.

North Valley Public Library's mission, as stated in its Facilities Plan, is to "strengthen and support our community by fostering a welcoming and comfortable setting for all people to gather, explore, and discover; promote literacy and lifelong learning; and provide exemplary programming, service, and quality, timely materials." NVPL's mission is the backbone of this Masterplan outlined in collaboration with the library's staff, director, Board, and Foundation members alongside MMW Architects and our library consultant, ReThinking Libraries. Together, we conducted public outreach in the form of a survey and conducted multiple virtual community discussion sessions. We heard directly from the community and staff, in an unbiased environment. It was evident that the community highly values this library, the services it provides, and its friendly, supportive staff. The surveys and discussions also brought light to those growing pains that the current building is causing in meaningful ways such as lack of programming space/availability, lack of sound separation between use groups, and overall non-conformance to accessibility leading many patrons to stop visiting the library.

Due to the age, size, and site constraints of the current building, it was decided that a remodel or addition would not be a viable option. Therefore, the Masterplan focused on the formulation of an entirely new building at a site that has yet to be determined. Because of this, the Preliminary Architectural Report (PAR) is meant to be broad in nature and the cost estimate reflects a variety of circumstances that may arise depending on the site that is ultimately chosen. MMW Architect's team has developed a program, preliminary building layout, and cost estimate that we believe to be the most efficient way for the library district to obtain a library that addresses the needs, goals, and future aspirations for a successful environment for learning and engaging.

The proposal for the new library aims to enhance the programmatic spaces for children and teens, making them larger, and more technologically advanced, and giving them better acoustic separation from the quieter spaces of the library so that they feel free to be themselves. Other focus areas are the large multi-purpose meeting space and maker spaces, providing more flexibility in program offerings that are STEM-focused and relevant to today's job markets. The quieter spaces of the library will provide adult patrons the opportunity to read, study, conduct interviews, and have more privacy during their visit. The new library building will be designed to be fully accessible and built to current building code and energy compliance coupled with featuring a floor plan that aligns with the growing trends and technology seen in other libraries across the country while embodying the aesthetics of the beloved Bitterroot Valley.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jacob Wright", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jacob Wright, AIA, LEED AP
Principal Architect



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Computer Work Stations

The North Valley Public Library (NVPL) is a well-loved, well-worn building. Though the collections and patrons are constantly changing, much of the library is in a complete state of decay, suffering from structural instability and patchwork of renovation between three buildings. The library does have documented Asbestos present, has structural degradation that has been temporarily fixed to prevent collapse, uneven squeaky floors, and overall lack of adequate space for staff and programs to be successful.

Architecture and Patron Experience

In the 83 years since the building's construction in 1940, every single building code has changed. Where this is most obvious in the library is as it pertains to accessibility. The uneven floors and old carpeting pose tripping hazards. The exit out of the current Montana Room requires a 17-inch step up to ground level (shown in image on next page). The stacks are not conducive to people in wheelchairs and many elderly or disabled people will no longer enter the building due to its safety concerns.

Other major concerns of the building and location are the overall lack of parking available for patrons and the staff, asbestos, structural instability, unusable attic space, negatively sloping grade brings water toward the building causing undermining and rot, and general lack of space and acoustic separation.

The results from the community survey and sessions revealed some of the highest levels of dissatisfaction in the library facility that ReThinking Libraries, a nationwide library consultant with over 18 years' experience, has ever seen.

The interior of the building is very dated and does not give a positive first impression. With old rugs that are ripped and patched in various areas, very dated furniture and stacks that are either in disrepair or have been cobbled together, and poorly lit areas, the library does not provide an inviting and clean environment that people want to be in. One of the survey respondents noted that it smelled of mold in the building which correlates with the building's drainage issues and poor circulation. There is an overall lack of adequate storage to keep supplies organized in areas away from patron view. One of the proposed solutions for this is to store items that can be used for the public in the lower portions of shelving stacks as placing books too low causes difficulties for people to access. Keeping the library tidy makes the space feel more open, free from clutter and tripping hazard, and instills the sense of pride and responsibility for all users of the library.

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Building Systems

In the same way that the visible portions of the building are dated, the building's infrastructure and systems are equally ill-equipped for the needs of modern libraries. The North Valley Public Library has structural instability in the form of bowed floors that are being held up by metal posts from the basement to the ceiling to prevent from collapse. NVPL is not able to add any additional stacks because of the already overloaded floor system and with all of the added posts, re-arranging stacks and spaces proves very difficult.

While a full building assessment was not conducted by MMW Architects, it is plain to see that the lighting is very dated and there are exposed wires everywhere posing dangerous conditions. The library is running a MERV 16 filtration on their mechanical system, which is above average, but with poor air circulation and constant water infiltration, mold is a major concern.

The current plumbing condition is unknown but it is of mention that there are only two restrooms that serve the entire library. Asbestos is present in the building as evidenced by the asbestos report that was conducted by NVPL who has taken steps to have the building remediated (not as part of this Master Plan). The upstairs portion of the building is only usable as attic space. Blown-in insulation is scattered all over the floor to act as ceiling insulation, all surfaces are carpeted, and is only accessed through a small residential stairwell making renovation of this area very costly.



Program and Space Layout

NVPL and the respondents gave insightful feedback of the existing spaces and programmed areas of the library. The following sections break those responses into the individual areas with notes on the existing condition, ways in which improvements need to be made, and/or general comments.

Youth Areas

- The amount of space allocated to youth must be dramatically increased. The current 688 square foot space is very crowded and there is not enough room for the volume of books that NVPL would like to feature. There is also not enough room to have interactive play structures or children's displays that help create positive social interaction and imaginative play along with gross and fine motor skills for children of varying age groups. In the existing space, the children's area is not noise isolated from the more adult sections and patrons will often complain about the noise generated by children playing. A new library should separate these areas programmatically and acoustically.
- Shelving and furnishings should be specifically for younger ages with shorter reach ranges. The space limitations of the existing library forces their shelves to be much higher than desired. Storage bins can be incorporated into various furniture pieces for toys, puzzles, games, etc to be stored in an organized fashion and keep the space clean when not in use.

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Program and Space Layout (Cont.)



Existing Stacks

Art displays in these areas will further enhance the excitement for programs and strengthen the pride of the community.

Teen Space

- While there is no specifically designated space for teenagers, the space that teens currently use is described as not being comfortable and expressed that it should be more enclosed to allow teens to be social without disturbing others. This space also needs to be positioned in a spot where it can be better monitored, have easily cleanable surfaces, have access to digital media, and project displays to share the excitement in teen programming and maker space projects. Teen collections should be in this area but be located outside of the glassed teen social space to allow non-teens or teens that do not want to be social to still access these collections. Having the Teen Programming Coordinator's office located in close proximity will help foster staff relationships and trust. The coordinator should have a pamphlet area for various teen resources that they might otherwise be reluctant to talk about.

Collaboration Spaces and Meeting Rooms

- Small and Medium-size private rooms are also a need that cannot be met in the library. Many patrons would prefer an area where they can meet as a small group for studying or working collaboratively without disturbing the rest of the library. Being glassed in helps facilitate noise isolation while also

providing the ability to be monitored and helps make the space still feel open and bright.

- The library should have areas that support a variety of collaboration functions and group meeting needs. These should be not only in a variety of enclosed flexible meeting rooms, but also in more casual non-enclosed meeting/collaboration spaces. There are many patrons that come to the library for job interviews, studying, or conducting phone calls with access to computers and need a small space where their conversations are both private and non-disruptive to other visitors. Small meeting spaces that can be reserved ahead of time, are glassed in for both noise isolation and easily monitored are ideal to serve this need. These small meeting rooms should have space and hookups available for a library computer and if someone brings in their own laptop.
- The Community Engagement exercises revealed that a larger community room is of great importance and demand. The existing meeting room is about 1,120 square feet and often times program attendance must be capped due to space limitation. Ideally, this room would also feature a sink for any programs that may require cleanup. The room should be able to host a variety of activities from performances, yoga classes, lectures, and interactive instruction with adequate storage for tables and chairs.

This multi-purpose meeting room shall be able to be used after normal library hours and therefore needs to have direct access to restrooms and be entered and locked off separate from the main library. It should also



Existing Entrance

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Program and Space Layout (Cont.)

be constructed with sound partitions to isolate noise generated by a potentially loud program happening during the day.

It is important to note that while a larger room was requested, due to down the efforts of scaling the building size in order to reflect a more realistic budget, the community room is slightly smaller than what NVPL has currently but has been designed for room for expansion as needed. It is also more integral with the rest of the floor plan rather than being cut off from the rest of the library.

Makerspace

- An expanded makerspace room would be highly valued by patrons of all ages. NVPL has a small makerspace area but is not adequate for all the equipment and programs that are desired as technology advances. This room should be able to be utilized for various maker activities from crafting to 3D printing with all of the appropriate power, ventilation, data, and plumbing that is required to serve a multitude of activity needs.

Quiet Space

- The library needs an area where users can come and find a quiet place to work, read, or study. Though some of this could also be supported through the flexible meeting rooms. The library needs an open area that is predominantly free from talking and noise. One of the most common complaints about the current library is noise and not enough separation between adults and children. Calming and Sensory spaces are also an added interest for a new library to create areas for tactile experiences.

Staff Spaces

- There is an overall lack of adequate space for the staff to function. They have been forced to take over other spaces in order to meet the needs of the staff. Offices have been made from bathrooms, portion of the break room, and in the public spaces of the library. Because of this, their conversations and general library tasks get overheard, interrupted, and sometimes create complaints from patrons.

Montana Room

- NVPL currently holds a small Montana Room which they value and want to keep in a new building. This space is ideal to have a comfortable, more historic aesthetic, acoustic treatment, and have areas for local author and artist displays. Some survey participants would like to see local tribal input and representation in a deliberate way. The Stevensville community has a rich history, and the Montana Room is a great way to showcase it.

Outdoor Space

- Outdoor extension of space is highly valuable for the users of the library for programmatic purposes and personal use. Allowing programs to spill outside for activities such as science experiments, painting, and entertainment is a great asset for the library to take full advantage of, especially in the stunning Bitterroot Valley. An outdoor patio would be great for patrons to be able to sit outside, covered in some areas, to be able to read, enjoy their lunch, play, and access the internet, all while enjoying some fresh air. With the limited amount of staff that the library has, low maintenance outdoor amenities should be considered. With a new library location, the site can be best designed for ample parking, accessible parking and access, bike storage, water maintenance, and feature low maintenance landscaping and seating areas.



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Overall Process

The project team worked in close collaboration with the library's leadership to craft a community engagement strategy that reached a broad swath of Stevensville, not just city residents but those living in the smaller communities and rural areas also served by the library district. The two primary mechanisms of the public outreach effort were community engagement discussion sessions comprised of separate sessions for the library staff, the library board, and the residents. Discussions generally covered the community and its evolving needs, library services, location, the library as it is seen today, and how the library can serve the needs of the community now and into the future.

The second avenue for public outreach was conducting a community survey available online and paper copies, where all voters could answer questions and provide their input about the North Valley Public Library. All of the raw data from the survey can be found in the Appendix. The following section of the report outlines specifically how the team facilitated the community engagement strategy and some of the highlights we learned from the process. It also shows the research that has been conducted for this library and its demographics specific to this region.

Discussion Sessions

Stevensville Community and Their Library

As part of the data gathering process, Rethinking Libraries conducted ten virtual community stakeholder sessions in September and October of 2022. A variety of Stevensville area residents participated (57 total), including staff, the Board, and the general public. To start, people were generally asked to describe Stevensville and what is particularly unique to this community. There was a large expression of growth, high construction activity, and an overall sense of change toward more high-tech resources such as drone products, biotech, night vision, and mapping. On the other hand, Stevensville has a strong sense of partnership with various local events and is not typically interested in additional spending or taxes. There is a high rate of homeschooling in the community which leads to many families looking for activities and resources to participate in with their children.

What we learned from these comments was that the library needs more space for their growing population that is able to be a great resource for home-schooled families and those making transitions into high-tech career fields. All plans for a new library will need to be well communicated to the voters to ensure support for the project and if a new library location is needed, then it should be centrally located, feature a mix of traditional and modern resources, space for non-

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Discussion Sessions (Cont.)

traditional collections, technology, and meeting spaces for the community and other organizations to utilize.

When commenting more specifically about the current library, survey participants showed an overwhelming support for the library, stating that it is an important resource for the community, especially for those with limited means. Some respondents noted that it should have an old-fashioned, small-town feel while others expressed that the library is not only used for books but also for its technology, as many people use the library who do not have access to internet. Many community members would like to see technology and creation areas, such as rentable laptops, coding classes for kids, 3D Printing, and a 'Fab Lab'. There was a large interest in a "Library of Things" as well

Common Topics Raised

- The community is expanding and so are the needs for the library in ways of programming, technology, accessibility, and space.
- The community has issues with limited parking, making it difficult to use the library where its currently located.
- High rate of homeschooling in the community that utilizes library resources for learning, social interaction, resources, and events.
- Residents are proud of their community and very supportive of the library.
- The library would benefit from an expanded collection of books, technology, creation areas, and partnerships with other organizations to raise money and improve the library's services.
- Many community members have mixed opinions on sustainability related initiatives, and some suggest incorporating such aspects in more non-conspicuous ways with a focusing primarily on conserving money.
- With the highest levels of dissatisfaction with the current library building, a huge majority support doing what is needed to get a new library built.

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North Valley Public Library Community Survey 2022

Help plan the future of the North Valley Public Library

The North Valley Public Library (NVPL) is embarking on a process to assess the current and future needs of library facilities in the Stevensville area. As libraries continue to evolve to meet community needs, your input is invaluable as we assess how to plan for the near and long term futures of our libraries.

This brief 8-10 minute survey asks you to rank the importance of different physical space and service options that reflect best practices in today's public libraries across the nation.

Thank you in advance for your time and support. We truly appreciate it.

Library Use

* 1. How often do you use the North Valley Public Library?

Daily Monthly Hardly Ever
 Weekly A few times a year Never

Library Use: Non-Users

* 2. If you do not usually visit the North Valley Public Library, please tell us why not. (check ALL that apply)

I prefer to buy and own my own material
 My library card doesn't work
 I have never used a library
 I am a "virtual" library user (e.g. downloading books from a library website)
 I couldn't find what I wanted
 I am concerned about the Covid-19 virus
 I use a different library
 It's confusing to have so many choices
 Parking is too difficult
 My children are grown
 I never think of the library as an option
 I am new to the area
 The library doesn't seem clean and well maintained
 I haven't used the library since I was a child
 I am too busy to use the library
 It's hard to access the library if you have mobility issues
 The library's hours are not convenient
 I owe fees
 Not aware of the library or its services
 It's hard to get to the library (transportation)
 The library's location is not convenient for me
 Other (please specify) _____

Library Use - Continued

* 3. Why do you visit the Library? (check ALL that apply)

Find a book To study alone For computer help
 Find DVD, audiobook, etc. Use audiovisual equipment Use a library computer
 Attend children's programming Use printer/photocopier/fax/scanner Volunteer time or service
 Attend teen programming Attend meeting Read a magazine or newspaper
 Attend adult programming or classes Meet with friends or business associates Research local history genealogy
 Get help with an assignment Use library wi-fi Borrow technology such as laptop, iPad, or hotspot
 For group study For career services needs
 Other (please specify) _____

North Valley Public Library: Facilities

Library facilities continually evolve to better serve their communities. Help us decide what we should maintain, add and/or update. Please share your feedback as to facility features in terms of IMPORTANCE and VALUE to this community.

* 4. For each of the following statements describe the North Valley Public Library, please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree.

	Strongly Agree	Somewhat Agree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know/No Opinion
There is adequate space for my needs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is adequate space for the needs of the community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is a physically comfortable place to visit.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is a welcoming and safe place.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is clean and well-maintained.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is easy to navigate and find what I need.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The staff is knowledgeable and helpful.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It has up-to-date technology.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is an important part of the community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The hours are adequate for my needs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The collection is adequate for my needs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The location is convenient for me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parking is readily available	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It seems easily accessible and usable for those with physical or mobility challenges.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
They treat all users equitably.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is on a transportation route.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

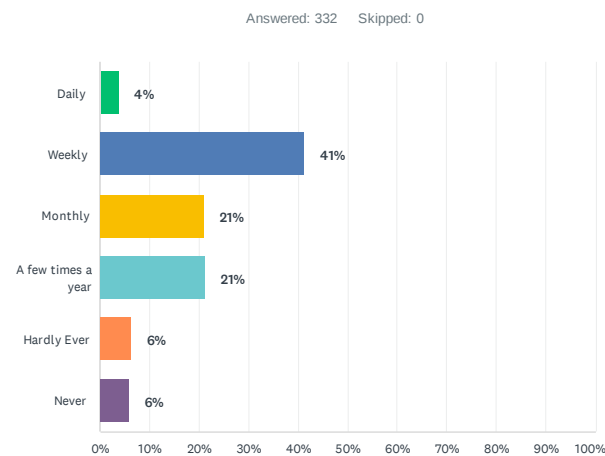
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Survey Results

Key Demographics

ReThinking Libraries (RTL) gathered and analyzed all of the survey data from all 332 respondents, which in their experience, was a good turnout for a community the size of Stevensville. Of those respondents, 81% live in Stevensville and Lone Rock, the area in which NVPL serves. The rest of the respondents were from surrounding towns. As is often seen with these convenience type surveys, older residents were more heavily represented with 32% being 66 years or older. Other age groups were well represented with 18% being 36-45, 18% being 46-55, 18% being 56-65, 11% being 26-35, and 1% being 19-25 and lastly, 1% being under 19 years old. 34% of the survey takers had children under the age of 18 living with them, which aligns with many local homeschooling families. The racial makeup of the respondents was primarily representative of the community demographics with the minority groups being slightly overrepresented, likely due to the smaller sample size. Overall, the results identified above were better than what RTL typically see so that was encouraging to the rest of the team.

Q1 How often do you use the North Valley Public Library?

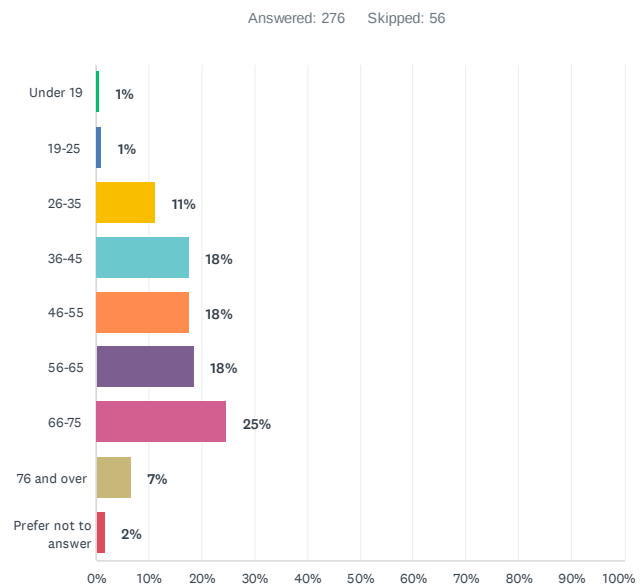


Survey Highlights

Library Activity

- 66% of respondents visited the library once a month or more and 44% visited weekly or more often. This tells us that the library is well utilized by the community it serves.
- Those that do not physically go to the library, 13%

Q11 What is your age?



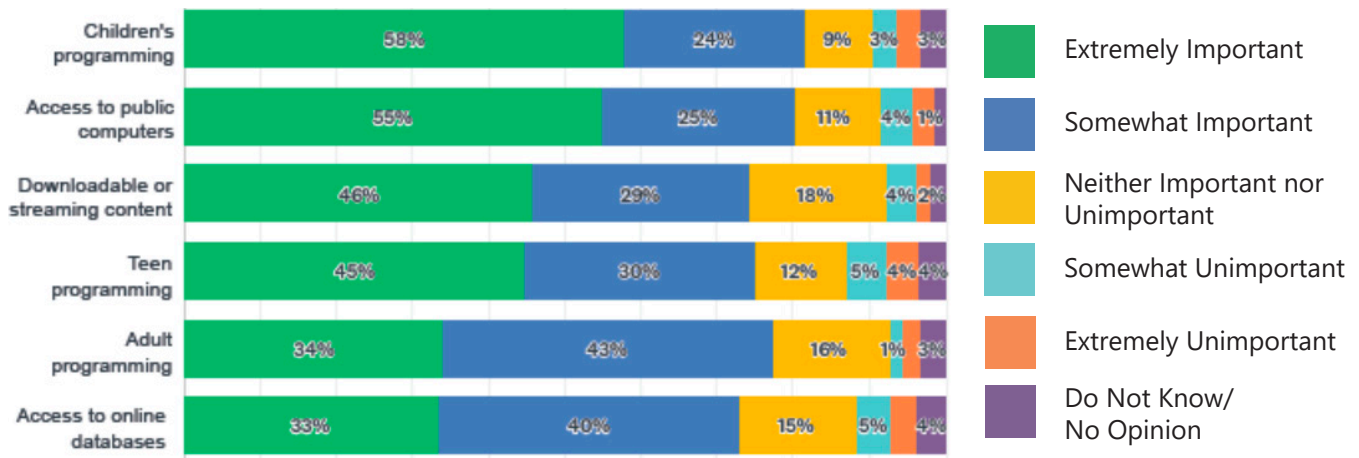
are virtual users and 24% prefer to buy their own materials. 21% do not think of the library as an option, 21% are new to the area, 16% said they were too busy to use the library, and 16% said their children are grown.

- 89% of the Stevensville and Lone Rock respondents hold library cards.
- 89% visit the library to find a book, 45% for a DVD, audiobook, etc., 21% come in to use the printer/copier/ fax/ scanner capabilities, 21% come to use a library computer, 20% visit the library to attend adult programming, and 18% to attend children's programming.

Description of the Library

- 95% strongly consider that the library is an important part of the community.
- 94% felt that the staff is knowledgeable and helpful and 81% felt that they treat all users equitably.
- The area that people were least satisfied with was having adequate space for the needs of the community at only 32% approval and a 49% disapproval rating and the accessibility of the space scoring an approval of 43% and disapproval of 28%.
- In addition to the space and accessibility issues, other areas with low satisfaction ratings include not being a physically comfortable place to visit, no parking being readily available, lack of an adequate collection, not having the latest technology, and not being on a transportation route.

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Important Features of the Library

- The library feature that was rated with the highest importance is having a readily accessible collection of books and other materials with 96% of respondents feeling that was extremely important or somewhat important.
- This was closely followed by 80% rating the children's area for ages 0-12 being of high importance, 85% for quiet spaces, 86% said convenient parking, 77% for a teen area geared for ages 13-18, and lastly 77% chose good pedestrian/ bicycle access.
- The lesser important features were onsite areas for food and drinks at 25%, sensory and/or calming rooms at 37%, digital creativity lab for audio and visual production at 38%, outdoor gather/ seating area at 46%, and onsite services for other city programs at 46%.

Other Comments

- There were many comments on the need for a new library, some of which had specific comments on the aesthetics of the building and the space that was desired.
- Numerous people also commented on the location of the library, with many feeling that the library should remain close to downtown while others saw benefits of locating it closer to the schools.
- Comments concerning funding and the potential for bonding were mostly positive but some expressed not wanting any new taxes.
- Children's programs and literacy activities were considered highly important.
- There were several positive comments about the general importance of the library, how much people love the library and the staff.
- Someone also mentioned the value of considering staff needs and workflow in the library plans.

Important Services Provided by the Library

- The survey revealed that children's programming was considered the most important service offered with 82% of respondents choosing extremely important or somewhat important. This was followed by access to public computers with 80%, adult programs with 78%, and finally downloadable or streaming content and teen programs both with 75%.
- Less important services were 24/7 access to materials, video-conferencing, and technology for digital creativity and production.
- Many people commented throughout the survey that the primary focus of the library should be on books, with some making suggestions regarding specific collections. Others noted having programming for all ages.

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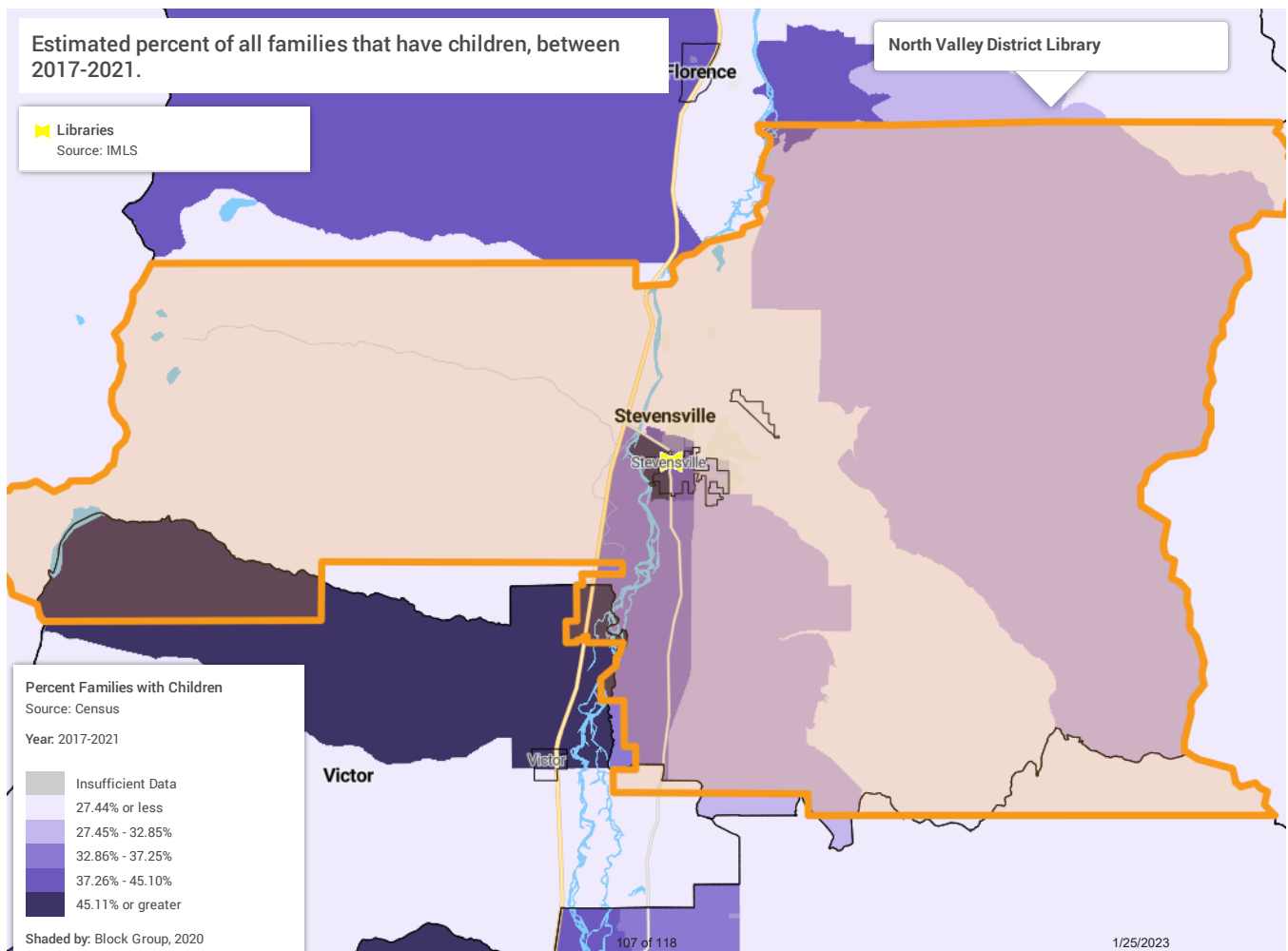
Data and Demographics

The project team completed several data and demographic analyses of the library and community. The following elements summarize that analysis with the supporting content contained in the Appendix.

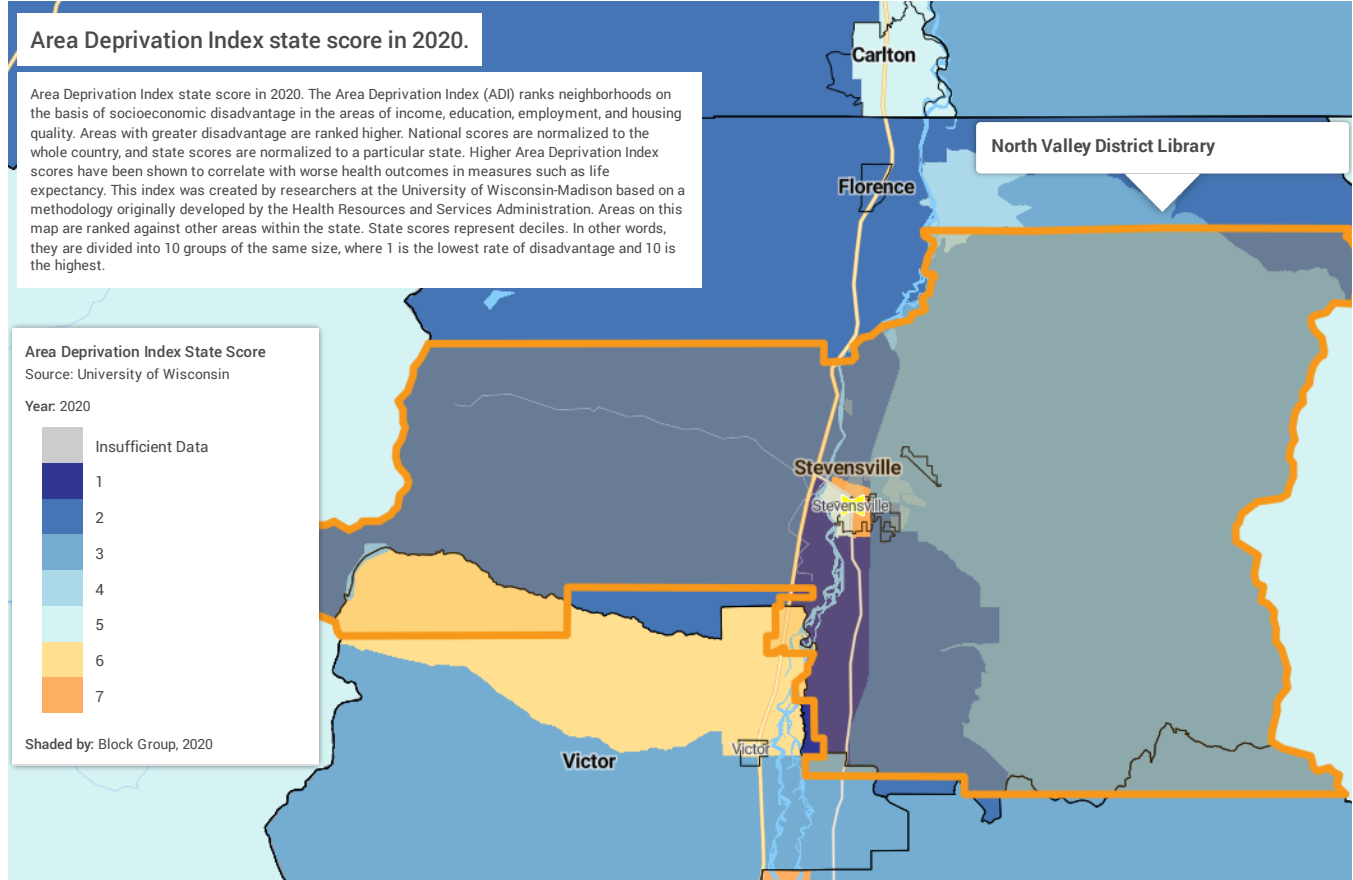


Demographics

- The library district boundaries are the Stevensville and Lone Rock School Districts. For full sized maps and data overview, refer to the appendices.
- Service Population
 - The service population in 2020 was 11,822 people, a 16% growth from 2010
 - Projected future population ranges:
 - 2030: 13,000 to 15,000
 - 2040: 15,000 to 19,000
 - 2050: 17,000 to 25,000
 - District is significantly older on average than other parts of Montana or the rest of the Country but the under 18 population aligns with Montana and national averages. The difference being that there appears to be less adults in the working age bracket of 18-64.
 - Nationally, seniors and youth are the most frequent users of libraries.



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Data and Demographics (Cont.)

Benchmarks and Data Trends

The project team compiled a multi-cohort benchmark analysis of NVPL. The comparison developed three separate comparison cohorts: Montana libraries of comparable size, Western/ Northwest US libraries of similar size, and an aspirational cohort of very high usage libraries of comparable size (pulled from Library Journal's annual Star Libraries list). The team also completed a 10 year trend assessment of the library and other reports on usage. All of this data and the full comparison spreadsheet can be found in the appendix.

Key Takeaways

- Funding is aligned with Montana state average at \$32/capita. This is below for both NW and National Libraries.
- Usage levels (visits and circulation) are below average for comparable Montana libraries but parking, and the conditions at the library all contribute to this figure.
- Program attendance are actually just at or above average, suggesting the library is a needed and desirable resource but the Teen Programming is currently deficient in quantity.
- NVPL's physical collection and youth collection sizes are above average with 5 physical items per capita verses a MT average of 4 per capita.
- Space is below all averages at 0.6 square feet per capita. Montana and Northwestern libraries average 0.8 per capita. RTL suggests planning for new libraries at around 1.0 square foot per capita or more, especially for growing communities.



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PROGRAMMING

Overall Process

MMW Architects and our consulting team, together with the library's staff, Board, and Foundation, worked collaboratively to formulate a program of spaces, discussed adjacencies of all the different areas of the library, various attributes, and finally a proposed floor plan layout. Once the team came to an agreed-upon overall size and floor plan, MMW Architects went to work on developing the building systems and overall aesthetic and massing for a new library building situated on a generic site. The entire process culminated over three presentations over the course of four months after the community engagement was completed.

Programming Meeting

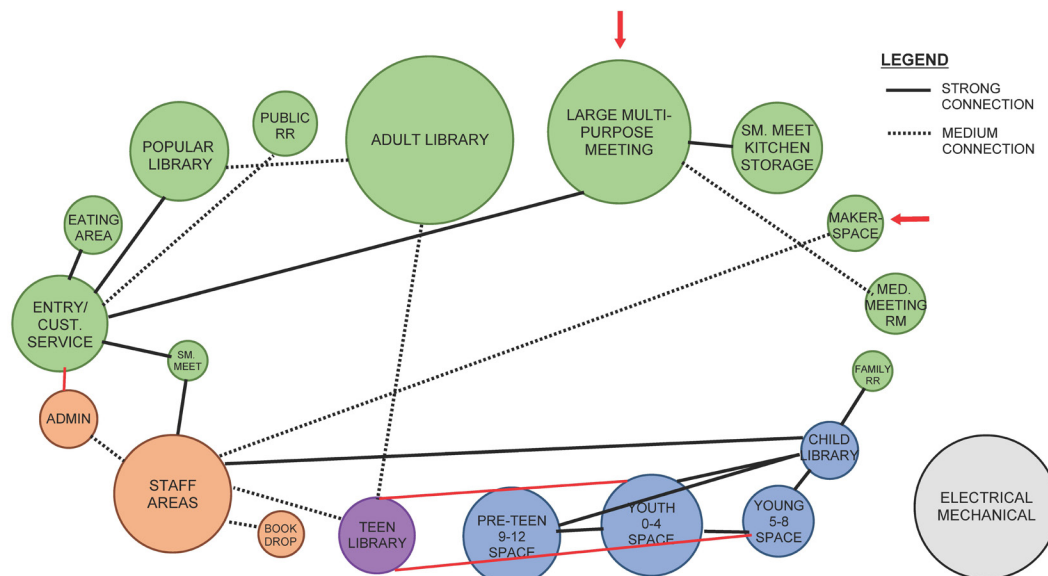
The first presentation meeting, that was held on January 25, 2023, was to discuss all the results of the community engagement exercises as discussed in previous sections of this report. ReThinking Libraries took the lead for this portion of the presentation as this was the primary focus of their scope. At the end of their portion of the presentation, they showed a Facility Space Needs program that identifies all the individual rooms and spaces that will make up the new library facility based upon the needs and wants of NVPL and taking into consideration the growth projections of Stevensville. RTL ultimately came up with an 18,086 square foot building program and recommended a minimum of 15,000 square feet. NVPL had a chance to review this afterward and sent comments on some of the areas particularly assigned to the collections. This ended up with a program of 19,804 square feet, of which NVPL

approved for MMW Architects to use moving forward with the preliminary design.

The second half of this meeting focused more on the adjacencies and attributes of each program space. MMW Architects formulated a bubble diagram, a common tool used to show relative sizes of spaces and if there should be strong, medium, or non-connections between each area. The staff, Board, and Foundation all participated in identifying what these adjacency relationships should be which became the basis of how the floor plan layout was designed. Since noise has been a huge issue for the current library, we then discussed the acoustical attributes of each space and ranked them from 'Loud' to 'Quiet' and where each space sat in between. This aided in the discussions of how we should treat each of these areas acoustically while also not enclosing every space from each other, making the library very segmented and closed off. Because NVPL has a very limited staff, they continue to express their desire for an open library so that they are better able to monitor multiple areas at the same time.

Notes for Adjacency Bubble Diagram:

- Offices to be more program specific.
- Want Book Drop attached to building, not a standalone exterior book drop, may want to do something for a pick-up as well.
- Maker Space to have access after hours and to be used by any age group - could be used to teach classes.
- Lg. Multi-Purpose must be accessed for public use after hours.



PROGRAMMING

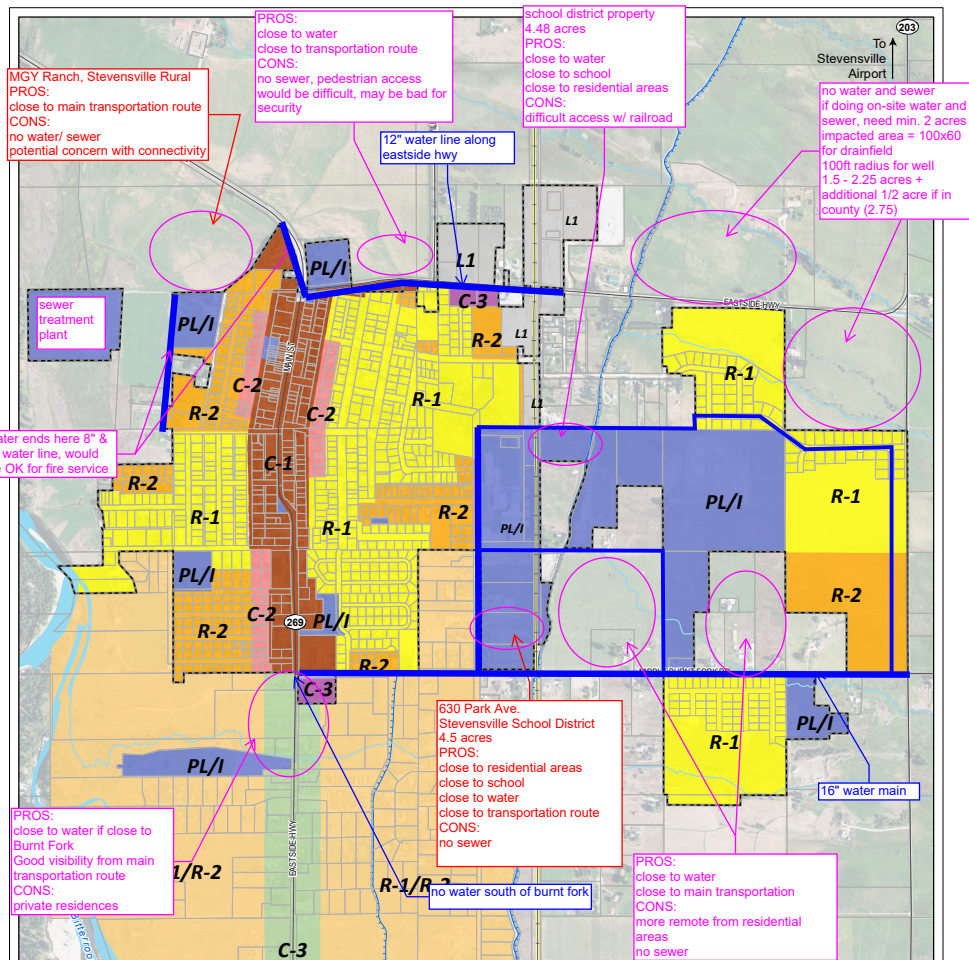
Preliminary Design Meeting #1 (Cont.)

The precedent imagery that was presented was well received. The images for the youth spaces were chosen based on the presence of materials with good cleanability, bright and open spaces, multi-use furniture and storage capabilities, and age appropriateness. The adult interior spaces were chosen for the presence of natural materials ie. wood, brick, stone, open layout, warmer tones, and natural light. The Chicago Library was an example that NVPL had often referred to and appreciated the overall openness of the library and really appreciated the materiality. Exterior imagery was presented that showcased natural materials like wood, brick, and stone mixed with glass and how each of those materials could be artfully combined.

Following the precedent imagery, MMW Architects briefly discussed a preliminary code summary that identified the building occupancy, broad occupant load calculations, type of construction, and fire sprinkler

requirements. Accessibility was also addressed, describing the multitude of ways that a new facility will be designed to be exponentially more accessible than its current situation. From aisle widths and fully accessible restrooms to making service desks universally accessible for everyone and providing ample high-contrast signage and shelves and stacks in large print and braille. We also mentioned the potential for providing telecommunication devices for the deaf, providing spaces for people who are easily distracted by noise such as calming rooms, and adaptive technology for computers.

The last point of discussion for the meeting was the team identifying site location areas and their associated pros and cons of each. While MMW Architects, is not contracted to make a specific site selection, we were able to advise on potential conflicts concerning utility access to sewer and water and give data related to the size of the property.



PROGRAMMING

Preliminary Design Meeting #2

The second preliminary design meeting that was held on April 14, 2023 came after NVPL had a chance to review the cost estimate presented at the first meeting. Ultimately, they decided that while the costs aligned with the size of the proposed library that would meet the needs of a growing community, they felt it was too big of a request for the district. Therefore, NVPL asked the design team to scale down the space needs program to be between 12,000 – 12,500 square feet to keep costs lower and still end up with a larger, more up-to-date, accessible library. As a result, the goals of this meeting were to depict the revised floor plan layout per the approved smaller space needs program, discuss the revised cost estimate, and present further details of the building systems and overall massing and aesthetics.

After quickly going through the space needs program again, MMW Architects showed NVPL where the updated cost estimate was for a 12,500 square foot

building. MMW Architects had discussed the overall costs with a local contractor who has extensive experience in cost estimating in today's market and in the local construction industry. They advised minor reductions in costs per square footage but increased the percentage of inflation projected over time. Afterward, MMW Architects took them through the new floor plan that was closely based on the previously approved option of the previous meeting but with more detail and scaled-down room sizes per the revised program. Next, some high-level imagery of the interior and exterior of the building was shown, with overall general support for the direction the library was headed. MMW Architects chose to develop a wood-framed building with elements of mass timber, natural stone, wood siding, and an abundance of natural light to respond to the desires for warmth, natural materiality, and an aesthetic that fits within the Stevensville community.



PROGRAMMING

AREA BY AREA BUILT SPACE NEEDS ANALYSIS

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+	
ADULT PUBLIC SPACES		UNIT	SF PER UNIT
Entrance, Friends & Customer Service			
1.01	Entrance lobby	1	100 SF
1.02	Internal book return	1	75 SF
1.03	Main service point	1	100 SF
1.04	Secure Laptop Storage	1	25 SF
1.05	Self check stations	1	75 SF
1.06	Self-serve holds	250	.15 SF
1.07	Display/Gallery space	0	100 SF
1.08	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF
1.09	Literature rack	1	25 SF
1.10	Business Center - Photocopier, Scanner, etc.	1	100 SF
1.11	Friends Book Sale	1	100 SF
1.12	Reference	150	.11 SF
1.13	Family Restrooms	1	150 SF
1.14	Public Restrooms	2	100 SF
Subtotal			979 SF
Popular Library			
2.01	New adult books & A/V	50 Bks	.200 SF
2.02	Adult media (DVDs, Audiobks, etc.)	3,000 Items	.08 SF
2.03	Library of Things	15 Items	1 SF
2.04	Adult periodicals	30 Titles	1 SF
2.05	Adult lounge seating	0	40 SF
2.06	Occasional Tables	0	8 SF
Subtotal			295 SF
Meeting Rooms			
3.01	Large multi-purpose meeting	50 Occ	15 SF
3.02	Medium Sized Meeting Room	0	350 SF
3.03	Meeting Room Storage	1	100 SF
3.04	Kitchen	0	100 SF
3.05	Board Room / Staff Meeting Room	1	180 SF
3.06	Small Group Meeting (2-4)	2	80 SF
Subtotal			1,190 SF
Adult Library			
4.01	Adult Service Point	1	150 SF
4.02	Adult fiction	6,000 Bks	.10 SF
4.03	Large Print	1,500 Bks	.10 SF
4.04	Adult Nonfiction & Bio	4,000 Bks	.10 SF
4.05	Adult Paperback	Bks	.09 SF
4.06			.09 SF
4.07	Adult Tables and Chairs (2 seats ea.)	3	75 SF
4.08	Adult Collaborative Seating (4 seats ea.)	1	100 SF
4.09	Adult lounge seating	3	50 SF
4.10	Occasional Tables	2	6 SF
4.11	OPACs	2	50 SF
4.12	Adult public computers	8	70 SF
4.13	Printer /Reservation station	1	50 SF
Subtotal			2,494 SF
Eating Area			
6.01	CafeTable Seating (2 seats ea)	0	75 SF
6.02	Vending Machines	0	50 SF
Subtotal			SF
Miscellaneous Spaces			
7.01	Digital Creativity / Makerspace	1	200 SF
7.02	Archive Collections - Public	0	2,000 SF
Subtotal			200 SF
ADULT PUBLIC SPACES		5,158 SF	

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+	
ADMINISTRATION		UNIT	SF PER UNIT
Staff Space - ADMIN			
8.01	Library Director	1	80 SF
8.02	Operations/Manager	0	150 SF
8.03	Head of Marketing / Programs	0	125 SF
8.04	Marketing Assistant	0	100 SF
8.05	Foundation Office	0	75 SF
8.06	Foundation Book Storage	1	75 SF
8.07	Trustee's Office (Curently Law Office)	0	80 SF
8.08	Other Admin Staff	1	70 SF
8.09	Misc Admin Library Storage	1	50 SF
Subtotal			275 SF
Staff Space - Staff			
9.01	Head of Circulation	0	100 SF
9.02	Circulation Staff	1	75 SF
9.03	Drive-up Service Window	0	100 SF
9.04	Circ. Workspace, Staging, & Logistics	1	150 SF
9.05	Miscellaneous Circ. Storage	1	75 SF
9.06	Head of Cataloging	0	100 SF
9.07	Cataloging Work area /desks	1	80 SF
9.08	Adult Librarian	0	100 SF
9.09	Adult Staff	1	75 SF
9.10	Miscellaneous Adult Storage	1	75 SF
9.11	Youth Librarian	1	90 SF
9.12	Youth Staff	1	65 SF
9.13	Miscellaneous Youth Storage	1	75 SF
9.14	Maintenance Office	0	100 SF
9.15		0	100 SF
9.16		0	SF
9.17	Outreach Work Area & Storage	0	750 SF
9.18	Garage / Bookmobile	0	1,000 SF
9.19	Staff Break Area / Kitchen	1	90 SF
9.20	Staff Restroom	1	75 SF
9.21	Janitor's closet	1	50 SF
9.22	IT Area	1	50 SF
9.23	Miscellaneous General Storage	1	50 SF
Subtotal			1,075 SF
ADMINISTRATION		1,350 SF	

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+	
YOUTH LIBRARY		UNIT	SF PER UNIT
Children's Service Area / Popular Library			
10.01	Service Point	1	90 SF
10.02	Children's Reference Materials	30 Bks	.10 SF
10.03	New Books Display (Spine & Faceout)	50 Bks	.20 SF
10.04	Children's DVDs & Videogames	200 Items	.08 SF
10.05	Children's Audiobooks	100 Items	.09 SF
10.06	Children's Periodicals	4 Titles	1 SF
10.07	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF
10.08	Art Display Area (2-D and 3-D art)	0	100 SF
Subtotal			157 SF
Pre and Early Literacy (Ages 0 - 4)			
11.01	Children's Picture / Board Books	3,000 Bks	.09 SF
11.02	Children's tables and 2-chairs	2	65 SF
11.04	Parent lounge seating	2	50 SF
11.05	Early Literacy Computer Stations	2	50 SF
11.06	Special feature (e.g., interactives)	1	50 SF
11.07	Story Time/ Program Room/Area	Occ	10 SF
Subtotal			650 SF
Young School aged (ages 5 - 8)			
12.01	Easy Readers	1,500 Bks	.09 SF
12.03	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	70 SF
12.04	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	0	50 SF
12.05	Special feature (e.g., interactives)	1	50 SF
12.06	PAC Stations	1	50 SF
Subtotal			375 SF
Older Children and Pre-Teen (ages 9 - 12)			
13.01	Children's Fiction	3,500 Bks	.09 SF
13.02	Children's Graphic Novels	500 Bks	.09 SF
13.03	Children's Nonfiction	2,500 Bks	.09 SF
13.05	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	75 SF
13.06	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	0	50 SF
13.07	Multimedia / Gaming / Interactives	1	50 SF
Subtotal			785 SF
Miscellaneous			
14.01	Older Children's Computers	4	55 SF
14.02	Parenting Collection	Bks	.10 SF
Subtotal			220 SF
YOUTH LIBRARY		2,187 SF	

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+	
TEEN LIBRARY		UNIT	SF PER UNIT
Teen Library			
15.01	Teen New Books and Display	30 Bks	.20 SF
15.02	Teen Periodicals	8	1.00 SF
15.03	Teen Graphic Novels and Manga	600 Bks	.09 SF
15.04	Teen Fiction & Non-Fiction	1,500 Bks	.10 SF
15.05			.09 SF
15.06	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF
15.07	Collaborative Workstation (4 place)	0	150 SF
15.08	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	75 SF
15.09	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	2	50 SF
15.10	Teen Computers	0	50 SF
15.11	Multimedia / Gaming / Interactives	1	50 SF
15.12	Art Display Area (2-D and 3-D art)	0	75 SF
15.13	Program Space/Area	Occ	15 SF
Subtotal			543 SF
TEEN LIBRARY		543 SF	
BUILDING SUB-TOTALS			
Circulation Factor		15%	1,386 SF
Footprint, Mechanical & Electrical		15%	1,386 SF
Fire Protection Room			200 SF
Totals >>			12,209 SF
Existing Conditions			7,200 SF
Program Delta			-5,009 SF
Seating Standards & Calculations (Lower End of Standard Ranges Selected)			
Reader Seats	4.0	per 1,000	@15,000 pop
Total Reader Seats Target	60	Total	
Total Readers Seats in Program	37	(across all areas)	



PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Architectural

The driving force for the architecture of the new North Valley Public Library (NVPL) is for it to be a tool for learning and education. From the moment that patrons park, their experience should be that of carefully designed landscaping, entry appeal, and feel the building welcoming them to their library. The entrance will serve as the gateway for learning, exploration, and technology with the Maker Space and Multi-Purpose rooms at the very forefront. Here, a vast majority of the programming will take place and allow users to access these specific rooms after hours. The vaulted center volume from entry to the circulation desk gives each visitor their first impression of this building as being a naturally lit, large open space where they can see through to almost every space in the library. The architecture acts as wayfinding, bringing you through the Popular Library, book return, and many services conveniently located by the central circulation desk. The entry procession is created by expressing the large wooden structural columns and beams holding up the glue laminated timber panels that form the vaulted ceiling and is accented by continuing the stone that was also featured on the exterior. This vaulted mass timber axis tees off down the center of the Adult Library section as well to bring in the natural light and warmth of the wood. The intent is to bring about the openness of these wonderful spaces as desired by the staff, the brightness and warm materiality requested by the community, and the innovation that this growing population is craving all together for NVPL.

Other components of the building would feature large spans of glass to bring in natural light, and open spaces so that the library can configure the specific areas as they need and be able to modify over time. Additionally, the Children's Area will get its own defined space that is enclosed with glass partitions to provide acoustic control while also providing a direct visual connection to the staff at the circulation desk. The Children's Areas will use carpet tile to keep noise levels low, make the space feel more comfortable on your feet, and be easy to replace certain tiles in the event of stains or damage. Adequate wall space will be the backdrop for art displays and interactive motor skills activity boards. The ceilings will comprise of wood and steel trusses that bring warmth throughout while also featuring acoustic dropped ceiling clouds for sound, wayfinding, and keeping the ceiling appearing less cluttered. These ceiling clouds also make maintenance and access to mechanical systems much more simplistic as major ceiling repairs would not need to take place in the event of repair or replacement.



Similar to the Children's Area, Teens will get their own defined space that is enclosed with glass partitions. The intent is to give them their own space where they can be free to express themselves while also being monitored, keeping it a safe and peaceful space for everyone. Other areas that will utilize these glass partitions are the small meeting rooms that are located at the perimeter of the Adult Library. This too provides the dual function of creating sound privacy while also being able to be monitored by staff without much difficulty from their offices.

Overall, the architecture being proposed for the North Valley Public Library is meant to provide inspiration for learning and exploration of any subject that each patron desires to be offered by the library. The expression of structure is a catalyst to spark intrigue while the more understated areas provide the backdrop for showcasing the beautiful artwork or project creations made by members of the community. The new library will serve as a way to learn, prosper, and grow while remaining uniquely Stevensville.

PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Sustainability

Part of the idea that the library is a 'place to learn, prosper, and grow' will be emphasized by the building's sustainability efforts and features. The new construction will follow the latest International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) requirements. This code identifies various energy efficient strategies including the use of continuous insulation and/or high insulation values for roofs, walls, and floors. This code will also dictate the use of efficient window glazing, water efficient plumbing fixtures, and higher indoor environmental air quality standards. Overall, MMW Architects strives to be good stewards to our natural resources and will strive to make the best decisions environmentally, economically, and efficiency being of utmost importance.

MMW Architects' Recommendations:

Energy Efficient Building Envelope

- Mineral Wool or Wood Fiber insulation will be utilized for its excellent thermal and noise performance and durability. It is also very versatile and comes in a variety of forms from rigid insulation to loose fill and is even used in interior walls for sound control.

High Performance Window Systems

- High-Performance thermally broken aluminum windows with low-e glass will be utilized for the glazing system. This system will reduce ultraviolet heat gain in the summer, while limiting thermal conductance and heat loss in the winter.

Low Maintenance Building

- The selection of materials will be based on their overall performance. With materials such as metal siding and stone that are inherently low maintenance, this will also lower operational costs associated with building upkeep.
- Locally sourced materials will be a high priority for selecting the stone and wood fiber elements.

Innovative Wood Technologies

- Utilize mass timber products for a more innovative and efficient structural system in achieving larger open areas with the warmth that is desired by the library board, staff, and patrons. These products are comprised of a renewable resource and provide carbon sequestration.

Photovoltaic Solar Array Ready

- Roof structure to be designed to be able to withstand the additional load of an array.



- Electrical system will be designed to accommodate easy connection to a future solar array.

Water Conservation

- Plumbing fixtures to be low-flow and have automatic sensors to reduce water consumption.
- Potential opportunities for water conservation demonstrations through rainwater harvesting.

Geothermal Energy

- Potential opportunities for utilizing a geothermal ground source heat pump for the primary heating and cooling of the library as a highly sustainable resource for space conditioning. For the size of the library that is being proposed, a closed-loop system will be most economical. Without taking into account rebates and tax incentives, and when comparing to code minimum systems, geothermal typically peaks at an annual savings of 30% per year on heating and cooling with a simple payback of around 20 years.



PRELIMINARY DESIGN



Structural

The new library building's structural system will showcase the library as a tool for learning using innovative wood technologies. The building will be entirely wood framed with an emphasis on Mass-Timber Construction. Mass-Timber utilizes dimensional lumber to create large structural panel systems. The panels are both quick and easy to install, have superior spanning capabilities relative to conventional sheathing, they sequester carbon, and can be left exposed to highlight the natural beauty of the wood. The clerestory elevated roof forms the central axis areas of the main library which will be framed using heavy glu-lam columns and beams which support Glue-Laminated Timber (GLT) panels. These elevated areas will help bring in daylight and create areas for artwork and acoustic treatments. On the exterior, these same glu-lam columns and beams support Cross-Laminated Timber (CLT) panels. Around the perimeter of the building the larger spanning areas will be accomplished by utilizing open web wood and steel trusses that support Mass Plywood Panels (MPP). Using this system will allow for larger free spans of library stack areas and provide routing for building systems. Using this variety of components, the building not only portrays its structure in its most beautiful pure form but also contributes to the warmth and natural materials desired by the Stevensville Community. Additionally, Mass Timber also creates a potential avenue for grant funding through various agencies including the USDA Wood Innovations Program. It is the desire of NVPL to explore these further to find opportunities to create a mutual benefit.



As a single-story Type 5-B wood framed building, the structure will be able to utilize combustible materials and keep a more standardized construction method. Additionally, using a basic grid system it can easily accommodate future building additions. Exterior walls are anticipated to be framed as 2x construction with plywood shear walls. It will utilize flush framed steel x-bracing to allow for the large amount of glazing for daylighting and views. On an as needed basis steel mullions may be required to support larger glazing areas within the framed walls. Foundations are anticipated to be conventionally reinforced concrete stem walls on spread footings with a concrete slab-on-grade floor. The site has not yet been chosen, but in the design teams experience, conventional foundations are generally acceptable in the Stevensville area.

PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Civil

The project site is located within the general Stevensville community and shall have multimodal access to the main transportation routes, business district, schools, and residential areas of the community. Spatial demands for the site are based on the building programming and availability of public/municipal utility services. A new facility is anticipated to have a building footprint of approximately 12,500 square feet. According to the Zoning within the Town of Stevensville, a new library facility could be located within the C-1 Commercial, C-2 Limited Commercial, C-3 Highway Commercial, and Public Lands/Institutional Zoning Districts.

Access

Access to a new library facility would require vehicular access from a public right of way and road network. The Town of Stevensville does not have a current transportation plan, however, the road network and non-motorized network are discussed in the Town of Stevensville Growth Policy. Access to current and proposed off-street paths would be favorable to provide access to both motorized and non-motorized transportation.

Fire apparatus access must be provided for the new facility to meet the Fire Code of Montana (adapted version). A fire apparatus road would be required to be incorporated within the site parking facilities or a separate road of no less than 20 feet in width. Access shall be extended to within 150 feet of all parts of the new facility from a fire apparatus access.

Parking

The proposed facility will require off-street parking. Per the Town of Stevensville, a total of 2 parking spaces are required for every 1,000 net square feet of a building. A total of 25 parking spaces is anticipated. Parking should be provided to meet the Town of Stevensville zoning ordinance if the facility is located within or near the municipal boundaries.

Vehicle parking would be required to be paved, with stormwater management to meet the applicable Town or Montana DEQ standards. Stormwater detention areas would be necessary at the parking lot perimeter and likely would consist of vegetated swales for initial water quality treatment and infiltration into subsoils.

The parking lot and site are anticipated to include sidewalks that connect the off-street parking to the new facility and any adjoining non-motorized transportation network such as sidewalks or shared use paths.

Site Features

The site is anticipated to include unique features that promote the use of the facility. These features include the following:

- **Security:** Landscape and built features will be provided to harden the exterior of the building protecting exterior doors and pedestrians from vehicle conflicts. Vision from interior spaces to the exterior parking lots and pedestrian walkways will be free from obstructions such as trees and landscape.
- **Solid Waste:** The facility is anticipated to have a fenced trash enclosure. Access from the building service entrance to the trash enclosure is anticipated to be direct. Private contract services are available from Bitterroot Disposal.



PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Civil (Cont.)

Utilities

Public and private utilities are anticipated to be necessary on the site to support a new library facility. Municipal water and sewer services are generally available within the city limits of the Town of Stevensville. However, there are places where the water rights are designated places of use that do not have water or sewer constructed to the site. In such cases, water or sewer may be required to be extended to the property. The following utilities are anticipated to be necessary for the facility:

- **Water:** Public water will be required for the new facility. If the facility is located within the Town of Stevensville's water rights place of use it may be served by the Town's water system. The water system provides domestic, irrigation, and fire protection to the residents of the town. The following will be used to size water system demands:
 - Domestic/Commercial Demand: Peak Instantaneous Demands from Uniform Plumbing Code as adopted by the State of Montana and the Town of Stevensville.
 - Irrigation Demand: Seasonal demands in Western Montana are generally estimated at 2.5 Acre-Ft per year.
 - Fire Protection: Fire flows are required to meet a two-hour event, for municipal systems the fire demand of 1,500 gallons per minute can be reduced with building fire sprinklers. If municipal service is not provided, the fire system including a fire storage tank and fire pump would be required to meet International Fire Code (IFC) and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) codes.

Development of a new water system may be required for sites not included within the Town of Stevensville's water rights place of use. A new water system would be classified as a non-community transient public water supply. The new water system would include a groundwater well, well controller, and hydro-pneumatic pressure tanks.

- **Sewer:** Public sanitary sewer will be required for the new facility. Municipal service is generally available within the municipal boundary of the Town of Stevensville. There are, however, areas within the service area that do not have access to municipal sewer within the adjacent public right of way. Sanitary sewer service from the facilities is anticipated to be limited to residential-strength waste from restroom facilities. Wastewater demand can be estimated from Montana DEQ Circular 4.

If municipal sanitary sewer is not available at the selected site a new onsite wastewater treatment system would be required. An onsite septic tank and uniform pressure-dosed drain field would be required. Wastewater flows would be estimated to be less than 5,000 gallons per day and a groundwater discharge permit would not be required.

- **Storm Water:** Stormwater generated from the new improvements would be collected, treated, detained, and infiltrated onsite. It is anticipated that a new facility would have a roof drain leader that discharges to an open stormwater pond developed to meet the Town of Stevensville and Montana DEQ standards. Soils in the area are generally conducive to infiltration. There are limited municipal stormwater systems in the area, it is not anticipated that any of these systems would provide beneficial use to the new library facility.
- **Electrical:** The new facility would require a new electrical service. Most of the Town of Stevensville is served by Northwestern Energy. There may be service size limitations based on the final site determination. A new service is anticipated to be a new 208, 3 phase, 600A electrical service.
- **Natural Gas:** The new facility would require natural gas or propane for the most cost-effective heating system. The natural gas demands will be based on available service in the area from Northwestern Energy and HVAC demands for the building heating system.
- **Information and Communications Technology:** The new facility would require a connection to information and communication technology services. Service from local providers including Quest, CenturyLink, and Grizzly Broadband is available in and around the Town of Stevensville. Buried-in-the-ground fiber will likely be required from one of the service providers depending on site selection and available service.

PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Plumbing

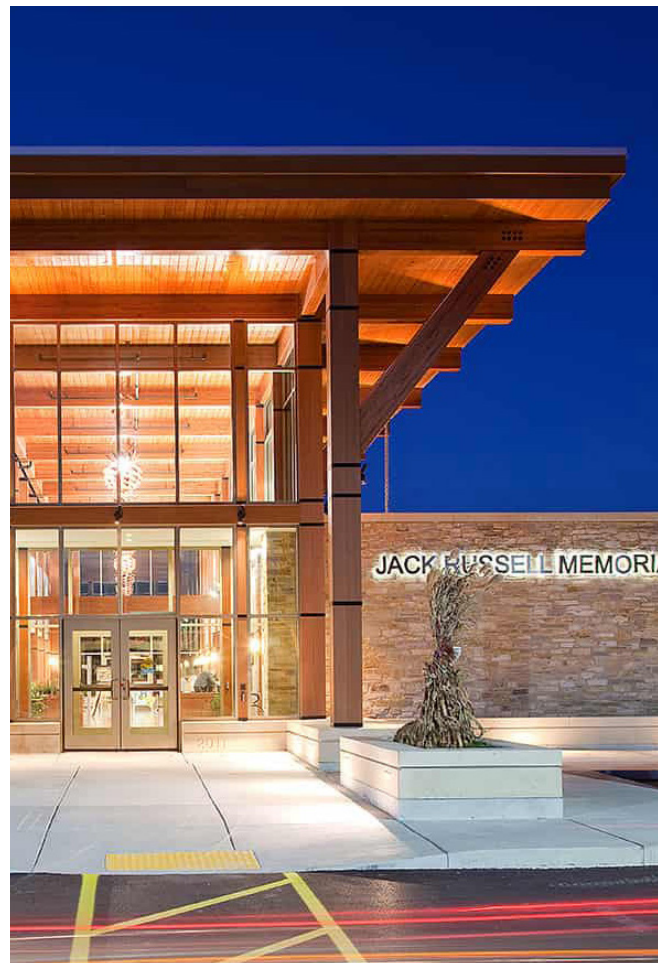
The new library building will feature a domestic plumbing system that has been designed with water conservation and convenience in mind. The plumbing fixtures installed throughout the building will be high-efficiency fixtures, including low-flow toilets and faucets. These fixtures are designed to use less water than traditional fixtures, helping to reduce overall water consumption. In addition to these high-efficiency fixtures, the building's hot water system will feature a recirculation system. This system ensures that hot water is always available at every fixture, minimizing the amount of water wasted while waiting for the water to heat up. The recirculation system works by circulating hot water through the pipes during occupied hours, as needed so that when a fixture is turned on, hot water is immediately available. This also helps to reduce energy consumption by minimizing the amount of time the hot water heater needs to run to supply hot water.

All restrooms in the new library building will be designed as single-occupant restrooms, which will provide several benefits to library patrons and staff. One key benefit is increased privacy and safety, as single-occupant restrooms eliminate the need for individuals to share restroom facilities with strangers. This can be particularly important for individuals who may feel uncomfortable or unsafe using shared restrooms. The single-occupant restrooms will also be designed to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements, ensuring that individuals with disabilities have access to safe and usable restroom facilities. Finally, single-occupant restrooms can help to reduce lines and wait times, as each restroom is available for use by any single individual at a time. Overall, the decision to design all restrooms in the new library building as single-occupant restrooms reflect a commitment to safety, privacy, and convenience for all library patrons and staff.

Fire Protection

The building will be protected throughout by an automatic fire sprinkler system meeting the requirements of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) code, and the International Fire Code (IFC). A wet pipe sprinkler system will be used to protect all areas of the building except areas exposed to freezing.

Fire sprinkler systems can have high water pressure demands, which may require additional equipment to ensure that the system functions properly. If the building is located on a site without adequate water pressure, a fire pump may be required. A fire pump is a piece of equipment that is designed to increase the water pressure and flow rate within a fire sprinkler system. It works by drawing water from a nearby water source, such as a storage tank or municipal water supply, and then pumping it into the sprinkler system at a higher pressure. This increased pressure helps to ensure that the sprinklers can operate effectively, helping to extinguish the fire and minimize damage.



PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Mechanical

The heating, cooling, and ventilation systems for the facility will be designed to ensure occupant comfort and health while also being energy and cost-effective. The system will be carefully zoned, taking into account exterior exposures and internal building loads, to ensure that each area of the building is heated and cooled appropriately. This zoning will also help to ensure that the system operates efficiently, which can result in lower energy costs and a reduced environmental impact. Additionally, the HVAC system will be designed to be acoustically quiet, with noise levels carefully controlled to ensure that they do not disrupt occupants' activities or create unwanted distractions.

The primary mechanical system will consist of rooftop air handling units, located centrally above the building areas that they will condition. Each air handling unit will be of the variable air volume (VAV) type and will directly supply a single zone for maximum control. The rooftop units will utilize gas heat and direct-expansion cooling; the rooftop units will also be designed as heat pump units as a bid-alternate option.

Rooftop Unit Equipment Features

- **An energy-recovery wheel:** A mechanical device within a rooftop HVAC unit. This wheel allows for the transfer of heat and moisture between the incoming and outgoing airstreams, effectively reducing the amount of energy required to heat or cool the building.
- **MERV-13 filtration return air filters:** A type of air filter commonly used in HVAC systems. These filters are capable of capturing a wide variety of airborne particles, including bacteria, viruses, allergens, and smoke particles, as well as larger particles like dust and debris. MERV 13 filters are considered the most effective type of filter that can be implemented in standard HVAC equipment, as they can capture up to 90% of airborne particles as small as 1 micron. By capturing these particles, MERV 13 filters can significantly improve indoor air quality, making the building a healthier and more comfortable environment for occupants. Higher-rated filters are possible but would require more custom HVAC equipment to implement.
- **Bi-Polar Ionization:** An emerging technology that can be added to HVAC equipment to improve indoor air quality. This technology works by introducing positively and negatively charged ions into the airstream, which then interact with and neutralize

airborne contaminants like bacteria, viruses, and allergens. Bi-polar ionization can improve indoor air quality by reducing the number of harmful contaminants in the air, making the building a healthier and more comfortable environment for occupants.

As a bid alternate, the rooftop units for the new library will be heat-pump units with gas backup. This means that the primary heating source will be electricity, but there will be a gas backup system that can be used when low ambient temperatures inhibit the operation of the heat pump. The reason for this design alternative is to ensure that the building is prepared for the implementation of photovoltaic systems in the future. With the addition of solar panels, the building could mostly operate on electricity, making it more environmentally friendly and more cost-effective. However, at present, gas is cheaper than electricity, so it will be more cost-effective to primarily use gas heat until the photovoltaic systems are in place. This design provides the library with flexibility and ensures that it is prepared for potential changes in the energy landscape. Overall, the use of heat-pump units with gas backup is a smart and forward-thinking approach that will allow the library to be more sustainable and energy-efficient in the future.



PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Electrical

Electrical Service

The library building is anticipated to be a new structure with a new electrical utility service provided by either Ravalli Electric Co-Op or Northwestern Energy. We anticipate a pad mount utility transformer that will provide 208Y/120VAC, 3-phase, 4-wire, 600A electrical service to the building. If a fire pump is required on-site, the electrical service may need to be resized to accommodate a fire pump and related equipment. We will also need to evaluate if the utility service is deemed reliable—which will then determine whether we need to add a generator to the project as an emergency backup for the fire pump.

Power Distribution

From the service disconnect, the utility power will continue to a distribution panel in the main electrical room. A 208Y/120V, 3-phase, 4-wire, 600A distribution panel is anticipated to feed the following panels within the electrical room:

- A 200A panel for general power,
- either a 300A panel for mechanical loads or (2) 200A panels,
- and a 100A panel for lighting loads.

It is possible that a couple of panels will be located around the building as necessary for local circuits.

The building will be provided with conduit infrastructure for a future solar system. Space will be coordinated on the roof for solar panels, and we will indicate a system disconnect location near the electrical service disconnect on the outside of the building. Conduits will be provided between the electrical room and the system disconnect and the roof.

Branch Circuit Power

All feeders and branch circuits shall be copper conductors in conduit (3/4" minimum trade size). MC cable will be allowed only where necessary for lighting whips or in difficult applications where conduit is not feasible. A minimum rating of 20A will be required for all receptacles, with exceptions made for specific equipment requiring a lower rating for maximum overcurrent protection.

Commercial-grade receptacles will be specified

throughout the building, with tamper-resistant receptacles in spaces accessible to the general public. General receptacle types and layouts will be provided to meet Code requirements and the Owner's vision of how the spaces will be used. In spaces outlined in the IECC (offices, workstations, etc), we will provide 50% of receptacles in those spaces that are controlled by either occupancy or a time clock. Typically, these will tie into the lighting control components to accomplish this function. Power connections will be coordinated and provided for mechanical equipment and specialty equipment throughout the building. Provisions can be made for electric vehicle charging on-site, but this usually increases the electrical service size and power distribution needs.

Interior & Exterior Lighting

All interior and exterior lighting will utilize LED technology, most of which will be powered by 120V. Lighting will be designed based on the IESNA recommended lighting levels for various spaces and the IECC requirements for lighting power intensity (watts per sq. ft.). The electrical engineer will work with the architect to implement luminaire selections that meet the needs of each space. Layouts will likely include suspended pendant-style fixtures for open areas, vanity lighting in restrooms, and industrial strip lights in utility spaces.

Exterior building lighting will be mounted on the building surface for entrances/exits and for façade or structural accents. Pole lighting will also illuminate parking and walkways surrounding the building as needed. Floodlighting will be provided for a flagpole near the building entrance. Depending on the size of the site, site lighting may need to operate at 208V to reduce voltage drop.

Code-required emergency egress lighting will be provided using a remote central inverter battery packs. Emergency fixtures may be used where general lighting cannot be provided via an integral emergency battery in general lighting.

PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Electrical (Cont.)

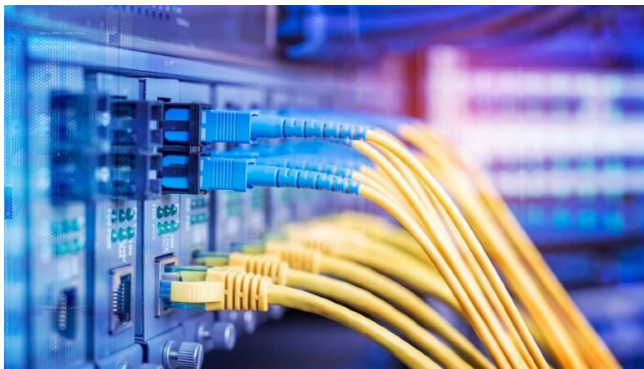
Lighting Controls

Interior and exterior lighting controls will meet the requirements of the IECC. Interior controls include automatic dimming of lights in daylight zones, manual dimming via wall switches, and occupancy sensors that automatically turn off lights where areas are no longer occupied. IECC allows areas not controlled with occupancy sensors, such as public areas, to be controlled using a configurable automatic time clock. To incorporate photocell functionality or other requirements of automatic dimming, we will provide low voltage controls such as the Wattstopper DLM system where necessary. This typically involves standalone room controllers that handle the background programming needed to interface photocells, occupancy sensors, and dimming, and to streamline and simplify the functionality of lighting controls.

Exterior lighting will be controlled via a lighting control panel having a central photocell and astronomical time clock. This will allow lights to turn on only when it is dark outside and during scheduled dusk-to-dawn hours. The lighting control panel is expected to be in the main electrical room. IECC also requires dimming or occupancy sensing for exterior fixtures, which will be coordinated further in design.

Fire Alarm System

The manual fire alarm system will utilize horn/strobe notification devices to provide audio/visual notification coverage throughout the building. Manual pull stations, smoke detectors, fire sprinkler monitoring switches, and HVAC interface devices will be provided where required. The fire alarm control panel is planned to be in the main electrical room, with a fire alarm annunciator located at the main entrance.



Information & Communications Technology

Telecommunications System

The telecommunications system will be designed such that as technology changes the system will be able to adapt to those changes. This is accomplished by designing the pathways and spaces (cable tray, conduit, and Telecommunications Room) with future expansion as the foremost consideration. This will allow the greatest flexibility for the building both today and in the years to come. Pathways and spaces are often referred to as "fixed infrastructure" that when designed well, easily handle changes to existing technologies by providing easy access for future installations and changes required by emerging technologies. At the core of the information systems is the Telecommunications Room. The function of this room is to house the active electronics and the interconnection between data, voice, and communications networks within the building.

The network will be designed to comply with the following standards:

- Generic Telecommunications Cabling for Customer Premises (ANSI/TIA-568.1-E),
- Balanced Twisted-Pair Telecommunication Cabling and Components Standard (ANSI/TIA-568.2-E),
- Optical Fiber Cabling Components Standard (ANSI/TIA-568.3-E),
- Commercial Building Standard for Telecommunications Pathways and Spaces (ANSI/TIA-569-E),
- The Administration Standard for the Telecommunications Infrastructure of Commercial Buildings (ANSI/TIA-606-D), and
- Generic Telecommunications Bonding and Grounding (Earthing) for Customer Premises (ANSI/TIA-607-D)

The infrastructure will utilize a star topology originating from each Telecommunications Room and terminating at each work area outlet. Each jack in a work area outlet will be connected by a Category 6 or 6A cable to patch panels in each Telecommunications Room. These cables can be used for any IP device such as phones, cameras, computers, wireless access points, etc. This allows for one cable to be used for voice services one day and then data services the next day, and IP video services the following day. This design approach allows for the greatest flexibility regarding infrastructure use. Wireless coverage will be provided throughout the building and extend out into the parking lot if desired.

PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Information & Communications Technology (Cont.)

Telecommunications Room Design

We will coordinate the telecommunications service entrance to the building, bringing conduits into a dedicated telecommunications equipment room, the location and size of which will be coordinated with the Architect during design. Our design will include illustrated layouts of the equipment room, showing equipment locations, backboard layout, ground requirements, power requirements, and locations of cores, sleeves, and cable management. Specifications will be coordinated with the design team to ensure satisfactory completion and coordination.

Structured Cabling System Details

We will illustrate every copper cable included in the structured cabling system. The design will show rack elevations, patch panels, work area outlets, jacks, faceplates, protectors, termination blocks, cable management, patch cord and cross-connect cable routing, sleeve sizes and locations, and grounding connection points.

Our design will include cable routing and cable support requirements using cable trays, conduits, j-hooks, and ladder racks. We will show the dimensions, sizes, and locations. These will be shown on the construction drawings, described in the specifications, and coordinated with the design team to ensure satisfactory completion and coordination.

Access Control

Access Control will be used in certain door locations such as non-public building entrances and employee-only spaces. Each door location will be equipped with a proximity card reader, a door position switch, electrified door hardware, and a passive infrared motion sensor.

IP Video Surveillance System

IP video surveillance uses a wired or wireless IP network as the backbone for transporting digital video, audio, and other data. When Power over Ethernet (PoE) technology is applied, the network can also be used to carry power to network video products. The core components of a network video system consist of the network camera, the network, the server and storage, and video management software. The network video system allows video to be monitored and recorded from anywhere on the network. This can be done from anywhere on the local area network (LAN) or the wide area network (WAN). At present, NVPL has only envisioned exterior surveillance cameras, no interior surveillance will be utilized.

The library will also be equipped with a patron counting sensor, located overhead at the entry. This sensor will give the library staff a real-time count of how many people are in the building at any given time. It will also store this information so that the library can show the days and times when they are most busy and track the growth of patrons over time, giving them analytical data to back any future expansions as needed.





Legend

- Adult Public Spaces
- Administration
- Youth Library
- Teen Library
- Circulation
- Mechanical

Gross Square Footage:
12,500 SF

APPROVED FINAL FLOOR PLAN







PRELIMINARY DESIGN











COST ESTIMATING

The Cost Estimate for NVPL represents a preliminary budget range MMW Architects believes to be reasonable based on cost data available at the time of this report. This high-level estimating exercise is a square foot (sf) valuation that was originally derived using 2023 RS Means (a North American construction estimating database) values and then adjusted by MMW Architects based on our professional understanding of local market trends. In addition to an overall building valuation, MMW Architects worked with our civil engineer to determine a likely range for Site Development and Non-Municipal Service costs because a specific site has not been identified to date. If the eventual site provides access to municipal potable water and sanitary sewer services, most if not all, of the Non-Municipal cost would likely be eliminated. In addition to square footage base costs, we utilized standard values for Estimating and Construction Contingencies, which are typical in such a preliminary design phase. The contingencies cover a wide range of unknown conditions yet to be determined until the project is fully designed.

Finally, the budget includes anticipated budget values for furniture, fixtures, and equipment (FFE), soft cost, and estimated inflation values. Given the extremely volatile nature of the material and construction industry, all of these values should be used for master plan estimating purposes only and MMW Architects does not guarantee they will represent the final bid or construction costs. It is MMW Architects' recommendation for NVPL to contract for additional Basic Services at an appropriate time to allow the design team to continue to develop the design of the project to provide a greater degree of accuracy in estimating.

NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY MASTER PLAN Stevensville, MT

2023.05.02

Project No: 22.025

<u>Scope</u>	<u>Area (sf)</u>	<u>Unit Cost Low</u>	<u>Unit Cost High</u>	<u>Low Range</u>	<u>High Range</u>
Building	12,500	\$359	\$434	\$4,487,500	\$5,425,000
Site Development	1.00	\$400,000	\$800,000	\$400,000	\$800,000
Non Municipal Service *	1.00	\$477,500	\$530,000	\$477,500	\$530,000
Subtotal Estimated Division Costs				\$5,365,000	\$6,755,000
Estimating Contingency @ 15%				\$804,750	\$1,013,250
Base Bid Estimate				\$6,169,750	\$7,768,250
Construction Contingency @ 5%				\$308,488	\$388,413
Construction Cost Estimate				\$6,478,238	\$8,156,663
FFE **	12,500	\$45	\$50	\$562,500	\$625,000
Soft Cost ***		14%	16%	\$906,953	\$1,305,066
Project Cost Estimate				\$7,947,691	\$10,086,729
2024 Projected Cost @ 8% Inflation				\$8,583,506	\$10,893,667
2025 Projected Cost @ 8% Inflation				\$9,270,186	\$11,765,160
2026 Projected Cost @ 8% Inflation				\$10,011,801	\$12,706,373

* Includes Public Well, Septic Drainage, Fire Suppression Holding Tank, Fire Pump (only required if unserved by Town Water and/or Sewer)

** FFE includes Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment

*** Soft Costs include baseline estimates for: professional fees, permitting, testing and inspection



NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Preliminary Architecture Report Project -- Findings Book

Facilitated by
Rob Cullin



Findings Book

The following pages include all of the preliminary findings of the assessment project. All of the input and analysis is included as follows:

- Findings Book Summary Presentation
- Stakeholder Session Notes and Summary
- Survey Results (Summary, Full Results, District Only Results)
- Benchmark Analysis
- Demographic Data and Mapping
- Space Needs Analysis

Findings Summary | Overview of Findings and Space Needs

NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY



Findings Summary | Stakeholder Discussions

Sessions:

- 10 Total Sessions were conducted in September and October of 2022
- Community, Staff, and Board Sessions
- 57 Total Participants

Discussions covered the following and more:

- The Community and its evolving needs
- The Library as it is seen today
- What the Community needs from the Library now and into the future
- Specific Areas, Services, Features of Public Libraries Today
- IF a new library is needed, where is the best location



Findings Summary | Stakeholder Discussions

Some of Our Key Takeaways from the Discussions:

- A Growing Community and a General Consensus that It's Outgrown the Current Library
- A Community with a Strong Sense of Partnerships and Collaboration but Often Skeptical of Taxes and Governmental Spending.
 - Any Plans/Needs for a New Library Need to be Well Communicated
- Lack of Good Places for Indoor Activities Especially for Kids and Families with a High Level of Homeschooling
- Community is Changing and Heading Towards More High-Tech Employment and Resources : Community Wants the Library to Play a Role in Helping Residents with That Transition
- Community Wants a Library with: Homey, Small-town Feel, Centrally Located, Mix of Traditional and Modern Resources, Non-Traditional Collections, Space for Technology, Creation Areas, and Rooms for Community and Organizations to Use.



North Valley Public Library Master Plan | January 25, 2023

Findings Summary | Survey

Key Demographic info

- 332 respondents completed the survey
 - In our experience, that’s good for a community this size
- 81% of respondents live in Stevensville and Lone Rock, 10% Florence, 4% Victor, 2% Hamilton and 1% Corvallis. There were individual responses from Missoula, Pinesdale, and Lolo.
- Respondents were well represented across most age groups--32% were 66 years old or older, 18% were 36-45, 18% were 46-55, 18% were 56-65, 11% were 26-35, 1% were 19-25 and 1% were Under 19.
- 34% of the respondents had children under the age of 18 living with them.
- The racial makeup of the respondents was fairly representative of the community with the minority groups being slightly overrepresented which is likely due to the smaller sample size. The result here is better representation than what we typically see.

NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

North Valley Public Library Community Survey 2022

Help plan the future of the North Valley Public Library

The North Valley Public Library (NVPL) is embarking on a process to assess the current and future needs of library facilities in the Stevensville area. As libraries continue to evolve to meet community needs, your input is invaluable as we assess how to plan for the near and long term futures of our libraries.

This brief 8-10 minute survey asks you to rank the importance of different physical space and service options that reflect best practices in today's public libraries across the nation.

Thank you in advance for your time and support. We truly appreciate it.

Library Use

* 1. How often do you use the North Valley Public Library?

Daily Monthly Hardly Ever
 Weekly A few times a year Never

Library Use: Non-Users

* 2. If you do not usually visit the North Valley Public Library, please tell us why not. (check ALL that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> I prefer to buy and own my own material	<input type="checkbox"/> My library card doesn't work	<input type="checkbox"/> I have never used a library
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a "virtual" library user (e.g. downloading books from a library website)	<input type="checkbox"/> I couldn't find what I wanted	<input type="checkbox"/> I am concerned about the Covid-19 virus
<input type="checkbox"/> I use a different library	<input type="checkbox"/> It's confusing to have so many choices	<input type="checkbox"/> Parking is too difficult
<input type="checkbox"/> My children are grown	<input type="checkbox"/> I never think of the library as an option	<input type="checkbox"/> I am new to the area
<input type="checkbox"/> I haven't used the library since I was a child	<input type="checkbox"/> I am too busy to use the library	<input type="checkbox"/> The library doesn't seem clean and well maintained
<input type="checkbox"/> The library's hours are <u>not</u> convenient	<input type="checkbox"/> I owe fees	<input type="checkbox"/> It's hard to access the library if you have mobility issues
<input type="checkbox"/> It's hard to get to the library (transportation)	<input type="checkbox"/> The library's location is <u>not</u> convenient for me	<input type="checkbox"/> Not aware of the library or its services
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____		

Library Use - Continued

* 3. Why do you visit the Library? (check ALL that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Find a book	<input type="checkbox"/> To study alone	<input type="checkbox"/> For computer help
<input type="checkbox"/> Find DVD, audiobook, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/> Use audiovisual equipment	<input type="checkbox"/> Use a library computer
<input type="checkbox"/> Attend children's programming	<input type="checkbox"/> Use printer/photocopier/fax/scanner	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer time or services
<input type="checkbox"/> Attend teen programming	<input type="checkbox"/> Attend meeting	<input type="checkbox"/> Read a magazine or newspaper
<input type="checkbox"/> Attend adult programming or classes	<input type="checkbox"/> Meet with friends or business associates	<input type="checkbox"/> Research local history and/or genealogy
<input type="checkbox"/> Get help with an assignment	<input type="checkbox"/> Use library wi-fi	<input type="checkbox"/> Borrow technology such as laptop, iPad, or hotspot
<input type="checkbox"/> For group study	<input type="checkbox"/> For career services needs	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____		



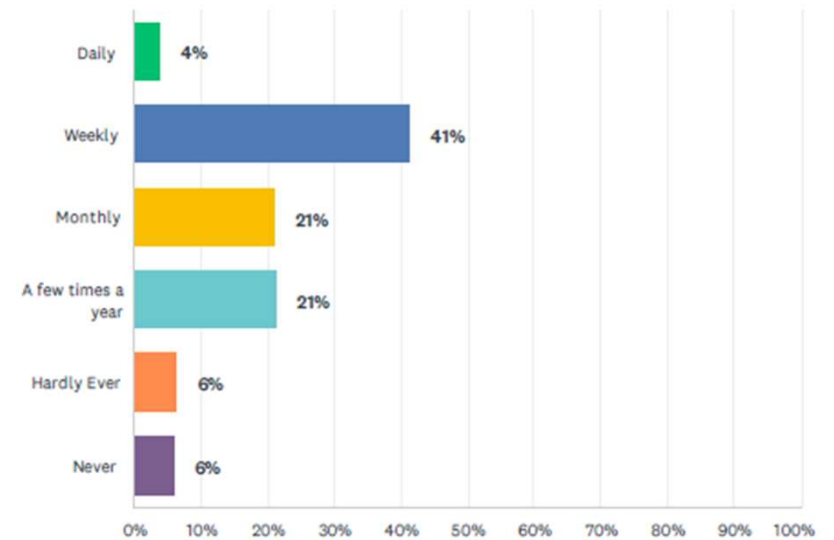
Findings Summary | Survey

- 66% of respondents visited the library once a month or more often,
 - 44% visited weekly or more often.
- Of those who don't visit the physical building, over 13% are virtual users, 24% prefer to buy and own their own material.
 - 21% don't think of the library as an option, 21% are new to the area, 16% are too busy to use the library, and 16% say their children are grown.
- Of those who responded to the survey 82% have a library card and of those who live in Stevensville and Lone Rock, 89% have cards.



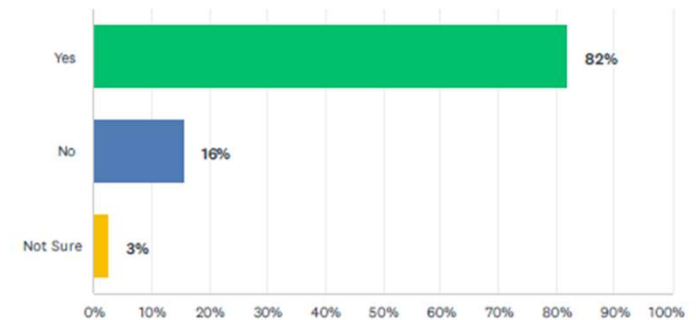
Q1 How often do you use the North Valley Public Library?

Answered: 332 Skipped: 0



Q9 Do you have a North Valley Public Library card?

Answered: 276 Skipped: 56

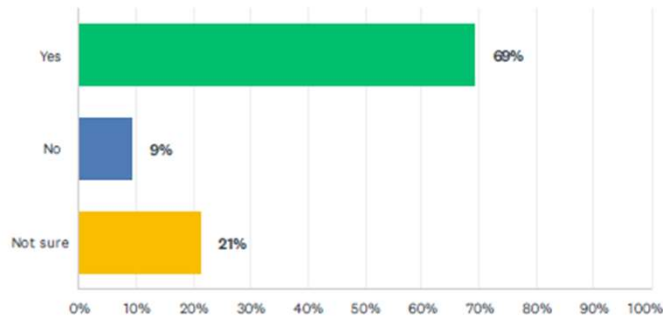


Findings Summary | Survey

- Highest levels of “Dissatisfaction” with the current library we’ve ever seen
- Majority Support for doing what needs to be done to get a new library built (even higher when only Stevensville)

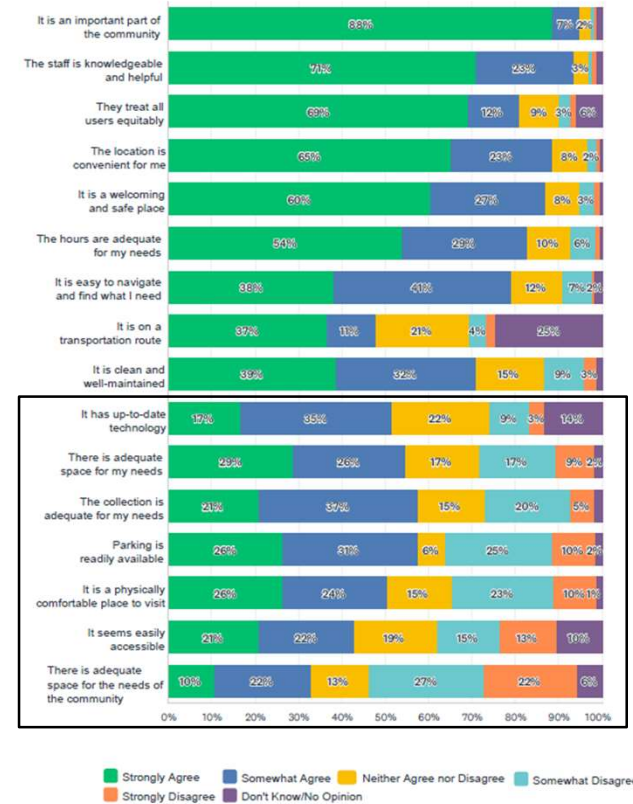
Q8 After a capital campaign, if the Library needs to run a bond to make a new building a reality, would you consider voting yes to a bond?

Answered: 277 Skipped: 55



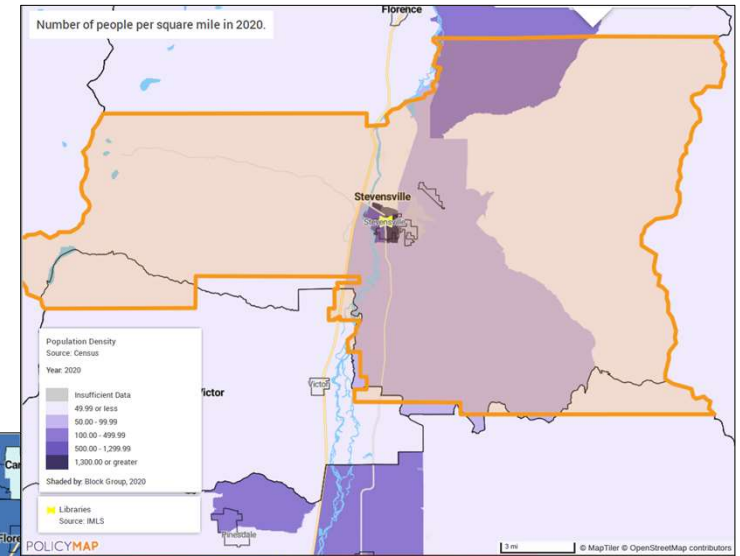
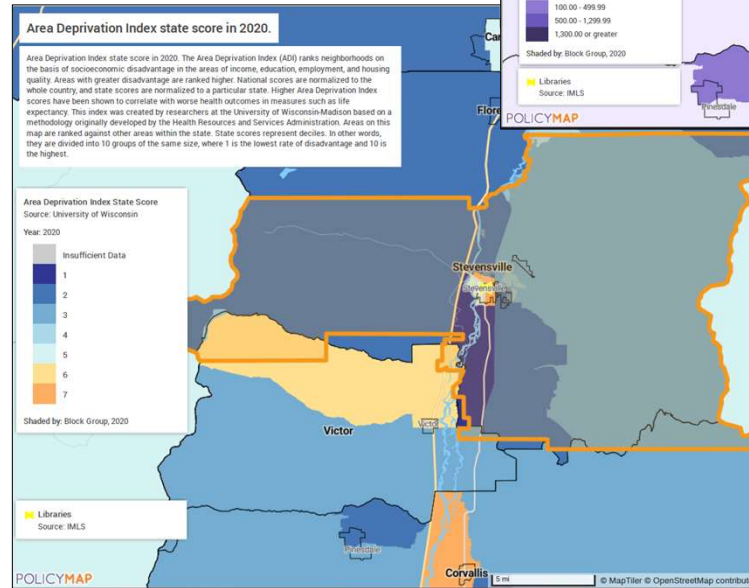
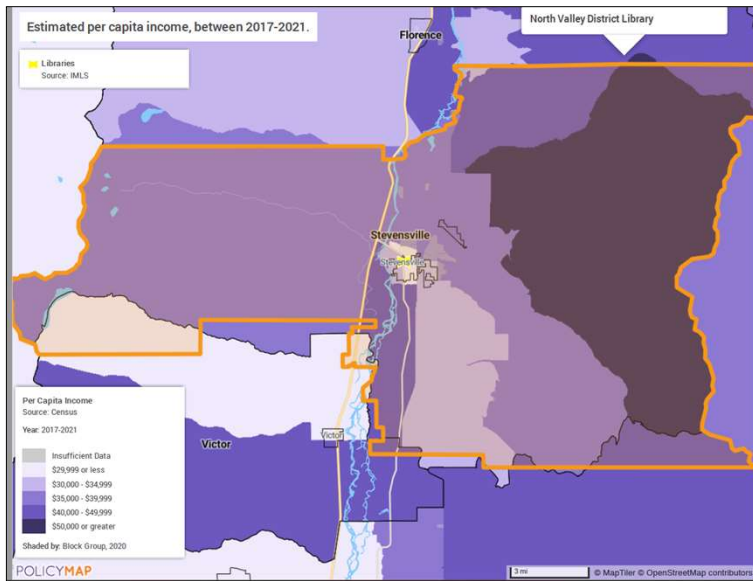
Q4 For each of the following statements describe the North Valley Public Library, please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree.

Answered: 260 Skipped: 72



Findings Summary | Library District Demographics

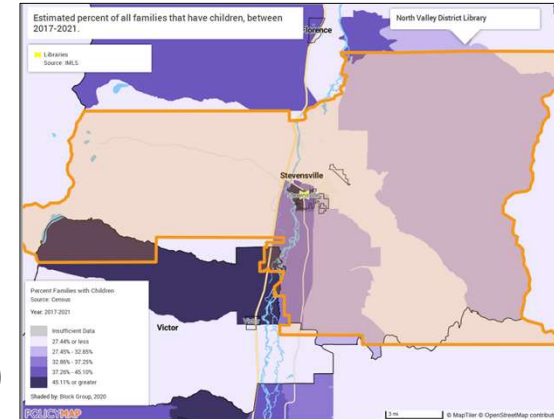
- Boundaries are the Stevensville and Lone Rock School Districts
- Full size maps and data overview will be included in the Findings Book



Findings Summary | Library District Demographics

Service Population

- **2020** Population : 11,822 (16% growth from 2010)
- Projected Future Population Ranges:
 - **2030** : 13,000 to 15,000 :: **2040** : 15,000 to 19,000 :: **2050** : 17,000 to 25,000
- District is significantly older on average than Montana or the rest of the Country though the under 18 population is in line with MT and national averages with the difference being less adults in the working age band of 18-64
 - National Averages: 17% over the age of 65 :: 22% under 18 :: 65% for 18 to 64
- Nationally Seniors and Youth are the most frequent users of libraries



Age	NVPL Population		Percent of People in Age Group (Montana)
	Number of People in Age Group	Percent of People in Age Group	
Under 5	644	5.4%	5.6%
Under 18	2,658	22.31%	21.6%
Working Age (18-64)	6,381	53.55%	59.62%
Aging (65+)	2,877	24.14%	18.78%



Findings Summary | Benchmarks

- 3 Separate Cohort Comparisons
 - Montana, Mountain West/Northwest, Aspirational
- Funding: On par for MT, below for NW, and National
- Visits: Below averages (suppressed by facility and access)
- Circulation: Above average with Youth Circulation also above average
- Programming: At or above averages
 - For # of programs and general attendance
 - Teen Programming is currently deficient in quantity
- Space: Below All Averages at 0.6sqft / capita
 - MT and NW averages at 0.8 / capita
 - We suggest planning for new libraries at around 1.0 sq ft / capita or more especially for growing communities

State	Library Name	City	County	Central Library Branches	Book Mobiles	Legal Service Population	Total Expend / Visits	Visits / Capita	Visits / Open Hour	Expend / Visit	PHY Circulation / Visit	Physical Material Expend / Physical Material
MT	NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY	STEVENSVILLE	RAVALLI	1	0	10,283	\$ 32 44,988	4 17	7 1.4	\$ 3	\$ 6	6
	Montana Libraries					11,162	\$ 31 56,652	5 23	7 0.9	\$ 2	\$ 4	4
	NW/Mountain West Region					9,809	\$ 44 72,601	7 27	7 1.0	\$ 3	\$ 5	8
	Aspirational Libraries					11,628	\$ 127 204,667	17 60	7 1.4	\$ 11	\$ 5	24
MT	NORTH LAKE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	POLSON	LAKE	1	0	11,105	\$ 38 53,986	5 23	8 1.0	\$ 2	\$ 4	5
MT	HEARST FREE LIBRARY	ANACONDA	DEER LODGE	1	0	9,298	\$ 36 39,000	4 14	9 0.5	\$ 1	\$ 2	2
MT	ROSEBUD COUNTY LIBRARY	FORSYTH	ROSEBUD	1	1	9,951	\$ 36 25,659	3 6	14 1.3	\$ 2	\$ 5	3
MT	BELGRADE COMMUNITY LIBRARY	BELGRADE	GALLATIN	1	0	12,960	\$ 33 110,891	9 48	4 0.8	\$ 4	\$ 6	7
MT	LIVINGSTON-PARK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	LIVINGSTON	PARK	1	0	15,636	\$ 32 72,987	5 27	7 0.7	\$ 2	\$ 7	3
MT	LEWISTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY	LEWISTOWN	FERGUS	1	0	10,025	\$ 31 65,435	7 31	5 1.0	\$ 2	\$ 2	6
MT	MILES CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY	MILES CITY	CUSTER	1	0	11,699	\$ 30 80,600	7 36	4 0.4	\$ 1	\$ 4	3
MT	GLENDIVE PUBLIC LIBRARY	GLENDIVE	DAWSON	1	1	8,966	\$ 27 33,527	4 10	7 0.6	\$ 2	\$ 7	2
MT	STILLWATER COUNTY LIBRARY	COLUMBUS	STILLWATER	1	0	9,117	\$ 23 27,527	3 11	8 1.8	\$ 1	\$ 2	5
MT	BIG HORN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	HARDIN	BIG HORN	1	0	12,865	\$ 22 56,906	4 28	5 0.5	\$ 1	\$ 4	2
CO	NORTHERN CHAFFEE COUNTY LIBRARY	BUENA VISTA	CHAFFEE	1	0	9,737	\$ 61 83,031	9 29	7 0.9	\$ 4	\$ 5	8
CO	SOUTHERN CHAFFEE COUNTY REGIONAL LIBRARY	SALIDA	CHAFFEE	1	0	10,436	\$ 61 142,853	14 40	4 1.2	\$ 7	\$ 4	17
UT	NORTH LOGAN CITY LIBRARY	NORTH LOGAN	CACHE	1	0	11,176	\$ 50 116,194	10 43	5 1.4	\$ 3	\$ 2	14
OR	COTTAGE GROVE PUBLIC LIBRARY	DTTAGE GROVE	LANE	1	0	10,005	\$ 48 38,284	4 16	13 1.3	\$ 2	\$ 5	5
WA	LIBERTY LAKE MUNICIPAL LIBRARY	LIBERTY LAKE	SPOKANE	1	0	11,000	\$ 44 65,892	6 27	7 1.7	\$ 3	\$ 3	10
AK	BIG LAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY	BIG LAKE	MATANUSKA	1	0	8,736	\$ 42 50,745	6 20	7 0.5	\$ 3	\$ 9	3
UT	TREMONTON CITY LIBRARY	TREMONTON	BOX ELDER	1	0	8,882	\$ 37 82,449	9 33	4 0.8	\$ 2	\$ 3	8
OR	LANE LIBRARY DISTRICT	CRESWELL	LANE	1	0	9,684	\$ 36 83,798	9 36	4 0.6	\$ 2	\$ 3	5
ND	LEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY	WAHPETON	RICHLAND	1	0	7,753	\$ 32 36,946	5 13	7 0.9	\$ 4	\$ 9	4
NV	WHITE PINE COUNTY LIBRARY	ELY	WHITE PINE	1	0	10,678	\$ 30 25,817	2 11	12 0.9	\$ 2	\$ 8	2

State	Library Name	Legal Service Population	Total Expend / Capita	Funding / Hour	Library Size	SQFT / Capita	Visits / Sqft	Circ / Sqft	Phys Volumes / SQFT
	NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY	10,283	\$ 32	\$123	6,540	0.6	7	10	5
	Montana Libraries	11,162	\$ 31	\$136	9,366	0.8	6	5	4
	NW/Mountain West Region	9,809	\$ 44	\$165	8,406	0.8	10	10	5
	Aspirational Libraries	11,628	\$ 127	\$456	23,187	2.1	9	12	3



Findings Summary | Facility Space Needs

ADMINISTRATION	UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Staff Space - ADMIN			
8.01 Library Director	1	125 SF	125 SF
8.02 Operations/Manager	0	150 SF	SF
8.03 Head of Marketing / Programs	0	125 SF	SF
8.04 Marketing Assistant	0	100 SF	SF
8.05 Friends Office	1	75 SF	75 SF
8.06 Friends Book Storage	1	75 SF	75 SF
8.07 Trustee's Office (Currently Law Office)	0	100 SF	SF
8.08 Other Admin Staff	0	100 SF	SF
8.09 Misc Admin Library Storage	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal			325 SF
Staff Space - Staff			
9.01 Head of Circulation	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.02 Circulation Staff	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.03 Drive-up Service Window circ., workspace, staging, &	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.04 Logistics	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.05 Miscellaneous Circ. Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.06 Head of Cataloging	0	100 SF	SF
9.07 Cataloging Work area / desks	0	100 SF	SF
9.08 Adult Librarian	0	100 SF	SF
9.09 Adult Staff	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.10 Miscellaneous Adult Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.11 Youth Librarian	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.12 Youth Staff	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.13 Miscellaneous Youth Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.14 Maintenance Office	0	100 SF	SF
9.15	0	100 SF	SF
9.16	0	SF	SF
9.17 Outreach Work Area & Storage	0	750 SF	SF
9.18 Garage / Bookmobile	0	1,000 SF	SF
9.19 Staff Break Area / Kitchen	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.20 Staff Restroom	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.21 Janitor's closet	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.22 IT Area	1	50 SF	50 SF
9.23 Miscellaneous General Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
Subtotal			1,350 SF
ADMINISTRATION			1,675 SF

YOUTH LIBRARY	UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Children's Service Area / Popular Library			
10.01 Service Point	1	100 SF	100 SF
10.02 Children's Reference Materials	30 Bks	.10 SF	3 SF
10.03 New Books Display (Spine & Faceout)	300 Bks	.20 SF	60 SF
10.04 Children's DVDs & Videogames	200 Items	.08 SF	16 SF
10.05 Children's Audiobooks	100 Items	.09 SF	9 SF
10.06 Children's Periodicals	4 Titles	1 SF	4 SF
10.07 48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
10.08 Art Display Area (2-D and 3-D art)	1	100 SF	100 SF
Subtotal			317 SF
Pre and Early Literacy (Ages 0 - 4)			
11.01 Children's Picture / Board Books	3,000 Bks	.10 SF	300 SF
11.02 Children's tables and 2-chairs	2	75 SF	150 SF
11.04 Parent lounge seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
11.05 Early Literacy Computer Stations	2	50 SF	100 SF
11.06 Special feature (e.g., interactives)	2	50 SF	100 SF
11.07 Story Time/ Program Room/Area	25 Occ	10 SF	250 SF
Subtotal			1,000 SF
Young School aged (ages 5 - 8)			
12.01 Easy Readers	1,000 Bks	.09 SF	90 SF
12.03 Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	75 SF	150 SF
12.04 Adult-sized Lounge Seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
12.05 Special feature (e.g., interactives)	2	50 SF	100 SF
12.06 PAC Stations	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal			490 SF
Older Children and Pre-Teen (ages 9 - 12)			
13.01 Children's Fiction	4,000 Bks	.10 SF	400 SF
13.02 Children's Graphic Novels	500 Bks	.09 SF	45 SF
13.03 Children's Nonfiction	2,000 Bks	.09 SF	180 SF
13.05 Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	75 SF	150 SF
13.06 Adult-sized Lounge Seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
13.07 Multimedia / Gaming / Interactives	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal			925 SF
Miscellaneous			
14.01 Older Children's Computers	2	65 SF	130 SF
14.02 Parenting Collection	50 Bks	.10 SF	5 SF
Subtotal			135 SF
YOUTH LIBRARY			2,867 SF

TEEN LIBRARY	UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Teen Library			
15.01 Teen New Books and Display	50 Bks	.20 SF	10 SF
15.02 Teen Periodicals	8	1.00 SF	8 SF
15.03 Teen Graphic Novels and Manga	500 Bks	.09 SF	45 SF
15.04 Teen Fiction & Non-Fiction	1,000 Bks	.10 SF	100 SF
15.05		.09 SF	SF
15.06 48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
15.07 Collaborative Workstation (4 place)	0	150 SF	SF
15.08 Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	75 SF	150 SF
15.09 Adult-sized Lounge Seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
15.10 Teen Computers	0	50 SF	SF
15.11 Multimedia / Gaming / Interactives	1	50 SF	50 SF
15.12 Art Display Area (2-D and 3-D art)	1	75 SF	75 SF
15.13 Program Space/Area	Occ	15 SF	SF
Subtotal			563 SF
TEEN LIBRARY			563 SF
ADULT PUBLIC SPACES			
Entrance, Friends & Customer Service			
1.01 Entrance lobby	2	100 SF	200 SF
1.02 Internal book return	1	75 SF	75 SF
1.03 Main service point	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.04 Secure Laptop Storage	1	25 SF	25 SF
1.05 Self check stations	1	75 SF	75 SF
1.06 Self-serve holds	250	.20 SF	50 SF
1.07 Display/Gallery space	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.08 48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
1.09 Literature rack Business Center - Photocopier, Scanner, etc.	1	25 SF	25 SF
1.10 Friends Book Sale	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.11 Friends Book Sale	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.12 Reference	150	.11 SF	17 SF
1.13 Family Restrooms	1	150 SF	150 SF
1.14 Public Restrooms	4	100 SF	400 SF
Subtotal			1,442 SF
Popular Library			
2.01 New adult books	300 Bks	.20 SF	60 SF
2.02 Adult media (DVDs, Audiobks, etc.)	7,000 Items	.08 SF	560 SF
2.03 Library of Things	25 Items	1 SF	25 SF
2.04 Adult periodicals	40 Titles	1 SF	40 SF
2.05 Adult lounge seating	6	40 SF	240 SF
2.06 Occasional Tables	3	8 SF	24 SF
Subtotal			949 SF
Meeting Rooms			
3.01 Large multi-purpose meeting	100 Occ	18 SF	1,800 SF
3.02 Medium Sized Meeting Room	1	350 SF	350 SF
3.03 Meeting Room Storage	2	100 SF	200 SF
3.04 Kitchen	1	100 SF	100 SF
3.05 Board Room / Staff Meeting Room	1	200 SF	200 SF
3.06 Small Group Meeting (2-4)	4	100 SF	400 SF
Subtotal			3,050 SF

Adult Library			
4.01 Adult Service Point	1	150 SF	150 SF
4.02 Adult fiction	7,500 Bks	.10 SF	750 SF
4.03 Large Print	1,000 Bks	.10 SF	100 SF
4.04 Adult Nonfiction & Bio	5,000 Bks	.10 SF	500 SF
4.05 Adult Paperback	500 Bks	.09 SF	45 SF
4.06		.09 SF	SF
4.07 Adult Tables and Chairs (2 seats ea.)	3	75 SF	225 SF
4.08 Adult Collaborative Seating (4 seats ea.)	1	100 SF	100 SF
4.09 Adult lounge seating	4	50 SF	200 SF
4.10 Occasional Tables	2	6 SF	12 SF
4.11 OPACs	1	50 SF	50 SF
4.12 Adult public computers	8	70 SF	560 SF
4.13 Printer /Reservation station	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal			2,742 SF
Eating Area			
6.01 CafeTable Seating (2 seats ea)	3	75 SF	225 SF
6.02 Vending Machines	2	50 SF	100 SF
Subtotal			325 SF
Miscellaneous Spaces			
7.01 Digital Creativity / Makerspace	1	500 SF	300 SF
7.02 Archive Collections - Public	0	2,000 SF	SF
Subtotal			300 SF
ADULT PUBLIC SPACES			8,808 SF
BUILDING SUB-TOTALS			
Circulation Factor		15%	2,087 SF
Footprint, Mechanical & Electrical	1	15%	2,087 SF
Totals >>			18,086 SF
Existing Conditions			7,200 SF
Program Delta			-10,886 SF
Seating Standards & Calculations (Lower End of Standard Ranges Selected)			
Reader Seats	4.0	per 1,000	@15,000 pop
Total Reader Seats Target	60	Total	
Total Readers Seats in Program	58		(across all areas)

- 18,000 square feet based on space needs/wants
- We recommend a minimum of 15,000 sq ft



As part of the data gathering process for the North Valley Public Library's (PL) Facility Assessment project, ReThinking Libraries conducted 10 community stakeholder sessions. They were conducted virtually on September 21, 24 and October 26, 2022. A variety of Stevensville area residents, including the Staff, Board, and General Public. Overall, 57 people participated.

Overview Summary of Comments:

- The community is expanding and experiencing a lot of construction.
- The community has an issue with limited parking, making it difficult to use the library.
- The community is changing and heading towards more high-tech resources such as drone products, biotech, night vision, and mapping.
- The community has a strong sense of partnership and community and events, but is not typically interested in additional spending or taxes.
- There is a high rate of homeschooling in the community and a lot of families looking for activities and places to take their kids.
- Most residents are proud of the community and supportive of the library, but the library doesn't seem as busy as it should be.
- The library is seen as an important resource for those who cannot afford resources and a centrally located resource is important to the community.
- The community is worried about the "warehouse effect" happening to libraries and wants the library to be close to downtown.
- The community wants the library to have an old-fashioned small-town feel.
- The library is important for both books and technology and is used by a lot of people without internet access.
- The current teen space at the library is not comfortable and has bright white walls and modern seating that doesn't reflect the community's rich history.
- Many would like to see an enclosed teen space that would allow them to be social without disturbing others, and be set up in a way to discourage bullying.
- The Adult and Seniors collection space is the least attractive part of the building, and doesn't really create a reason to stay in the library. It would benefit from an expanded large print section and audiobooks.
- The community would like to see technology and creation areas, such as laptops to rent or check out for tech classes, coding for kids offered after school, 3D printers, telescopes and a FabLab, but there is concern that it would be difficult to maintain.
- There is definite interest from the community for a "Library of Things"/non-traditional collection items.
- The community wants an improved shelving area and would prefer items be shelved higher from the floor.
- Definite community interest in creating calming and sensory spaces and partnerships with other organizations to offer museum-like features and more tactile experiences.
- Some would like to create spaces where community partners could help provide services and training.
- The current library doesn't have a quiet space and the community needs that in the library.
- Many want to make the library more accessible for those who are deaf or blind
- Desire for improved accessibility with more parking and bike parking.
- Some would like to see someone at the library reach out to tribes and seek their input and would welcome their input through deliberate effort.
- The community has a rich history and would like to see more local history and genealogy resources, such as a Montana Room, local authors area and a Native American section.
- The community would like to see the library explore partnerships and collaborations with other organizations to raise money and improve the library's services and spaces.

- Many in the community have mixed opinions on sustainability related initiatives and some suggest it should be not done in a “preachy way” but with a focus on conserving money as much as anything.
- The community would like to see finishes that are easy to clean, such as hardwood flooring.

All Comments Consolidated:

Stevensville Community—What do we need to know?

- Oldest community in MT
- Stevensville is not a financially rich community
- 40% in county at or below poverty level
- Fairly high poverty rate—especially in the Town
- About 2,000 residents in Stevensville but in zip code more than 10,000
- Depends on the person as to whether Lone Rock is considered a separate community
- Some see it as two distinct communities—is all the same zip code
- Community is mostly white Caucasian but a lot of difference in income levels
- Thinking of Stevensville as the Town is limiting—larger community doesn’t live in the Town
- Changing community—heading toward high tech resources--Drone product, biotech, night vision, mapping
- Don’t have resources at home for learning about these things, place that provides that really important
- MT boom hitting this area
- Seeing some of the population boom that other parts of Montana have experienced
- Community has a strong sense of partnership and community—a lot of community events, built park themselves—not super interested in additional spending, may be a hurdle
- Very proud of community feel, Very supportive community
- Parking issues downtown—have to park in alley or lot not meant for library use—makes for difficult to use
- Parking study done a while ago—some parking spots depending on how far people can walk
- Empty buildings on Main Street
- Expanding and there is a lot of construction going on—will be a lot growth that needs to be considered
- Unprecedented amount of construction occurring—can’t really get help to build anything right now—has stressed all businesses—Help Wanted signs everywhere
- A lot of the businesses can’t keep up and are having to limit hours—it’s an unusual time
- Elderly community is being attracted to the area—property values favor this population
- Families are moving in too but not in as big of numbers
- Homeschool groups are exploding—Lone Rock had to create a second co-op—many families looking for activities and place to take kids—still big desire used to happen at the library
- Having a place with activities programs has been really nice
- A lot of people in this community home school
 - Kids will spend many hours at this facility
 - Homeschool parents need to have a place to access and provide amenities for kids
- Have not really encountered anyone who does not speak English
- Non-English speakers may be
- Some really old generational farmers and ranchers, many have moved in since Covid
- Very conservative community—maybe 30% more liberal
- Known as the banana belt of Montana—people who can afford to move here do
- Yellowstone has been filmed in the valley
- People are more traditional—many who visit library in Missoula don’t want a building like that—it’s too modern—like old-fashioned feel and small town feel of been greeted at the front door
- Missoula library has an entire floor for kids

NVPL Perceptions

- MT more card holders per capita-huge resource
- Library very important to community and engagement
- Lone Rock community part of the library district—need this expansion, a lot of families without internet access, library important for both books and technology—during pandemic kids needed to sit the school parking lots to access internet
- Community using the library—many people don't have internet and computer skills, amazing how many don't have access and know computers, still people who are more or less off-grid
- The Library allows resources for those who can't afford them
- Door count still a little low but improving—pre-Covid 200 on a Monday, had dropped to 50 but this week was 150
- Centrally located resource very important
- Library on Main St. doesn't make a whole lot of sense because not revenue generating—close to the schools makes more sense
- Building a new library on Main Street not feasible
- Not necessary to be on Main Street but may be close to Main Street
- Nice to be closer to school to encourage kids to use
- Use library as a meeting place so like it being a little more central
- Library on Main allows for one trip—huge part of everything that happens downtown—1st Fridays—opinion is good to have close to downtown
- Keep library close to the Main Street, needs to stay looking like rest of the community—not a fancy metal building
- Keeping close into town is a good draw for the businesses—use the Library a lot and has a good partnership
- Was talk at one time of put with community center closer to schools but on edge of town was talk about seeing if that space could be used for the library
- Stevensville Community Center was asking about combining with the library last year
- Fearful of warehouse effect that happened to libraries familiar with in Minnesota—need cozier library
- Important to keep library within walking distance of Main Street because many walk to the Library
- Looking down the road would like to see a new building West of Downtown like Darby—would be accessible for all via walking and driving
- Going West don't go as far as the Y, stay close to the downtown, parking has never been great
- Outside of the building needs to be pleasing to eye and fit in with downtown businesses
- Accessibility important—aging population and no handicapped accessible spots close to the door

What does community want/need from the Library?

- Central in Corvallis County—lacks larger spots to host group forums—ability to host meetings is important
- More private spaces to meet and discuss things
- Quiet computer rooms for individuals to work—right now next to children's room which is distracting
- Currently no sound barriers to contain sound
- Separate areas for Quiet and Active spaces
- Sound proofing
- Places to have phone calls
- More natural light in the space
- Need age appropriate spaces for kids to learn, grow, socialize
- Kids area very dated needs to be updated with updated amenities
- Having separate areas for different groups
- A way for those with internet or Zoom to have access
- Separation of fun areas vs. Private areas
- Teen programming
- Display spaces for artists (may be outside the library)
 - Historical displays

- Outside of direct sunlight
- Currently in entry area – creates a cramped area mixed with printing
- Gallery space
- Had an art show last winter and had to have it in a community room that had various limitations with space and time
- Kid display areas
- Sustainability & Facility Efficiency
 - Would be great
 - Solar panels
 - Net-zero gardening
 - LEED Certified
 - Does the community see value in it?
- Would like to look at accessibility on a broader level—not just ADA—cognitive issues, sensory issues, vision issues, strollers, etc.
- Appropriate lights outside so lights don't shine up and contribute to light pollution
- Would be nice to have outdoor program space and reading space
- Community Garden to tie into seed program

Customer Service—Ease of Use

- Access to people really important too—needs to be obvious and let people know they can ask
- ADA access
 - Aisle widths
 - Smooth flooring/ floor transitions
- Have self-checkout for some things and easier than self-check at the grocery store
- Self-Checkout station
 - Keep in close proximity to front desk to provide help if needed
- Desk is standing height
 - Don't want there to be chairs there so that people don't linger for long periods of time
 - Desk is currently not ADA accessible
- Set-up one on one technology sessions
 - Screen sharing technology
- There is no separate children's check-out area
- Holds are self-service
 - Adjacent to front desk
 - Like the close proximity
- Security scanners at entrance that will scan the books/ materials to make sure it was properly checked out?
 - None of the materials are currently tagged
 - Some don't think that it is necessary – materials belong to community
 - Think that it won't be received well within community
 - Might not be recognized if in a new building
 - Could rough-in and plan for future install
- Position of front desk may be more impactful
- There are a huge influx of people/ growth to the community and may want more security
- Community likes the small town feel of being greeted, seeing staff faces, also some people want to go directly to where they want to get their stuff and go.
- Could the book return be incorporated into the front desk?
 - The book return that is interior
- Make sure that staffing/ work stations closer to the door so that items don't get stolen
 - Mindful of staff freezing in winter months – vestibule
- Don't have materials close to front door
- Better book return system – closer to front desk

- Drive-Up window?
 - Maybe if it was a book return
 - Exterior book return that is weather protected
 - Not a window but rather a book drop that people could drive up and drop off

Entrance Experience & Parking

- Want to see a person right away and get assistance
- Don't like current set-up from a workflow standpoint—would like to see desk workers spaced out so they aren't inclined to chat a lot
- Nice if could shelve and still know that someone entered the building
- Like shorter stacks and immediate displays for new materials
- Current complaints, whatever design needs to be clean, inviting, have space to move around and not be crowded, more accessible for people with mobility issues—complaints about the carpet, etc.
- Thinking need really good signage to cut down on people needing direction—Barnes and Noble that is really clear

Non-traditional Collections

- Would be nice to have Hotspots available for access—well used and may need more
- Library of Things
- People can rent/ borrow other random items
 - Tools
 - Kitchen appliances
 - telescope

Children's Services and Spaces (0-7)

- Kids needs their own zone and space
- Face out browsing would be great
- Play materials
- Imagination stations
- Play kitchens etc.
- Hands on activities
- Lactation area
- Reading area for parent & child
- Flooring options to have areas where messes can be easily cleaned versus carpeted for noise absorption
- Interested in early literacy interactives and play spaces—just got new dinosaurs and animals to play with
- Space is just too small
- Community room almost too barren for small kids
- Play space is currently in the reading space which is awkward
- Want to see improved spaces for kids and teens
- Like browsers better for picture books, difficult for staff to pull holds so they don't always like
- Large children's area that can be open or closed

Children's Services and Spaces (8-12)

- Are libraries relevant or not for this age
- Loved coming for the makerspace and activities—not really happening
- Not a dedicated space or separation for the rest of the patrons to make them feel comfortable
- Would be great to have it separate Zoning
- Don't currently have but recognize importance
- Crafting
- Drawing materials
- Visual monitoring

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Teen Services and Spaces

- Teen spaces and teen room not very comfortable—very white and bright and doesn't feel very personable
- Community rich in history and images should be history of the town
- Less modern looking seating
- Need more space for books
- Need a space to use the internet
- Shouldn't feel like intruding on other spaces
- Important space to have
- Don't currently have one
- Have seen drop-off in desire to go because need more beyond books to draw them in
- Tend to get loud
- Semi-closed off
- Glass walls with visibility
- Green screen
- Cleanability
- Impact resistant surfaces/ furniture
- More modern aesthetic
- Would hope could have an enclosed teen space that would allow them to be louder without disturbing others
- Concern with bullying—like to be able to see what's going on and that people are working well together—can't always be in the space all of the time due to staffing limitations
- Teen behavior can get out of hand if unsupervised and out of sight

Adult & Seniors

- Adult collection space is the worst part of the building-no reason to stay in the library
- Highest circulation area but use would likely be much better if it was a better space
- May need expanded large print section and audiobooks
- DVDs some libraries don't like the flip through shelves for these materials
- Accessible magazine shelving, newspapers on rods

Young Adult

- Have a lot of adults that read young adult books
- Think that the books should be separated from the teen hang out space
- Separation of a social barrier as well – highly recommend that separation from hangout space from book access
- Computers for gaming
- More modern aesthetic

STEAM: Technology, Creation Areas, Spaces and Resources

- Laptops to rent or check out for tech classes would be great
- Coding for Kids offered after school—difficulty can't easily do in the evenings
- A lot of demand for this in the community—library would be a great space for the community and would like to partner

- Have had 3D printer, telescopes in the past which were interesting and engaging—Missoula has well used spaces—could bring in new people
- Great for communities outside of school and homeschool
- Gives a generational outlook—serving well into the future
- Currently is pretty good with computers and Hotspots, Playaways but maybe here
- Some areas of service area don't have internet access
- Like the thought of copier or printer—many people don't have
- Computer take more space than laptops—Missoula has laptops to checkout
- Providing good internet important for all—kids can use
- Maybe software/hardware better than at home for art projects and homework
- Have a FabLab in Hamilton with 3D printers seems to be something that may be nice to encourage technology
- Had makerspace and graphics programs that were great and very popular with the kids
- Now doing some craft programs
- Physical & Digital Creativity
- Podcasting room
- Small room where people could do a recording
- Maker activities
- 3D printing, small scale – could be reserved Maybe this could be planned for the future
- Teens want to do this type of technology/ activity
- Laser printing etching may be more valuable because its faster
- Better for programming
- Maker space more secure

Physical and Digital Creativity

- Would want some kind of a makerspace—have one now
- Could the space be multi-purpose to have some of the technology aspects as well as creative aspects
- Have seen different types of labs—here interested in woodworking labs and leatherworking—messier and might not be great with the technology equipment in the same space—don't have staff to maintain a big lab currently—think it is important to be able to move to this type of space
- Would love to have storage space to have Library of Things type items that are used infrequently—don't want to compete with local businesses but would like some things available at no time
- Current space does not have adequate storage space—move things back and forth between the makerspace and the program room
- Are there makerspaces with a divider wall to split spaces and create flexibility
- Teens already have green screen, have borrowed 3D printer shared between 2 libraries but vey basic and can't really do prototyping

Technology and Power

- Community using the library—many people don't have internet and computer skills, amazing how many don't have access and know computers, still people who are more or less off-grid
- Older patrons may get gifts from family and need help to use
- At this point not seeing patrons preferring laptops—building needs to be flexible to allow for change over time
- Have some laptops to check out but people don't check out as often as you would think—when they do check out hotspots and laptops get calls for assistance
- Using desktops because faster and also kids want to play games
- New building in 5 years still will likely have fixed PC stations
- People who do want to use laptops generally bring their own
- Computer center close to librarians

Meeting Services and Spaces

- Need better technology in these spaces to support meeting and classes
- Need more flexible spaces and different size meeting spaces
- Dividable spaces—open up spaces and make them more flexible
- Community room great for programs and meetings—not always available for people to conduct louder activities
- Variety in furniture configurations
- Small meeting spaces
- Have a community room currently and use very frequently
- Talking about doing open-mics and talent shows
- Some type of multi-use platform
- Yoga
- Community room to have ability to be used after hours – separate locking/ entry abilities
- Ideally would like to have some mid-sized spaces to collaborate in
- Need a larger space that could accommodate a little larger group ideally at least 80-100, would like easy way to bring out a stage, ways to build in flexibility
- Meeting spaces need to be available after hours through a secure entrance—super important to have simple technology available that can't be easily messed up—access to speakers and projectors, etc.
- Will help sell the idea of new space—need more spaces in area to meet
- Really like idea of meeting rooms where size of the room can be adjusted

Staff Spaces

- Staff Room
 - Separate bathroom
 - Separate staff room from public
 - Storage for book donations
 - Currently have free items shelf and a for-sale items shelf
 - Most people don't know it's there
 - Don't want to take up a lot of space for sale items
 - Modest in scale
 - Book sale is a community desire
 - Emily needs an office for programming
 - Storage, could be locked
 - Supplies storage that could be locked
 - Office supplies
 - Centrally located
- Filing systems
 - Records keeping
- Servers in separate room
 - Currently in staff room – not good
- Need to keep staff and staff spaces in mind when planning the spaces and give them light in their spaces
- Friends of the Library is no more, periodic sales by the Foundation may need workspace/storage space
- Need enough **storage space** and staff workstations—including a little bit of space for Foundation
- Some people haven't wanted to work at the library because staff spaces are poor
- Current staff argument has to do with the drop box—latching it is always an issue—would love not to have workspace with arguments over silly things
- Not enough current staff space—a million things on the circulation desk, need separate staff room to go and get away from work, need enough space and to feel safe
- Have changed doors so people can't get in from the outside but staff can get out
- Director office is not ideally set up to allow for focus and meetings

Quiet Spaces

- Places for people to use cell phones/ computers
- (2-3) 1-2 person study rooms
 - Book for a couple hours
- Video chatting
- Still being able to monitor to some degree but soundproofing
- Currently lacking private areas
- Computer spaces where people can be loud on the phone
 - Interviews
 - Army recruiters
- Private rooms where people could use for short periods of time
- Small phone booth type spaces--have seen in other spaces
- Multiple smaller spaces would be nice

Outdoor Spaces

- Overflow outside area—not possible now
- Great way to invite people in –can't get in Main Street location
- Tables and seating would be great
- Grass and nature elements important—places to just be are great but activity spaces nice too
- Seating areas outside
- Demo garden, plantings
- Zero-scaping
- Outdoor story time
- Shade structures
- Could possibly flex into the activity space
- Messy craft could go outside and back in for continued activity
- Parking is scarce
 - Parking is in high demand, yet patrons would like to keep the library downtown
 - This is a driving community
- Have only thought of as outdoor seating space
- Would be nice to be able to do science experiments outside and be able to do some programming—doesn't need to be a playground
- Would be nice to have a patio that is easy to maintain—small space to read outside
- Would be nice to have enclosed courtyard so kids were contained
- Covered by slanted roof so snow could slide off would be great
- Have seen some off of teen area work well

Collection Spaces

- Shelving space is currently poor
- Would be nice not to have the collection shelved all the way to the floor

Calming/Sensory Spaces and other Spaces

- Keeping sensory spaces in mind—partnerships to utilize museumesque quality to the spaces—more tactile experiences
- Make spaces where community partners could help to provide services and training
- Calming stations??
 - Sensory sensitive
- Current library doesn't really have a quiet space—have tried to make the back area of the library quiet but still isn't well addressed
- Would like to be able to position spaces better

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

- More accessible for those who are deaf or blind
- Accessibility big issue—hardly any parking or bike parking
- Need to be able to get in easily, park your bike easily

Outreach

- Hope someone reaching out to tribes and seeking their input—would welcome their input through deliberate effort

Local History and Genealogy

- Very rich local history
- 1st colonized town in MT, if not local history maybe history of the nature around the area
- Have some museums that are doing
- Real important to have
- Find this really important—really cool—maybe doesn't need to be an entire room
- Montana Room
 - Library does have a Montana Room but isn't necessarily a lot of local history—could be better for the community
 - Have a Montana Room—nothing particularly old in there but people love, especially that have collected MT authors
 - Want to keep this area
 - Unique to this library
 - Local celebration
 - Genealogy (has been asked by some patrons but currently don't have the capacity to do this)
 - Genealogy isn't a very big, local church handles
 - Don't want to incorporate
 - Helena kept the materials but not the staff
 - Most people will move towards web-based services
 - Some display areas
 - May be a good place for local artists
 - Montana maps
 - Kids display
 - Montana authors
 - Have a lot of local authors who need own area
 - Older style furniture to make look old – historic
 - Native American section
 - Currently have but would like that to be show cased a bit better

Collaboration and Partnerships

- Explore what has been done or is being planned and who might be able to partner with to get appropriate spaces
- Would like to bring senior center into the planning
- Encourage to think about coordinating efforts across organizations to raise money together and place it in the right place
- To what extent does the school system serve the students to the fully—should not be an island to itself—should be coordinating
- Public schools able to provide food toward Thanksgiving dinner for needy families—maybe connection with the food bank
- Would be nice if library could be with the community center too or have the elements of a community center

Sustainability and Facility Efficiency

- Some people really for this and some people feel is ugly
- Things are coming a long way and people wouldn't object if looks okay
- Polarized valley and needs to be stealthily done to conserve dollars and not just to do it
- Messaging important

Aesthetics

- Historic – particularly in Montana Room
- Think that if its modern it will bring in more people, new people moving here want modern
- Old people want historic
- Thematic Areas
- Range of aesthetics
- Many older patrons would be put off by bright colors
- Don't want to feel too modern/ too cold
- Warm comforting
- Fireplace?
- Is there a way to incorporate this into the space?
- Create the "living room" feel
- Materials
- Don't like carpet for cleanability
- Encourage to look at La Pine, OR built in the last 5 years
- Very comfortable space—nice color palette
- Drive out to Darby to take a look—log cabin feel
- Darby has a fairly new library that has won design awards and has rustic appeal
- Would like the space to flex for the future maybe be able to build a second level—grow in the future
- Multiple level building might be nice to get more separation of spaces and more quiet
- Need a bigger space—two levels with an elevator, maybe rooftop outdoor spaces, bike racks
- Tend toward more of a western aesthetic
- Edifice that you recognize—something that doesn't look corporate
- Inside—bright and airy light
- Needs to be comfortable
- Can still get huge windows in the timber frame building
- Fan of bright colors that still feels comfortable—something that catches the eye and draws people in
- Winters are long—don't necessarily want bright, white space, something that feels more comfortable
- Really important to maintain a rustic appeal that fits the community

Other

- Large windows—very comfortable chairs with swing out laptop tables
- Wireless printing
- Not unusual to not find a parking space nearby
- Superintendent—want to partner with the community for the schools—maintaining spaces and safety important
- Think big and go big off of this property with great views of the mountains
- Is part of planning looking at staffing as well? Staff do well but will need more support with a new building
- Remember that library is almost completely funded by mill levee and is constrained—community will need another mill levee and maybe be able to build into future ask
- Need to be sure library will be financially stable—sustainability over time
- What services are available to people in the area—some libraries like Denver hire social workers—wondering if there are unmet needs that the library could fulfill in a safe spaces
- Mental health support should be considered

- Being able to connect in an intergenerational way and space important
 - Need big wall space for donor tree
 - Would like it so people can't lock themselves in bathrooms for illicit behavior
 - What is experience with coffee spaces—
 - Current building has cellar with mold issues—would like to not repeat this issue
 - Some type of overhang coming into building and floors that handle the weather conditions and not be slippery
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- Add a message: I couldn't find anywhere to comment on the new facility, so I'll give you the benefit of my building two district libraries with architects who paid no attention to what any of the librarians requested. One, ask for lots of electrical and electronic outlets and hookups all over the public areas. Two, request an engaging preschool area with comfortable and creative seating for kids and parents for storytimes. Don't forget that a wide open library gives little opportunity for defining spaces and for giving spaces for displays. Four, ask for reading spaces for kids to burrow in and read—a treehouse, a tee-pee, a Hobbit hole. (More than one option too!) Five, a separate room for the STEM program kids to continue to work on their projects between programs, well supplied with computers, 3-D printers, puzzles, games, and other items that will draw middle-graders and junior-high kids to think of the library as THE place to go. (You may need to reallocate hours for someone to man the area when Stevensville kids start to figure this out.) Six, even though much of your collection will trend toward the electronic, don't forget that even now, most library patrons enjoy the feel, the smell, the joy of a real book with pages to turn. Ask for plenty of shelf room for growth. Seven, a community room is a must. Make it big enough that you can host larger groups needing a space, as well as your book club and regular adult programming. Have a small area with a sink, a counter, and a refrigerator for groups to serve refreshments. If you dream big, sometimes they listen.

SURVEY RESULTS

Survey - Key Takeaways

Key Demographic info

- 332 respondents completed the survey
- 81% of respondents live in Stevensville and Lone Rock, 10% Florence, 4% Victor, 2% Hamilton and 1% Corvallis. There were individual responses from Missoula, Pinesdale, and Lolo.
- Respondents were well represented across most age groups--32% were 66 years old or older, 18% were 36-45, 18% were 46-55, 18% were 56-65, 11% were 26-35, 1% were 19-25 and 1% were Under 19.
- 34% of the respondents had children under the age of 18 living with them.
- The racial makeup of the respondents was fairly representative of the community with the minority groups being slightly overrepresented which is likely due to the smaller sample size. The result here is better representation than what we typically see.

Library Activity

- 66% of respondents visited the library once a month or more often, 44% visited weekly or more often.
- Of those who don't visit the physical building, over 13% are virtual users, 24% prefer to buy and own their own material. 21% don't think of the library as an option, 21% are new to the area, 16% are too busy to use the library, and 16% say their children are grown.
- Of those who responded to the survey 82% have a library card and of those who live in Stevensville and Lone Rock, 89% have cards.
- 89% of respondents visit the library to find a book, 45% to find a DVD, audiobook, etc., 21% to use the printer/photocopier/fax/scanner, 21% to use a library computer, 20% to attend adult library programming, and 18% to attend children's library programming.

How do people describe the North Valley Public Library?

- 95% (strongly agreed or agreed) considered the Library an important part of the community, 94% felt the staff is knowledgeable and helpful, and 81% felt they treat all users equitably.
- The area the people were least satisfied with was having adequate space for the needs of the community at only 32% approval and a 49% disapproval rating (10% strongly agreed and 22% agreed) and the accessibility of the space had an approval of 43% and disapproval of 28%. 8 of the 16 areas had less than 70% positive agreement on the different aspects of the Library.
- In addition to the space and accessibility issues, being a physically comfortable place to visit, parking being readily available, having an adequate collection, having up-to-date technology and being on a transportation route all scored fairly low levels of satisfaction.
- The Technology and Transportation Route questions also had a significant number of people who Didn't Know or had No Opinion on the issue.

Important library facility features

- Not surprisingly, the library feature rated with the highest importance is a Readily Accessible Collection of Books and Other Materials with 96% of respondents feeling that was extremely important or somewhat important.
- This is followed by 80% Children's Area for Ages 0-12, 85% for Quiet Spaces, 86% for Convenient Parking, 77% for Teen Area for Ages 13-18, and 77% for Good Pedestrian/Bicycle Access.

- Least important are on-site area for food and drinks with 25%, sensory and/or calming rooms 37%, digital creativity lab for audio and video production 38%, outdoor gathering/seating area 46% and onsite services for other City programs 46%.

Important library services

- Children’s Programming was considered the most important service offered 82% (considered Extremely Important or Somewhat Important), followed by Access to Public Computers (80%), Downloadable or Streaming Content (75%), Teen Programs (75%) and Adult Programs (78%).
- Services seen as less important were 24/7 Access to Materials (34%), Video-conferencing (46%), and Technology for Digital Creativity and Production (47%).
- Many people commented throughout the survey that they want to be sure that the focus of the library remains on books. Other services mentioned most often: numerous program ideas for all ages, some specific collection suggestions, facility comments and suggestions .

What ways do you finding out about prefer to find out about library or community news and events and how do you currently do so?

- The most preferred methods for finding out about library news and events include the Library Website, followed by Emails from the Library, and the Library Newsletter.
- Marketing based on my profile and TV were the least preferred information channels.

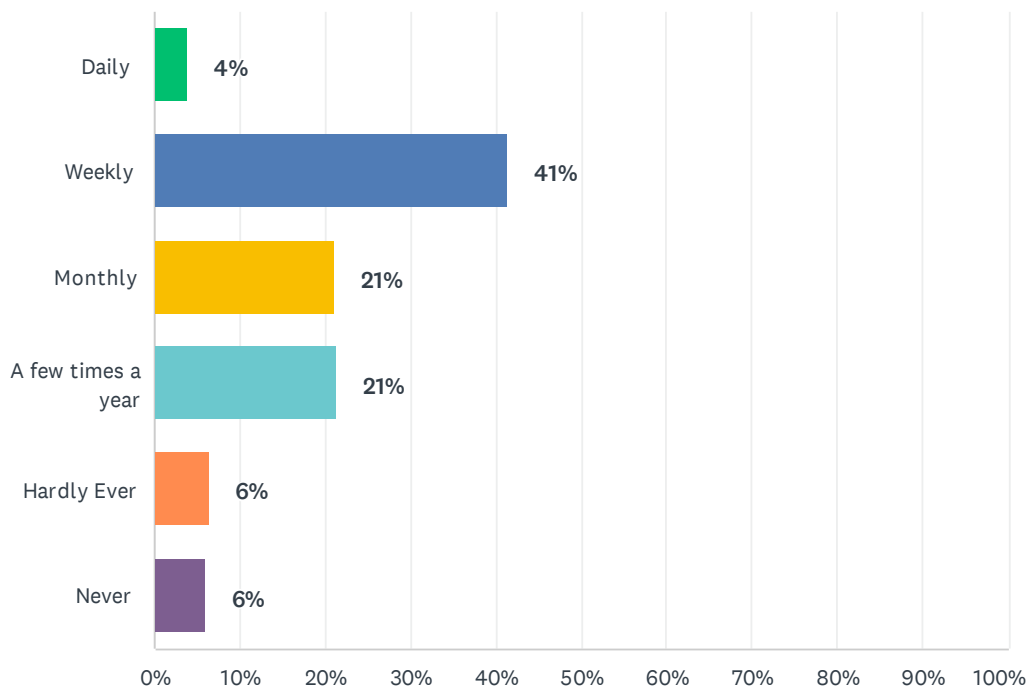
Other Comments

- Many people commented on the need for a new library and had some specific comments on the aesthetics of the building/space desired.
- There were numerous comments regarding the library location. Many were hoping the library would stay close to the downtown area while others saw benefit in locating it close to the schools.
- Comments around funding and a potential bond issue were mostly positive but some were not interested in any new taxes.
- Children’s programs and literacy activities were considered very important.
- Comments about collections focused on e-materials and some specialized collections.
- Several comments about how important libraries are and how much people love the library and the staff.
- There was a comment regarding the importance of considering staff needs and workflow in the library plans.

North Valley Public Library Community Survey 2022

Q1 How often do you use the North Valley Public Library?

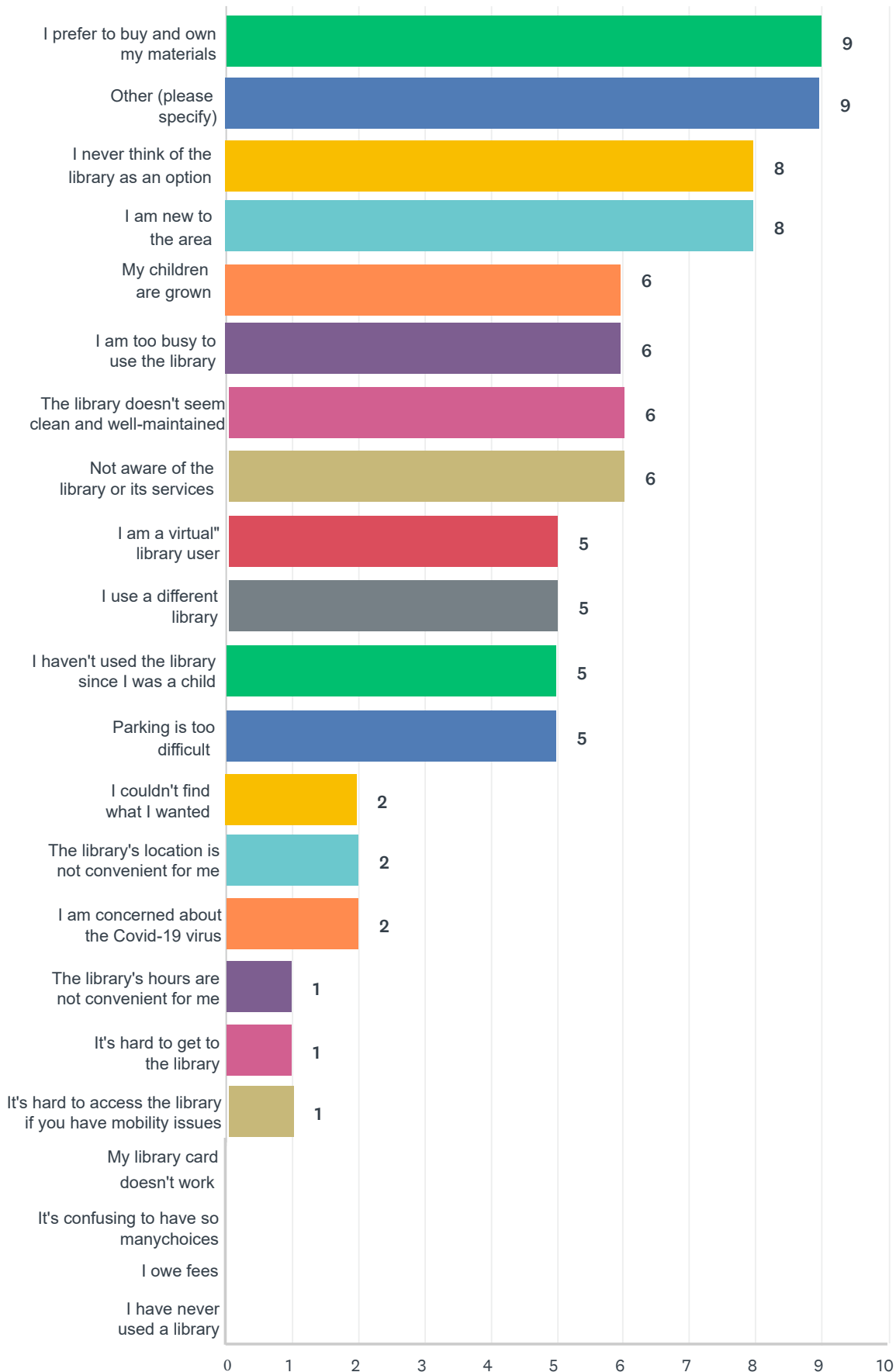
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	4%	13
Weekly	41%	137
Monthly	21%	70
A few times a year	21%	71
Hardly Ever	6%	21
Never	6%	20
TOTAL		332

Q2 If you do not usually visit the North Valley Public Library, please tell us why not. (check ALL that apply)

Answered: 38 Skipped: 294



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I prefer to buy and own my own material	24%	9
Other (please specify)	24%	9
I never think of the library as an option	21%	8
I am new to the area	21%	8
My children are grown	16%	6
I am too busy to use the library	16%	6
The library doesn't seem clean and well maintained	16%	6
Not aware of the library or its services	16%	6
I am a "virtual" library user (e.g. downloading books from a library website)	13%	5
I use a different library	13%	5
I haven't used the library since I was a child	13%	5
Parking is too difficult	13%	5
I couldn't find what I wanted	5%	2
The library's location is not convenient for me	5%	2
I am concerned about the Covid-19 virus	5%	2
The library's hours are not convenient	3%	1
It's hard to get to the library (transportation)	3%	1
It's hard to access the library if you have mobility issues	3%	1
My library card doesn't work	0%	0
It's confusing to have so many choices	0%	0
I owe fees	0%	0
I have never used a library	0%	0
Total Respondents: 38		

OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)

I should use it more!

Easy access on computers and phones

purchase ebooks and do research online

Live out of town, do most reading/research online.

Library needs to be satisfied with the generous amount of tax money they already receive

Most books I want are not here

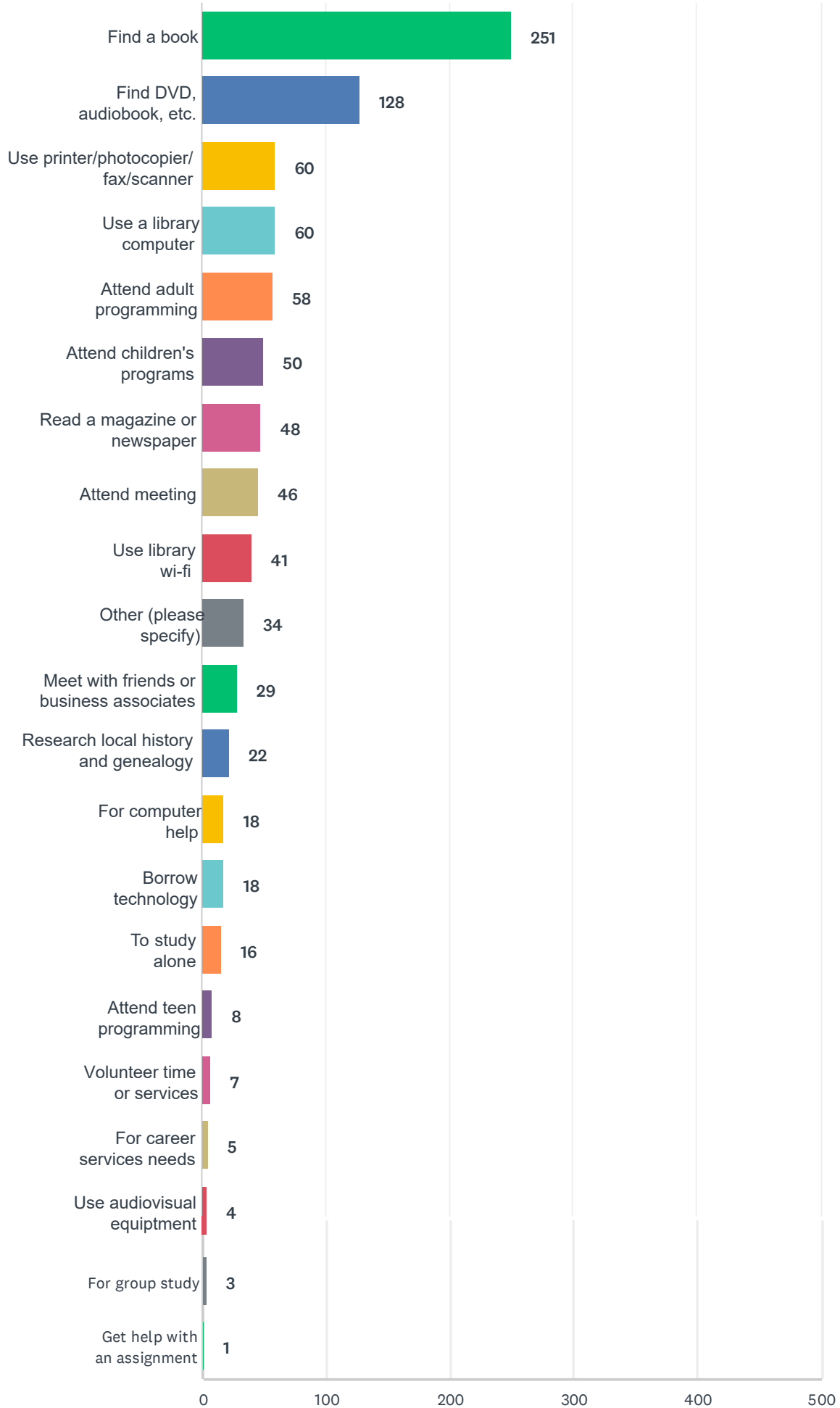
It smells like mold.

Wait time for books

Most titles I read are not available quickly at the library.

Q3 Why do you visit the Library? (check ALL that apply)

Answered: 283 Skipped: 49



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Find a book	89%	251
Find DVD, audiobook, etc.	45%	128
Use printer/photocopier/fax/scanner	21%	60
Use a library computer	21%	60
Attend adult programming or classes	20%	58
Attend children's programming	18%	50
Read a magazine or newspaper	17%	48
Attend meeting	16%	46
Use library wi-fi	14%	41
Other (please specify)	12%	34
Meet with friends or business associates	10%	29
Research local history and/or genealogy	8%	22
For computer help	6%	18
Borrow technology such as laptop, iPad, or hotspot	6%	18
To study alone	6%	16
Attend teen programming	3%	8
Volunteer time or services	2%	7
For career services needs	2%	5
Use audiovisual equipment	1%	4
For group study	1%	3
Get help with an assignment	0%	1
Total Respondents: 283		

OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)

Scan, print off papers Inner library loan Work in a quiet space I work remotely from the library Quiet reading time

Take my grandchildren for a library visits to spark their imagination and foster an early love of learning. Games

play with dinos!!!! borrow games and play in the kids area. bring grandkids to play and get books Kids activities

To let my kiddo play in the kids area with blocks and then read books with her

Have gone to a few speakers Host classes first friday presentations Book club Do the monthly art project

Do it online Questions about Libby Online borrow audiobooks On-line mostly I use Libby mostly Ebooks

Society-i.e. human interaction Chat with the amazing librarians. Use time between errands

homeschooling Homeschool education resources Telescope research

Moved here 6mos ago from OR, then came covid19 so I haven't used it much

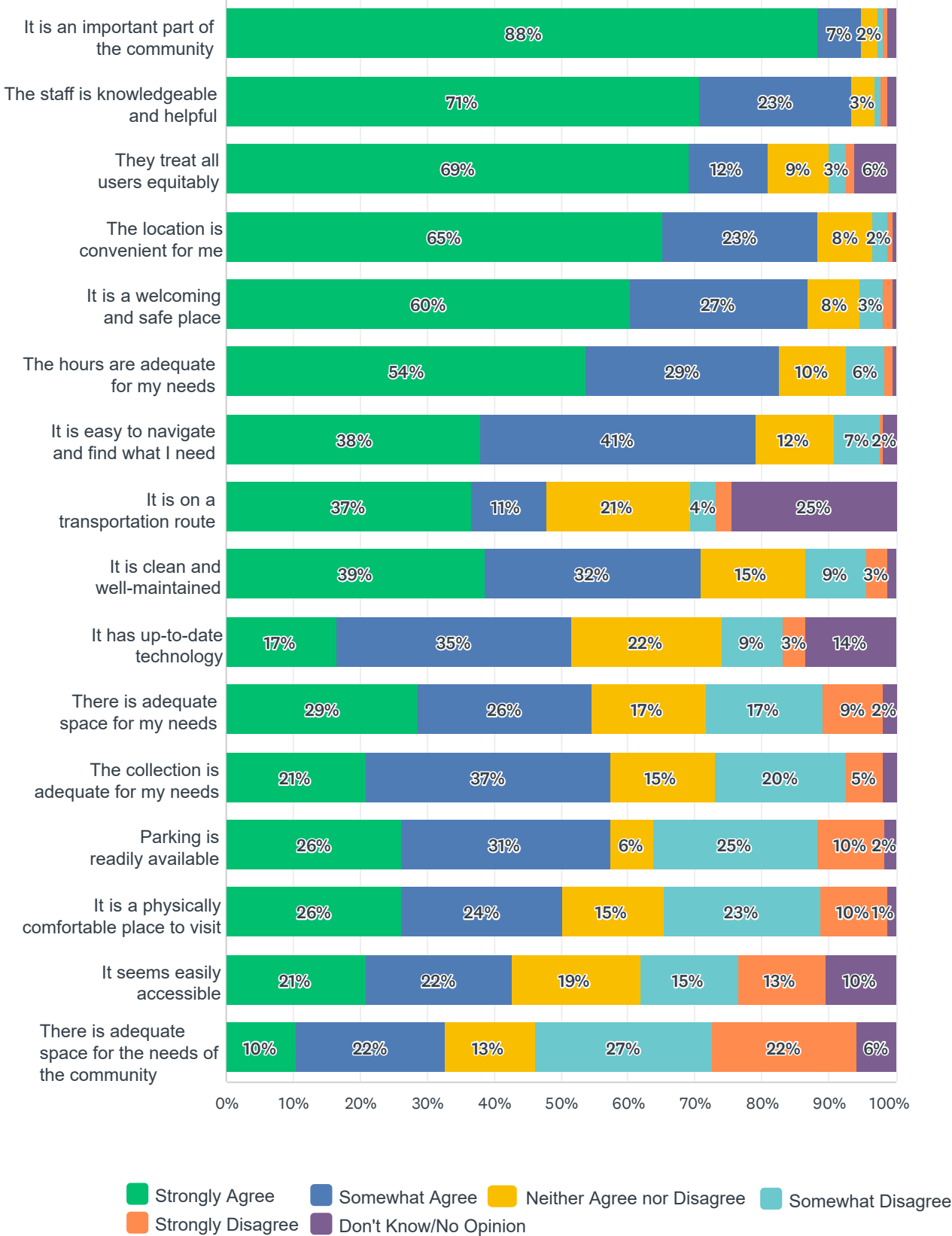
Moved here 3yrs ago and six months later Covid19 happened which affected usage of the library as I am 75yrs old.

I don't know about library technology. No really good nooks to read in that are pretty. Music CDs are great. Staff make it a friendly community place.

Would like to volunteer my graphic design services to the NVPL Foundation.

Q4 For each of the following statements describe the North Valley Public Library, please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree.

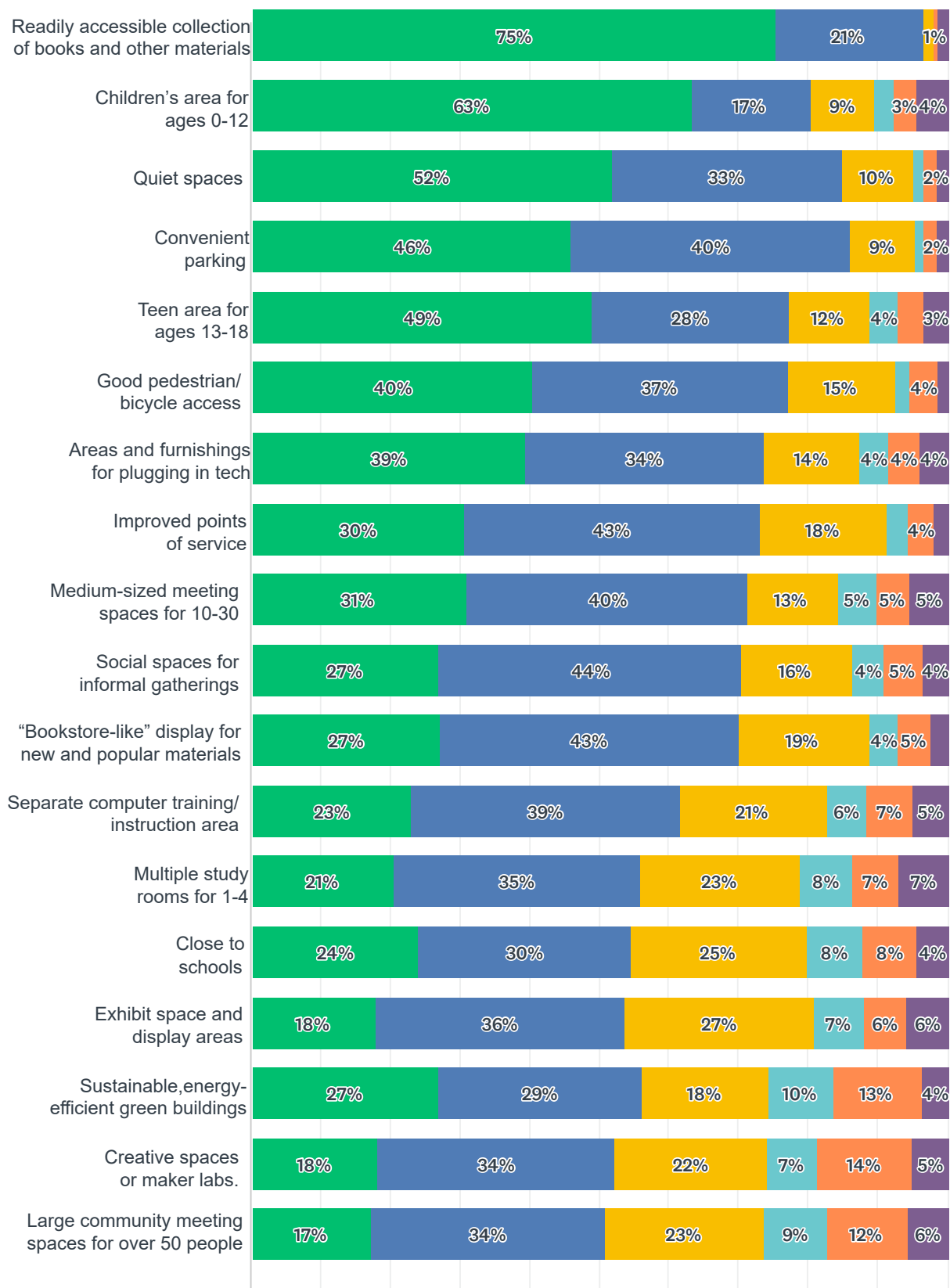
Answered: 260 Skipped: 72

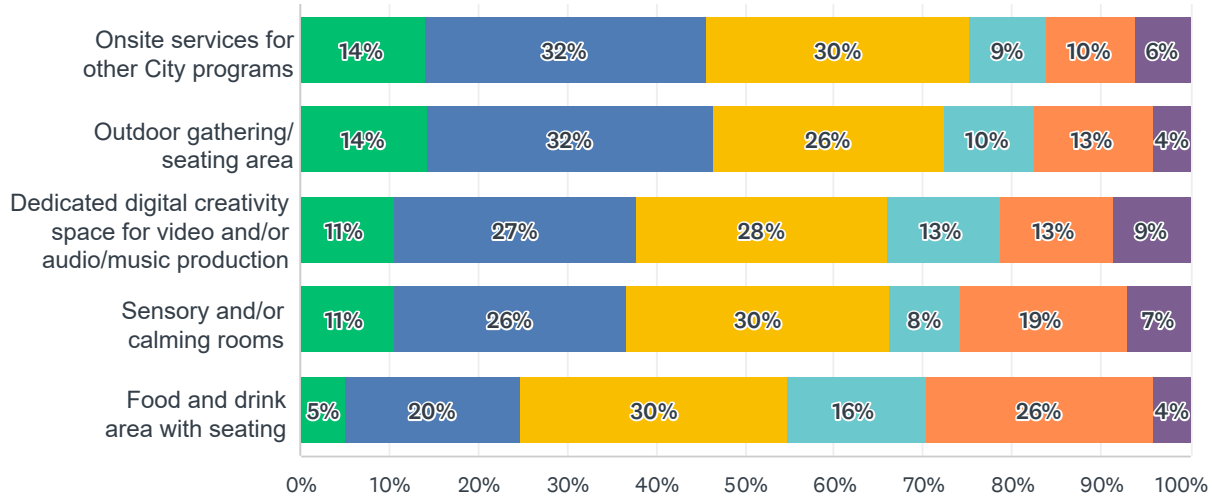


	STRONGLY AGREE	SOMEWHAT AGREE	NEITHER AGREE OR DISAGREE	SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
It is an important part of the community.	88% 228	7% 17	2% 6	1% 2	1% 2	1% 3	258	1.83
The staff is knowledgeable and helpful.	71% 183	23% 59	3% 9	1% 2	1% 3	1% 3	259	1.63
They treat all users equitably	69% 179	12% 31	9% 23	3% 7	1% 3	6% 16	259	1.55
The location is convenient for me.	65% 169	23% 60	8% 21	2% 6	1% 2	0% 1	259	1.50
It is a welcoming and safe place.	60% 157	27% 69	8% 20	3% 9	2% 4	0% 1	260	1.41
The hours are adequate for my needs.	54% 140	29% 75	10% 26	6% 15	1% 3	0% 1	260	1.29
It is easy to navigate and find what I need.	38% 98	41% 106	12% 30	7% 18	0% 1	2% 5	258	1.11
It is on a transportation route.	37% 94	11% 29	21% 55	4% 10	2% 6	25% 63	257	1.01
It is clean and well-maintained.	39% 100	32% 84	15% 40	9% 24	3% 8	1% 3	259	0.95
It has up-to-date technology route.	17% 43	35% 90	22% 58	9% 24	3% 8	14% 35	258	0.61
There is adequate space for my needs.	29% 74	26% 67	17% 44	17% 45	9% 23	2% 5	258	0.49
The collection is adequate for my needs	21% 54	37% 95	15% 40	20% 51	5% 14	2% 5	259	0.49
Parking is readily available.	26% 68	31% 81	6% 16	25% 64	10% 26	2% 4	259	0.40
It is a physically comfortable place to visit.	26% 68	24% 63	15% 39	23% 61	10% 26	1% 3	260	0.33
It seems easily accessible and usable for those with physical or mobility challenges.	21% 54	22% 57	19% 50	15% 38	13% 34	10% 27	260	0.25
There is adequate space for the needs of the community.	10% 27	22% 58	13% 35	27% 69	22% 56	6% 15	260	-0.28

Q5 Please rate the IMPORTANCE of the following library facility features to you.

Answered: 294 Skipped: 38





■ Extremely Important
 ■ Somewhat Important
 ■ Neither Important nor Unimportant
 ■ Somewhat Unimportant
■ Unimportant
 ■ Don't Know/No Opinion

	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NEITHER IMPORTANT OR UNIMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT UNIMPORTANT	UNIMPORTANT	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION	
Readily accessible collections of books and other materials	75% 221	21% 63	1% 4	0% 0	1% 2	1% 4	
Children's area for ages 0-12 that supports development, literacy, play and imagination	63% 186	17% 50	9% 27	3% 8	3% 10	4% 13	
Quiet spaces	52% 150	33% 96	10% 30	1% 4	2% 5	2% 5	
Convenient parking	46% 134	40% 117	9% 27	1% 4	2% 5	2% 5	
Teen area for ages 13-18 that supports literacy, collaboration, creativity and social connections	49% 143	28% 83	12% 34	4% 12	4% 11	3% 10	
Good pedestrian/bicycle access	40% 118	37% 108	15% 45	2% 6	4% 12	1% 4	
Areas and furnishings for plugging in and using your own technology	39% 115	34% 101	14% 40	4% 12	4% 13	4% 12	
Improved points of service (e.g. desk locations, self checkout, etc.)	30% 89	43% 125	18% 53	3% 9	4% 11	2% 6	
Medium-sized meeting spaces for 10-30 people	31% 90	40% 118	13% 38	5% 16	5% 14	5% 16	
Social spaces for informal gathering and collaboration	27% 78	44% 127	16% 46	4% 13	5% 16	4% 11	
"Bookstore-like" display for new and popular materials	27% 79	43% 125	19% 55	4% 12	5% 14	2% 7	
Separate computer training/instruction area	23% 67	39% 113	21% 61	6% 17	7% 19	5% 15	
Multiple study rooms for 1-4 people	21% 60	35% 103	23% 67	8% 22	7% 19	7% 21	
Close to schools	24% 70	30% 89	25% 74	8% 23	8% 23	4% 13	
Exhibit space and display area	18% 52	36% 104	27% 79	7% 21	6% 18	6% 17	
Sustainable, energy-efficient, green buildings	27% 79	29% 86	18% 53	10% 28	13% 37	4% 11	
Creative spaces or maker labs (3D printers, laser cutters/etchers, sewing machines, etc.)	18% 53	34% 100	22% 64	7% 21	14% 40	5% 15	
Large community meeting spaces for over 50 people	17% 50	34% 98	23% 67	9% 26	12% 34	6% 17	
Onsite services for other City programs	14% 41	32% 92	30% 86	9% 25	10% 29	6% 18	
Outdoor gathering/seating area	14% 42	32% 94	26% 76	10% 30	13% 39	4% 12	
Dedicated digital creativity space for video and/or audio/music production	11% 31	27% 79	28% 82	13% 37	13% 37	9% 25	
Sensory and/or calming rooms	11% 31	26% 75	30% 86	8% 23	19% 55	7% 20	
Food and drink area with seating	5% 15	20% 58	30% 88	16% 46	26% 75	4% 12	

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Larger sci fi/ fantasy book collection for adults Need a NEW building with QUIET computer area.

I believe that having access to books at other libraries is essential to a small community library.

Remember you are a North Valley Library with over 10,000 people but you seem to want everything in a very congested location. Better to look to the future. In 15 more years you will have a ..population of over 20,000 and still no place to park. much of the North Valley service area is still rural and are asked to support you financially and as partners however there is still an unfortunate separation of priorities between city and rural residents and their desires.

More accessible parking is needed. More book collections are needed. Programs for adults and kids are needed.

better building needed Should be its own separate building with landscaping big windows to see the mountains

I am thankful for everything the library does and will provide!!! Everyone is wonderful. This community deserves a beautiful big library

There's a basic up-dating that the library needs. I am 68 y.o. and our library reminds me of our grade-school library!

I love my library and it is very important in my life and for my grandchildren as well. The main need is to update/replace existing aging building. Otherwise this library fulfills all my needs in a library.

The library is such a 'focal' point for so many people in Stevensville. It has such a warm, happy atmosphere and all the women that work there are so great and understanding. It would be wonderful to see the library improve-the space that in is too small.

Sustainable, energy-efficient, green buildings is so very important. Hopefully this new library happens!

Love the Library. So important in every community. Important to have multiple learning opportunities and programs for young children pre-k and primary school so they can learn to love the library as much as I do. Summer activities for children would be amazing

This place has been an invaluable place of leaning and respect since I was a kid 30 years ago. They aren't as prevalent and I am very grateful to have such a place in a little town such as Stevensville.

The library needs more space for the growing population that use it. There needs to be more places for tables and reading chairs. It needs more quiet places. The childrens area is not suitable with its small space.

We love the children's story hour and wish there were more options for children's classes and it would also be nice to have a slightly separate play/sensory/reading area for children so that they don't need to be quiet in their area.

Newer material, a space that invites children, an adult area that has comfortable furniture would be a great addition too

Having more than 15 ppl in the library especially in the kids area feels crowded We use the kids area the most

I don't think children needs much of a play place in the library as it takes away from the value and purpose of being at the library to gain knowledge from books.

Kids in the community are so important. Not just the littlest ones but teens as well. Keep them engaged. They need to feel like an important part of the community and given ways they can get involved.

I've also gotten out of habit of going to library. Was an avid supporter when had kids. I love programs parents can take kids to.

Family style bathrooms are a huge priority so mom or dad can change diapers. Teen area and children's computers

I would not like to see the library move out to hwy 93. Having the library close to downtown would be my preferred location.

Need Montana history, genealogy, Native American space. Also wonder if could build an outside wall that could host changing murals? or good graffiti wall mat changes? Outdoor gathering area would be a nice bonus.

It is very important that a new library reflects town's own history. The Bitterroot Valley was the homeland of the Salish, the Missionaries that came here at the request of the Salish played an important role in establishing agriculture, the first driving pharmacy, and a lending library. Remarkable men such as Chief Victor, Chief Charlo, as well as Missionaries like Fr. Pierre DeSmet and Fr. Anthony Ravalli (our county is named after Fr. Ravalli) are important part of our history. Hoping to involve local museums that would partner with the Library in keeping History alive.

New and shiny buildings does not build a library. It is the respectful use of the allocated funds they already receive.

If the board has not already, someone should speak with the library in Missoula. While it serves a much larger population it is possible that library has information they would share about the process of design, etc. that would prove helpful for this library.

I believe all that is current at this time is nearly perfect the way it is. The outdoor spot wood be extremely nice but not completely necessary.

I remember when the library changed in our little Idaho mountain town....they built a new big facility and now hold drag queen story time... I sure hope that doesn't happen here. Big is not always better.

I believe a library is a safe haven for knowledge and those who are seeking to learn.

Our library is suitable for the size of Stevensville and Hamilton or Missoula are close enough if needing something different!!!!

I answered the questions for what I, personally, see as important as to how I use the library; however, if I was answering for the community my answers might be more extremely important on some of them.

Large community meeting space would duplicate community center. Either co-locate with them or let them do it. Library isn't the best place for parties and large gatherings.

It's a library, a book repository. I feel all the extra frills, spaces, technology, training, etc., which are becoming so popular at libraries are best reserved for other spaces. Books are still important and are being pushed aside. Libraries need not fill all the wishes of a community. Just books and some other things like videos and the occasional event and what not.

Music gathering would be lovely. Maker lab seems excessive when there is a fablab in Hamilton.

Well worn carpet. I'm retired, no usual requirements. Main street parking a problem. Limited space/limited collection. Creative spaces not my (male mid 70s) need. Points of service adequate given old building. Sensory calming rooms...tanning rooms are contrary to libarys. Sensory immulsion baths? Never had the experience, but don't farmers do this every day?They smile.

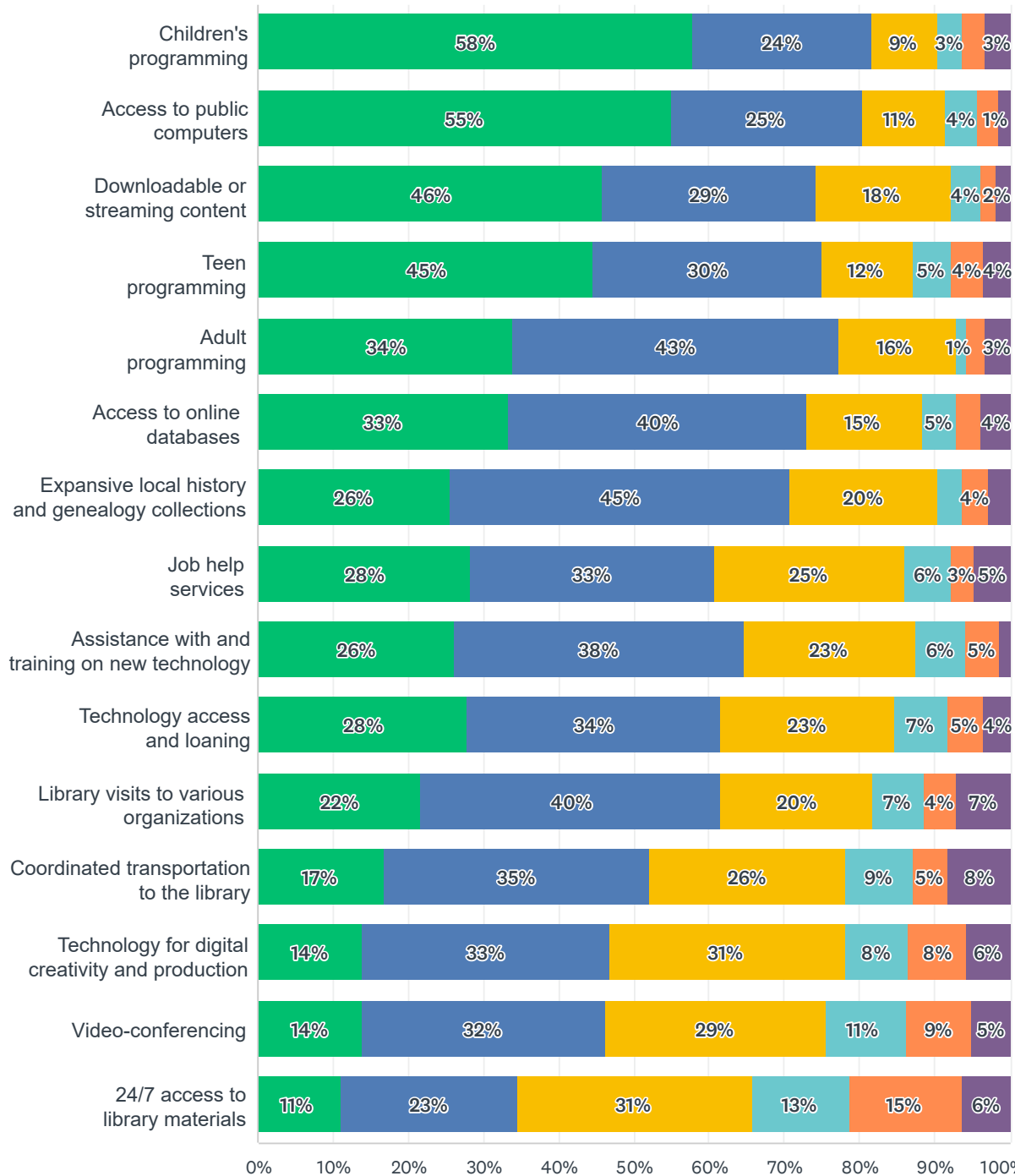
It is important that the library stays a warm and friendly place where books are number one and the opportunity to browse, sit and read magazines in a quiet and peaceful place, but the most important thing is to not loose the community feel as too much of that is going on, where a library trys to be everything to everybody and they cease to be anything, loses their identity, our library is one of the few left in Stevensville that is community, please don't change it so much that, that community feel will be lost forever

It is important for me to have a place that severs all ages. In addition a place that sparks creativity, learning, imagination and genuine sense of community.

* PATRON WOULD LIKE EARLIER OPEN HOURS; CONSIDERS ENERGY EFFICIENCY SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT BUT GREEN BUILDING SOMEWHAT UNIMPORTANT; "IF COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GOES AHEAD I DON'T HTINK WE NEED MEETING SPACES IN TWO PLACES. I WOULD HOPE THE FOUNDATION FACILITY IS NOT JUST A SPORT FACILITY"

Q6 Please rate the IMPORTANCE of the following services to you.

Answered: 282 Skipped: 50



■ Extremely Important
 ■ Somewhat Important
 ■ Neither Important nor Unimportant
 ■ Somewhat Unimportant
■ Extremely Unimportant
 ■ Don't Know/No Opinion

	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NEITHER IMPORTANT OR UNIMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT UNIMPORTANT	EXTREMELY UNIMPORTANT	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION	TOTAL	
Children's programming (storytime,STEAM programs,summer reading,tutoring and enrichment,etc.)	58% 163	24% 67	9% 25	3% 9	3% 9	3% 9	282	
Access to public computers	55% 154	25% 71	11% 31	4% 12	3% 8	1% 4	280	
Downloadable or streaming content (e-books, audiobooks,magazines, music, etc.)	46% 128	29% 80	18% 50	4% 11	2% 6	2% 5	280	
Teen programming (book clubs,STEAM programs,crafts, college and career programs,movies, gaming,social events, etc.)	45% 125	30% 85	12% 34	5% 14	4% 12	4% 10	280	
Adult programming (book clubs,writing groups,cultural events, author talks, etc.)	34% 96	43% 122	16% 44	1% 4	2% 7	3% 9	282	
Access to online databases (e.g. Ancestry, Auto Repair Reference Center, NCLive, Fold3, etc.)	33% 94	40% 112	15% 43	5% 13	3% 9	4% 11	282	
Expansive local history and genealogy collections	26% 72	45% 127	20% 55	3% 9	4% 10	3% 8	281	
Job help services (career development, resume help, employment opportunities, interview skills, etc.)	28% 79	33% 91	25% 71	6% 17	3% 9	5% 13	280	
Assistance with and training on new technology and equipment	26% 74	38% 108	23% 65	6% 18	5% 13	1% 4	282	
Technology access and loaning (e.g.,iPads, laptops, e-readers, hotspots, etc.)	28% 78	34% 95	23% 65	7% 20	5% 13	4% 10	281	
Library visits to various organizations in the community (senior centers, schoos, etc.)	22% 61	40% 112	20% 57	7% 19	4% 12	7% 20	281	
Coordinated transportation to the library from various locations with the community (senior centers, schools, etc.)	17% 47	35% 99	26% 73	9% 25	5% 13	8% 23	280	
Technology for digital creativity and production (e.g., Photoshop,video cameras, etc.)	14% 39	33% 92	31% 88	8% 23	8% 22	6% 16	280	
Video-conferencing (e.g., Zoom, Skype, etc.)	14% 39	32% 90	29% 82	11% 30	9% 24	5% 14	279	
24/7 access to library materials (in a vending machine, special lockers for holds pickup, etc.)	11% 31	23% 66	31% 88	13% 36	15% 42	6% 18	281	

WHAT ARE WE MISSING? WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE?

I would like to see a focus on books, literature, and stuff that involves books. Forget all this other stuff. People have many resources and don't need the library providing Photoshop, for example.

Mainly just a focus on books. more materials!! books, audio visual, everything. More books More current Books

More fiction religious ebook choices & new releases available as soon as released for purchase. If this isn't possible budget wise then possibly increase the budget for these books.

A larger selection of adult reference books. For example categories for computer programming, and robotics. Also availability of College level text books (Algebra, Calculus, Physics, Electronics, ETC). Overall, the libraries selection of books needs to be expanded.

more emphasis on books, wanting to be there, a welcoming place, community feel, I have been in too many that have lost that, hardly any books in the library, having to look at them on a computer to order and pickup at a later date, large areas for computers and people using them not quiet, a coffee shop, lets not loose site of what a library is, a wonderful place to seek out wonderful adventures and knowledge through books

Hard to answer. Our family mainly uses the library for book loans in all forms plus DVD rental. We have friends who use hot spots and computer/printer access. Do you have an adequate supply of those things?

Continue to have interlibrary loan access and expand how quickly we can get books/how we are notified

There should be something like an ILL for e-books. In the Bitterroot Valley, the availability of e-books is poor, unless one wishes to read bodice-rippers.

It would be great to have a vending machine with electronics to check out. I think that would help wait times and the hours of operations you wouldn't need to wait for library to open,

outside access to drop off loan books, DVDs and other checked out items so we don't have to go inside. Drive through window for pickups. I would like to check out tools, code readers and other equipment. Smart boards, bike racks,

The library services have to be compatible with the electronic age. Learning and knowledge isn't gained through books anymore. They are accessed through peers and technology. I see none to very little room for these at our library.

I'm wondering about braille availability. Is this n a need for the community? Different language and cultural presentations and resources

It's difficult to predict what's coming next in regards to technology so it's difficult to decide what is most important.

Outside area to read in the summer. If money is not a huge issue, upgrading flooring and have more cozy reading areas for kids to sit down with a book. Small little interior changes like adding plants, new paint and furniture to building. I think making this building a little bit more modern will attract the new families that are moving into the community

Better children's space and more community class options for children, teens and adults. Story time A new library building.

More toys for the kids area. Add comfortable seating areas in both the kids and adult areas. More natural light -could use more windows.

Group social/cultural event space - trivia contests, movie nights, board game tourneys, computer classes, local lecturer series, club sponsoring - gardening, hiking, book club, etc

Natural light; no light pollution; outdoor or rooftop space would be great! Sustainability of build is crucial 50+ years of age.

Quiet spaces are needed!

upgraded community space and building. Location is ideal though, and I would not want to see the library leave the Main st. location.

I love the kitchen area to hold nutrition & cooking classes in Missoula but I know we probably won't build a library like they have

More children programs for school aged children. There is little kid stuff and teen stuff but nothing in between. We loved the afternoon art club which was held after school. Love adult programs that could be offered during the day and evening. Missing new ideas for kids. Is there a change to a program every couple months? Different summer reading program, awards. Build interest by showing what you can win. Have weekly check ins and follow ups throughout the summer with little prizes or just activities. We like science in the summer could there be more stuff like that year around. Could there be a kid garden, kid talent show, different types of art offerings? Art is no longer offered by an art teacher in school so teachers do limited art in the classroom. Can we have a program? Materials for kids or even a drop in space? A kid specific art show? What about more teen events? A survey specifically to them as to what they want? What is the school missing that the library could offer? Maybe just a place to hang out and offer tiva weekly, music. Keep kids interested in going and being part of the library. I think this survey should be given out to all different populations. Distribute to the schools, living center, coffee shop at the grocery store. Get the survey out to everyone before taking the next steps.

A lot of these are provided by the job resources centers and library funds library needs.

I think just by virtue of the questions you're asking here that plans are pointed in a positive, community minded direction.

To not have taxes raised just because people flooded the area and want all modern conveniences at their finger tips! Be a true rural person and drive a few miles to Missoula or Hamilton!

While many of these activities would be nice, a community has to be realistic about what a library can offer. There are other services intended to meet these needs- specifically job training and transportation.

PREFERS LOCAL HISTORY AND GENEALOGY TREATED AS SEPARATE SUBJECTS. EMPHASIZED AUTHOR TALKS. SAYS THAT WE ARE MISSING INTERLIBRARY LOANS.

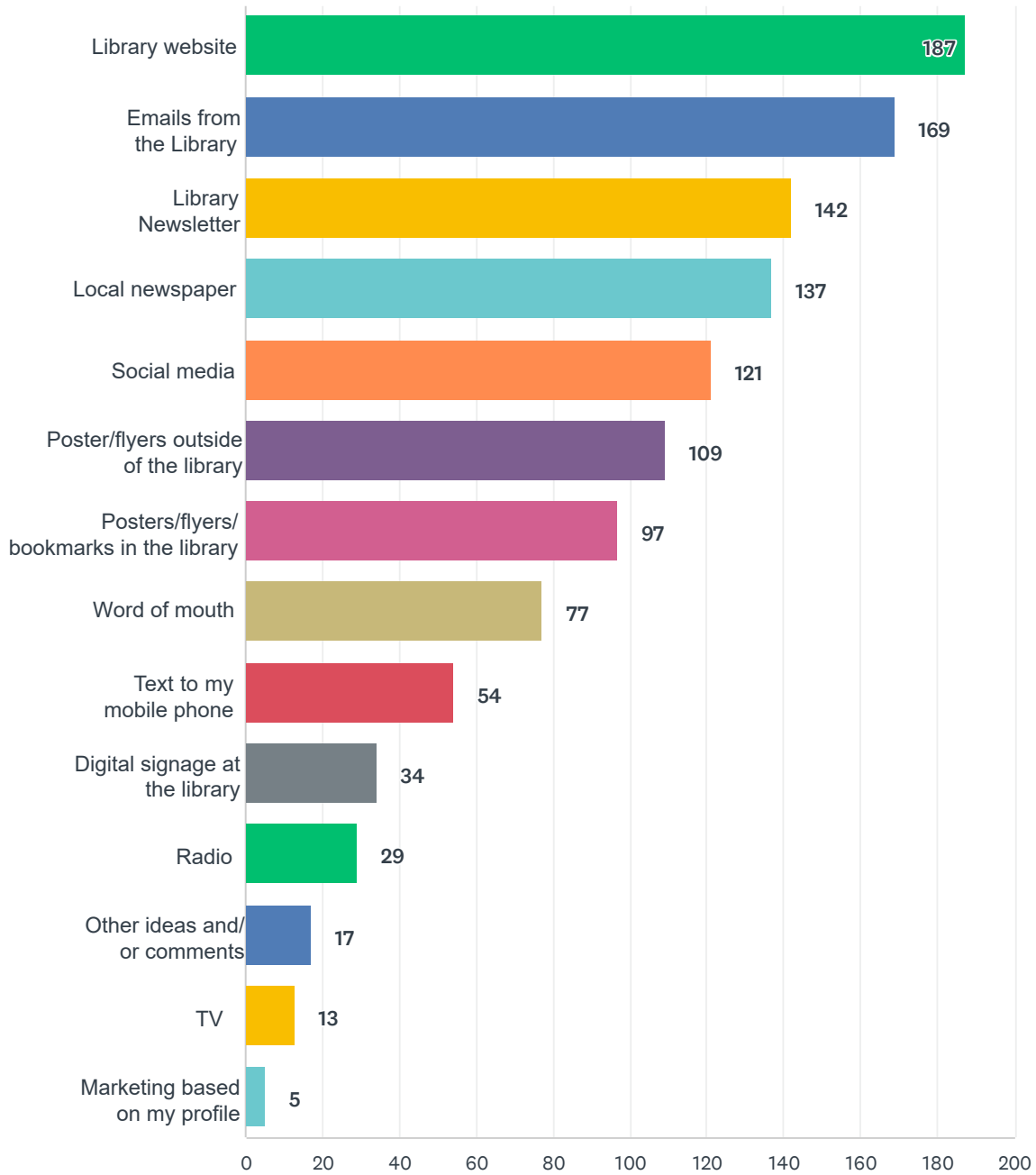
Again, I answered what was important to me personally as to how I use the library; if I was answering for the community most of the answers would be "extremely important."

I never thought of half the stuff you asked about being part of the library so I am walking new territory

Some suggestions are too broad. Crafts, gaming & "social" events are irrelevant to a Library.

Q7 Please mark your preferred methods of finding out about library news and events. (check ALL that apply)

Answered: 277 Skipped: 55



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Library website	68%	187
Emails from the Library	61%	169
Library Newsletter	51%	142
Local newspaper	49%	137
Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc.)	44%	121
Poster/flyers outside of the Library	39%	109
Posters/flyers/bookmarks in the Library	35%	97
Word of mouth (friends or neighbors)	28%	77
Text to my mobile phone	19%	54
Digital signage at the Library	12%	34
Radio	10%	29
Other ideas and/or comments:	6%	17
TV	5%	13
Marketing based on my profile, usage, and preferences	2%	5
Total Respondents: 277		

OTHER IDEAS AND/OR COMMENTS:

posters or flyers sent to the local schools to distribute to students

Post on the web page and on downloadable info put info ad on them, ebooks and audio books too

Through students region-wide (Stevi/Lone Rock/Victor/Flo/Corvallis) information @ the library on their own websites and trips to the library from those schools.

Regular emails to your list would be good.

Read the door/conversation with staff

Calendar for those that don't have internet

place flyers in local restaurants / churches and gas station

Personal response/others yes

School announcements, advertising at other community events, more posters signage without the community

I do not want to get texts

I don't care about hearing from the library

too many unread emails.

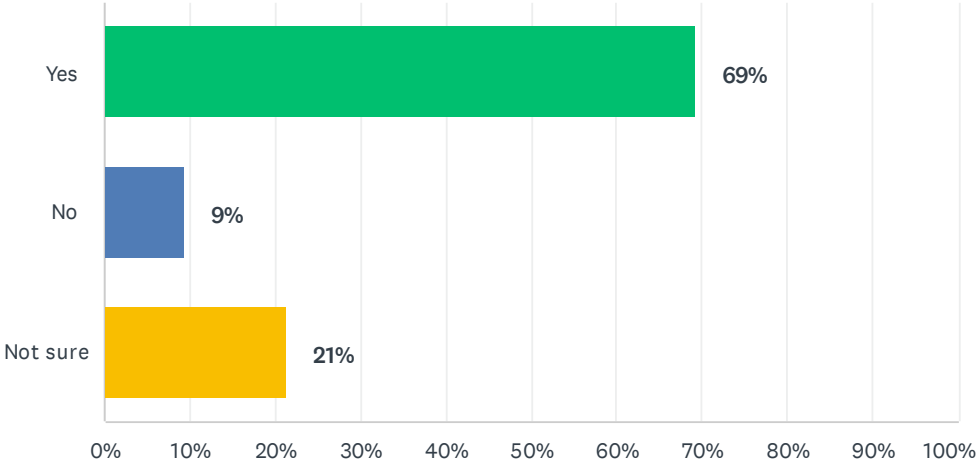
I would be interested in producing a local news podcast, I have been thinking about doing so and am putting together some of the necessary tech.

Thank you for listening

A pick-up box for a library newsletter could be placed on store bulletin boards or at checkout areas of local businesses for the public to pick up.

Q8 After a capital campaign, if the Library needs to run a bond to make a new building a reality, would you consider voting yes to a bond?

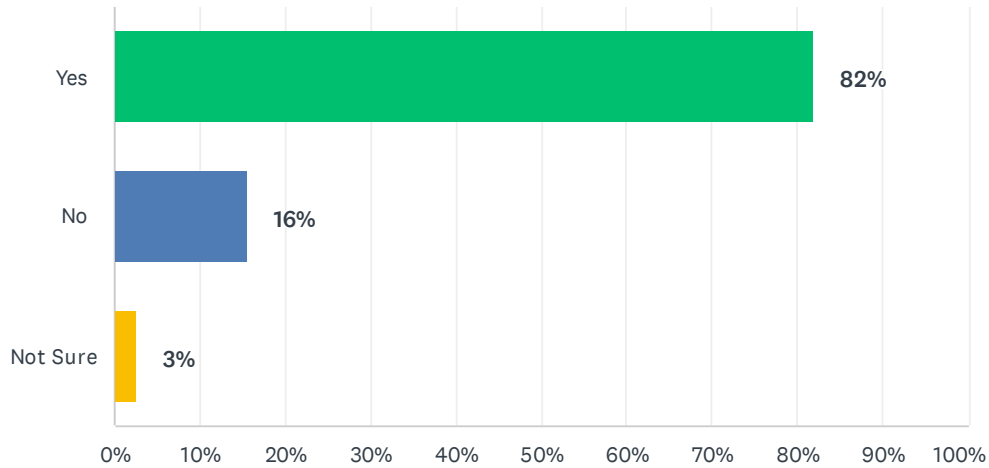
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	69%	192
No	9%	26
Not sure	21%	59
TOTAL		277

Q9 Do you have a North Valley Public Library card?

Answered: 276 Skipped: 56



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	82%	226
No	16%	43
Not Sure	3%	7
TOTAL		276

IF NO, WHY NOT?

New to area, haven't gotten one yet. Haven't got one yet Just haven't gotten around to getting one I forget that I should get one!

I used to have a NV card but it expired. I use my Missoula Public Library card instead my Missoula library card works

have a missoula library card I still have my Missoula card I have a Missoula Library card that works there Missoula Library Card

I have a Bitterroot Valley Public Library card. If it does not also work a the NVPL, that's a real shame.

Bitterroot Public Library card covers it. I have a Bitterroot library card

I do research and purchase ebooks online

I have a computer and assistance is what I need

When the pandemic struck I was told I would be charged \$25.00 to get one. Finally after discussion and a lecture from the librarian I was able to use my card for the Missoula Public Library. I thought Library cards were supposed to be free, and I live in Florence an area served by the NVPL.

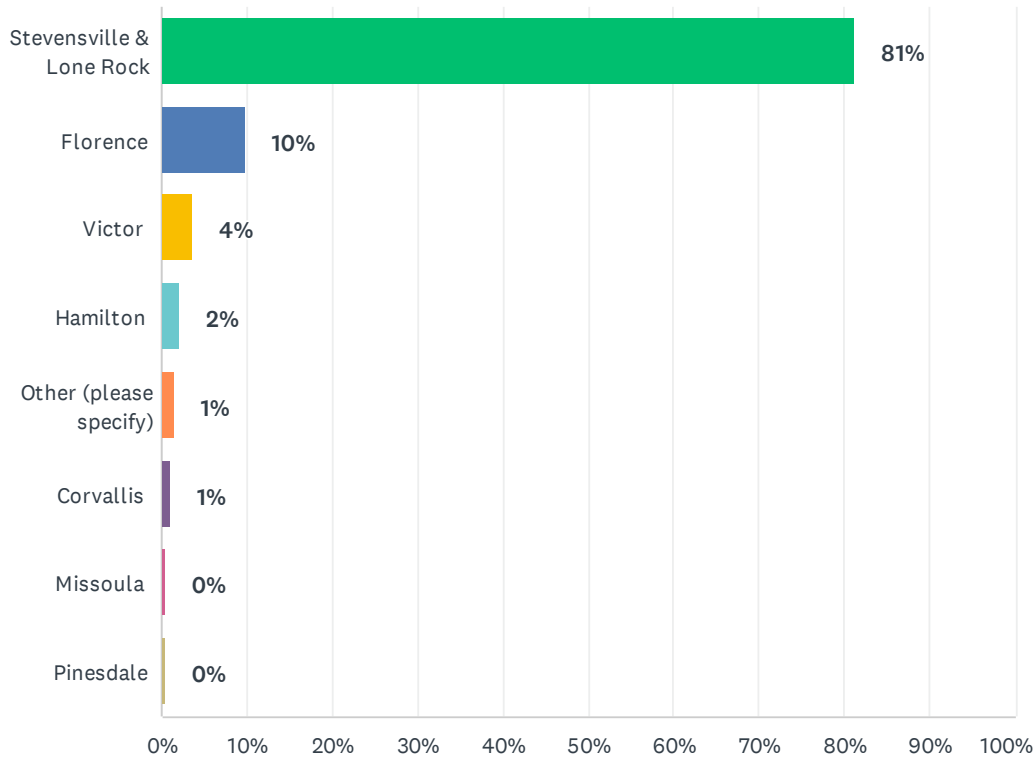
No need yet. Never went in to get one I use my wifes Refuse to pay for one

Just recently moved to Stevensville

Thought I did but when wanting to check out some books for my gkids, mine was so old, the desk help looked at each other like "what is this? What do we do?"

Q10 What community do you live in?

Answered: 276 Skipped: 56



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Stevensville & Lone Rock	81%	224
Florence	10%	27
Victor	4%	10
Hamilton	2%	6
Other (please specify)	1%	4
Corvallis	1%	3
Missoula	0%	1
Pinesdale	0%	1
TOTAL		276

OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)

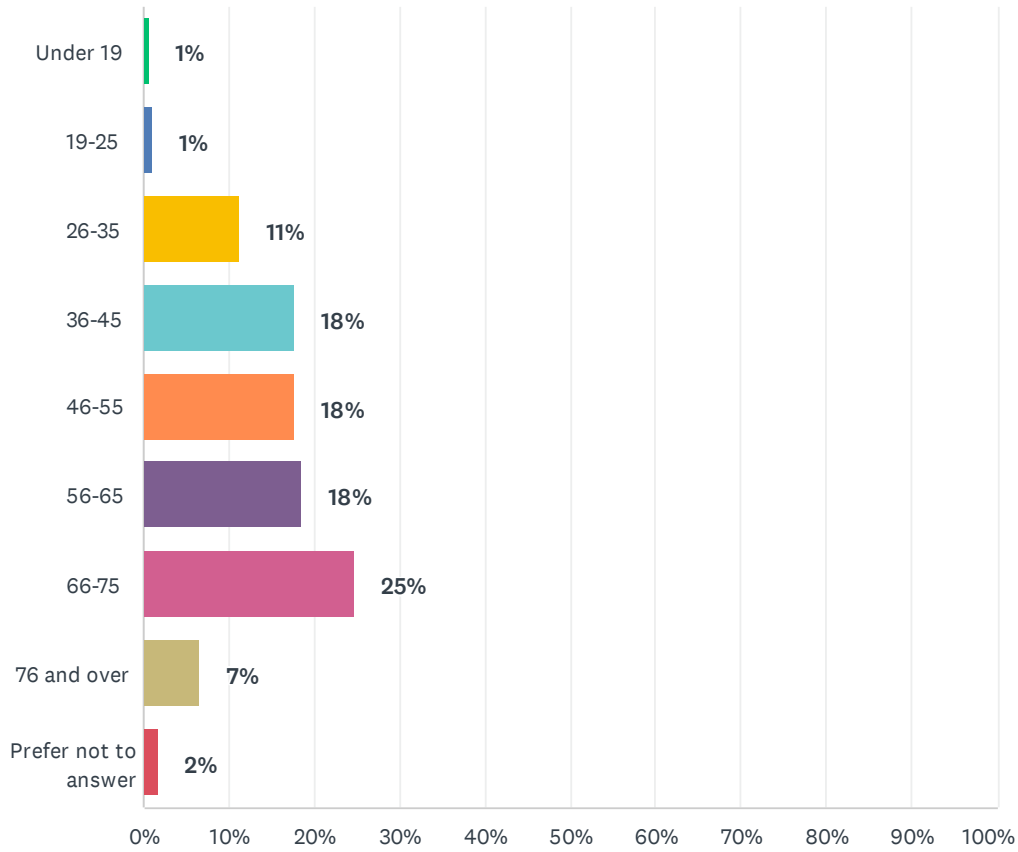
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Lolo

But I frequently go to Corvallis for lunch & I frequently spend days visiting and shopping, eating in Hamilton & Victor.

Q11 What is your age?

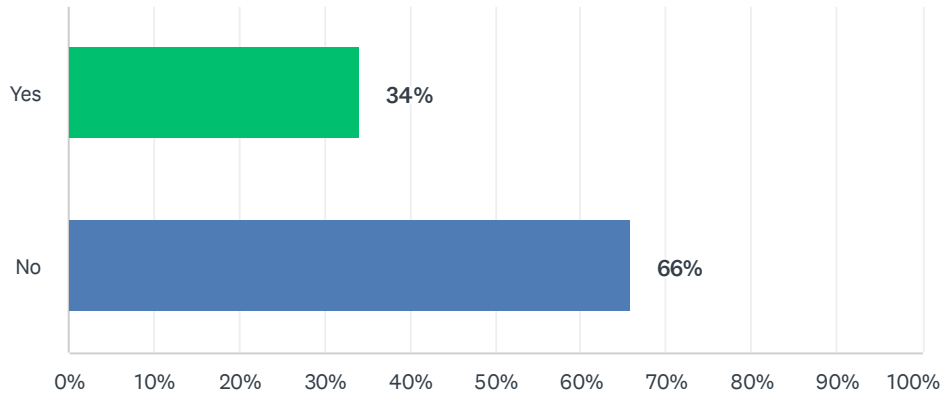
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 19	1%	2
19-25	1%	3
26-35	11%	31
36-45	18%	49
46-55	18%	49
56-65	18%	51
66-75	25%	68
76 and over	7%	18
Prefer not to answer	2%	5
TOTAL		276

Q12 Do you have children under the age of 18 living with you?

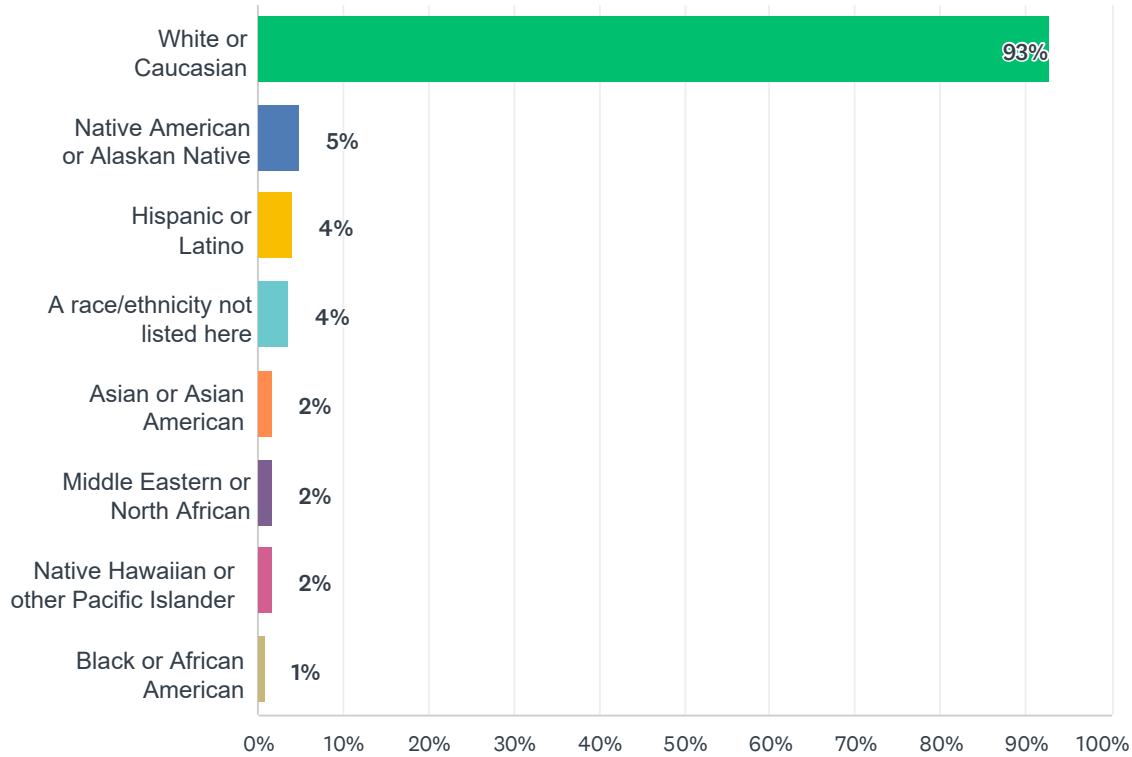
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	34%	94
No	66%	182
TOTAL		276

Q13 Which of the following best describes you? Check ALL that apply.(Optional)

Answered: 247 Skipped: 85



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
White or Caucasian	93%	229
Native American or Alaskan Native	5%	12
Hispanic or Latino	4%	10
A race/ethnicity not listed here	4%	9
Asian or Asian American	2%	4
Middle Eastern or North African	2%	4
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	2%	4
Black or African American	1%	2
Total Respondents: 247		

PLEASE PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS REGARDING YOUR CULTURAL BACKGROUND, LANGUAGES SPOKEN, OR OTHER DEFINING CHARACTERISTICS THE LIBRARY SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT IN DEVELOPING COLLECTIONS, PROGRAMMING, AND/OR A NEW LIBRARY.

Filipino

I am half German and Native American

I really appreciate the interlibrary loan program allowing nearly anything to be available through the public library system. Your welcome

My sons loved it as kids. They decided to attend HS in Missoula and their new library is amazing., They now have school projects involving 3-D printers! We have lived here for 23 years and see first hand the need for a good source of facts and education in this community. Our sons had lots of support at home for learning, not all kids do. Having a resource like a library is fundamental to a strong and thoughtful community.- Sara Olin Malo

Working professional

We all have the same grandma

I will support this library in any way possible. It is a HUGE asset to myself and my family.

The building is no longer adequate for modern usage. It cannot be enlarged (except vertically) and needs a lot of update, probably not viable.

This survey was taken by myself (age group 19-25) and my mother (56-65). Just double our answers. :-)

Celtic native

I really like the Australian lady. She's very nice and her accent lends such a neat dynamic to the experience

Small collection on domestic violence for self help if not there already. Maybe book written by MT author/new Montana history books showcased for that year. Would like beautiful, inviting quiet spaces/cubicles or great lighting/lamps, comfy chairs for quiet study or reading.

One of my favorite boyhood summer memories is that of hot, humid Texas afternoons in the ice cold, air-conditioned Grand Prairie Memorial Library. For a boy without air conditioning, the library was a wonderful refuge. Plus, they had the first (room-sized!) Xerox machine! 10 cents a copy!

Could use more direct family history capability per LDS model. It would require more computer use time allotments and dedicated terminal.

Restrooms--unisex

Please consider future growth that will allow expansion. The surrounding area is growing and demographics should be considered. Hamilton is a good place for comparison. It is overcrowded, computers can be hard to find a space and there isn't much space to set up your own. It isn't conducive to relaxing and reading. It may be a historic building, but it is woefully inadequate. Make a new library a model in usability!

Love our library. The staff is great. Really missing school aged programs. Specifically art and programs right after school. I would love to see an update to our library. The location is great but understand if it needs to be moved. It would be great if it could stay on Main Street or near other town services/park/city hall.

None of your business (2)

Montana history space crucial as is reaching out to all local tribes; Native American space very important.

The current library is not sustainable for the future - uneven flooring, lack of space, problems structurally, upstairs cannot be used and beam support in basement is an issue. We must find a way to build a new library that will meet future needs and be very efficient with good parking and accessibility.

I love the smiles and warm greetings of the staff. You did not ask about the education level of your library costumers - will that effect your ordering particular genres?

I just need the library, it is a part of my life. No matter how old I was or where I lived the library was like a sanctuary.

Hold PhD in international relations/Soviet studies. Particularly appreciate history holdings/access to the other area collections.

Really, the library system in the Bitterroot Valley should take into hand its relationship to e-books. There's a big lacuna in the area between what one might politely term "popular" literature and what one might call "classic" literature. Also, stop being such disgraceful slaves to the Diversity, Inclusion and Equity BS. Western culture is actually just fine.

We also speak Italian and are trying to raise our son bilingual. Access to Italian language books would be amazing.

Generally, I believe the library is an extremely important resource for a local community and it should set up to be as physically accessible as possible to all in the community; set up as technologically up to date as possible to serve all ages in the community; offer a variety of services pertinent to the needs of the community; and staffed as friendly and as knowledgeable as possible to serve all patrons.

The libraries of neighboring communities could collaborate on special events or programs concerning the stories of the region!

What difference does my nationality make for discussion?

Q14 Thoughts and comments

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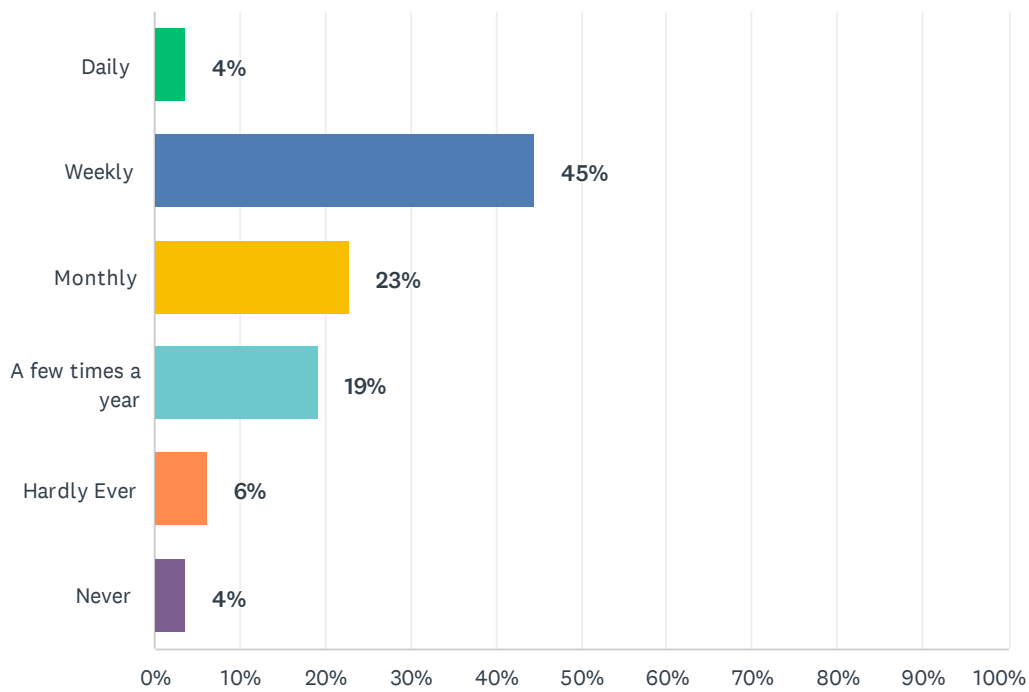
Spaces/Building & Grounds/Tech	remember, don't lose your community feel and that libraries are books
A library should reflect the land and people that it lives with.	The building itself definitely needs updating.
A number of years ago, I toured the library at a time when it was being considered for updates or a new building... That building is old, saw grease leaching through from the restaurant. The solution at the time was pretty much to "duct tape" it together!! The building needs to be torn down! The Stevensville community deserves better!	The current library is in a wreck of an old building. Please do not consider remodeling, it has had a mold problem in the past.
ADA is really important. a bike rack would be nice.	Current parking is on Main Street and its hard to get a spot and get in and out. A new location should have a large parking lot with plenty of handicapped parking.
Building is old and decrepit. Nice, outstanding people work there. But give them a better building. A building the whole community can be proud of.	The current library is not sustainable for the future - uneven flooring lack of space, problems structurally, upstairs cannot be used and beam support in basement is an issue. We must find a way to build a new library that will meet future needs and be very efficient with good parking and accessibility.
I consider a modern library's purpose to be a hub of community activity - cultural, social and resource centric. Must appeal to diverse interests and all ages, ethnicities, economic standing and educational backgrounds. My personal wish for our new library would include a peaceful outdoor public space with comfortable seating, shady and sunny enclaves, pleasing landscaping. It needn't be large, but should be welcoming and relaxing for all.	The North Valley Public Library is a horrible place to visit and I would imagine a depressing place to work!
The library structure should blend in with the existing buildings and homes. The outside of the building should not be mega modern in appearance.	There are pictures of Native Americans all over the outside, but inside I doubt if many Native Americans have ever desired to go there! I have witnessed many Caucasian users who seem to be there only out of necessity and not happy at that.
The interior space should have plenty of natural light and should be welcoming and comfortable without hard architecture. There should be an open plan for the public spaces that prioritizes flexibility and accessibility. Gathering spaces and meeting spaces should be multi-use with changeable sizes possibly using movable full height walls. There should be user friendly signage that can be seen easily from all areas.	It's not a place for the community. Truly, I don't know why it's here. What is there to tell of the history of the Bitterroot Valley? What is the significance of the Kootenai Canyon? Of what origin is the name "Kootenai"?
have computer technology available, provide community meeting space(s), and have plenty of parking.	What about the the origin of the Bitterroot Valley?
I haven't really used the library because it always seems closed and I have a hard time finding parking. However, it is something I would love to use if it were in a better space and didn't feel so small and outdated.	The significance of the bitterroot flower to the people of the Valley?
I love a cozy environment at the library	The library could sponsor a May Day celebration along with the Native Americans who used the flower for sustenance!!!
I love the Stevi library but it is well past it's prime and we sure could use a new building with better parking.	These are just some of my FYIs...
I support getting a new building for modernization concepts.	The size capacity in of itself is currently limiting to library members. Building an update building with more space for seating and appropriate area for each would help immensely. Currently everyone is sandwiched on top of each other and there can not really be designated quiet and children friendly play/ learning areas at the same time as it is.
I would like to feel that our library is a place I can sit and relax and read. It needs good lighting and different types of seating.	The take away from meeting on 2.26.22 and public comments It is important to have parking, incl. people with disabilities, quiet and active spaces, outdoor spaces, flexible spaces, reflecting towns history, promotes downtown, smart boards, bike racks, partner with local museums to have displays. First lending library in Montana was established at Historic St. Mary's Mission in Stevensville.
Ideal to have phone booths for private impromptu calls; outdoor demo garden(s); space for library of things, seed library, and tool library, dedicated bulletin board for advertising just library events	Best Wishes.
If a new library building is going to be built, check out some unique libraries. One that comes to mind is the library in the City of Huntington Beach, CA. It has trees growing inside next to a small creek with recycling water flowing through it. Bring the outside to the inside, create a pleasant place to sit and read or study.	We don't need a big city library with a bunch of technology. We need a friendlier small town library with better books.
My best advice is to keep it simple. I am a big fan of libraries and I have seen many new libraries (or transplanted old ones) lose all character and charm in favor of white, modern, sterile environments full of technology and meeting rooms rather than a focus on books and rentals, as a library still ought to be, primarily, in my opinion. Libraries needn't fulfill all facets of a community. Further, less funding would be required to keep it simple and charming.	We need a newer building. It's been 'patched' and painted so much. So many people have worked very hard to improve it. I like location but limited parking.
Need more parking	We would love a new building, but we also love the current location. I am worried about elderly patrons walking on the uneven floor in the current library. The computer area and kids' section is nice and seems to work well for younger folks.
	Would love to see an expansion and evolution of the library without it losing the personal, homey feeling of today.
Other	Services
As far as I'm concerned the public library is the pinnacle of democracy--good luck.	Although I do not use all services available now, I have friends who check out hot spots when available, but they haven't been able to participate in Zoom conferences. Therefore the filters in place need to be investigated
Having attended the public zoom meeting with the design team, my impression was that many of my comments above are things that team already knows are important.	It would be nice to have a meeting room available to rent for private groups of 10 or more people.
I like that it's open	Operations
I will keep thinking of things.	Longer library hours would be great. Especially earlier mornings.
Safe, comfortable, educational spot for kids in Stevi should be a priority.	EDI
Stand Fast! Librarians protect free speech.	The access to cultural language and customs is extremely important to enrich and sustain our Native American community, and by extension, the region. There are native speakers and artists in Missoula who work to educate the community and would help create access and understanding.

Funding/Bond Issue	Location
A bond is more likely to pass if it is within reason. This is a small community and a lot of the 'wants' are expensive.	A new building is needed. Finding a good location that is downtown or within easy walking distance of downtown is important. I believe funding will be difficult to obtain, perhaps find a location where there would be room for potential future expansion after the initial new building is constructed.
A new library would be a huge benefit to the community. Kids have limited resources living in this area. It would be a huge addition to have more space and activities for children. I would vote yes to a new library! I know many others in the community would as well.	I don't use the existing library, however, these are my thoughts on the community using the library. A new library should be very close to school(s) and downtown Stevi; within walking/biking distance.
Although the majority of the community members would love a new library the people in our state are being taxed way too much as it is. Everything comes down to tax payers and some people are already making decisions on everyday living. Our property taxes are outrageous and until this gets under control I think people will have a hard time supporting this.	I have always felt that the library should be built close to the schools, I hope a new facility is downtown, not (for example) out past the post office.
Bonds are extremely hard to pass. I have been involved in quite a few. I support bonds for education & enrichment but my advice is to get a campaign committee that has success and understands the uphill battle. I couldn't find what I wanted, I'm new to town. Most books I want ARE NOT HERE.	I like the idea that the library is centrally located for the community but right on main street, unless it is on the edge of town, does not give it the space it needs.
I don't like the thought of more taxes. I understand if you need a new building, the parking is awful due to the bars. But I don't think most of these expensive new rooms and technology and services are necessary. This is Stevensville and the community is mostly poverish. Stay within your means.	I LIKE THE LIBRARY WHERE IT IS IF POSSIBLE. IF NOT, I WOULD LIKE THE STEVENSVILLE FOUNDATION TO GIVE YOU THEIR LAND BY R/R TRACKS FREE AND CLEAR.
I personally feel lots of people will turn down a bond. If you look at the history of how long it has taken the school to get renovated through a bond. It would be great if you could change those minds and see what those NO votes need to see/have before they would change to a YES. Our senior center is lacking in programs. Would offering more senior programs help? Would having the senior center have a space in the library? What about transportation from the Bitterroot Bus? I personally am a den leader for cub scouts and am unable to use the community room because we charge a fee to join. I think this is bad practice and we should incorporate and encourage community groups to meet and be part of our library. These groups to help raise funds and do service for the library. What is Stevensville missing that the library could provide and still meet their mission?? Again I love the library and have taken my 4 kids there for years. They range in age from 19-5. I will continue to go to the library but am a bit concerned if there isn't some changes made my kids will lose interest when it is an essential time for them to have a safe space to go with friends. The staff is amazing and so helpful.	I think that location is the critical location. Ideally the library needs to be near the center of town, somewhere between the Forest Service office and the Post Office and close to Main St. or perhaps at the Y. I do not think that a site near the school is suitable. I firmly believe that a library is an essential part of the community.
I see no logic in two separate community facilities (community center and library) with two separate capital campaigns in such a small town. Many people in Florence work in Missoula, and use the new library there if they need one. Corvallis is part of the Hamilton library district. We don't need two multi-million dollar facilities, especially if one of them requires yet another tax increase. For far too long this town has had a history of groups refusing to work together. Get over it and figure it out!	I think we've needed a new library building for a long time. It would be nice to keep it in town. I suspect it may end up at the new building on 93, which would hinder my visits as I'm retired and not driving all up and down the valley anymore. Would I go if that were so? ... Yes, just not as often. Thank you
interest rates are terrible. building now is very expensive. why build something "adequate" barely meeting minimum requirements, until things calm a bit.	It would be great if it could be next to Lewis and Clark park, where kids and families already congregate.
It is the nature of public institutions to want to grow larger. Be careful. We are staring down the barrel of a depression; and a move to expand beyond our means, or even up to the limit of stevi's means, could serve to destroy, rather than to improve the library.	Like the central location of the library. I would prefer to make the Main Street location work, although I can understand the potential difficulties.
I have enjoyed the library here in Stevensville for the vast majority of my 24 years, many of the employees know me, and I hope that my children may use it in turn.	Please keep the library downtown.
Don't decide that just because Missoula got a big face lift that every other library in the area has to be just as big, remember we are small town. And please, please don't do a bond. Our taxes are high enough.	Please pick a location with bus service from downtown Stevensville to the new library. I know you can't, I hope you don't move.
please no more bonds/taxes/mil levies. we are inundated with those on our property tax bill. Yes, we pay about \$100 a year on our property taxes to support the library, but we also make an annual donation because this is a service that we use and value. We would be happy to assist with a building fund drive, but any voluntary donations would cease if taxes were to be raised.	Please find a new location and build a new library. Why not team up with the group in Stevensville that is trying to build a Community Center. They already have property, this could be a win win situation.
Taxes are high enough to support a library building in this area!!	Collections
The library is important to our community, relocating it will be a huge endeavor. Locating site and funding are only the beginning, with limited financial resources, I believe it would be beneficial to reach out to other organization for their support and perhaps joint venture.	"ILL" for e-books.
We don't need a new library!!!!!! Stop this wasteful spending!	Having the library in our community is essential. I borrow many of books at time, new and old, and am grateful for the inter-library loan system throughout the state. I place holds online and receive emails when they come in. It is most convenient for me. The staff is wonderful and personable and I enjoy our short visits when I come in. Thank you!
	I believe that a library can and should be the center of activity along with the schools. I have attended different talks and most of the time, I've had to stand. I use the Libby app a lot and sometimes can't find the book I'm looking for
	Having a selection of *good* children and teen material is vital. Adults hopefully have the skills to seek out what they need, but for children especially having these books and videos at their fingertips is incredible.
	more art videos
	More of a music collection would be great
	One thing I would like to see at the library is more resources for homeschool/tutoring/curriculum.
	While the physical space is important, the Montana2Go link is essential as well. I would love to see more titles available. I don't know if there is a way to leverage both needs in requesting financing and capital. Because the current library is too small and not enjoyable to sit and read off the shelf, I don't go in, but rely solely on eBooks, etc. I worked in my public library 40 years ago and would volunteer again if the new space needs the support.
	Marketing/Awareness/Partnerships
	We used the public library (in another area) prior to COVID. After COVID, we just never got connected with this library. Coordinate with school librarians to reach students for afternoon/evening/weekend/holiday events and opportunities. Stevensville has excellent school librarians who might also have some ideas to share.

Libraries Important/Thank You/Love Library	Programs
<p>The current staff does a great job with the facility they have. It will be amazing to see what they can do with more space and better facility.</p>	<p>Children's programming during non-business hours since we are unavailable for those times. I would also like to attend adult programming, but the evening is a difficult time for me to participate, weekend days would work best for me.</p>
<p>The Stevensville library staff is always extremely kind, caring, and accommodating. They used to help me out and allow me 2 hours on the computer while I was taking finals for my classes, as I do not have a computer at home. That has made an enormous impact on my studying and allowed me to earn my degree. I appreciate everything they do.</p>	<p>Classes at 12 noon to 1pm, not later than 2pm. Do yoga classes, adult classes on gardening, canning, tea healing, spice healing, health related, etc., iphone classes and computer classes on basics.</p>
<p>This is the best little library in Montana!</p>	<p>Please keep having literacy events, summer reading programs, story hour, etc. for all ages but especially for children, at the library. Teach them how to learn and how to find what they want to learn about. Maybe even having some digital literacy classes at the library so that kids can learn how to sort out factual, helpful information online, would be a great use of resources. Also continue to have access to the internet for those who don't have it, in all the ways you do (computers on site, wifi hotspots for rent, etc.). The creative outlets such as a makerspace I don't see as directly related to the library's essential function. It would be cool if another group wanted to operate such creative spaces nearby or in tandem with the library. Having rooms to rent, for, say, artists to come and teach a class (sponsored by the library or at a cost to students) or musicians to rent a space to teach lessons—in a soundproofed room—would be an amazing community service. Figure out the insurance part of it so artists and teachers don't need to provide their own insurance.</p>
<p>While I use the library mainly for checking in/out books, we feel the entire community needs a library for multiple uses. Our boys went to Lone Rock and Stevensville schools. They utilized the library many times for school assignments etc. We are both retired so don't use the equipment since we have that at home, have no need for conference rooms, study rooms and other conveniences of a library. HOWEVER!!! We couldn't survive without a library. More and more families are moving into the area. There is a need and should always have a need for a library. In our opinion a library is the hub of the community.</p>	<p>I truly appreciate the programs for kids you have had, particularly the ones connected with spectrum. The kids live in Stevensville. I live across the street from Pinesdale. They spend summer days with me. I drive up and we would get the science kits to do at my house. When they wanted to get dvds I found out how old my card was. They have entered middle school and their parents have cards so they can check out with their stuff. Almost old enough to have their own</p>
<p>Please keep it going!! No matter the location.</p>	<p>Love all the kids programming, summer reading challenges, and friendly staff!</p>
<p>Thank you</p>	<p>Though I use Libbey for most acces, I believe a library is critical to the community. I have a attended Adult Ed classes and like the crafty ones best.</p>
<p>Janet and Dick Oestreich</p>	<p>Staff</p>
<p>For my needs - mostly book borrowing - I find the NVPL library and friendly staff to be just what I want and need. I currently am a member of the Laramie, WY, Friends of the Albany County Public Library (having lived and volunteered there and I still do volunteer work while living here in Montana) and I do graphic design for them for their book sales and publications needs (posters, bookmarks, newspaper ads, Facebook posts). I would be interested in doing the same for the NVPL Foundation, should they be interested in my volunteering my graphic design services.</p>	<p>Employees tasks and needs should be considered as well as the users wants and needs. Ease of use for users and employees of book return(s) and the check out area should be considered. Book return equipment for when the library is closed should be discussed with employees. The preliminary discovery phase should include group discussions with all employees and should not be limited to only director(s) and head librarians. It should include all employees with discussions about all of their tasks. Adequate space should be allocated to employee areas. Provide good quality equipment that allows ease of use for the employees; use the best quality book carts for example.</p>
<p>I think everything has been well thought through and thorough. Good job with the questionnaire and fabulous job with the library it is truly a wonderful place</p>	
<p>I think the library is especially important for families, and supporting literacy and healthy development in toddlers, children, and teens. It is an inexpensive way to support their education, and to allow the adults in their lives to curate their materials and to expand their horizons. Libraries were very important to me as a kid; sometimes I would check out a dozen books a week, or as many as the library would allow! And I would read all of them. The library is so important to a community. Now that we have digital access to everything, we tend to not need the library to find out information as much. However, to culturally enrich our lives, while you can find and download some things online, there is nothing better than a library to create equity for families and individuals in a community, and give them FREE resources to better themselves, to learn, and to broaden their horizons.</p>	
<p>You do an amazing job. Hope to see a new library, it gets my vote</p>	

Q1 How often do you use the North Valley Public Library?

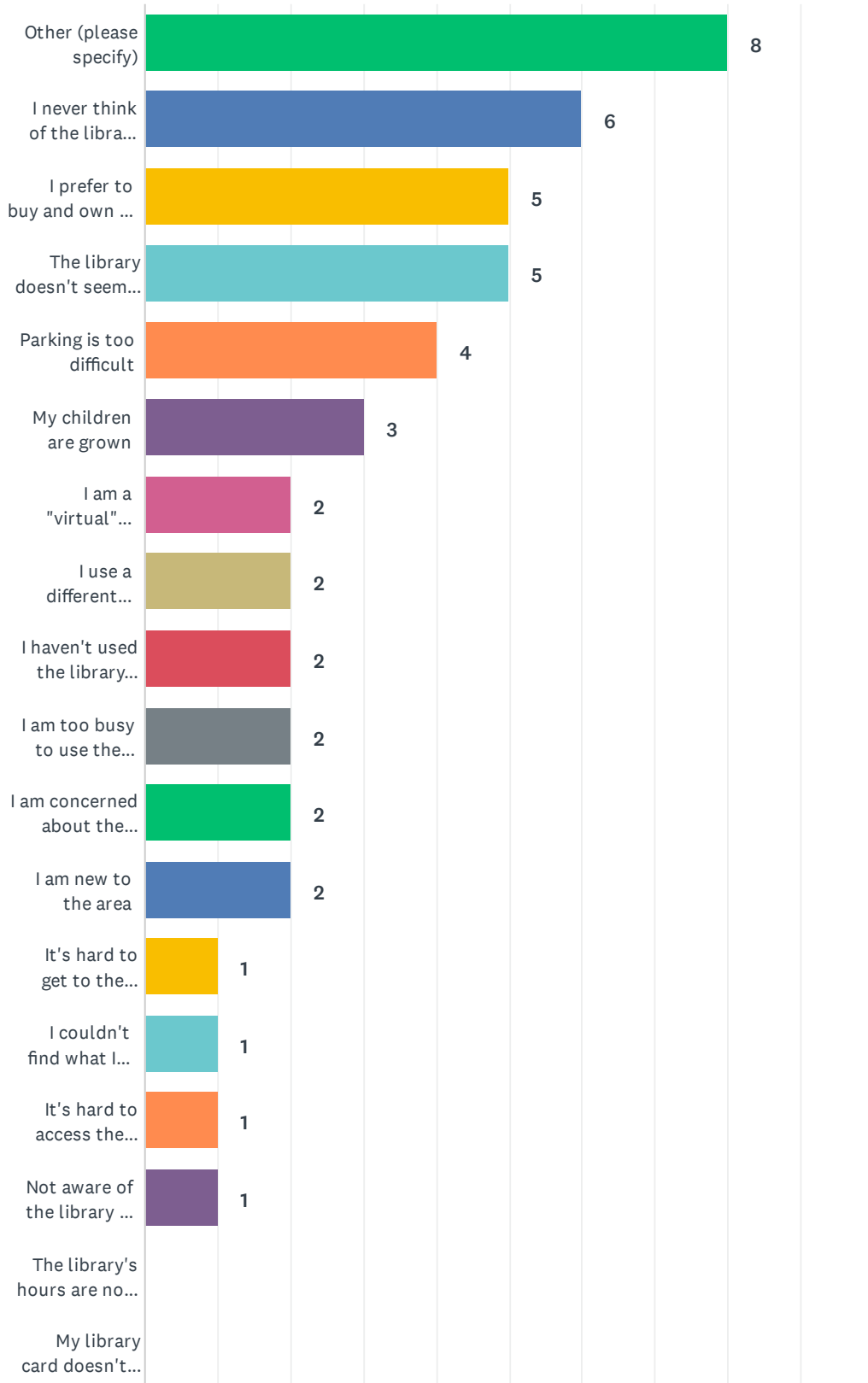
Answered: 224 Skipped: 0



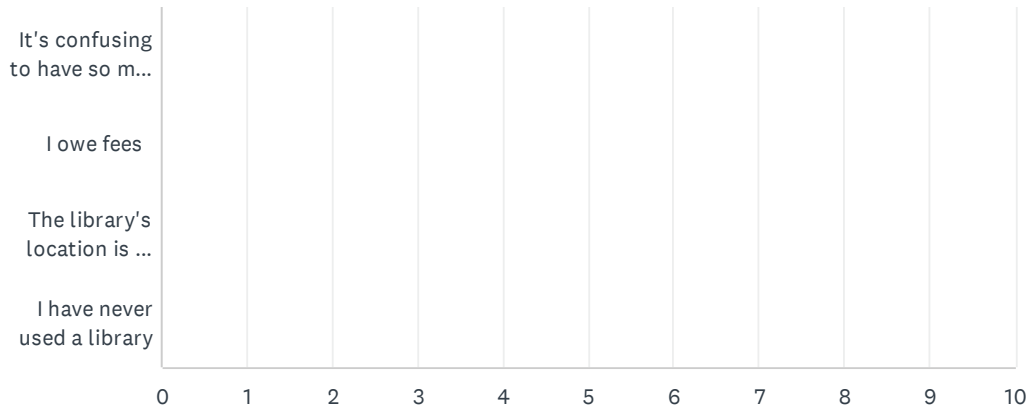
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	4%	8
Weekly	45%	100
Monthly	23%	51
A few times a year	19%	43
Hardly Ever	6%	14
Never	4%	8
TOTAL		224

Q2 If you do not usually visit the North Valley Public Library, please tell us why not. (check ALL that apply)

Answered: 22 Skipped: 202



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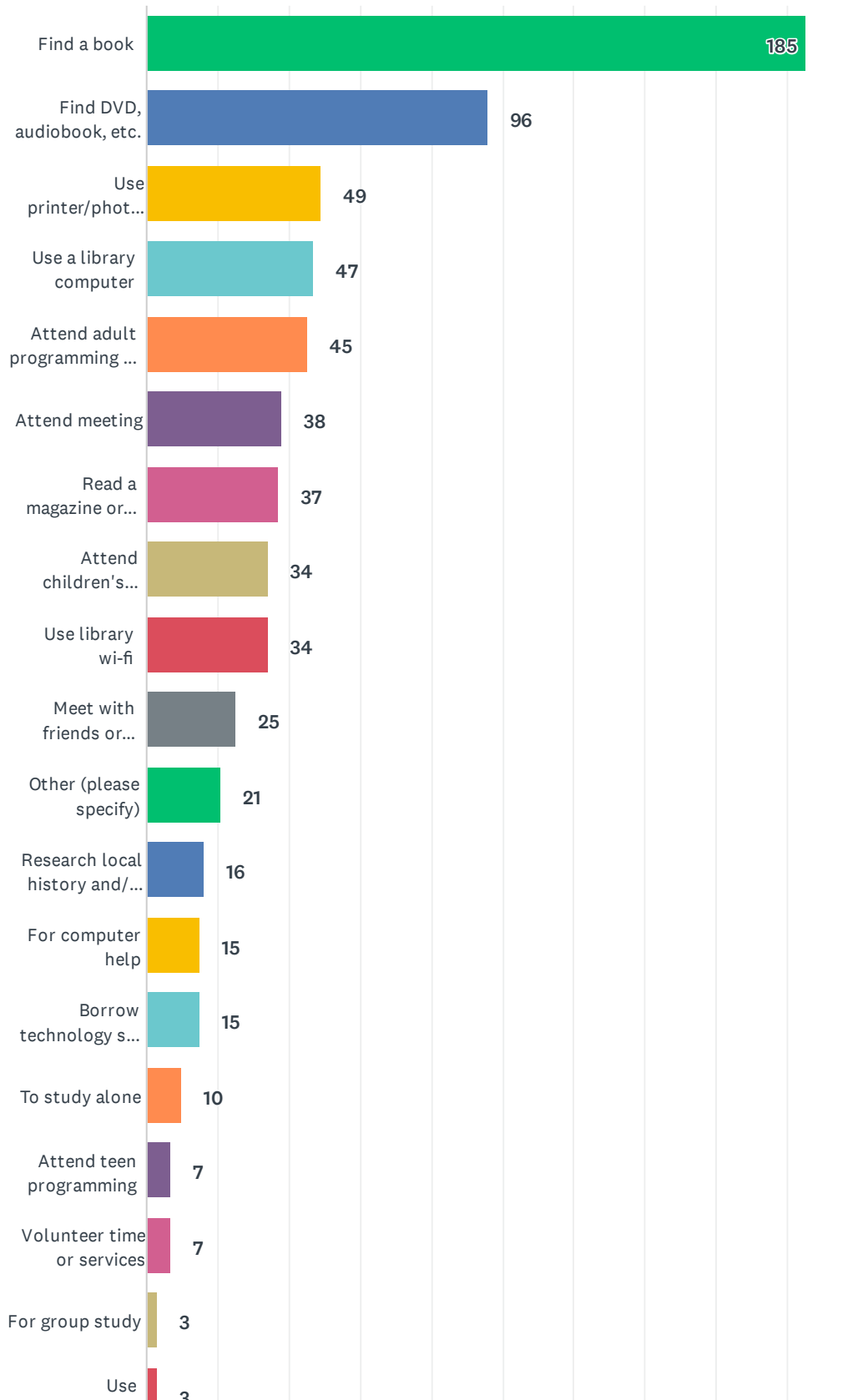
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Other (please specify)	36%	8
I never think of the library as an option	27%	6
I prefer to buy and own my own material	23%	5
The library doesn't seem clean and well maintained	23%	5
Parking is too difficult	18%	4
My children are grown	14%	3
I am a "virtual" library user (e.g. downloading books from a library website)	9%	2
I use a different library	9%	2
I haven't used the library since I was a child	9%	2
I am too busy to use the library	9%	2
I am concerned about the Covid-19 virus	9%	2
I am new to the area	9%	2
It's hard to get to the library (transportation)	5%	1
I couldn't find what I wanted	5%	1
It's hard to access the library if you have mobility issues	5%	1
Not aware of the library or its services	5%	1
The library's hours are not convenient	0%	0
My library card doesn't work	0%	0
It's confusing to have so many choices	0%	0
I owe fees	0%	0
The library's location is not convenient for me	0%	0
I have never used a library	0%	0
Total Respondents: 22		

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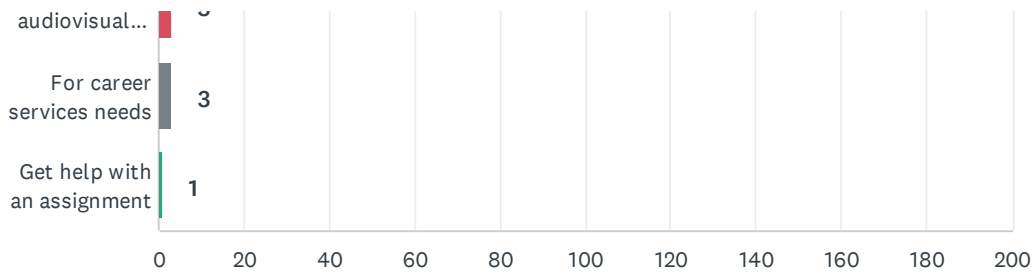
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	I should use it more!	11/15/2022 8:39 AM
2	Easy access on computers and phones	11/14/2022 2:35 PM
3	purchase ebooks and do research online	11/12/2022 11:02 AM
4	Live out of town, do most reading/research online.	11/4/2022 9:02 PM
5	Library needs to be satisfied with the generous amount of tax money they already receive	10/8/2022 9:41 AM
6	It smells like mold.	10/1/2022 5:26 PM
7	Wait time for books	9/29/2022 9:05 AM
8	Most titles I read are not available quickly at the library.	9/27/2022 6:15 PM

Q3 Why do you visit the Library? (check ALL that apply)

Answered: 202 Skipped: 22



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Find a book	92%	185
Find DVD, audiobook, etc.	48%	96
Use printer/photocopier/fax/scanner	24%	49
Use a library computer	23%	47
Attend adult programming or classes	22%	45
Attend meeting	19%	38
Read a magazine or newspaper	18%	37
Attend children's programming	17%	34
Use library wi-fi	17%	34
Meet with friends or business associates	12%	25
Other (please specify)	10%	21
Research local history and/or genealogy	8%	16
For computer help	7%	15
Borrow technology such as laptop, iPad, or hotspot	7%	15
To study alone	5%	10
Attend teen programming	3%	7
Volunteer time or services	3%	7
For group study	1%	3
Use audiovisual equipment	1%	3
For career services needs	1%	3
Get help with an assignment	0%	1
Total Respondents: 202		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Games	11/25/2022 1:13 AM
2	Scan, print off papers	11/18/2022 1:30 AM
3	Have gone to a few speakers	11/14/2022 11:16 PM

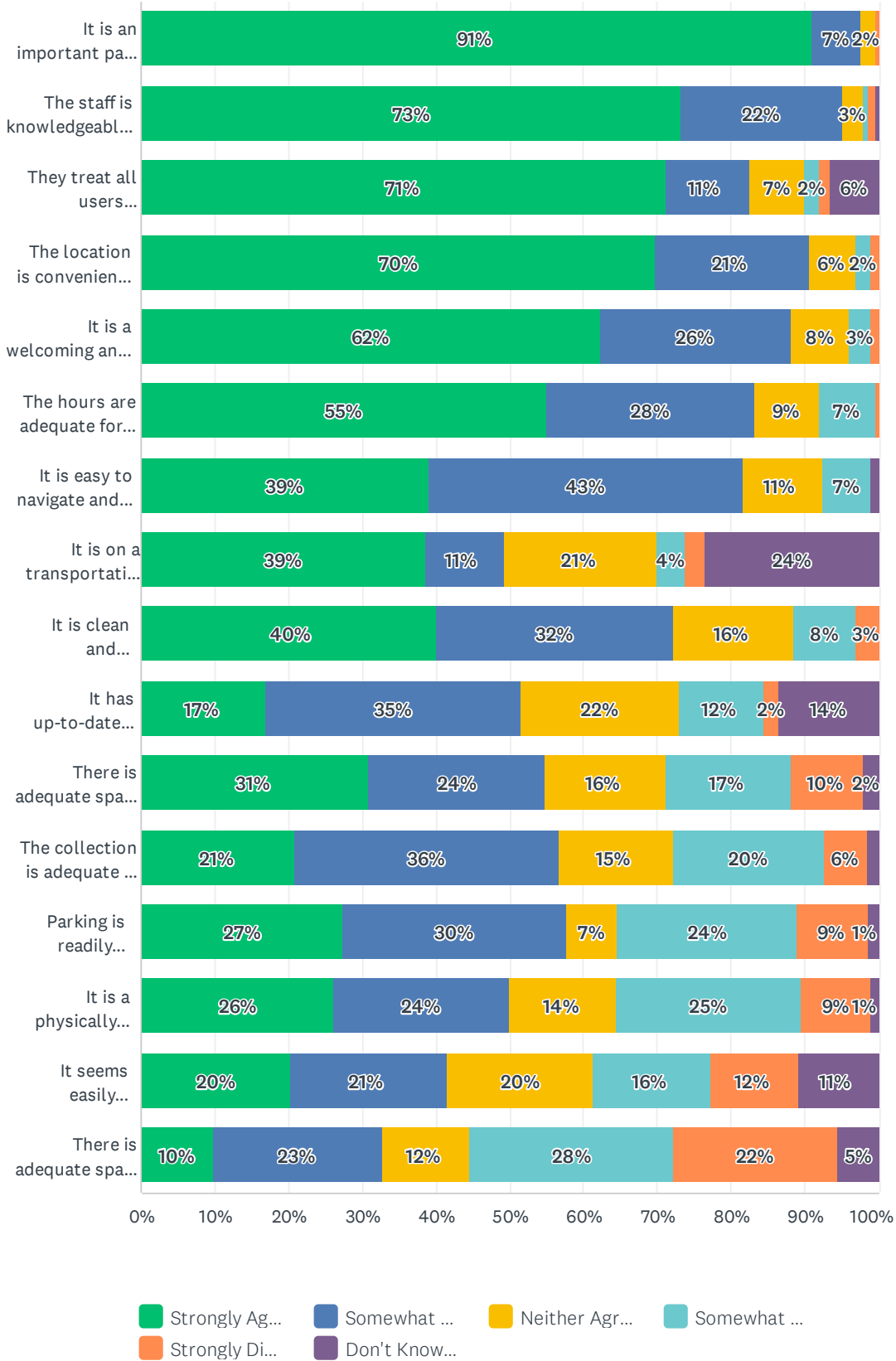
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4	Use time between errands	11/11/2022 4:17 PM
5	homeschooling	11/11/2022 4:02 PM
6	I use Libbey mostly	11/11/2022 10:26 AM
7	Moved here 3yrs ago and six months later Covid19 happened which affected usage of the library as I am 75yrs old.	11/11/2022 8:15 AM
8	I work remotely from the library	11/10/2022 3:33 PM
9	first friday presentations	11/10/2022 10:47 AM
10	Chat with the amazing librarians.	11/9/2022 6:26 PM
11	Quiet reading time	11/9/2022 6:24 PM
12	Book club	11/9/2022 6:05 PM
13	borrow games and play in the kids area.	11/2/2022 4:55 PM
14	Take my grandchildren for a library visits to spark their imagination and foster an early love of learning.	10/27/2022 6:19 PM
15	Do the monthly art project	10/27/2022 9:38 AM
16	Inner library loan	10/26/2022 7:34 PM
17	research	10/26/2022 11:06 AM
18	Telescope	10/25/2022 1:36 AM
19	Kids activities	10/11/2022 11:20 AM
20	Questions about Libby	10/10/2022 7:33 PM
21	Homeschool education resources	9/30/2022 4:48 PM

Q4 For each of the following statements describe the North Valley Public Library, please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree.

Answered: 202 Skipped: 22

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	STRONGLY AGREE	SOMEWHAT AGREE	NEITHER AGREE OR DISAGREE	SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
It is an important part of the community.	91% 182	7% 13	2% 4	0% 0	1% 1	0% 0	200	1.88
The staff is knowledgeable and helpful.	73% 148	22% 44	3% 6	0% 1	1% 2	0% 1	202	1.67
They treat all users equitably.	71% 143	11% 23	7% 15	2% 4	1% 3	6% 13	201	1.59
The location is convenient for me.	70% 140	21% 42	6% 13	2% 4	1% 2	0% 0	201	1.56
It is a welcoming and safe place.	62% 126	26% 52	8% 16	3% 6	1% 2	0% 0	202	1.46
The hours are adequate for my needs.	55% 111	28% 57	9% 18	7% 15	0% 1	0% 0	202	1.30
It is easy to navigate and find what I need.	39% 78	43% 85	11% 22	7% 13	0% 0	1% 2	200	1.15
It is on a transportation route.	39% 77	11% 21	21% 41	4% 8	3% 5	24% 47	199	1.03
It is clean and well-maintained.	40% 81	32% 65	16% 33	8% 17	3% 6	0% 0	202	0.98
It has up-to-date technology.	17% 34	35% 69	22% 43	12% 23	2% 4	14% 27	200	0.61
There is adequate space for my needs.	31% 62	24% 48	16% 33	17% 34	10% 20	2% 4	201	0.50
The collection is adequate for my needs.	21% 42	36% 72	15% 31	20% 41	6% 12	1% 3	201	0.46
Parking is readily available.	27% 55	30% 61	7% 14	24% 49	9% 19	1% 3	201	0.42
It is a physically comfortable place to visit.	26% 53	24% 48	14% 29	25% 51	9% 19	1% 2	202	0.33
It seems easily accessible and usable for those with physical or	20% 41	21% 43	20% 40	16% 32	12% 24	11% 22	202	0.25

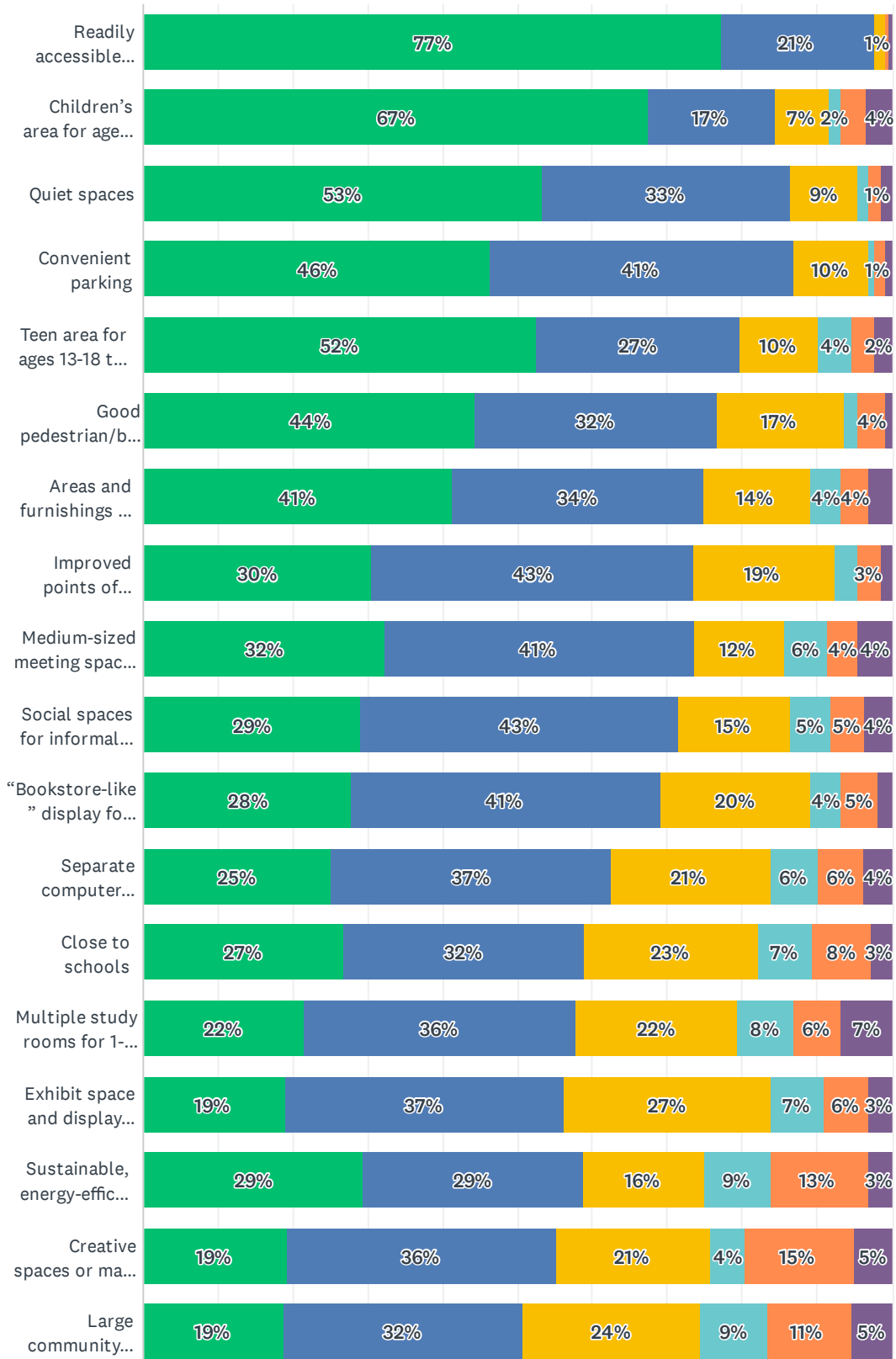
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mobility challenges.

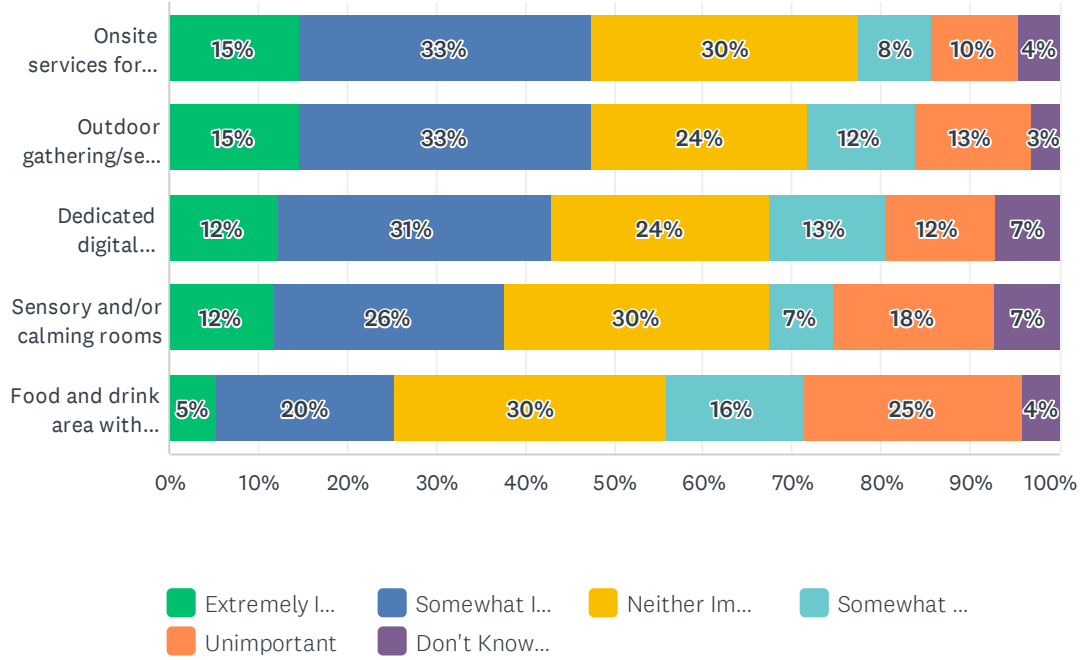
There is adequate space for the needs of the community.	10% 20	23% 46	12% 24	28% 56	22% 45	5% 11	202	-0.31
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Q5 Please rate the IMPORTANCE of the following library facility features to you.

Answered: 224 Skipped: 0



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	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NEITHER IMPORTANT OR UNIMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT UNIMPORTANT	UNIMPORTANT	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION	TOT.
Readily accessible collections of books and other materials	77% 173	21% 46	1% 3	0% 0	0% 1	0% 1	2
Children's area for ages 0-12 that supports development, literacy, play and imagination	67% 151	17% 38	7% 16	2% 4	3% 7	4% 8	2
Quiet spaces	53% 118	33% 73	9% 20	1% 3	2% 4	1% 3	2
Convenient parking	46% 103	41% 90	10% 22	1% 2	1% 3	1% 2	2
Teen area for ages 13-18 that supports literacy, collaboration, creativity and social connections	52% 117	27% 61	10% 23	4% 10	3% 7	2% 5	2
Good pedestrian/bicycle access	44% 99	32% 72	17% 38	2% 4	4% 8	1% 2	2
Areas and furnishings for plugging in and using your own technology	41% 92	34% 75	14% 32	4% 9	4% 8	3% 7	2
Improved points of service (e.g. desk locations, self checkout, etc.)	30% 68	43% 96	19% 42	3% 7	3% 7	1% 3	2
Medium-sized meeting spaces for 10-30 people	32% 72	41% 92	12% 27	6% 13	4% 9	4% 10	2
Social spaces for informal gathering and collaboration	29% 64	43% 94	15% 33	5% 12	5% 10	4% 8	2
"Bookstore-like" display for new and popular materials	28% 62	41% 92	20% 45	4% 9	5% 11	2% 4	2
Separate computer training/instruction area	25% 56	37% 83	21% 47	6% 14	6% 14	4% 8	2
Close to schools	27% 60	32% 72	23% 52	7% 16	8% 18	3% 6	2
Multiple study rooms for 1-4 people	22% 48	36% 81	22% 48	8% 17	6% 14	7% 15	2
Exhibit space and display area	19% 42	37% 83	27% 61	7% 16	6% 13	3% 7	2
Sustainable, energy-efficient, green buildings	29% 66	29% 66	16% 36	9% 20	13% 29	3% 7	2

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Creative spaces or maker labs (3D printers, laser cutters/etchers, sewing machines, etc.)	19% 43	36% 80	21% 46	4% 10	15% 33	5% 11	2
Large community meeting spaces for over 50 people	19% 42	32% 71	24% 53	9% 20	11% 25	5% 12	2
Onsite services for other City programs	15% 33	33% 73	30% 67	8% 18	10% 22	4% 10	2
Outdoor gathering/seating area	15% 33	33% 73	24% 54	12% 27	13% 29	3% 7	2
Dedicated digital creativity space for video and/or audio/music production	12% 27	31% 68	24% 54	13% 29	12% 27	7% 16	2
Sensory and/or calming rooms	12% 26	26% 57	30% 66	7% 16	18% 40	7% 16	2
Food and drink area with seating	5% 12	20% 45	30% 68	16% 35	25% 55	4% 9	2

#	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	DATE
1	Larger sci fi/ fantasy book collection for adults	11/22/2022 8:35 AM
2	I believe all that is current at this time is nearly perfect the way it is. The outdoor spot wood be extremely nice but not completely necessary.	11/18/2022 1:37 AM
3	Everyone is wonderful. This community deserves a beautiful big library	11/10/2022 6:15 PM
4	Sustainable, energy-efficient, green buildings is so very important. Hopefully this new library happens!	11/10/2022 4:41 PM
5	Love the Library. So important in every community. Important to have multiple learning opportunities and programs for young children pre-k and primary school so they can learn to love the library as much as I do. Summer activities for children would b amazing	11/10/2022 3:59 PM
6	This place has been an invaluable place of leaning and respect since I was a kid 30 years ago. They aren't as prevalent and I am very grateful to have such a place in a little town such as Stevensville.	11/10/2022 3:37 PM
7	We love the children's story hour and wish there were more options for children's classes and it would also be nice to have a slightly separate play/sensory/reading area for children so that they don't need to be quiet in their area.	11/10/2022 2:44 PM
8	More accessible parking is needed. More book collections are needed. Programs for adults and kids are needed.	11/10/2022 7:56 AM
9	I believe a library is a safe haven for knowledge and those who are seeking to learn.	11/9/2022 6:33 PM
10	Our library is suitable for the size of Stevensville and Hamilton or Missoula are close enough if needing something different!!!!	11/9/2022 6:01 PM
11	Kids in the community are so important. Not just the littlest ones but teens as well. Keep them engaged. They need to feel like an important part of the community and given ways they can get involved.	11/7/2022 2:02 PM
12	Large community meeting space would duplicate community center. Either co-locate with them or let them do it. Library isn't the best place for parties and large gatherings.	11/4/2022 9:08 PM
13		11/4/2022 11:08 AM

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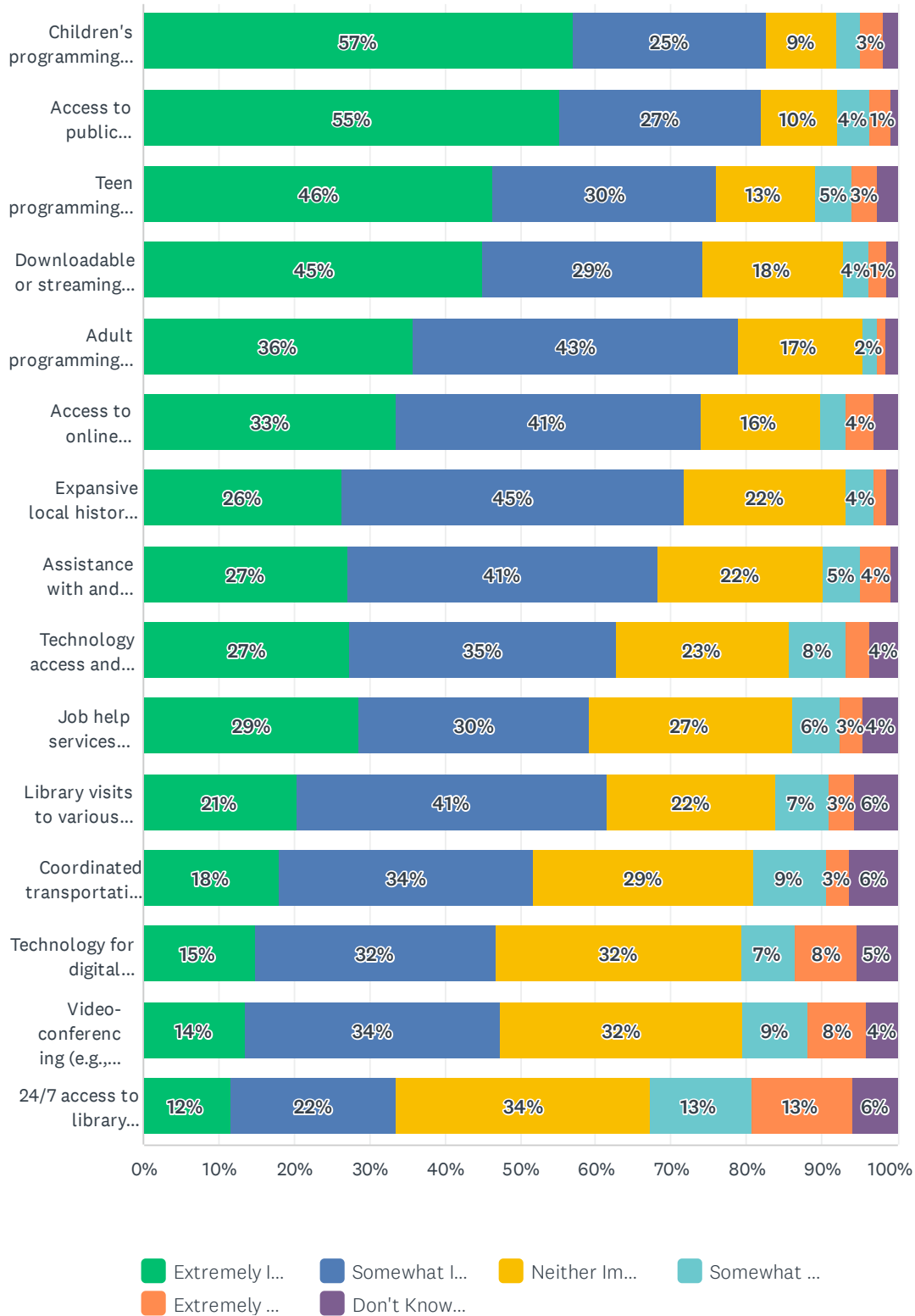
14	It's a library, a book repository. I feel all the extra frills, spaces, technology, training, etc., which are becoming so popular at libraries are best reserved for other spaces. Books are still important and are being pushed aside. Libraries need not fill all the wishes of a community. Just books and some other things like videos and the occasional event and what not.	10/31/2022 7:56 PM
15	Teen area and children's computers	10/29/2022 5:55 AM
16	Well worn carpet. I'm retired, no usual requirements. Main street parking a problem. Limited space/limited collection. Creative spaces not my (male mid 70s) need. Points of service adequate given old building. Sensory calming rooms...tanning rooms are contrary to libarys. Sensory immersion baths? Never had the experience, but don't farmers do this every day? They smile.	10/28/2022 6:15 PM
17	big windows to see the mountains	10/28/2022 12:06 PM
18	It is important that the library stays a warm and friendly place where books are number one and the opportunity to browse, sit and read magazines in a quiet and peaceful place, but the most important thing is to not lose the community feel as too much of that is going on, where a library tries to be everything to everybody and they cease to be anything, loses their identity, our library is one of the few left in Stevensville that is community, please don't change it so much that, that community feel will be lost forever	10/27/2022 10:09 AM
19	It is important for me to have a place that serves all ages. In addition a place that sparks creativity, learning, imagination and genuine sense of community.	10/27/2022 9:46 AM
20	I don't think children needs much of a play place in the library as it takes away from the value and purpose of being at the library to gain knowledge from books.	10/27/2022 7:19 AM
21	It is very important that a new library reflects town's own history. The Bitterroot Valley was the homeland of the Salish, the Missionaries that came here at the request of the Salish played an important role in establishing agriculture, the first driving pharmacy, and a lending library. Remarkable men such as Chief Victor, Chief Charlo, as well as Missionaries like Fr. Pierre DeSmet and Fr. Anthony Ravalli (our county is named after Fr. Ravalli) are important part of our history. Hoping to involve local museums that would partner with the Library in keeping History alive.	10/26/2022 4:28 PM
22	Need Montana history, genealogy, Native American space. Also wonder if could build an outside wall that could host changing murals? or good graffiti wall that changes?	10/26/2022 4:18 PM
23	I love my library and it is very important in my life and for my grandchildren as well. The main need is to update/replace existing aging building. Otherwise this library fulfills all my needs in a library.	10/26/2022 12:43 PM
24	Need a NEW building with QUIET computer area.	10/26/2022 11:17 AM
25	Music gathering would be lovely. Maker lab seems excessive when there is a fablab in Hamilton.	10/20/2022 9:46 PM
26	The library needs more space for the growing population that use it. There needs to be more places for tables and reading chairs. It needs more quiet places. The childrens area is not suitable with its small space.	10/19/2022 6:19 PM
27	Outdoor gathering area would be a nice bonus.	10/18/2022 3:46 PM
28	* PATRON WOULD LIKE EARLIER OPEN HOURS; CONSIDERS ENERGY EFFICIENCY SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT BUT GREEN BUILDING SOMEWHAT UNIMPORTANT; "IF COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GOES AHEAD I DON'T THINK WE NEED MEETING SPACES IN TWO PLACES. I WOULD HOPE THE FOUNDATION FACILITY IS NOT JUST A SPORT FACILITY"	10/17/2022 7:21 PM
29	I believe that having access to books at other libraries is essential to a small community library.	10/16/2022 8:57 PM
30	The library is such a 'focal' point for so many people in Stevensville. It has such a warm, happy atmosphere and all the women that work there are so great and understanding. It would be wonderful to see the library improve-the space that in is too small.	10/15/2022 12:55 AM
31	Newer material, a space that invites children, an adult area that has comfortable furniture would be a great addition too	10/8/2022 11:07 PM

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32	Having more than 15 ppl in the library especially in the kids area feels crowded	10/8/2022 2:01 PM
33	New and shiny buildings does not build a library. It is the respectful use of the allocated funds they already receive.	10/8/2022 9:43 AM
34	Should be its own separate building with landscaping	10/6/2022 3:29 PM
35	I've also gotten out of habit of going to library. Was an avid supporter when had kids. I love programs parents can take kids to.	9/28/2022 3:17 PM
36	If the board has not already, someone should speak with the library in Missoula. While it serves a much larger population it is possible that library has information they would share about the process of design, etc. that would prove helpful for this library.	9/27/2022 6:19 PM

Q6 Please rate the IMPORTANCE of the following services to you.

Answered: 224 Skipped: 0



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	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NEITHER IMPORTANT OR UNIMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT UNIMPORTANT	EXTREMELY UNIMPORTANT	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Children's programming (storytime, STEAM programs, summer reading, tutoring and enrichment, etc.)	57% 128	25% 57	9% 21	3% 7	3% 7	2% 4	224	
Access to public computers	55% 123	27% 60	10% 22	4% 10	3% 6	1% 2	223	
Teen programming (book clubs, STEAM programs, crafts, college and career programs, movies, gaming, social events, etc.)	46% 103	30% 66	13% 29	5% 11	3% 7	3% 6	222	
Downloadable or streaming content (e-books, audiobooks, magazines, music, etc.)	45% 100	29% 65	18% 41	4% 8	2% 5	1% 3	222	
Adult programming (book clubs, writing groups, cultural events, author talks, etc.)	36% 80	43% 97	17% 37	2% 4	1% 3	1% 3	224	
Access to online databases (e.g. Ancestry, Auto Repair Reference Center, NCLive, Fold3, etc.)	33% 75	41% 91	16% 35	4% 8	4% 8	3% 7	224	
Expansive local history and	26% 59	45% 101	22% 48	4% 8	2% 4	1% 3	223	

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genealogy collections								
Assistance with and training on new technology and equipment	27% 61	41% 92	22% 49	5% 11	4% 9	1% 2	224	
Technology access and loaning (e.g., iPads, laptops, e-readers, hot spots, etc.)	27% 61	35% 79	23% 51	8% 17	3% 7	4% 8	223	
Job help services (career development, resume help, employment opportunities, interview skills, etc.)	29% 64	30% 68	27% 60	6% 14	3% 7	4% 10	223	
Library visits to various organizations in the community (senior centers, schools, etc.)	21% 46	41% 92	22% 50	7% 16	3% 7	6% 13	224	
Coordinated transportation to the library from various locations with the community (senior centers, schools, etc.)	18% 40	34% 75	29% 65	9% 21	3% 7	6% 14	222	
Technology for digital creativity and production (e.g., Photoshop, video cameras, etc.)	15% 33	32% 71	32% 72	7% 16	8% 18	5% 12	222	
Video-conferencing (e.g., Zoom, Skype, etc.)	14% 30	34% 75	32% 71	9% 19	8% 17	4% 9	221	
24/7 access to library materials (in	12% 26	22% 49	34% 75	13% 30	13% 30	6% 13	223	

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a vending machine, special lockers for holds pickup, etc.)

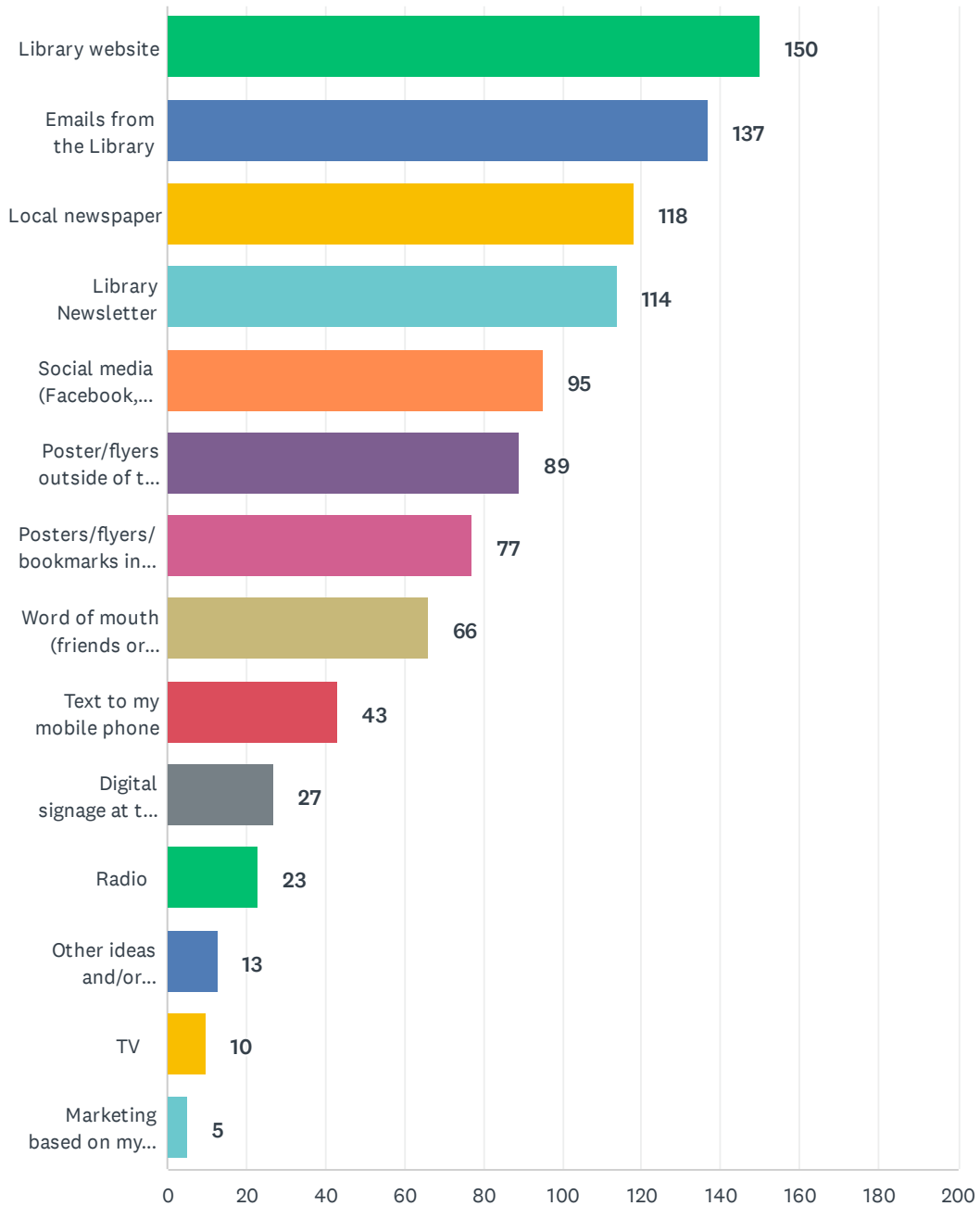
#	WHAT ARE WE MISSING? WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE?	DATE
1	I would like to see a focus on books, literature, and stuff that involves books. Forget all this other stuff. People have many resources and don't need the library providing Photoshop, for example.	11/21/2022 7:48 PM
2	It would be great to have a vending machine with electronics to check out. I think that would help wait times and the hours of operations you wouldn't need to wait for library to open,	11/18/2022 1:40 AM
3	I think just by virtue of the questions you're asking here that plans are pointed in a positive, community minded direction.	11/15/2022 8:42 AM
4	Continue to have interlibrary loan access and expand how quickly we can get books/how we are notified	11/13/2022 10:23 PM
5	Outside area to read in the summer. If money is not a huge issue, upgrading flooring and have more cozy reading areas for kids to sit down with a book. Small little interior changes like adding plants, new paint and furniture to building. I think making this building a little bit more modern will attract the new families that are moving into the community	11/10/2022 4:07 PM
6	Better children's space and more community class options for children, teens and adults.	11/10/2022 2:46 PM
7	A lot of these are provided by the job resources centers and library funds library needs.	11/9/2022 6:42 PM
8	Group social/cultural event space - trivia contests, movie nights, board game tourneys, computer classes, local lecturer series, club sponsoring - gardening, hiking, book club, etc	11/9/2022 6:41 PM
9	To not have taxes raised just because people flooded the area and want all modern conveniences at their finger tips! Be a true rural person and drive a few miles to Missoula or Hamilton!	11/9/2022 6:05 PM
10	Mainly just a focus on books.	10/31/2022 10:47 PM
11	Story time	10/29/2022 5:41 AM
12	More fiction religious ebook choices & new releases available as soon as released for purchase. If this isn't possible budget wise then possibly increase the budget for these books.	10/27/2022 2:35 PM
13	more emphasis on books, wanting to be there, a welcoming place, community feel, I have been in too many that have lost that, hardly any books in the library, having to look at them on a computer to order and pickup at a later date, large areas for computers and people using them not quiet, a coffee shop, lets not loose site of what a library is, a wonderful place to seek out wonderful adventures and knowledge through books	10/27/2022 10:24 AM
14	More children programs for school aged children. There is little kid stuff and teen stuff but nothing in between. We loved the afternoon art club which was held after school. Love adult programs that could be offered during the day and evening. Missing new ideas for kids. Is there a change to a program every couple months? Different summer reading program, awards. Build interest by showing what you can win. Have weekly check ins and follow ups throughout the summer with little prizes or just activities. We like science in the summer could there be more stuff like that year around. Could there be a kid garden, kid talent show, different types of art offerings? Art is no longer offered by an art teacher in school so teachers do limited art in the classroom. Can we have a program? Materials for kids or even a drop in space? A kid specific art show? What about more teen events? A survey specifically to them as to what they want? What is the school missing that the library could offer? Maybe just a place to hang out and offer tiva weekly, music. Keep kids interested in going and being part of the library. I think this survey should be given out to all different populations. Distribute to the schools, living center, coffee shop at the grocery store. Get the survey out to everyone before taking the next steps.	10/27/2022 10:01 AM
15	more materials!! books, audio visual, everything.	10/26/2022 11:57 PM

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16	More books	10/26/2022 6:34 PM
17	Smart boards, bike racks,	10/26/2022 4:29 PM
18	Natural light; no light pollution; outdoor or rooftop space would be great! Sustainability of build is crucial 50+ years of age.	10/26/2022 4:23 PM
19	upgraded community space and building. Location is ideal though, and I would not want to see the library leave the Main st. location.	10/26/2022 12:46 PM
20	Drive through window for pickups.	10/25/2022 6:14 PM
21	While many of these activities would be nice, a community has to be realistic about what a library can offer. There are other services intended to meet these needs- specifically job training and transportation.	10/25/2022 3:45 PM
22	PREFERS LOCAL HISTORY AND GENEALOGY TREATED AS SEPARATE SUBJECTS. EMPHASIZED AUTHOR TALKS. SAYS THAT WE ARE MISSING INTERLIBRARY LOANS.	10/17/2022 7:25 PM
23	It's difficult to predict what's coming next in regards to technology so it's difficult to decide what is most important.	10/16/2022 9:01 PM
24	A larger selection of adult reference books. For example categories for computer programming, and robotics. Also availability of College level text books (Algebra, Calculus, Physics, Electronics, ETC). Overall, the libraries selection of books needs to be expanded.	10/15/2022 1:57 PM
25	A new library building.	10/15/2022 12:57 AM
26	I'm wondering about braille availability. Is this n a need for the community?	10/10/2022 2:27 PM
27	Different language and cultural presentations and resources	10/8/2022 2:04 PM
28	More current Books	10/4/2022 10:39 AM
29	Some suggestions are too broad. Crafts, gaming & "social" events are irrelevant to a Library.	9/27/2022 11:57 PM

Q7 Please mark your preferred methods of finding out about library news and events. (check ALL that apply)

Answered: 224 Skipped: 0



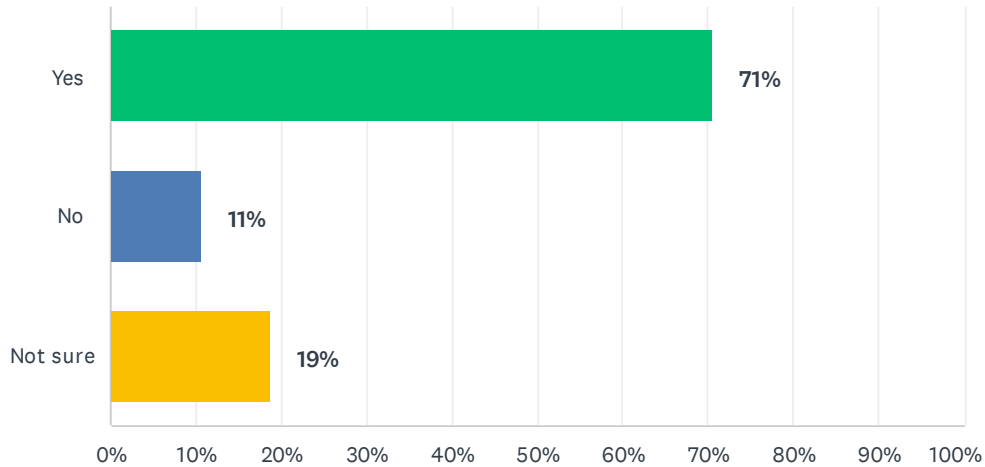
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Library website	67%	150
Emails from the Library	61%	137
Local newspaper	53%	118
Library Newsletter	51%	114
Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc.)	42%	95
Poster/flyers outside of the Library	40%	89
Posters/flyers/bookmarks in the Library	34%	77
Word of mouth (friends or neighbors)	29%	66
Text to my mobile phone	19%	43
Digital signage at the Library	12%	27
Radio	10%	23
Other ideas and/or comments:	6%	13
TV	4%	10
Marketing based on my profile, usage, and preferences	2%	5
Total Respondents: 224		

#	OTHER IDEAS AND/OR COMMENTS:	DATE
1	posters or flyers sent to the local schools to distribute to students	11/19/2022 2:20 PM
2	Post on the web page and on downloadable info put info ad on them, ebooks and audio books too	11/18/2022 1:43 AM
3	Through students region-wide (Stevi/Lone Rock/Victor/Flo/Corvallis) information @ the library on their own websites and trips to the library from those schools.	11/15/2022 8:44 AM
4	I	11/14/2022 8:49 AM
5	Regular emails to your list would be good.	11/13/2022 10:24 PM
6	Calendar for those that don't have internet	11/10/2022 6:16 PM
7	place flyers in local restaurants / churches and gas station	11/10/2022 4:09 PM
8	Personal response/others yes	10/28/2022 6:19 PM
9	School announcements, advertising at other community events, more posters signage without the community	10/27/2022 10:02 AM
10	I don't care about hearing from the library	10/26/2022 6:35 PM
11	too many unread emails.	10/26/2022 4:23 PM
12	I would be interested in producing a local news podcast, I have been thinking about doing so and am putting together some of the necessary tech.	10/20/2022 9:54 PM
13	Thank you for listening	10/8/2022 9:44 AM

Q8 After a capital campaign, if the Library needs to run a bond to make a new building a reality, would you consider voting yes to a bond?

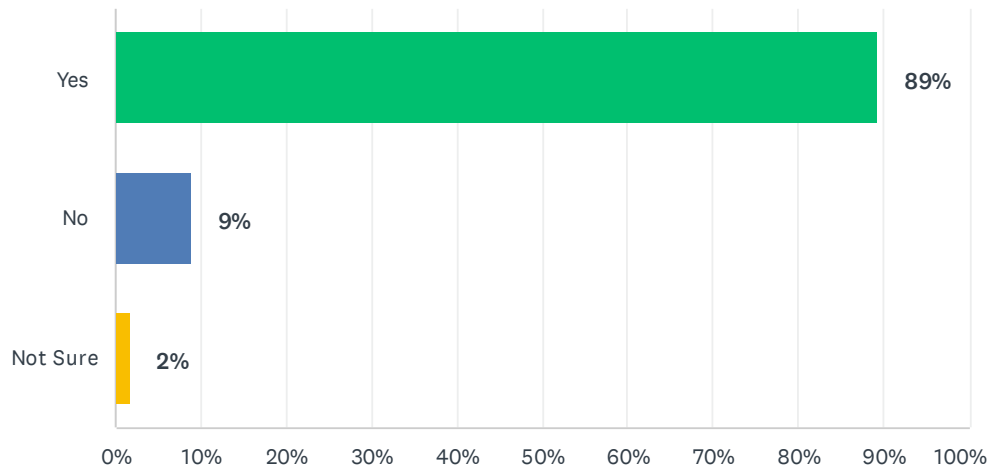
Answered: 224 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	71%	158
No	11%	24
Not sure	19%	42
TOTAL		224

Q9 Do you have a North Valley Public Library card?

Answered: 224 Skipped: 0

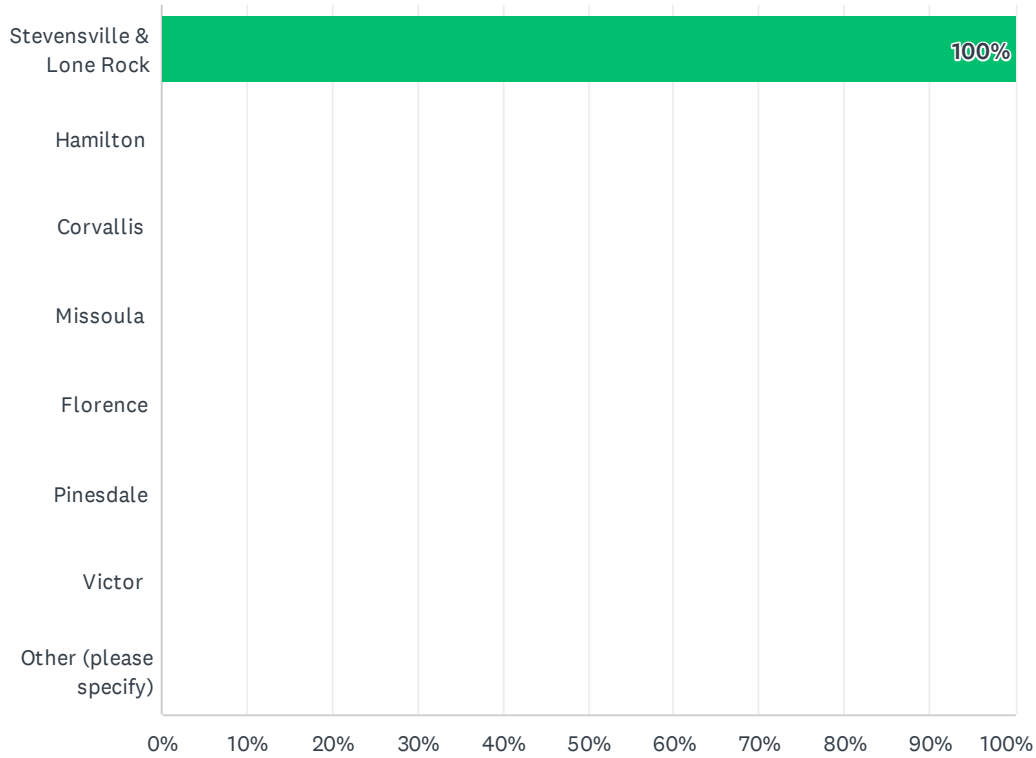


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	89% 200
No	9% 20
Not Sure	2% 4
TOTAL	224

#	IF NO, WHY NOT?	DATE
1	I still have my Missoula card	11/14/2022 4:30 PM
2	I do research and purchase ebooks online	11/12/2022 11:06 AM
3	I have a computer and assistance is what I need	11/9/2022 7:30 PM
4	No need yet.	10/29/2022 9:30 AM
5	Bitterroot Public Library card covers it.	10/27/2022 2:42 PM
6	Just recently moved to Stevensville	10/11/2022 1:22 PM
7	I used to have a NV card but it expired. I use my Missoula Public Library card instead	10/10/2022 2:29 PM
8	I use my wifes	9/29/2022 4:19 PM

Q10 What community do you live in?

Answered: 224 Skipped: 0

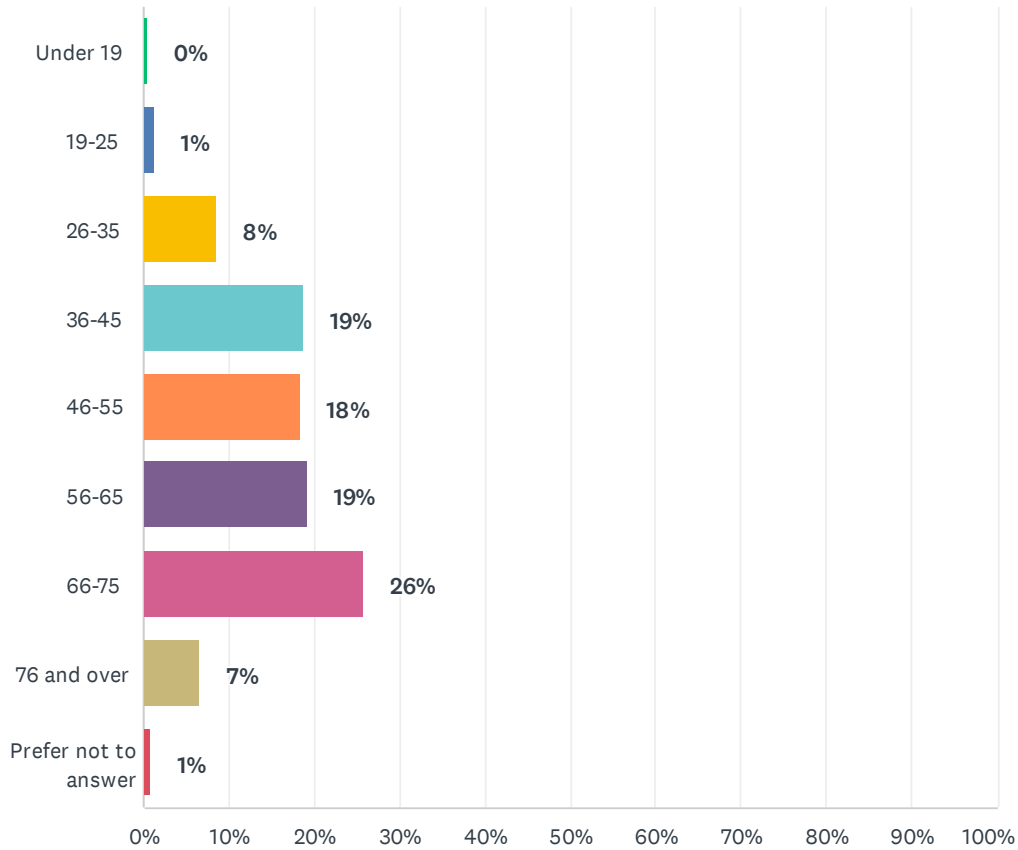


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Stevensville & Lone Rock	100% 224
Hamilton	0% 0
Corvallis	0% 0
Missoula	0% 0
Florence	0% 0
Pinesdale	0% 0
Victor	0% 0
Other (please specify)	0% 0
TOTAL	224

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
	There are no responses.	

Q11 What is your age?

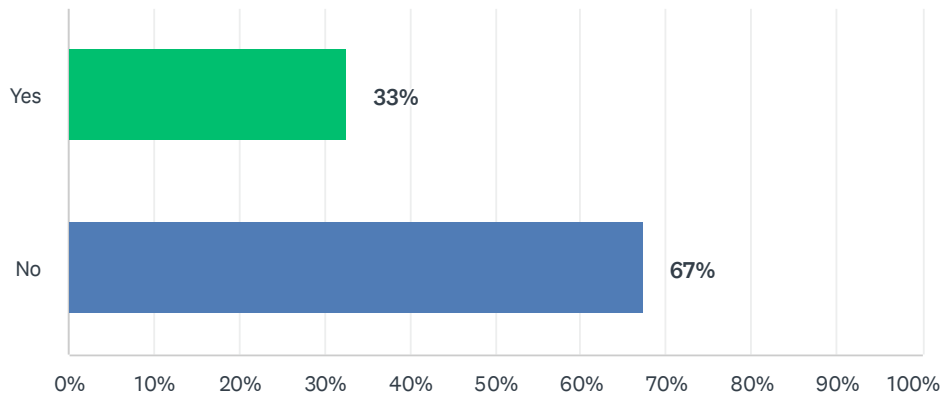
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 19	0%	1
19-25	1%	3
26-35	8%	19
36-45	19%	42
46-55	18%	41
56-65	19%	43
66-75	26%	58
76 and over	7%	15
Prefer not to answer	1%	2
TOTAL		224

Q12 Do you have children under the age of 18 living with you?

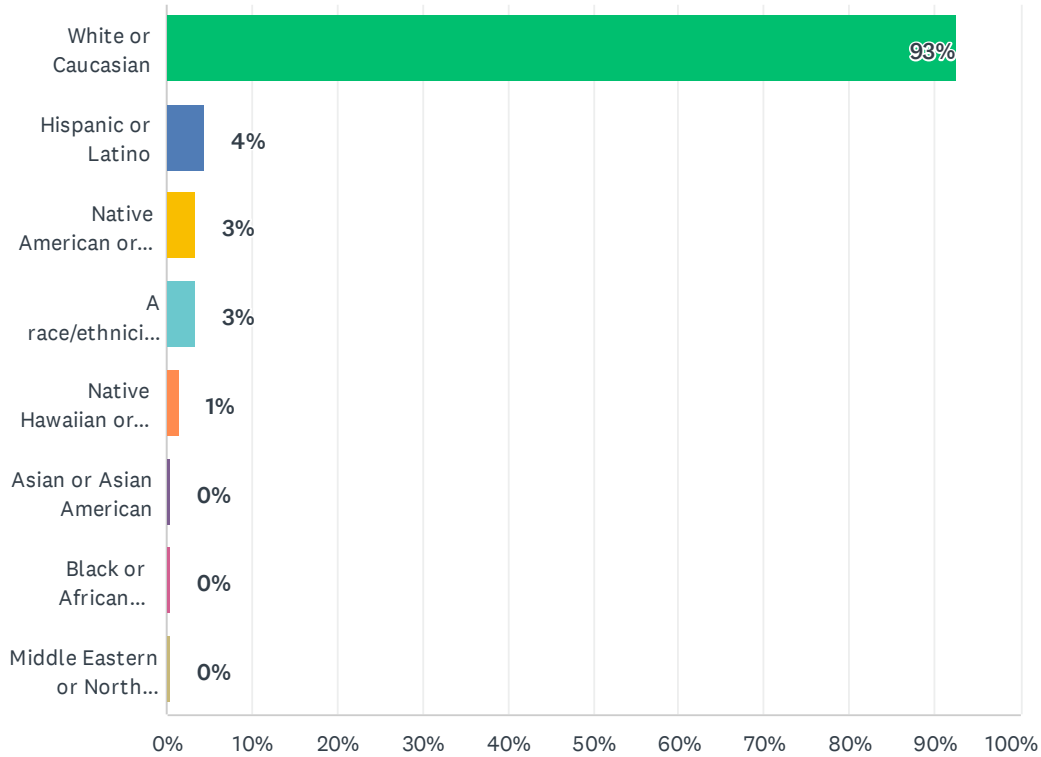
Answered: 224 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	33%	73
No	67%	151
TOTAL		224

Q13 Which of the following best describes you? Check ALL that apply. (Optional)

Answered: 203 Skipped: 21



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
White or Caucasian	93%	188
Hispanic or Latino	4%	9
Native American or Alaskan Native	3%	7
A race/ethnicity not listed here	3%	7
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	1%	3
Asian or Asian American	0%	1
Black or African American	0%	1
Middle Eastern or North African	0%	1
Total Respondents: 203		

#	PLEASE PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS REGARDING YOUR CULTURAL BACKGROUND, LANGUAGES SPOKEN, OR OTHER DEFINING CHARACTERISTICS THE LIBRARY SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT IN DEVELOPING COLLECTIONS, PROGRAMMING, AND/OR A NEW LIBRARY.	DATE
1	Filipino	11/25/2022 1:21 AM

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2	I am half German and Native American	11/18/2022 1:44 AM
3	I really appreciate the interlibrary loan program allowing nearly anything to be available through the public library system. Your welcome	11/15/2022 1:54 PM
4	My sons loved it as kids. They decided to attend HS in Missoula and their new library is amazing., They now have school projects involving 3-D printers! We have lived here for 23 years and see first hand the need for a good source of facts and education in this community. Our sons had lots of support at home for learning, not all kids do. Having a resource like a library is fundamental to a strong and thoughtful community.-Sara Olin Malo	11/15/2022 8:47 AM
5	The building is no longer adequate for modern usage. It cannot be enlarged (except vertically) and needs a lot of update, probably not viable.	11/11/2022 4:27 PM
6	This survey was taken by myself (age group 19-25) and my mother (56-65). Just double our answers. :-)	11/11/2022 4:01 PM
7	Celtic native	11/10/2022 6:16 PM
8	I really like the Australian lady. She's very nice and her accent lends such a neat dynamic to the experience	11/10/2022 3:39 PM
9	One of my favorite boyhood summer memories is that of hot, humid Texas afternoons in the ice cold, air-conditioned Grand Prairie Memorial Library. For a boy without air conditioning, the library was a wonderful refuge. Plus, they had the first (room-sized!) Xerox machine! 10 cents a copy!	11/2/2022 4:31 PM
10	Could use more direct family history capability per LDS model. It would require more computer use time allotments and dedicated terminal.	10/28/2022 6:22 PM
11	Restrooms--unisex	10/27/2022 5:35 PM
12	Please consider future growth that will allow expansion. The surrounding area is growing and demographics should be considered. Hamilton is a good place for comparison. It is overcrowded, computers can be hard to find a space and there isn't much space to set up your own. It isn't conducive to relaxing and reading. It may be a historic building, but it is woefully inadequate. Make a new library a model in usability!	10/27/2022 2:42 PM
13	Love our library. The staff is great. Really missing school aged programs. Specifically art and programs right after school. I would love to see an update to our library. The location is great but understand if it needs to be moved. It would be great if it could stay on Main Street or near other town services/park/city hall.	10/27/2022 10:06 AM
14	None of your business	10/26/2022 6:36 PM
15	Montana history space crucial as is reaching out to all local tribes; Native American space very important.	10/26/2022 4:25 PM
16	The current library is not sustainable for the future - uneven flooring, lack of space, problems structurally, upstairs cannot be used and beam support in basement is an issue. We must find a way to build a new library that will meet future needs and be very efficient with good parking and accessibility.	10/18/2022 3:53 PM
17	I love the smiles and warm greetings of the staff. You did not ask about the education level of your library costumers - will that effect your ordering particular genres?	10/15/2022 12:52 PM
18	I just need the library, it is a part of my life. No matter how old I was or where I lived the library was like a sanctuary.	10/15/2022 1:00 AM
19	What difference does my nationality make for discussion?	9/28/2022 12:00 AM
20	None of your business	9/27/2022 6:54 PM

Q14 Thoughts and comments

Answered: 67 Skipped: 157

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	We don't need a big city library with a bunch of technology. We need a friendlier small town library with better books.	11/21/2022 8:30 PM
2	We would love a new building, but we also love the current location. I am worried about elderly patrons walking on the uneven floor in the current library. The computer area and kids' section is nice and seems to work well for younger folks.	11/19/2022 2:23 PM
3	I think we've needed a new library building for a long time. It would be nice to keep it in town. I suspect it may end up at the new building on 93, which would hinder my visits as I'm retired and not driving all up and down the valley anymore. Would I go if that were so? ... Yes, just not as often. Thank you	11/19/2022 1:22 PM
4	I think everything has been well thought through and thorough. Good job with the questionnaire and fabulous job with the library it is truly a wonderful place	11/18/2022 1:46 AM
5	I think that location is the critical location. Ideally the library needs to be near the center of town, somewhere between the Forest Service office and the Post Office and close to Main St. or perhaps at the Y. I do not think that a site near the school is suitable. I firmly believe that a library is an essential part of the community.	11/15/2022 1:12 PM
6	See previous comment	11/15/2022 8:47 AM
7	If a new library building is going to be built, check out some unique libraries. One that comes to mind is the library in the City of Huntington Beach, CA. It has trees growing inside next to a small creek with recycling water flowing through it. Bring the outside to the inside, create a pleasant place to sit and read or study.	11/14/2022 11:42 PM
8	The building itself definitely needs updating.	11/14/2022 4:30 PM
9	Although the majority of the community members would love a new library the people in our state are being taxed way too much as it is. Everything comes down to tax payers and some people are already making decisions on everyday living. Our property taxes are outrageous and until this gets under control I think people will have a hard time supporting this.	11/14/2022 2:47 PM
10	I haven't really used the library because it always seems closed and I have a hard time finding parking. However, it is something I would love to use if it were in a better space and didn't feel so small and outdated.	11/14/2022 11:07 AM
11	I think the library is especially important for families, and supporting literacy and healthy development in toddlers, children, and teens. It is an inexpensive way to support their education, and to allow the adults in their lives to curate their materials and to expand their horizons. Libraries were very important to me as a kid; sometimes I would check out a dozen books a week, or as many as the library would allow! And I would read all of them. The library is so important to a community. Now that we have digital access to everything, we tend to not need the library to find out information as much. However, to culturally enrich our lives, while you can find and download some things online, there is nothing better than a library to create equity for families and individuals in a community, and give them FREE resources to better themselves, to learn, and to broaden their horizons. Having a selection of *good* children and teen material is vital. Adults hopefully have the skills to seek out what they need, but for children especially having these books and videos at their fingertips is incredible. Please keep having literacy events, summer reading programs, story hour, etc. for all ages but especially for children, at the library. Teach them how to learn and how to find what they want to learn about. Maybe even having some digital literacy classes at the library so that kids can learn how to sort out factual, helpful information online, would be a great use of resources. Also continue to have access to the internet for those who don't have it, in all the ways you do (computers on site, wifi hotspots for rent, etc.). The creative outlets such as a makerspace I don't see as directly related to the library's essential function. It would be cool if another group wanted to operate such creative spaces nearby or in tandem with the library. Having rooms to	11/13/2022 10:33 PM

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rent, for, say, artists to come and teach a class (sponsored by the library or at a cost to students) or musicians to rent a space to teach lessons--in a soundproofed room--would be an amazing community service. Figure out the insurance part of it so artists and teachers don't need to provide their own insurance.

12	The access to cultural language and customs is extremely important to enrich and sustain our Native American community, and by extension, the region. There are native speakers and artists in Missoula who work to educate the community and would help create access and understanding.	11/12/2022 2:39 PM
13	Need more parking	11/12/2022 2:28 PM
14	While I use the library mainly for checking in/out books, we feel the entire community needs a library for multiple uses. Our boys went to Lone Rock and Stevensville schools. They utilized the library many times for school assignments etc. We are both retired so don't use the equipment since we have that at home, have no need for conference rooms, study rooms and other conveniences of a library. HOWEVER!!! We couldn't survive without a library. More and more families are moving into the area. There is a need and should always have a need for a library. In our opinion a library is the hub of the community. Please keep it going!! No matter the location. Thank you Janet and Dick Oestreich	11/12/2022 12:54 PM
15	I don't use the existing library, however, these are my thoughts on the community using the library. A new library should be very close to school(s) and downtown Stevi; within walking/biking distance. The library structure should blend in with the existing buildings and homes. The outside of the building should not be mega modern in appearance. The interior space should have plenty of natural light and should be welcoming and comfortable without hard architecture. There should be an open plan for the public spaces that prioritizes flexibility and accessibility. Gathering spaces and meeting spaces should be multi-use with changeable sizes possibly using movable full height walls. There should be user friendly signage that can be seen easily from all areas. Employees tasks and needs should be considered as well as the users wants and needs. Ease of use for users and employees of book return(s) and the check out area should be considered. Book return equipment for when the library is closed should be discussed with employees. The preliminary discovery phase should include group discussions with all employees and should not be limited to only director(s) and head librarians. It should include all employees with discussions about all of their tasks. Adequate space should be allocated to employee areas. Provide good quality equipment that allows ease of use for the employees; use the best quality book carts for example. Having attended the public zoom meeting with the design team, my impression was that many of my comments above are things that team already knows are important.	11/12/2022 11:47 AM
16	I hope a new facility is downtown, not (for example) out past the post office.	11/11/2022 8:33 PM
17	more art videos	11/11/2022 5:25 PM
18	Though I use Libbey for most acces, I believe a library is critical to the community. I have a attended Adult Ed classes and like the crafty ones best.	11/11/2022 10:41 AM
19	You do an amazing job. Hope to see a new library, it gets my vote	11/10/2022 6:17 PM
20	Libraries are important!	11/10/2022 4:44 PM
21	More of a music collection would be great	11/10/2022 4:10 PM
22	I love a cozy environment at the library	11/10/2022 3:02 PM
23	One thing I would like to see at the library is more resources for homeschool/tutoring/curriculum.	11/10/2022 12:33 PM
24	interest rates are terrible. building now is very expensive. why build something " adequate" barely meeting minimum requirements, until things calm a bit.	11/10/2022 10:55 AM
25	A new building is needed. Finding a good location that is downtown or within easy walking distance of downtown is important. I believe funding will be difficult to obtain, perhaps find a location where there would be room for potential future expansion after the initial new building is constructed.	11/9/2022 9:30 PM
26	Having the library in our community is essential. I borrow many of books at time, new and old, and am grateful for the inter-library loan system throughout the state. I place holds online and	11/9/2022 7:39 PM

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receive emails when they come in. It is most convenient for me. The staff is wonderful and personable and I enjoy our short visits when I come in. Thank you!

27	I believe that a library can and should be the center of activity along with the schools. I have attended different talks and most of the time, I've had to stand. I use the Libby app a lot and sometimes can't find the book I'm looking for	11/9/2022 7:03 PM
28	I consider a modern library's purpose to be a hub of community activity - cultural, social and resource centric. Must appeal to diverse interests and all ages, ethnicities, economic standing and educational backgrounds. My personal wish for our new library would include a peaceful outdoor public space with comfortable seating, shady and sunny enclaves, pleasing landscaping. It needn't be large, but should be welcoming and relaxing for all.	11/9/2022 6:53 PM
29	We don't need a new library!!!!!! Stop this wasteful spending!	11/9/2022 6:06 PM
30	I see no logic in two separate community facilities (community center and library) with two separate capital campaigns in such a small town. Many people in Florence work in Missoula, and use the new library there if they need one. Corvallis is part of the Hamilton library district. We don't need two multi-million dollar facilities, especially if one of them requires yet another tax increase. For far too long this town has had a history of groups refusing to work together. Get over it and figure it out!	11/4/2022 9:21 PM
31	I don't like the thought of more taxes. I understand if you need a new building, the parking is awful due to the bars. But I don't think most of these expensive new rooms and technology and services are necessary. This is Stevensville and the community is mostly poverish. Stay within your means.	11/4/2022 11:15 AM
32	My best advice is to keep it simple. I am a big fan of libraries and I have seen many new libraries (or transplanted old ones) lose all character and charm in favor of white, modern, sterile environments full of technology and meeting rooms rather than a focus on books and rentals, as a library still ought to be, primarily, in my opinion. Libraries needn't fulfill all facets of a community. Further, less funding would be required to keep it simple and charming.	10/31/2022 10:51 PM
33	I support getting a new building for modernization concepts.	10/28/2022 6:22 PM
34	Please pick a location with bus service from downtown Stevensville to the new library. I know you can't, I hope you don't move.	10/28/2022 6:17 PM
35	Please keep the library downtown. Don't decide that just because Missoula got a big face lift that every other library in the area has to be just as big, remember we are small town. And please, please don't do a bond. Our taxes are high enough.	10/28/2022 4:32 PM
36	I like that it's open	10/28/2022 1:08 PM
37	A library should reflect the land and people that it lives with.	10/28/2022 12:09 PM
38	While the physical space is important, the Montana2Go link is essential as well. I would love to see more titles available. I don't know if there is a way to leverage both needs in requesting financing and capital. Because the current library is too small and not enjoyable to sit and read off the shelf, I don't go in, but rely solely on eBooks, etc. I worked in my public library 40 years ago and would volunteer again if the new space needs the support.	10/27/2022 2:45 PM
39	remember, don't lose your community feel and that libraries are books	10/27/2022 10:28 AM
40	I personally feel lots of people will turn down a bond. If you look at the history of how long it has taken the school to get renovated through a bond. It would be great if you could change those minds and see what those NO votes need to see/have before they would change to a YES. Our senior center is lacking in programs. Would offering more senior programs help? Would having the senior center have a space in the library? What about transportation from the Bitterroot Bus? I personally am a den leader for cub scouts and am unable to use the community room because we charge a fee to join. I think this is bad practice and we should incorporate and encourage community groups to meet and be part of our library. These groups to help raise funds and do service for the library. What is Stevensville missing that the library could provide and still meet their mission?? Again I love the library and have taken my 4 kids there for years. They range in age from 19-5. I will continue to go to the library but am a bit concerned if there isn't some changes made my kids will lose interest when it is an essential time for them to have a safe space to go with friends. The staff is amazing and so helpful.	10/27/2022 10:14 AM
41	I like the idea that the library is centrally located for the community but right on main street,	10/27/2022 12:01 AM

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unless it is on the edge of town, does not give it the space it needs.

42	It would be great if it could be next to Lewis and Clark park, where kids and families already congregate.	10/26/2022 8:59 PM
43	Taxes are high enough to support a library building in this area!!	10/26/2022 6:37 PM
44	The library is important to our community, relocating it will be a huge endeavor. Locating site and funding are only the beginning, with limited financial resources, I believe it would be beneficial to reach out to other organization for their support and perhaps joint venture.	10/26/2022 4:56 PM
45	The take away from meeting on 2.26.22 and public comments It is important to have parking, incl. people with disabilities, quiet and active spaces, outdoor spaces, flexible spaces, reflecting towns history, promotes downtown, smart boards, bike racks, partner with local museums to have displays. First lending library in Montana was established at Historic St. Mary's Mission in Stevensville. Best Wishes.	10/26/2022 4:38 PM
46	I will keep thinking of things.	10/26/2022 4:25 PM
47	This is the best little library in Montana!	10/26/2022 12:48 PM
48	Safe, comfortable, educational spot for kids in Stevi should be a priority.	10/25/2022 2:04 PM
49	Like the central location of the library. I would prefer to make the Main Street location work, although I can understand the potential difficulties.	10/25/2022 1:45 AM
50	It is the nature of public institutions to want to grow larger. Be careful. We are staring down the barrel of a depression; and a move to expand beyond our means, or even up to the limit of stevi's means, could serve to destroy, rather than to improve the library. I have enjoyed the library here in Stevensville for the vast majority of my 24 years, many of the employees know me, and I hope that my children may use it in turn.	10/20/2022 10:03 PM
51	A bond is more likely to pass if it is within reason. This is a small community and a lot of the 'wants' are expensive.	10/20/2022 9:47 AM
52	The current library is not sustainable for the future - uneven flooring lack of space, problems structurally, upstairs cannot be used and beam support in basement is an issue. We must find a way to build a new library that will meet future needs and be very efficient with good parking and accessibility.	10/18/2022 3:55 PM
53	I LIKE THE LIBRARY WHERE IT IS IF POSSIBLE. IF NOT, I WOULD LIKE THE STEVENSVILLE FOUNDATION TO GIVE YOU THEIR LAND BY R/R TRACKS FREE AND CLEAR.	10/17/2022 7:35 PM
54	Thank you to all the ladies that make up North Valley Public library! I forgot to say how helpful they are in trying to decipher a book or DVD that you may not know the name of. Also, the inter-library loan is fantastic. Denise orders contemporary and classical items; she is very good at knowing what the public wants and or needs.	10/15/2022 1:03 AM
55	Although I do not use all services available now, I have friends who check out hot spots when available, but they haven't been able to participate in Zoom conferences. Therefore the filters in place need to be investigated	10/10/2022 2:32 PM
56	The current staff does a great job with the facility they have. It will be amazing to see what they can do with more space and better facility.	10/9/2022 3:46 PM
57	please no more bonds/taxes/mil levies. we are inundated with those on our property tax bill. Yes, we pay about \$100 a year on our property taxes to support the library, but we also make an annual donation because this is a service that we use and value. We would be happy to assist with a building fund drive, but any voluntary donations would cease if taxes were to be raised.	10/8/2022 3:21 PM
58	ADA is really important. a bike rack would be nice.	10/7/2022 2:12 PM
59	Bonds are extremely hard to pass. I have been involved in quite a few. I support bonds for education & enrichment but my advice is to get a campaign commitee that has has success and understands the uphill battle. I couldnt find what I wanted, Im new to town. Most books I want ARE NOT HERE.	10/4/2022 10:44 AM
60	The Stevensville library staff is always extremely kind, caring, and accommodating. They used	9/30/2022 8:29 PM

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to help me out and allow me 2 hours on the computer while I was taking finals for my classes, as I do not have a computer at home. That has made an enormous impact on my studying and allowed me to earn my degree. I appreciate everything they do.

61	I would like to feel that our library is a place I can sit and relax and read. It needs good lighting and different types of seating.	9/28/2022 3:34 PM
62	We need a newer building. It's been 'patched' and painted so much. So many people have worked very hard to improve it. I like location but limited parking.	9/28/2022 3:23 PM
63	I love the Stevi library but it is well past it's prime and we sure could use a new building with better parking.	9/28/2022 2:56 PM
64	A new library would be a huge benefit to the community. Kids have limited resources living in this area. It would be a huge addition to have more space and activities for children. I would vote yes to a new library! I know many others in the community would as well.	9/28/2022 12:33 PM
65	Longer library hours would be great. Especially earlier mornings.	9/27/2022 10:44 PM
66	A number of years ago, I toured the library at a time when it was being considered for updates or a new building... That building is old, saw grease leaching through from the restaurant. The solution at the time was pretty much to "duct tape" it together!! The building needs to be torn down! The Stevensville community deserves better!	9/27/2022 9:13 PM
67	I have always felt that the library should be built close to the schools, have computer technology available, provide community meeting space(s), and have plenty of parking.	9/27/2022 6:24 PM

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Help plan the future of the North Valley Public Library

The North Valley Public Library (NVPL) is embarking on a process to assess the current and future needs of library facilities in the Stevensville area. As libraries continue to evolve to meet community needs, your input is invaluable as we assess how to plan for the near and long term futures of our libraries.

This brief 8-10 minute survey asks you to rank the importance of different physical space and service options that reflect best practices in today's public libraries across the nation.

Thank you in advance for your time and support. We truly appreciate it.

Library Use

* 1. How often do use the North Valley Public Library?

- | | | |
|------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> Daily | <input type="radio"/> Monthly | <input type="radio"/> Hardly Ever |
| <input type="radio"/> Weekly | <input type="radio"/> A few times a year | <input type="radio"/> Never |

Library Use: Non-Users

* 2. If you do not usually visit the North Valley Public Library, please tell us why not. (check ALL that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> I prefer to buy and own my own material | <input type="checkbox"/> My library card doesn't work | <input type="checkbox"/> I have never used a library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I am a "virtual" library user (e.g. downloading books from a library website) | <input type="checkbox"/> I couldn't find what I wanted | <input type="checkbox"/> I am concerned about the Covid-19 virus |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I use a different library | <input type="checkbox"/> It's confusing to have so many choices | <input type="checkbox"/> Parking is too difficult |
| <input type="checkbox"/> My children are grown | <input type="checkbox"/> I never think of the library as an option | <input type="checkbox"/> I am new to the area |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I haven't used the library since I was a child | <input type="checkbox"/> I am too busy to use the library | <input type="checkbox"/> The library doesn't seem clean and well maintained |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The library's hours are <u>not</u> convenient | <input type="checkbox"/> I owe fees | <input type="checkbox"/> It's hard to access the library if you have mobility issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> It's hard to get to the library (transportation) | <input type="checkbox"/> The library's location is <u>not</u> convenient for me | <input type="checkbox"/> Not aware of the library or its services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) | <input type="text"/> | |

Library Use - Continued

* 3. Why do you visit the Library? (check ALL that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Find a book | <input type="checkbox"/> To study alone | <input type="checkbox"/> For computer help |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Find DVD, audiobook, etc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Use audiovisual equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> Use a library computer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attend children's programming | <input type="checkbox"/> Use printer/photocopier/fax/scanner | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer time or services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attend teen programming | <input type="checkbox"/> Attend meeting | <input type="checkbox"/> Read a magazine or newspaper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attend adult programming or classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Meet with friends or business associates | <input type="checkbox"/> Research local history and/or genealogy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Get help with an assignment | <input type="checkbox"/> Use library wi-fi | <input type="checkbox"/> Borrow technology such as laptop, iPad, or hotspot |
| <input type="checkbox"/> For group study | <input type="checkbox"/> For career services needs | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) | <input type="text"/> | |

North Valley Public Library: Facilities

Library facilities continually evolve to better serve their communities. Help us decide what we should maintain, add and/or update. Please share your feedback as to facility features in terms of IMPORTANCE and VALUE to this community.

* 4. For each of the following statements describe the North Valley Public Library, please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree.

	Strongly Agree	Somewhat Agree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know/No Opinion
There is adequate space for my needs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is adequate space for the needs of the community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is a physically comfortable place to visit.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is a welcoming and safe place.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is clean and well-maintained.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is easy to navigate and find what I need.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The staff is knowledgeable and helpful.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It has up-to-date technology.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is an important part of the community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The hours are adequate for my needs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The collection is adequate for my needs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The location is convenient for me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parking is readily available	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It seems easily accessible and usable for those with physical or mobility challenges.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
They treat all users equitably.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is on a transportation route.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

* 5. Please rate the **IMPORTANCE** of the following library facility features to you.

	Extremely Important	Somewhat Important	Neither Important or	Somewhat Unimportant	Unimportant	Don't Know/No Opinion
Readily accessible collections of books and other materials	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Areas and furnishings for plugging in and using your own technology	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Separate computer training/instruction area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dedicated digital creativity space for video and/or audio/music production	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Creative spaces or maker labs (3D printers, laser cutters/etchers, sewing machines, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sustainable, energy-efficient, green buildings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improved points of service (e.g. desk locations, self checkout, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quiet spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Social spaces for informal gathering and collaboration	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Multiple study rooms for 1-4 people	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Medium-sized meeting spaces for 10-30 people	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Large community meeting spaces for over 50 people	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Children's area for ages 0-12 that supports development, literacy, play and imagination	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Teen area for ages 13-18 that supports literacy, collaboration, creativity and social connections	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
"Bookstore-like" display for new and popular materials	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Exhibit space and display area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor gathering/seating area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Food and drink area with seating	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Convenient parking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Good pedestrian/bicycle access	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Close to schools	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Onsite services for other City programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sensory and/or calming rooms	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Additional Comments:

North Valley Public Library: Library Services

Services available at today's public libraries are continually evolving to better serve the community. Help us decide what we should maintain, add and/or update. Please tell us how you rate these library services in terms of IMPORTANCE and VALUE to this community.

* 6. Please rate the IMPORTANCE of the following services to you.

	Extremely Important	Somewhat Important	Neither Important or Unimportant	Somewhat Unimportant	Extremely Unimportant	Don't Know/No Opinion
Access to public computers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Technology access and loaning (e.g., iPads, laptops, e-readers, hot spots, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Technology for digital creativity and production (e.g., Photoshop, video cameras, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to online databases (e.g. Ancestry, Auto Repair Reference Center, NCLive, Fold3, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Job help services (career development, resume help, employment opportunities, interview skills, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Expansive local history and genealogy collections	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Downloadable or streaming content (e-books, audiobooks, magazines, music, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adult programming (book clubs, writing groups, cultural events, author talks, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Children's programming (storytime, STEAM programs, summer reading, tutoring and enrichment, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Teen programming (book clubs, STEAM programs, crafts, college and career programs, movies, gaming, social events, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
24/7 access to library materials (in a vending machine, special lockers for holds pickup, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Video-conferencing (e.g., Zoom, Skype, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Library visits to various organizations in the community (senior centers, schools, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Assistance with and training on new technology and equipment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Coordinated transportation to the library from various locations with the community (senior centers, schools, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What are we missing? What would you like to

Library Communications

We want to make sure that the community knows about Library activities. There's a variety of ways to communicate news to the community and we are interested in finding out how you would prefer to learn about Library news and events.

* 7. Please mark your preferred methods of finding out about library news and events. (check ALL that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Emails from the Library Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Poster/flyers outside of the Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Local newspaper | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing based on my profile, usage, and preferences |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Library website | <input type="checkbox"/> Radio | <input type="checkbox"/> Text to my mobile phone |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Posters/flyers/bookmarks in the Library | <input type="checkbox"/> TV | <input type="checkbox"/> Word of mouth (friends or neighbors) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Digital signage at the Library | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other ideas and/or comments: | <input type="text"/> | |

Library Funding

* 8. After a capital campaign, if the Library needs to run a bond to make a new building a reality, would you consider voting yes to a bond?

- Yes No Not sure

Additional Information

Please provide some additional information about yourself. This will help us better understand and organize the information you've shared.

* 9. Do you have a North Valley Public Library card?

- Yes No Not Sure

If no, why not?

* 10. What community do you live in?

- | | | |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> Stevensville & Lone | <input type="radio"/> Missoula | <input type="radio"/> Victor |
| <input type="radio"/> Rock Hamilton | <input type="radio"/> Florence | |
| <input type="radio"/> Corvallis | <input type="radio"/> Pinesdale | |
| <input type="radio"/> Other (please specify) | <input type="text"/> | |

11. What is your age?

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Under 19 | <input type="radio"/> 36-45 | <input type="radio"/> 66-75 |
| <input type="radio"/> 19-25 | <input type="radio"/> 46-55 | <input type="radio"/> 76 and over |
| <input type="radio"/> 26-35 | <input type="radio"/> 56-65 | <input type="radio"/> Prefer not to answer |

Additional Information

* 12. Do you have children under the age of 18 living with you?

Yes

No

13. Which of the following best describes you? Check ALL that apply. (Optional)

Asian or Asian American

Middle Eastern or North African

White or Caucasian

Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

A race/ethnicity not listed here

Hispanic or Latino

Native American or Alaskan Native

Please provide any additional comments regarding your cultural background, languages spoken, or other defining characteristics the library should take into account in developing collections, programming, and/or a new library.

North Valley Public Library Comments

Is there something we've forgotten? Please provide any additional thoughts, ideas and/or suggestions regarding the North Valley Public Library and its facilities.

14. Thoughts and comments

Thank You

Thank you for taking time to fill out this survey. You are helping to make the North Valley Public Library the best it can be.

BENCHMARK ANALYSIS

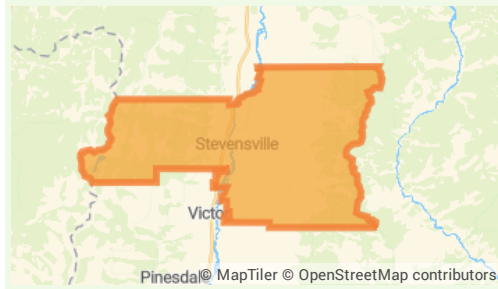
State	Library Name	City	County	Central Library	Branches	Book Mobiles	Legal Service Population	Total Expend	Visits	Visits / Capita	Visit / Open Hour	Expend Visit	Phy Circulation / Visit	Physical Material Exp\$ / Capita	Phy Circulation / Capita	Total Physical Items	Phy		
MT	NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY	STEVENSVILLE	RAVALLI	1	0	0	10,283	\$ 32	44,988	4	17	7	1.4	\$ 3	\$ 6	6	32,067	3.1	2.0
	Montana Libraries						11,162	\$ 31	56,652	5	23	7	0.9	\$ 2	\$ 4	4	33,564	3.0	1.4
	NW/Mountain West Region						9,809	\$ 44	72,601	7	27	7	1.0	\$ 3	\$ 5	8	40,851	4.2	2.0
	Aspirational Libraries						11,628	\$ 127	204,667	17	60	7	1.4	\$ 11	\$ 5	24	79,898	6.9	3.4
MT	NORTH LAKE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	POLSON	LAKE	1	0	0	11,105	\$ 38	53,986	5	23	8	1.0	\$ 2	\$ 4	5	29,661	2.7	1.8
MT	HEARST FREE LIBRARY	ANACONDA	DEER LODGE	1	0	0	9,298	\$ 36	39,000	4	14	9	0.5	\$ 1	\$ 2	2	24,305	2.6	0.9
MT	ROSEBUD COUNTY LIBRARY	FORSYTH	ROSEBUD	1	1	0	9,951	\$ 36	25,659	3	6	14	1.3	\$ 2	\$ 5	3	45,612	4.6	0.7
MT	BELGRADE COMMUNITY LIBRARY	BELGRADE	GALLATIN	1	0	0	12,960	\$ 33	110,891	9	48	4	0.8	\$ 4	\$ 6	7	29,498	2.3	2.9
MT	LIVINGSTON-PARK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBR	LIVINGSTON	PARK	1	0	1	15,636	\$ 32	72,987	5	27	7	0.7	\$ 2	\$ 7	3	49,197	3.1	1.0
MT	LEWISTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY	LEWISTOWN	FERGUS	1	0	0	10,025	\$ 31	65,435	7	31	5	1.0	\$ 2	\$ 2	6	40,023	4.0	1.6
MT	MILES CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY	MILES CITY	CUSTER	1	0	0	11,699	\$ 30	80,600	7	36	4	0.4	\$ 1	\$ 4	3	34,633	3.0	0.9
MT	GLENDIVE PUBLIC LIBRARY	GLENDIVE	DAWSON	1	1	0	8,966	\$ 27	33,527	4	10	7	0.6	\$ 2	\$ 7	2	27,763	3.1	0.8
MT	STILLWATER COUNTY LIBRARY	COLUMBUS	STILLWATER	1	0	0	9,117	\$ 23	27,527	3	11	8	1.8	\$ 1	\$ 2	5	22,329	2.4	2.2
MT	BIG HORN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	HARDIN	BIG HORN	1	0	0	12,865	\$ 22	56,906	4	28	5	0.5	\$ 1	\$ 4	2	32,619	2.5	0.9
CO	NORTHERN CHAFFEE COUNTY LIBRARY	BUENA VISTA	CHAFFEE	1	0	0	9,737	\$ 61	83,031	9	29	7	0.9	\$ 4	\$ 5	8	28,446	2.9	2.6
CO	SOUTHERN CHAFFEE COUNTY REGIONAL	SALIDA	CHAFFEE	1	0	0	10,436	\$ 61	142,853	14	40	4	1.2	\$ 7	\$ 4	17	81,184	7.8	2.1
UT	NORTH LOGAN CITY LIBRARY	NORTH LOGAN	CACHE	1	0	0	11,176	\$ 50	116,194	10	43	5	1.4	\$ 3	\$ 2	14	51,545	5.0	3.1
OR	COTTAGE GROVE PUBLIC LIBRARY	COTTAGE GROVE	LANE	1	0	0	10,005	\$ 48	38,284	4	16	13	1.3	\$ 2	\$ 5	5	49,120	4.9	1.0
WA	LIBERTY LAKE MUNICIPAL LIBRARY	LIBERTY LAKE	SPOKANE	1	0	0	11,000	\$ 44	65,892	6	27	7	1.7	\$ 3	\$ 3	10	27,006	2.0	4.2
AK	BIG LAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY	BIG LAKE	MATANUSKA	1	0	0	8,736	\$ 42	50,745	6	20	7	0.5	\$ 3	\$ 9	3	35,897	4.1	0.7
UT	TREMONTON CITY LIBRARY	TREMONTON	BOX ELDER	1	0	0	8,882	\$ 37	82,449	9	33	4	0.8	\$ 2	\$ 3	8	22,350	3.0	3.1
OR	LANE LIBRARY DISTRICT	CRESWELL	LANE	1	0	0	9,684	\$ 36	83,798	9	36	4	0.6	\$ 2	\$ 3	5	36,028	3.7	1.3
ND	LEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY	WAHPETON	RICHLAND	1	0	0	7,753	\$ 32	36,946	5	13	7	0.9	\$ 4	\$ 9	4	32,930	4.2	1.0
NV	WHITE PINE COUNTY LIBRARY	ELY	WHITE PINE	1	0	0	10,678	\$ 30	25,817	2	11	12	0.9	\$ 2	\$ 8	2	44,002	4.1	0.5
UT	GRAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	MOAB	GRAND	1	1	0	9,764	\$ 88	142,836	15	37	6	1.1	\$ 6	\$ 4	17	54,564	6.0	3.0
NE	BLAIR PUBLIC LIBRARY & TECHNOLOGY C	BLAIR	WASHINGTON	1	0	0	7,815	\$ 95	108,974	14	37	7	1.5	\$ 10	\$ 5	21	56,757	7.3	2.9
OH	WRIGHT MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY	OAKWOOD	MONTGOMERY	1	0	0	9,192	\$ 176	150,124	16	44	11	2.4	\$ 20	\$ 5	40	90,538	9.8	4.0
WI	MONONA PUBLIC LIBRARY	MONONA	DANE	1	0	0	9,780	\$ 80	231,854	24	72	3	1.0	\$ 5	\$ 2	23	53,397	5.0	4.2
AZ	SEDONA PUBLIC LIBRARY	SEDONA	YAVAPAI	1	1	0	10,374	\$ 130	178,919	17	51	8	1.3	\$ 10	\$ 5	22	84,934	8.2	2.6
NY	MANLIUS LIBRARY	MANLIUS	ONONDAGA	1	0	0	11,198	\$ 102	201,047	18	63	6	1.1	\$ 8	\$ 4	19	61,475	5.5	3.5
OH	WICKLIFFE PUBLIC LIBRARY	WICKLIFFE	LAKE	1	0	0	12,753	\$ 82	156,312	12	44	7	2.7	\$ 11	\$ 3	33	94,551	7.4	4.5
PA	SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY	SEWICKLEY	ALLEGHENY	1	0	0	13,934	\$ 83	230,860	17	67	5	1.2	\$ 8	\$ 4	19	88,271	6.3	3.1
VA	MARY RILEY STYLES PUBLIC LIBRARY	FALLS CHURCH	FALLS CHURCH	1	0	0	14,123	\$ 145	320,000	23	96	6	1.3	\$ 14	\$ 5	30	99,950	7.0	4.2
NY	JERICHO PUBLIC LIBRARY	JERICHO	NASSAU	1	0	0	17,348	\$ 284	325,743	19	92	15	0.9	\$ 15	\$ 9	17	114,538	6.6	2.5

State	Library Name	Physical Items / Capita	Youth Turnover	Youth Circulation	Total Circulation All Types / Capita	Total Open Hours (All Locations)	Reference Queries	Registered Borrowers	Total Programs	Youth Programs	Teen Programs	Total Adult Programs	Attendance / Program	Total Attendance	Total Public PCs	Total PC Sessions	MLS Librarians	All Librarians	Other Paid Staff	Total Staff
MT	NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY	21,305	7	2,704	3,380	2,920	402	297	7	98	17	6,912	11	7,571	1	2	2	4		
	Montana Libraries	16,908	5	2,655	5,439	4,192	318	218	42	69	17	5,152	13	15,271	2	5	2	6		
	NW/Mountain West Region	32,276	9	2,639	11,906	5,355	329	195	33	101	19	6,470	14	9,336	1	2	4	6		
	Aspirational Libraries	110,057	29	3,410	36,551	13,650	901	478	86	337	32	25,864	41	35,082	6	7	11	18		
MT	NORTH LAKE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	22,127	7	2,396	2,621	6,313	678	534	87	57	14	9,327	14	7,612	1	6	2	8		
MT	HEARST FREE LIBRARY	6,281	3	2,826	7,800	2,284	36	10	12	14	14	490	18	10,839	-	4	-	4		
MT	ROSEBUD COUNTY LIBRARY	8,896	4	4,212	840	3,259	439	203	86	150	16	7,036	12	3,913	-	4	3	6		
MT	BELGRADE COMMUNITY LIBRARY	51,916	8	2,288	5,800	5,851	335	162	29	144	29	9,860	20	12,144	2	7	-	7		
MT	LIVINGSTON-PARK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBR	20,824	4	2,708	13,557	7,540	327	282	10	35	13	4,117	20	29,533	2	5	3	8		
MT	LEWISTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY	23,763	7	2,080	9,700	4,316	110	90	10	10	26	2,853	7	7,490	-	4	2	6		
MT	MILES CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY	11,959	4	2,260	8,000	2,095	296	256	10	30	16	4,785	11	60,000	-	5	-	5		
MT	GLENDIVE PUBLIC LIBRARY	11,342	3	3,301	845	1,959	359	280	40	39	15	5,396	11	7,514	-	4	-	4		
MT	STILLWATER COUNTY LIBRARY	7,345	8	2,470	3,745	1,145	509	272	96	141	12	6,211	7	4,502	-	3	1	4		
MT	BIG HORN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	4,622	2	2,010	1,478	7,153	90	90	-	-	16	1,440	13	9,166	-	4	-	4		
CO	NORTHERN CHAFFEE COUNTY LIBRARY D	22,415	9	2,840	12,923	5,187	285	160	4	121	21	6,088	13	10,405	1	3	4	7		
CO	SOUTHERN CHAFFEE COUNTY REGIONAL	59,640	20	3,544	10,368	10,413	153	72	16	65	19	2,898	10	19,191	1	4	11	15		
UT	NORTH LOGAN CITY LIBRARY	73,604	17	2,682	8,367	7,801	386	315	53	18	28	10,766	22	13,248	1	2	4	6		
OR	COTTAGE GROVE PUBLIC LIBRARY	13,623	6	2,385	9,932	2,512	185	92	9	84	22	4,018	5	5,994	1	2	3	5		
WA	LIBERTY LAKE MUNICIPAL LIBRARY	57,305	13	2,416	4,400	7,222	433	361	26	46	31	13,430	20	3,246	2	2	5	7		
AK	BIG LAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY	12,402	4	2,551	606	3,157	375	160	36	179	16	5,933	13	8,349	-	1	2	3		
UT	TREMONTON CITY LIBRARY	43,783	9	2,475	59,041	5,550	291	158	23	110	10	3,048	28	16,942	-	1	4	5		
OR	LANE LIBRARY DISTRICT	19,899	6	2,300	11,700	2,775	644	227	84	333	19	11,966	6	4,639	2	2	2	4		
ND	LEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY	12,892	6	2,808	1,040	3,336	228	177	10	41	9	2,011	19	4,726	1	2	-	2		
NV	WHITE PINE COUNTY LIBRARY	7,198	2	2,384	679	5,598	307	230	67	10	15	4,543	7	6,616	-	4	-	4		
UT	GRAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	54,322	18	3,885	12,352	8,439	602	422	13	167	23	13,658	66	72,761	3	3	10	13		
NE	BLAIR PUBLIC LIBRARY & TECHNOLOGY C	105,234	26	2,912	85,227	10,134	608	461	11	136	45	27,132	65	22,938	2	6	1	6		
OH	WRIGHT MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY	154,470	50	3,432	25,480	14,726	616	366	69	181	62	37,954	19	15,101	8	8	14	22		
WI	MONONA PUBLIC LIBRARY	98,227	26	3,216	7,508	8,151	359	256	41	62	32	11,640	14	8,226	3	6	8	13		
AZ	SEDONA PUBLIC LIBRARY	32,802	24	3,536	20,991	8,785	893	411	37	445	17	15,340	36	33,308	7	7	9	16		
NY	MANLIUS LIBRARY	105,389	25	3,192	30,381	13,931	1,624	873	172	579	22	36,466	62	17,056	6	6	10	16		
OH	WICKLIFFE PUBLIC LIBRARY	109,134	36	3,588	100,360	9,257	612	420	124	68	29	18,045	19	22,419	2	6	9	15		
PA	SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY	112,857	25	3,459	13,849	12,711	1,700	779	271	650	23	38,627	40	28,481	9	9	9	18		
VA	MARY RILEY STYLES PUBLIC LIBRARY	213,148	37	3,328	31,758	32,314	768	464	55	249	40	30,484	28	12,162	10	10	9	19		
NY	JERICHO PUBLIC LIBRARY	114,986	22	3,551	37,599	18,052	1,226	326	63	837	24	29,291	59	118,368	12	13	27	40		

State	Library Name	Total Staff	100 Capita / Total FTE	100 Visits / Total FTE	1,000 Circulation / FTE	Programs / FTE	100 PC Sessions / FTE	100 Reference Queries / FTE Librarian	Total Staff Expenses	Funding / Hour	Library Size	SOFT / Capita	Visits / SoFt	Circ / SoFt	Phys Volumes / SOFT
MT	NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY	26	112	16	101	19	17	\$222,729	\$123	6,540	0.6	7	10	5	
	Montana Libraries	21	102	8	57	28	12	\$250,237	\$136	9,366	0.8	6	5	4	
	NW/Mountain West Region	21	137	13	75	18	84	\$306,602	\$165	8,406	0.8	10	10	5	
	Aspirational Libraries	7	126	17	57	21	55	\$1,092,132	\$456	23,187	2.1	9	12	3	
MT	NORTH LAKE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	14	67	7	85	10	4	\$279,551	\$178	10,300	0.9	5	5	3	
MT	HEARST FREE LIBRARY	23	98	5	9	27	20	\$204,422	\$119	9,000	1.0	4	2	3	
MT	ROSEBUD COUNTY LIBRARY	17	43	6	73	7	2	\$273,289	\$84	5,000	0.5	5	7	9	
MT	BELGRADE COMMUNITY LIBRARY	19	158	12	48	17	8	\$317,791	\$189	9,700	0.7	11	9	3	
MT	LIVINGSTON-PARK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBR	20	91	6	41	37	27	\$362,540	\$183	12,272	0.8	6	4	4	
MT	LEWISTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY	17	109	11	18	12	24	\$237,353	\$147	10,793	1.1	6	6	4	
MT	MILES CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY	23	161	6	59	120	16	\$293,083	\$158	12,800	1.1	6	2	3	
MT	GLENDIVE PUBLIC LIBRARY	22	84	5	90	19	2	\$171,569	\$74	9,800	1.1	3	2	3	
MT	STILLWATER COUNTY LIBRARY	23	69	12	127	11	12	\$165,395	\$86	3,500	0.4	8	14	6	
MT	BIG HORN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	32	142	7	23	23	4	\$197,376	\$140	10,492	0.8	5	3	3	
CO	NORTHERN CHAFFEE COUNTY LIBRARY D	14	119	11	41	15	43	\$347,754	\$209	7,500	0.8	11	10	4	
CO	SOUTHERN CHAFFEE COUNTY REGIONAL	7	95	12	10	13	26	\$434,219	\$180	14,500	1.4	10	12	6	
UT	NORTH LOGAN CITY LIBRARY	19	194	27	64	22	42	\$275,285	\$209	11,200	1.0	10	14	5	
OR	COTTAGE GROVE PUBLIC LIBRARY	20	77	10	37	12	50	\$398,775	\$203	8,500	0.8	5	6	6	
WA	LIBERTY LAKE MUNICIPAL LIBRARY	16	94	16	62	5	22	\$371,092	\$200	9,612	0.9	7	12	3	
AK	BIG LAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY	29	169	8	125	28	6	\$273,665	\$144	6,940	0.8	7	4	5	
UT	TREMONTON CITY LIBRARY	18	165	14	58	34	590	\$157,920	\$132	3,187	0.4	26	21	7	
OR	LANE LIBRARY DISTRICT	24	209	12	161	12	59	\$235,037	\$152	4,950	0.5	17	10	7	
ND	LEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY	39	185	17	114	24	5		\$88	6,134	0.8	6	5	5	
NV	WHITE PINE COUNTY LIBRARY	27	65	6	77	17	2	\$265,668	\$133	11,540	1.1	2	2	4	
UT	GRAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	8	110	12	46	56	41	\$669,360	\$222	14,283	1.5	10	11	4	
NE	BLAIR PUBLIC LIBRARY & TECHNOLOGY C	13	182	27	101	38	142	\$338,594	\$255	23,535	3.0	5	7	2	
OH	WRIGHT MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY	4	68	17	28	7	32	\$1,061,339	\$472	23,650	2.6	6	15	4	
WI	MONONA PUBLIC LIBRARY	8	178	17	28	6	13	\$589,963	\$243	27,476	2.8	8	8	2	
AZ	SEDONA PUBLIC LIBRARY	6	112	14	56	21	30	\$965,822	\$381	24,500	2.4	7	9	3	
NY	MANLIUS LIBRARY	7	126	13	102	11	51	\$826,828	\$359	20,000	1.8	10	11	3	
OH	WICKLIFFE PUBLIC LIBRARY	9	104	28	41	15	167	\$734,629	\$291	23,490	1.8	7	18	4	
PA	SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY	8	128	15	94	16	15	\$747,756	\$334	22,000	1.6	10	12	4	
VA	MARY RILEY STYLES PUBLIC LIBRARY	7	168	22	40	6	32	\$1,453,070	\$614	25,000	1.8	13	17	4	
NY	JERICHO PUBLIC LIBRARY	4	81	7	31	30	29	\$3,533,960	\$1,388	27,938	1.6	12	10	4	

DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

Current Report: Community Profile Report of Custom Region: North Vallev District Library



Date: January 20, 2023

Proposed Area:

This area is located in **Ravalli County**, in the state of **Montana**

It is located within or touches the following 2020 census tract(s): **30039961701, 30081000402, 30081000204, 30081000300, 30081000201, 30081000100, 30081000203.**

Similarly, it is located within or touches the following zip code(s): **59825, 59870, 59833, 59828, 59875.**

Data presented in this report summarize the geographies specified in the citation information in each section.

This Area is Served by (or touches):

School District(s): Lone Rock Elementary School District, Stevensville Elementary School District

Congressional District(s): Montana's At Large District

Senators: Jon Tester (D-MT), Steve Daines (R-MT)

State Senate District(s): State Senate District 44

State House District(s): State House District 87, State House District 88

Population Trends:

As of the period 2020, this area was home to an estimated **11,822** people.

Population	2000	2010	2020	Change 2010 to 2020 (%)
Area	8,630	10,195	11,822	15.96%
Counties (Ravalli)	36,070	40,212	44,174	9.85%
State (Montana)	902,195	989,415	1,084,225	9.58%

Racial Characteristics:

Of the people living in this area in 2020, **91.94%** are White, **0.13%** are African American, **3.42%** are Hispanic, **0.47%** are Asian, **0.04%** are either Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, **1%** are American Indian or Alaskan Native, **0.96%** are of "some other race" and **5.46%** are of two or more races. In the table below, the percentage of the population that each segment represents in the report area is compared to the percent it represents in the state.

Between 2010 and 2020, the White population changed by **10.89%**, the African American population by **15.38%**, and Asian population by **52.78%**. The number of Hispanics changed by **38.36%**.

Race	2000	2010	2020	Percent of Total Population in 2020	Percent of State Population in 2020 (Montana)
White	8,390	9,802	10,869	91.94%	84.53%
African American	1	13	15	0.13%	0.51%
Asian	21	36	55	0.47%	0.77%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	0	5	0.04%	0.09%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	28	96	118	1%	6.24%
Some Other Race	41	64	114	0.96%	1.3%
Two or More Races	149	184	646	5.46%	6.57%

Ethnicity	2000	2010	2020	Percent of Total Population in 2020	Percent of State Population in 2020 (Montana)
Hispanic	109	292	404	3.42%	4.17%

Age Distribution:

In the report area in 2017-2021, **24.14%** of the population is over the age of 65. **53.55%** are of working age (18-64). **22.31%** are under 18, and **5.4%** are under 5 years old.

Age	Number of People in Age Group	Percent of People in Age Group	Percent of People in Age Group (Montana)
Under 5	644	5.4%	5.6%
Under 18	2,658	22.31%	21.6%
Working Age (18-64)	6,381	53.55%	59.62%
Aging (65+)	2,877	24.14%	18.78%

Source: [Census](#)
 Data aggregated by:
 2017-2021 Data Contains: 3 Census Tracts

Incomes:

The median household income for the study area **ranged from \$48,750 to \$80,223**, compared to the state of Montana with a median of **\$60,560**, as estimated for 2017-2021 by the Census' American Community Survey.

The number of households divided by income categories is shown in the Annual Income Category table. In the period of 2017-2021, **35.14%** of households in the study area had an annual income of less than \$50,000, compared to **41.38%** of people in the state of Montana.

2017-2021 Annual Income Category	Number of Households	Percent of Households
North Valley District Library		
Less than \$25,000	724	14.51%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	320	6.42%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	709	14.21%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	1,083	21.71%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	529	10.61%
\$100,000 - \$124,999	496	9.94%
\$125,000 - \$149,999	345	6.92%
\$150,000 or more	782	15.68%
County (Ravalli)		
Less than \$25,000	3,450	18.4%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	1,834	9.78%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	2,475	13.2%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	3,913	20.87%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	2,485	13.25%
\$100,000 - \$124,999	1,574	8.4%
\$125,000 - \$149,999	1,120	5.97%
\$150,000 or more	1,898	10.12%
State (Montana)		
Less than \$25,000	80,487	18.44%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	44,098	10.1%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	56,020	12.83%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	83,371	19.1%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	57,062	13.07%
\$100,000 - \$124,999	39,990	9.16%
\$125,000 - \$149,999	24,858	5.7%
\$150,000 or more	50,595	11.59%

According to the Census' American Community Survey estimates, the median income for a family in the period of 2017-2021 **ranged from \$64,196 to \$84,700**, compared to the state of Montana with a median family income of **\$77,152**.

Immigration:

Data from the U.S. Census Bureau for 2017-2021 indicate that **239** people or **2.01%** of the population living in this area were "foreign born". Census defines foreign born as anyone who is not a U.S. citizen at birth. This area is located in Montana, which, according to the Department of Homeland Security, was home to **529** people who were granted Legal Permanent Residence status in 2017. Those LPRs, or "green cards", represent **0.05%** of green cards issued in the nation that year.

Source: [Census, Department of Homeland Security](#)

Data aggregated by:

2017-2021 Data for Census Contains: 3 Census Tracts

2017 Data for Department of Homeland Security Contains: 1 State

Families and Households:

The composition of the **3,614** families who reside in the study area is shown in the table below. Families are groups of related people who live together, whereas households refer to the person or group of people living in any one housing unit. Generally, households that do not contain a family are made up of unrelated people living together (eg, roommates) or people living alone. While it is possible for two families to share a household, the difference between the number of households and the number of families in an area shows, approximately, the number of non-family households in a place.

2017-2021 Family Composition	Number of Families	Percent of Families
North Valley District Library		
Families	3,614	--
Married with Children	875	24.21%
Single with Children	265	7.33%
Single Female with Children	182	5.04%
Other Families	2,474	68.46%
County (Ravalli)		
Families	12,941	--
Married with Children	3,050	23.57%
Single with Children	909	7.02%
Single Female with Children	613	4.74%
Other Families	8,982	69.41%
State (Montana)		
Families	267,591	--
Married with Children	73,494	27.47%
Single with Children	29,900	11.17%
Single Female with Children	19,364	7.24%
Other Families	164,197	61.36%

Note: The category "Single with Children" includes all families that are "Single Female with Children", so all categories do not add up to 100 percent.

Source: [Census](#)

Data aggregated by:

2017-2021 Data Contains: 3 Census Tracts

2017-2021 Household Counts	Number of Households
North Valley District Library	
Households	4,988
County (Ravalli)	
Households	18,749
State (Montana)	
Households	436,481

Source: [Census](#)

Data aggregated by:

2017-2021 Data Contains: 3 Census Tracts

Housing Type:

The type of housing available in this area is described in the table below. Single family homes include all one-unit structures, both attached and detached. Townhouses or duplexes include one-unit attached homes, as well as housing units with two units. Units in small apartment building are buildings with 3 to 49 units; large apartment buildings include buildings with 50 units or more. Other types of housing include vans, boats, recreational vehicles, or other units.

2017-2021 Housing Stock	Number of Units	Percent of Units
North Valley District Library		
Single family detached homes	4,504	83.18%
Single family attached homes	95	1.75%
2-unit homes and duplexes	85	1.57%
Units in small apartment buildings	221	4.08%
Units in large apartment buildings	42	0.78%
Mobile homes or manufactured housing	453	8.37%
Other types	15	0.28%
County (Ravalli)		
Single family detached homes	16,548	79.12%
Single family attached homes	454	2.17%
2-unit homes and duplexes	346	1.65%
Units in small apartment buildings	1,441	6.89%
Units in large apartment buildings	195	0.93%
Mobile homes or manufactured housing	1,891	9.04%
Other types	39	0.19%
State (Montana)		
Single family detached homes	356,734	69.6%
Single family attached homes	19,893	3.88%
2-unit homes and duplexes	13,840	2.7%
Units in small apartment buildings	60,417	11.79%
Units in large apartment buildings	9,641	1.88%
Mobile homes or manufactured housing	51,129	9.98%
Other types	899	0.18%

Source: [Census](#)
 Data aggregated by:
 2017-2021 Data Contains: 3 Census Tracts

Tenure:

Across the area, an estimated **81.36%** or **4,058** households owned their home between 2017-2021. The average size of a household in this area **ranged from 2.27 to 2.51** between 2017-2021, as compared to the average household size for the county and the state, **2.32 (Ravalli)** and **2.41 (Montana)** respectively.

Source: [Census](#)
 Data aggregated by:
 2017-2021 Data Contains: 3 Census Tracts

Vacancy:

Postal vacancy shows short-term vacancy trends based on addresses where mail has not been collected for over 90 days. Data from Valassis Lists tracks vacancy on a quarterly basis. In the 2nd quarter of 2021, the overall vacancy rate in this area was 2.43%.

Postal Address Vacancy	2020Q1	2020Q2	2020Q3	2020Q4	2021Q1	2021Q2
North Valley District Library						
Number Vacant - Residential	94	96	92	88	86	87
Percent Vacant - Residential	1.84%	1.87%	1.78%	1.7%	1.65%	1.67%
Number Vacant - Business	47	47	47	47	47	47
Percent Vacant - Business	15.82%	15.77%	15.56%	15.51%	15.56%	15.51%
Overall Vacancy Rate	2.61%	2.63%	2.54%	2.46%	2.42%	2.43%
County (Ravalli)						
Number Vacant - Residential	179	182	180	175	171	170
Percent Vacant - Residential	0.93%	0.95%	0.93%	0.91%	0.88%	0.88%
Number Vacant - Business	121	120	131	127	126	126
Percent Vacant - Business	8.01%	7.94%	8.64%	8.44%	8.29%	8.29%
Overall Vacancy Rate	1.45%	1.46%	1.49%	1.45%	1.42%	1.42%
State (Montana)						
Number Vacant - Residential	18,764	19,680	19,456	20,158	20,141	19,795
Percent Vacant - Residential	4.15%	4.35%	4.28%	4.41%	4.4%	4.31%
Number Vacant - Business	4,611	4,745	4,815	4,883	4,916	4,964
Percent Vacant - Business	9.97%	11.4%	11.53%	11.66%	11.71%	11.78%
Overall Vacancy Rate	4.69%	4.95%	4.89%	5.02%	5.02%	4.93%

Source: [Valassis Lists](#)

Data aggregated by:

2020q1 - 2021q2 Data Contains: 2 Census Tracts

Employment:

The following table shows the number of people who were employed, unemployed, in the labor force, and the unemployment rate for the market in which the report area is located, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Unemployment rate	February 2022	March 2022	April 2022	May 2022	June 2022	July 2022
County (Ravalli)						
Employed	20,783	21,114	21,362	21,491	21,728	21,443
Unemployed	770	692	582	547	636	589
In Labor Force	21,553	21,806	21,944	22,038	22,364	22,032
Unemployment Rate	3.6	3.2	2.7	2.5	2.8	2.7
State (Montana)						
Employed	541,646	546,830	547,245	549,653	556,778	558,366
Unemployed	16,940	15,875	15,048	14,231	16,374	15,305
In Labor Force	558,586	562,705	562,293	563,884	573,152	573,671
Unemployment Rate	3	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.9	2.7

The following Cities that are within or contain the report area have no data available: **Stevensville**

Source: [BLS](#)

In this area in 2017-2021, the Census estimates that people were employed in the following industries:

Employment by Industry	People Employed	Percent Employed in this Industry	Percent Employed in this Industry in Montana
Accommodation and Food Services Industry Employment	135	2.75%	8.45%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management Services Industries Employment	146	2.98%	3.23%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting Industry Employment	190	3.88%	4.79%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation Industries Employment	91	1.86%	2.49%
Educational Service Industry Employment	383	7.81%	8.82%
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Rental and Leasing Industries Employment	291	5.94%	5.23%
Health Care and Social Assistance Industry Employment	608	12.4%	14.6%
Information Industry Employment	183	3.73%	1.57%
Manufacturing Industry Employment	341	6.95%	4.85%
Management of Companies and Enterprises Industry Employment	15	0.31%	0.05%
Other Services Industry Employment	147	3%	4.91%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services Industry Employment	295	6.02%	5.8%
Public Administration Employment	215	4.39%	5.76%
Retail Trade Industry Employment	723	14.75%	12.28%
Construction Industry Employment	531	10.83%	8.45%
Transportation and Warehousing, and Utilities Industries Employment	389	7.93%	5.26%
Wholesale Trade Industry Employment	120	2.45%	2.02%
All Other Industries Employment	100	2.04%	1.44%

Source: [Census](#)
 Data aggregated by:
 2017-2021 Data Contains: 3 Census Tracts

Crime:

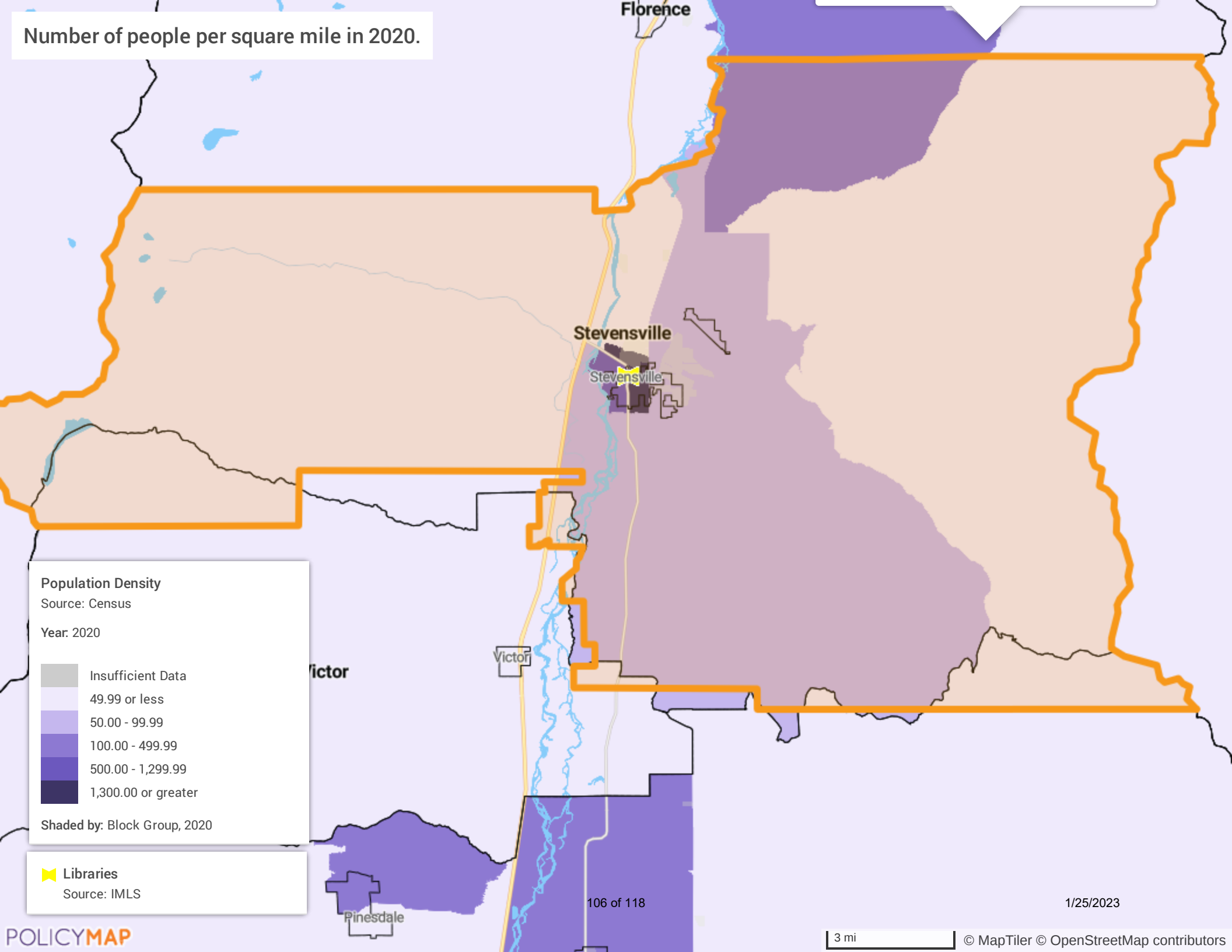
The crime rates per 100,000 persons in the Census Place and county in which the study area is located, as reported by the FBI's Uniform Crime Reports, are as follows. Data was reported by the FBI for selected Census Places and counties, so data may be unavailable for your study area.

Crime Rates per 100,000 persons	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
County (Ravalli)					
Aggravated Assault	185	162.9	148.8	168.1	232.1
Burglary or Larceny	1,081.4	980.1	1,011.5	974.3	1,080.3
Motor Vehicle Thefts	33.6	37.7	41.8	64.4	97.1
Murder	N/A	2.3	0	4.6	16.5
Rape	24	28.3	23.2	41.4	28.4
Robbery	4.8	2.3	6.9	0	2.3

The following Cities that are within or contain the report area have no data available: **Stevensville**

Source: [FBI UCR & DOJ](#)

Number of people per square mile in 2020.



Population Density

Source: Census

Year: 2020

- Insufficient Data
- 49.99 or less
- 50.00 - 99.99
- 100.00 - 499.99
- 500.00 - 1,299.99
- 1,300.00 or greater

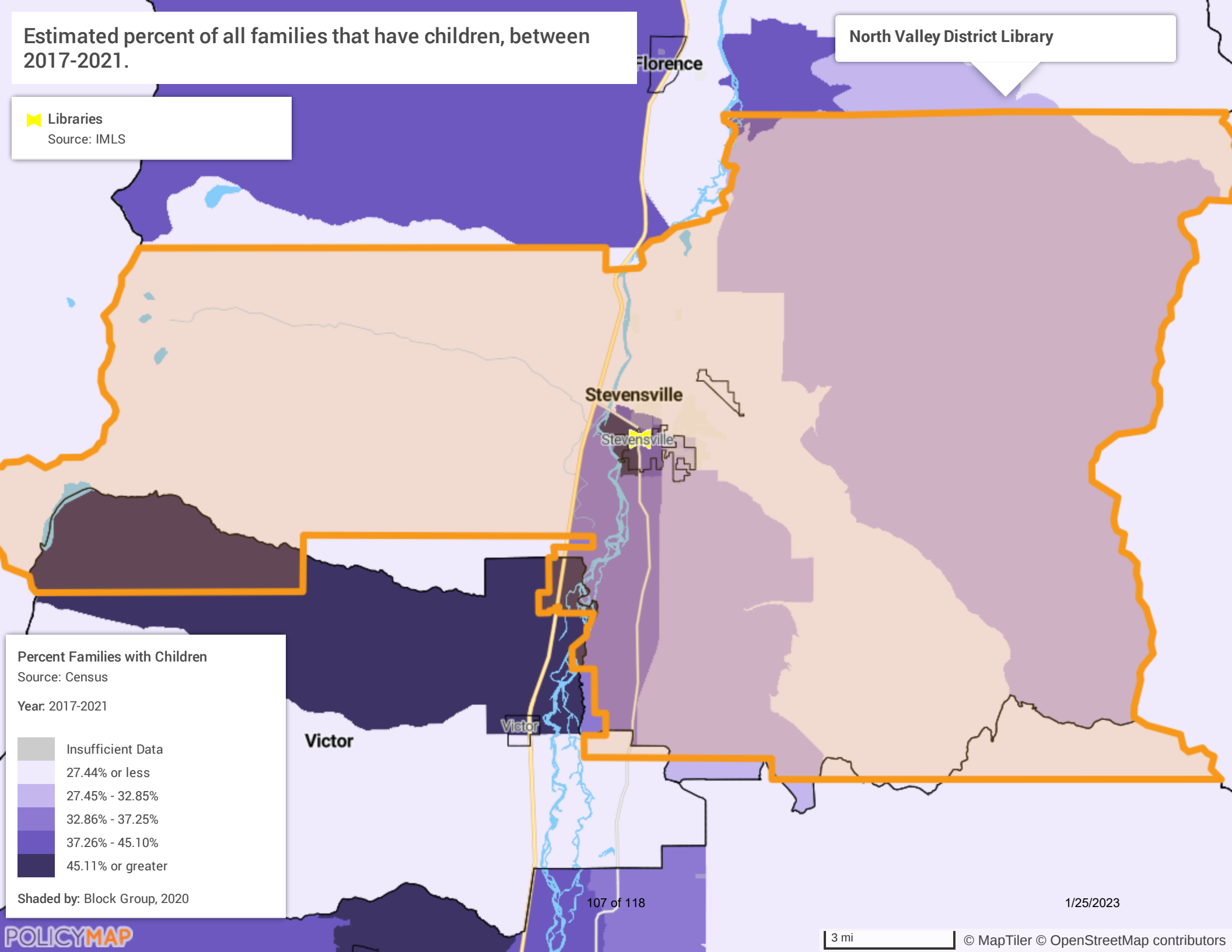
Shaded by: Block Group, 2020

Libraries
Source: IMLS

Estimated percent of all families that have children, between 2017-2021.


Libraries
Source: IMLS

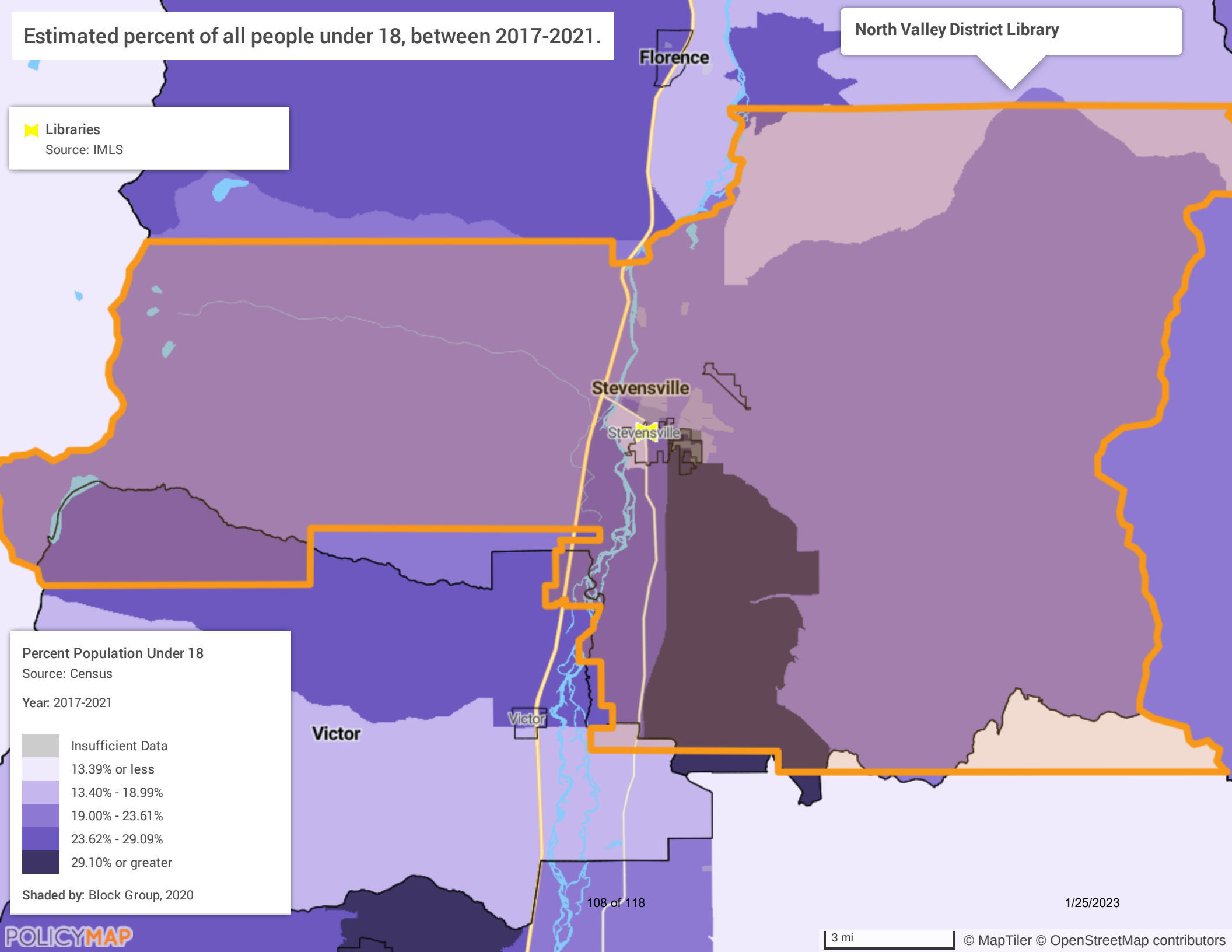
North Valley District Library









Estimated percent of all people under 18, between 2017-2021.

North Valley District Library

 Libraries
Source: IMLS



Percent Population Under 18
Source: Census
Year: 2017-2021

	Insufficient Data
	13.39% or less
	13.40% - 18.99%
	19.00% - 23.61%
	23.62% - 29.09%
	29.10% or greater

Shaded by: Block Group, 2020

Estimated percent of all people 65 or older, between 2017-2021.

 Libraries

Source: IMLS

North Valley District Library

Florence

Stevensville

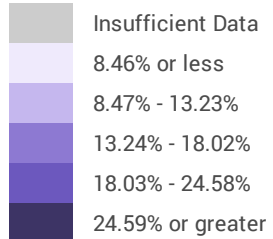
Stevensville

Victor

Percent Population 65+

Source: Census

Year: 2017-2021



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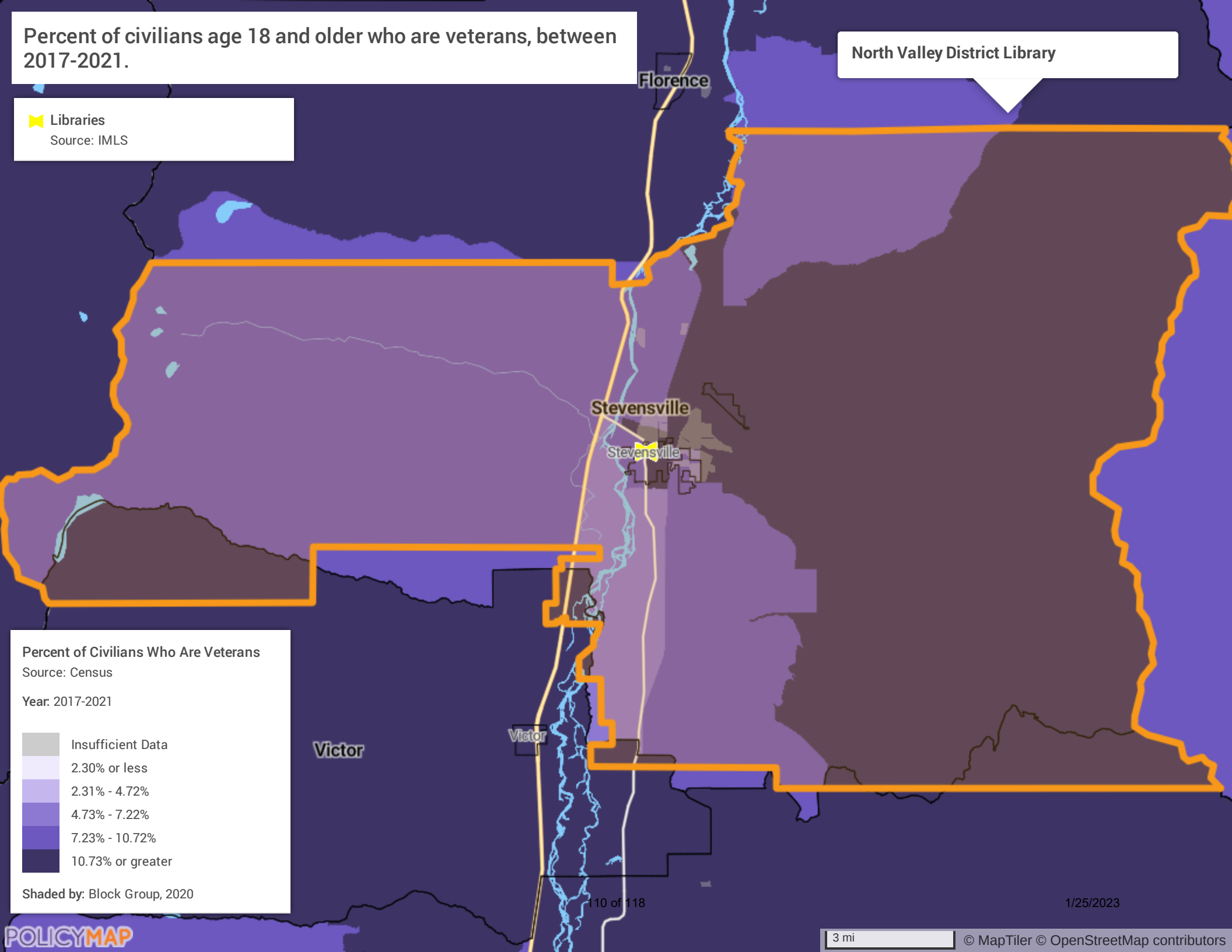
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Percent of civilians age 18 and older who are veterans, between 2017-2021.

North Valley District Library

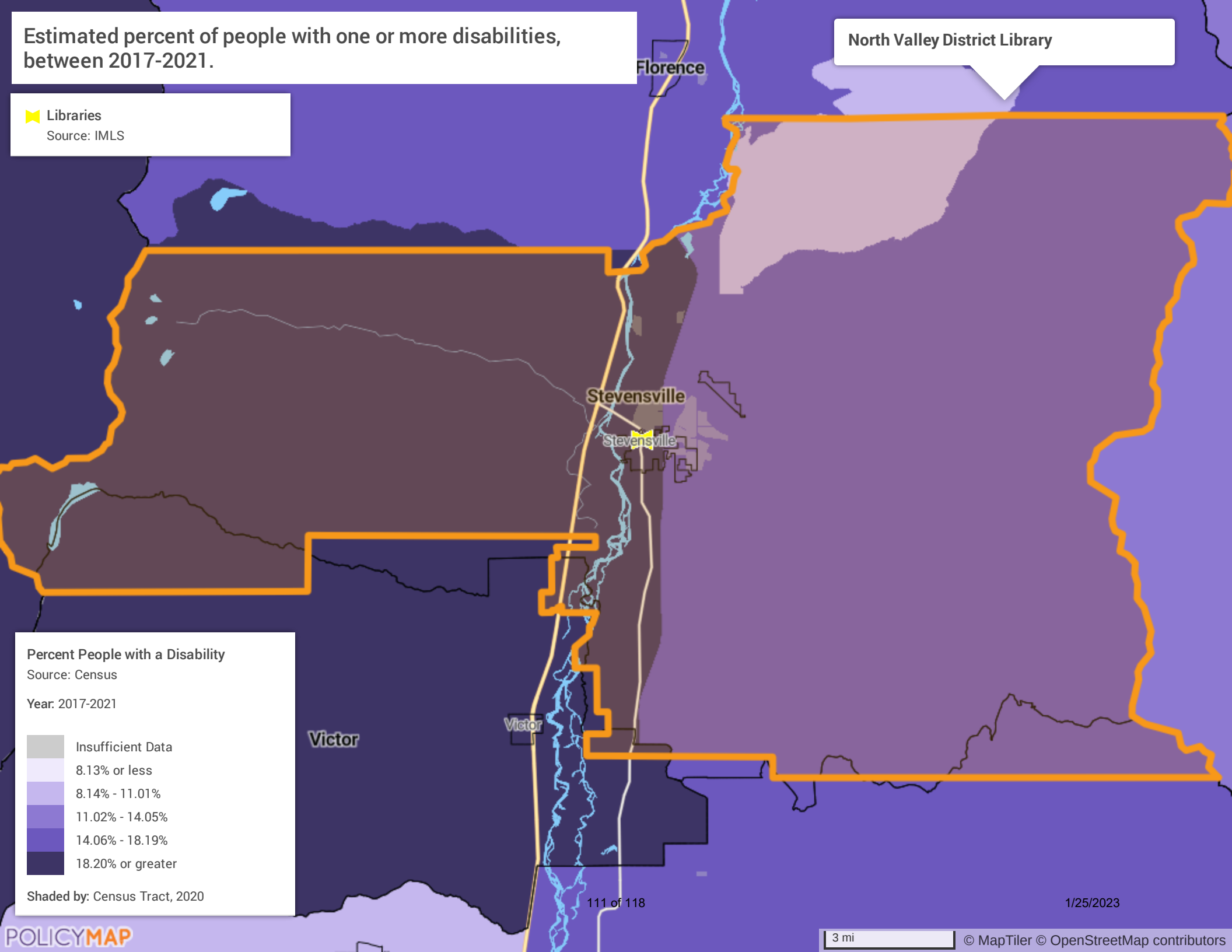
Libraries
Source: IMLS



Estimated percent of people with one or more disabilities, between 2017-2021.







 Libraries
Source: IMLS

North Valley District Library



Percent People with a Disability

Source: Census
Year: 2017-2021

-  Insufficient Data
-  8.13% or less
-  8.14% - 11.01%
-  11.02% - 14.05%
-  14.06% - 18.19%
-  18.20% or greater

Shaded by: Census Tract, 2020

Estimated per capita income, between 2017-2021.

Libraries
Source: IMLS

North Valley District Library

Florence

Stevensville

Stevensville

Victor

Victor

Per Capita Income

Source: Census

Year: 2017-2021

- Insufficient Data
- \$29,999 or less
- \$30,000 - \$34,999
- \$35,000 - \$39,999
- \$40,000 - \$49,999
- \$50,000 or greater

Shaded by: Block Group, 2020

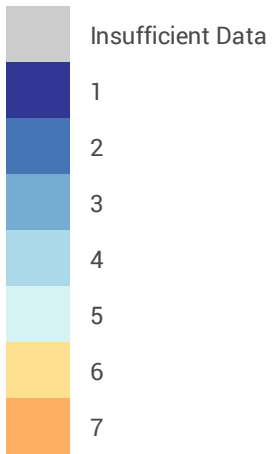
Area Deprivation Index state score in 2020.

Area Deprivation Index state score in 2020. The Area Deprivation Index (ADI) ranks neighborhoods on the basis of socioeconomic disadvantage in the areas of income, education, employment, and housing quality. Areas with greater disadvantage are ranked higher. National scores are normalized to the whole country, and state scores are normalized to a particular state. Higher Area Deprivation Index scores have been shown to correlate with worse health outcomes in measures such as life expectancy. This index was created by researchers at the University of Wisconsin-Madison based on a methodology originally developed by the Health Resources and Services Administration. Areas on this map are ranked against other areas within the state. State scores represent deciles. In other words, they are divided into 10 groups of the same size, where 1 is the lowest rate of disadvantage and 10 is the highest.

Area Deprivation Index State Score

Source: University of Wisconsin

Year: 2020



Shaded by: Block Group, 2020

Libraries

Source: IMLS

North Valley District Library

SPACE NEEDS ANALYSIS

INITIAL SPACE NEEDS ANALYSIS

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
ADULT PUBLIC SPACES		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Entrance, Friends & Customer Service				
1.01	Entrance lobby	2	100 SF	200 SF
1.02	Internal book return	1	75 SF	75 SF
1.03	Main service point	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.04	Secure Laptop Storage	1	25 SF	25 SF
1.05	Self check stations	1	75 SF	75 SF
1.06	Self-serve holds	250	.20 SF	50 SF
1.07	Display/Gallery space	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.08	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
1.09	Literature rack	1	25 SF	25 SF
1.10	Business Center - Photocopier, Scanner, etc.	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.11	Friends Book Sale	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.12	Reference	150	.11 SF	17 SF
1.13	Family Restrooms	1	150 SF	150 SF
1.14	Public Restrooms	4	100 SF	400 SF
Subtotal				1,442 SF
Popular Library				
2.01	New adult books	300 Bks	.200 SF	60 SF
2.02	Adult media (DVDs, Audiobks, etc.)	7,000 Items	.08 SF	560 SF
2.03	Library of Things	25 Items	1 SF	25 SF
2.04	Adult periodicals	40 Titles	1 SF	40 SF
2.05	Adult lounge seating	6	40 SF	240 SF
2.06	Occasional Tables	3	8 SF	24 SF
Subtotal				949 SF
Meeting Rooms				
3.01	Large multi-purpose meeting	100 Occ	18 SF	1,800 SF
3.02	Medium Sized Meeting Room	1	350 SF	350 SF
3.03	Meeting Room Storage	2	100 SF	200 SF
3.04	Kitchen	1	100 SF	100 SF
3.05	Board Room / Staff Meeting Room	1	200 SF	200 SF
3.06	Small Group Meeting (2-4)	4	100 SF	400 SF
Subtotal				3,050 SF

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
Adult Library				
4.01	Adult Service Point	1	150 SF	150 SF
4.02	Adult fiction	7,500 Bks	.10 SF	750 SF
4.03	Large Print	1,000 Bks	.10 SF	100 SF
4.04	Adult Nonfiction & Bio	5,000 Bks	.10 SF	500 SF
4.05	Adult Paperback	500 Bks	.09 SF	45 SF
4.06			.09 SF	SF
4.07	Adult Tables and Chairs (2 seats ea.)	3	75 SF	225 SF
4.08	Adult Collaborative Seating (4 seats ea.)	1	100 SF	100 SF
4.09	Adult lounge seating	4	50 SF	200 SF
4.10	Occasional Tables	2	6 SF	12 SF
4.11	OPACs	1	50 SF	50 SF
4.12	Adult public computers	8	70 SF	560 SF
4.13	Printer /Reservation station	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal				2,742 SF
Eating Area				
6.01	CafeTable Seating (2 seats ea)	3	75 SF	225 SF
6.02	Vending Machines	2	50 SF	100 SF
Subtotal				325 SF
Miscellaneous Spaces				
7.01	Digital Creativity / Makerspace	1	500 SF	300 SF
7.02	Archive Collections - Public	0	2,000 SF	SF
Subtotal				300 SF
ADULT PUBLIC SPACES				8,808 SF

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
ADMINISTRATION		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Staff Space - ADMIN				
8.01	Library Director	1	125 SF	125 SF
8.02	Operations/Manager	0	150 SF	SF
8.03	Head of Marketing / Programs	0	125 SF	SF
8.04	Marketing Assistant	0	100 SF	SF
8.05	Friends Office	1	75 SF	75 SF
8.06	Friends Book Storage	1	75 SF	75 SF
8.07	Trustee's Office (Curently Law Office)	0	100 SF	SF
8.08	Other Admin Staff	0	100 SF	SF
8.09	Misc Admin Library Storage	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal				325 SF
Staff Space - Staff				
9.01	Head of Circulation	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.02	Circulation Staff	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.03	Drive-up Service Window	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.04	Circ. Workspace, Staging,& Logistics	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.05	Miscellaneous Circ. Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.06	Head of Catalogging	0	100 SF	SF
9.07	Catalogging Work area /desks	0	100 SF	SF
9.08	Adult Librarian	0	100 SF	SF
9.09	Adult Staff	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.10	Miscellaneous Adult Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.11	Youth Librarian	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.12	Youth Staff	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.13	Miscellaneous Youth Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.14	Maintenance Office	0	100 SF	SF
9.15		0	100 SF	SF
9.16		0	SF	SF
9.17	Outeach Work Area & Storage	0	750 SF	SF
9.18	Garage / Bookmobile	0	1,000 SF	SF
9.19	Staff Break Area / Kitchen	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.20	Staff Restroom	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.21	Janitor's closet	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.22	IT Area	1	50 SF	50 SF
9.23	Miscellaneous General Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
Subtotal				1,350 SF
ADMINISTRATION		1,675 SF		

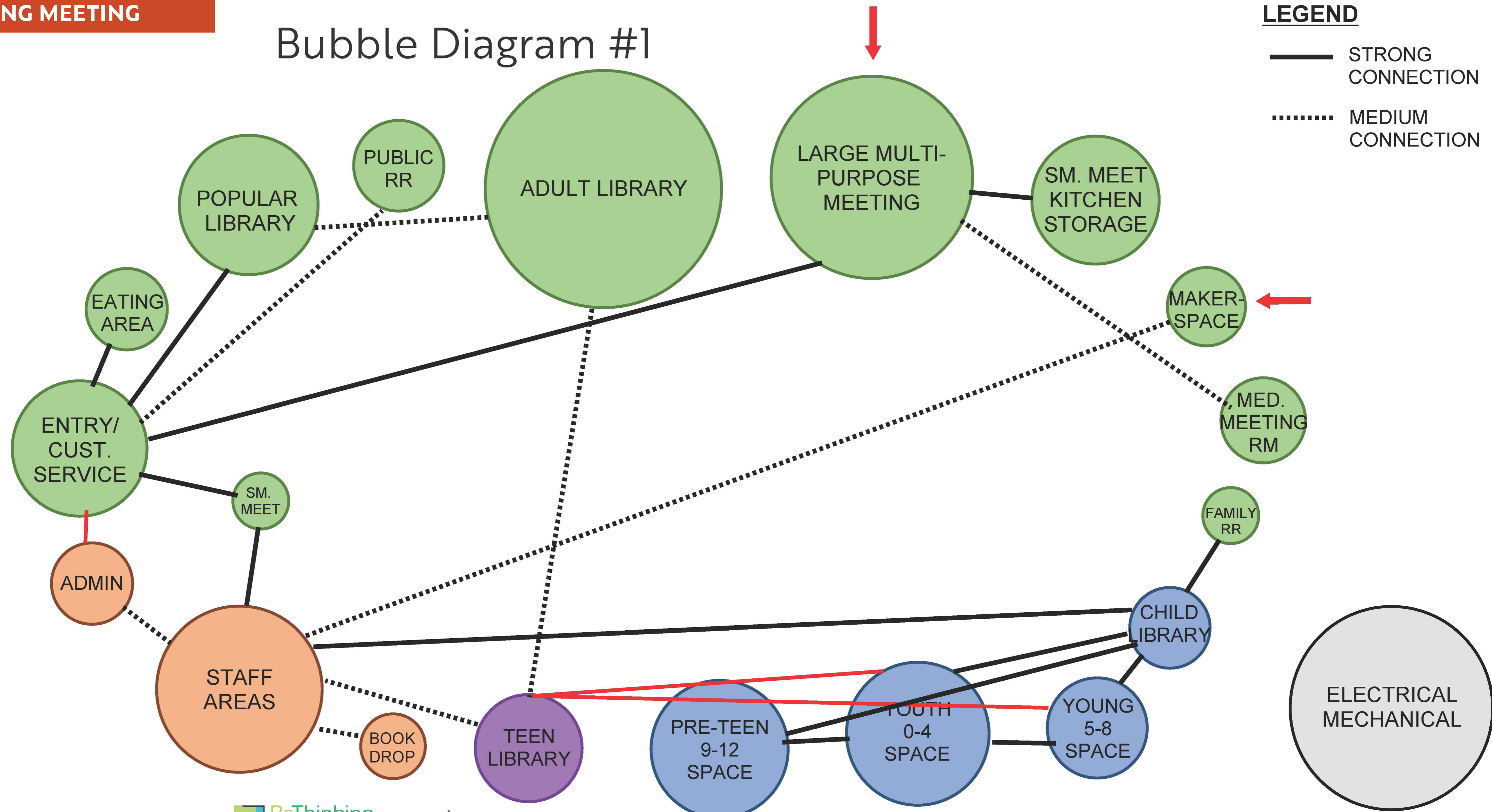
North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
YOUTH LIBRARY		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Children's Service Area / Popular Library				
10.01	Service Point	1	100 SF	100 SF
10.02	Children's Reference Materials	30 Bks	.10 SF	3 SF
10.03	New Books Display (Spine & Faceout)	300 Bks	.20 SF	60 SF
10.04	Children's DVDs & Videogames	200 Items	.08 SF	16 SF
10.05	Children's Audiobooks	100 Items	.09 SF	9 SF
10.06	Children's Periodicals	4 Titles	1 SF	4 SF
10.07	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
10.08	Art Display Area (2-D and 3-D art)	1	100 SF	100 SF
Subtotal			317 SF	
Pre and Early Literacy (Ages 0 - 4)				
11.01	Children's Picture / Board Books	3,000 Bks	.10 SF	300 SF
11.02	Children's tables and 2-chairs	2	75 SF	150 SF
11.04	Parent lounge seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
11.05	Early Literacy Computer Stations	2	50 SF	100 SF
11.06	Special feature (e.g., interactives)	2	50 SF	100 SF
11.07	Story Time/ Program Room/Area	25 Occ	10 SF	250 SF
Subtotal			1,000 SF	
Young School aged (ages 5 - 8)				
12.01	Easy Readers	1,000 Bks	.09 SF	90 SF
12.03	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	75 SF	150 SF
12.04	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
12.05	Special feature (e.g., interactives)	2	50 SF	100 SF
12.06	PAC Stations	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal			490 SF	
Older Children and Pre-Teen (ages 9 - 12)				
13.01	Children's Fiction	4,000 Bks	.10 SF	400 SF
13.02	Children's Graphic Novels	500 Bks	.09 SF	45 SF
13.03	Children's Nonfiction	2,000 Bks	.09 SF	180 SF
13.05	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	75 SF	150 SF
13.06	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
13.07	Multimedia / Gaming / Interactives	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal			925 SF	
Miscellaneous				
14.01	Older Children's Computers	2	65 SF	130 SF
14.02	Parenting Collection	50 Bks	.10 SF	5 SF
Subtotal			135 SF	
YOUTH LIBRARY			2,867 SF	

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
TEEN LIBRARY		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Teen Library				
15.01	Teen New Books and Display	50 Bks	.20 SF	10 SF
15.02	Teen Periodicals	8	1.00 SF	8 SF
15.03	Teen Graphic Novels and Manga	500 Bks	.09 SF	45 SF
15.04	Teen Fiction & Non-Fiction	1,000 Bks	.10 SF	100 SF
15.05			.09 SF	SF
15.06	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
15.07	Collaborative Workstation (4 place)	0	150 SF	SF
15.08	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	75 SF	150 SF
15.09	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
15.10	Teen Computers	0	50 SF	SF
15.11	Multimedia / Gaming / Interactives	1	50 SF	50 SF
15.12	Art Display Area (2-D and 3-D art)	1	75 SF	75 SF
15.13	Program Space/Area	Occ	15 SF	SF
Subtotal				563 SF
TEEN LIBRARY		563 SF		
BUILDING SUB-TOTALS				13,913 SF
	Circulation Factor		15%	2,087 SF
	Footprint, Mechanical & Electrical	1	15%	2,087 SF
Totals >>				18,086 SF
	Existing Conditions			7,200 SF
	Program Delta			-10,886 SF
Seating Standards & Calculations (Lower End of Standard Ranges Selected)				
	Reader Seats	4.0	per 1,000	@15,000 pop
	Total Reader Seats Target	60	Total	
	Total Readers Seats in Program	58	(across all areas)	

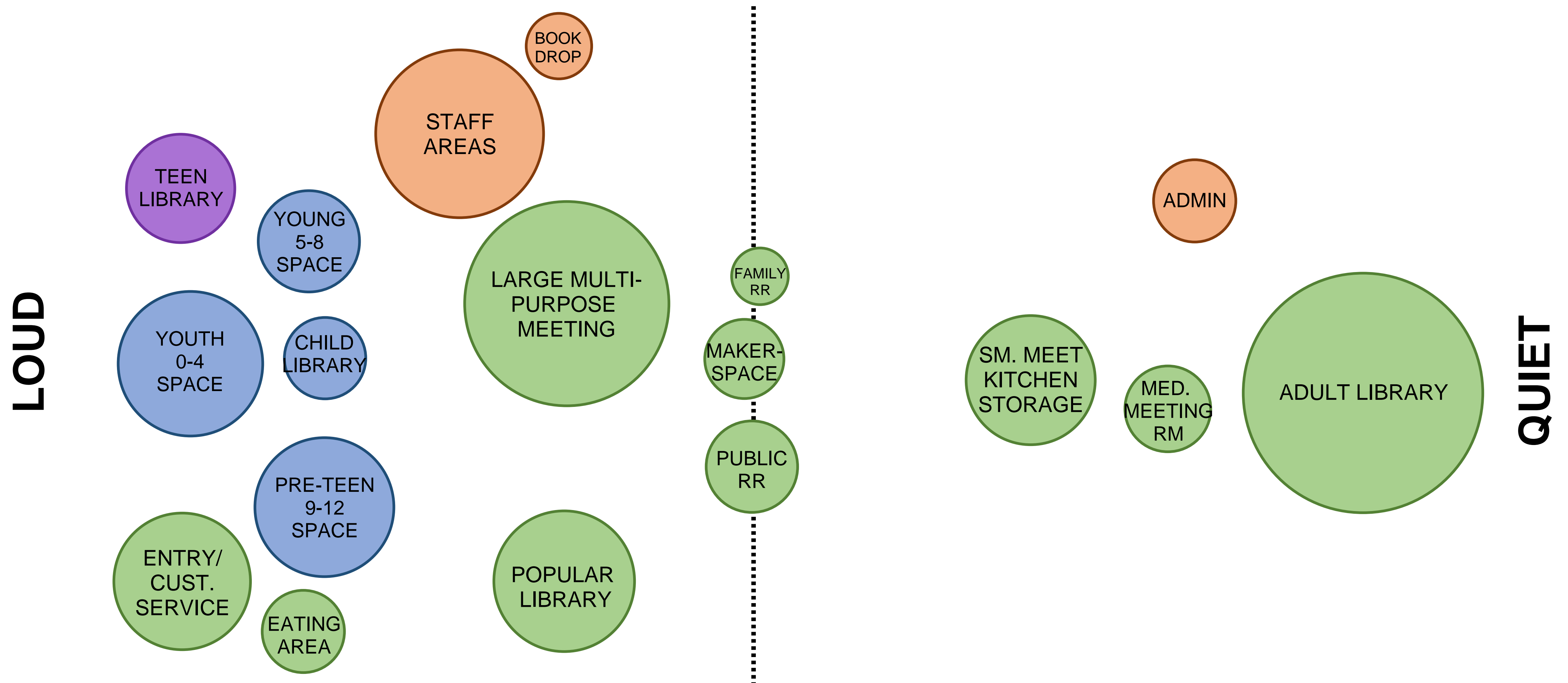
Bubble Diagram #1

LEGEND

- STRONG CONNECTION
- MEDIUM CONNECTION



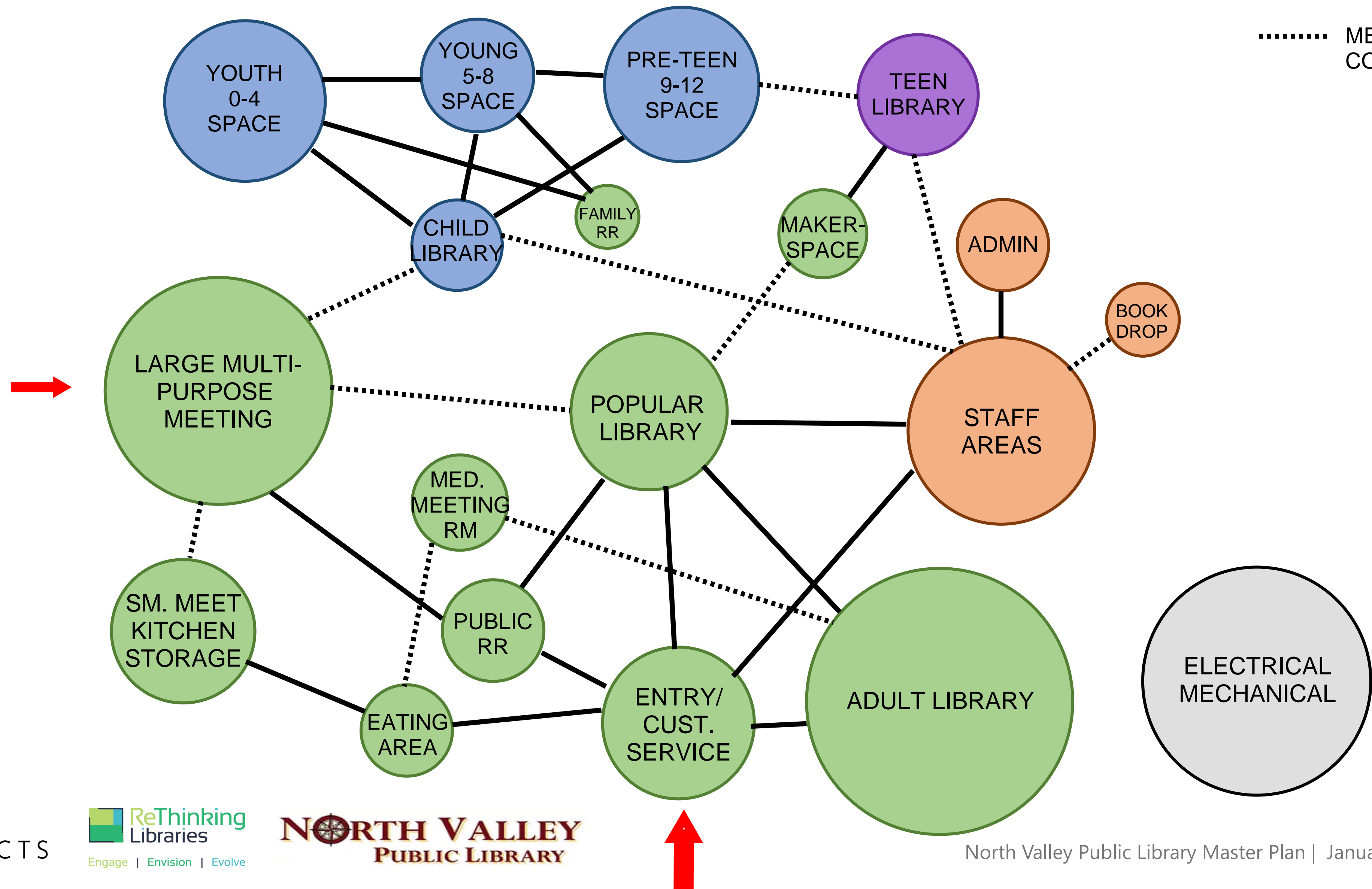
PROGRAMMING | Bubble Diagram #2



PROGRAMMING | Bubble Diagram #3

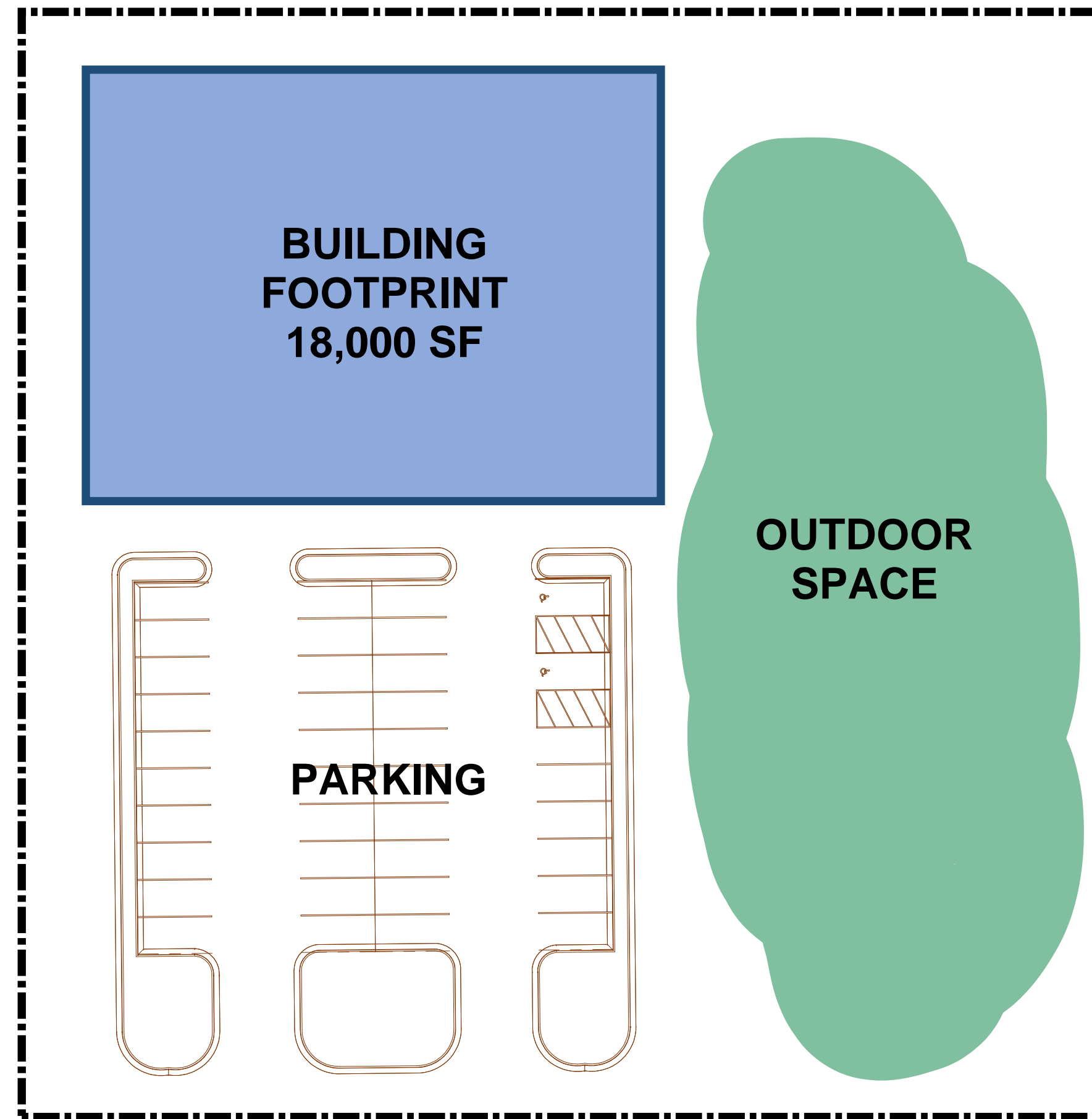
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- MEDIUM CONNECTION



PROGRAMMING | Site Components

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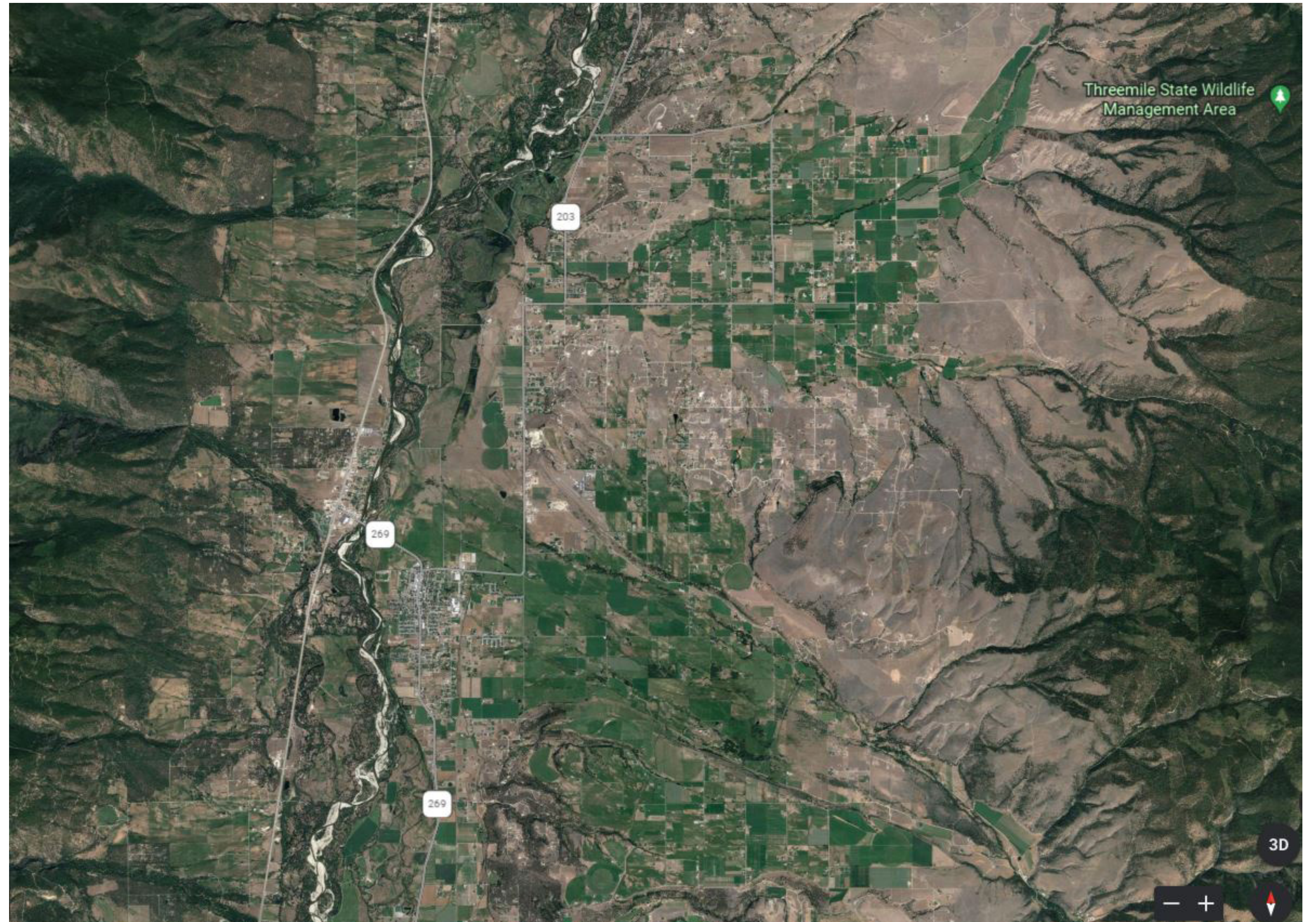


SITE MAP | Existing Library

- Roughly 7,200 SF
- Is heart of the community
- Hold various meetings/ events
- Minimal staff – sometimes only 2 people
- Only cleaned 3x per week
- Has major ADA non-compliance issues
- Asbestos is present
- Structural issues
- Uneven, squeaky floors
- Upstairs can only be used as attic
- Negative site drainage
- Lack of staff office space
- Not enough parking
- Children's Room and Community Room are not large enough to serve the programs/ needs of the patrons

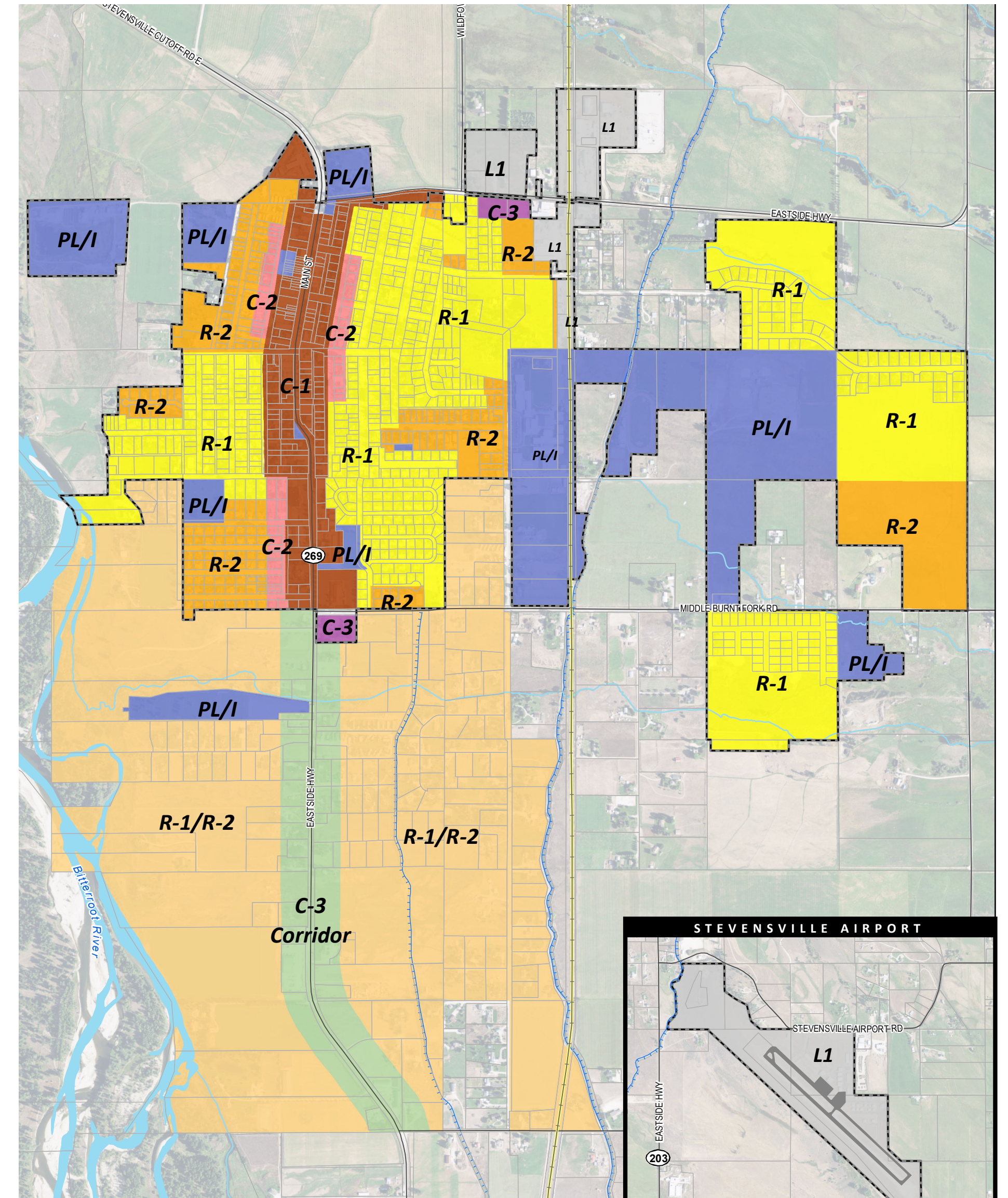


SITE MAP | Service Area



SITE MAP | Stevensville Town Zoning Map

- Libraries are allowed in the C-1, C-2, C-3, PL/I zoning areas within the Town Limits
 - C-1 allows for 100% coverage by structures
 - C-2 allows for 60% coverage by structures
 - C-3 allows for 70% coverage by structures
 - PL/I allows for 45% coverage by structures
- Parking Requirements
 - Buildings of 10,000-30,000 net square feet require (2) spaces per 1,000 nsf
 - Example: A 18,000 sf building would require (36) parking spaces & (2) ADA Spaces (would take up roughly 1/4 acre)



SITE MAP | School Zone



- 10:00 – 10:05 **Introductions**
- 10:05 – 10:15 **Recap of previous meeting/ Review Space Needs Analysis as approved by NVPL.**
- 10:15 – 10:35 **MMW discusses potential project budget.**
- 10:35 – 11:15 **MMW presents (1-2) floor plans that show the overall room sizes, access, and adjacency as expressed from the bubble diagrams and previous meeting. MMW will also present the overall massing of each of the floor plans for reference of scale.**
- 11:15 – 11:45 **Discussion related to each of the (1-2) plan schemes and massing.**
- 11:45 – 11:55 **MMW and NVPL to discuss the site analysis report as issued to NVPL on 2/3/2023.**
- 11:55 – 12:00 **Closing thoughts/ Next Steps/ Questions & Comments/ Meeting Adjourns**

COST ESTIMATE

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
ADULT PUBLIC SPACES		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Entrance, Friends & Customer Service				
1.01	Entrance lobby	2	100 SF	200 SF
1.02	Internal book return	1	75 SF	75 SF
1.03	Main service point	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.04	Secure Laptop Storage*	0	25 SF	\$F
1.05	Self check stations	1	75 SF	75 SF
1.06	Self-serve holds	250	.20 SF	50 SF
1.07	Display/Gallery space	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.08	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
1.09	Literature rack	1	25 SF	25 SF
1.10	Business Center - Photocopier, Scanner, etc.	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.11	Friends Book Sale	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.12	Reference*	0	11 SF	\$F
1.13	Family Restrooms	1	150 SF	150 SF
1.14	Public Restrooms	4	100 SF	400 SF
Subtotal				1,400 SF
Popular Library				
2.01	New adult books & A/V*	1,000 Bks	.20 SF	200 SF
2.02	Adult media (DVDs, Audiobks, etc.)*	6,100 Items	.08 SF	488 SF
2.03	Library of Things	25 Items	1 SF	25 SF
2.04	Adult periodicals	40 Titles	1 SF	40 SF
2.05	Adult lounge seating	6	40 SF	240 SF
2.06	Occasional Tables	3	8 SF	24 SF
Subtotal				1,017 SF
Meeting Rooms				
3.01	Large multi-purpose meeting	100 Occ	18 SF	1,800 SF
3.02	Medium Sized Meeting Room*	0	350 SF	\$F
3.03	Meeting Room Storage	2	100 SF	200 SF
3.04	Kitchen	1	100 SF	100 SF
3.05	Patron Collaborative meeting room*	1	154 SF	154 SF
3.06	Small Group Meeting (2-4)*	4	81 SF	324 SF
Subtotal				2,578 SF

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
Adult Library				
4.01	Adult Service Point	1	150 SF	150 SF
4.02	Adult fiction*	8,000 Bks	.10 SF	800 SF
4.03	Large Print*	1,500 Bks	.10 SF	150 SF
4.04	Adult Nonfiction & Bio	5,000 Bks	.10 SF	500 SF
4.05	Adult Paperback*	Bks	.09 SF	\$F
4.06			.09 SF	\$F
4.07	Adult Tables and Chairs (2 seats ea.)*	4	75 SF	300 SF
4.08	Adult Collaborative Seating (4 seats ea.)	1	100 SF	100 SF
4.09	Adult lounge seating	4	50 SF	200 SF
4.10	Occasional Tables	2	6 SF	12 SF
4.11	OPACs*	2	50 SF	100 SF
4.12	Adult public computers	8	70 SF	560 SF
4.13	Printer /Reservation station	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal				2,922 SF
Eating Area				
6.01	CafeTable Seating (2 seats ea)*	4	75 SF	300 SF
6.02	Vending Machines*	0	50 SF	\$F
Subtotal				300 SF
Miscellaneous Spaces				
7.01	Digital Creativity / Makerspace	1	500 SF	500 SF
7.02	Archive Collections - Public	0	2,000 SF	\$F
Subtotal				500 SF
ADULT PUBLIC SPACES				8,717 SF

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
ADMINISTRATION		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Staff Space - ADMIN				
8.01	Library Director	1	125 SF	125 SF
8.02	Operations/Manager	0	150 SF	\$F
8.03	Head of Marketing / Programs	0	125 SF	\$F
8.04	Marketing Assistant	0	100 SF	\$F
8.05	Foundation Office	1	75 SF	75 SF
8.06	Foundation Book Storage	1	75 SF	75 SF
8.07	Trustee's Office (Currently Law Office)	0	100 SF	\$F
8.08	Other Admin Staff*	1	100 SF	100 SF
8.09	Misc Admin Library Storage	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal				425 SF
Staff Space - Staff				
9.01	Head of Circulation*	0	100 SF	\$F
9.02	Circulation Staff	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.03	Drive-up Service Window*	0	100 SF	\$F
9.04	Circ. Workspace, Staging, & Logistics*	1	400 SF	400 SF
9.05	Miscellaneous Circ. Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.06	Head of Catalogging	0	100 SF	\$F
9.07	Catalogging Work area /desks*	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.08	Adult Librarian	0	100 SF	\$F
9.09	Adult Staff	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.10	Miscellaneous Adult Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.11	Youth Librarian	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.12	Youth Staff	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.13	Miscellaneous Youth Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.14	Maintenance Office	0	100 SF	\$F
9.15		0	100 SF	\$F
9.16		0	\$F	\$F
9.17	Outreach Work Area & Storage	0	750 SF	\$F
9.18	Garage / Bookmobile	0	1,000 SF	\$F
9.19	Staff Break Area / Kitchen	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.20	Staff Restroom	1	100 SF	100 SF
9.21	Janitor's closet	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.22	IT Area	1	50 SF	50 SF
9.23	Miscellaneous General Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
Subtotal				1,550 SF
ADMINISTRATION				1,975 SF

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
YOUTH LIBRARY		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Children's Service Area / Popular Library				
10.01	Service Point	1	100 SF	100 SF
10.02	Children's Reference Materials	30 Bks	.10 SF	3 SF
10.03	New Books Display (Spine & Faceout)*	450 Bks	.20 SF	90 SF
10.04	Children's DVDs & Videogames	200 Items	.08 SF	16 SF
10.05	Children's Audiobooks	100 Items	.09 SF	9 SF
10.06	Children's Periodicals	4 Titles	1 SF	4 SF
10.07	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
10.08	Art Display Area (2-D and 3-D art)	1	100 SF	100 SF
Subtotal				347 SF
Pre and Early Literacy (Ages 0 - 4)				
11.01	Children's Picture / Board Books*	4,000 Bks	.10 SF	400 SF
11.02	Children's tables and 2-chairs*	3	75 SF	225 SF
11.04	Parent lounge seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
11.05	Early Literacy Computer Stations	2	50 SF	100 SF
11.06	Special feature (e.g., interactives)*	4	50 SF	200 SF
11.07	Story Time/ Program Room/Area*	35 Occ	10 SF	350 SF
Subtotal				1,375 SF
Young School aged (ages 5 - 8)				
12.01	Easy Readers*	2,000 Bks	.09 SF	180 SF
12.03	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)*	3	75 SF	225 SF
12.04	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
12.05	Special feature (e.g., interactives)	2	50 SF	100 SF
12.06	PAC Stations	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal				655 SF
Older Children and Pre-Teen (ages 9 - 12)				
13.01	Children's Fiction*	5,000 Bks	.10 SF	500 SF
13.02	Children's Graphic Novels*	750 Bks	.09 SF	68 SF
13.03	Children's Nonfiction*	2,500 Bks	.09 SF	225 SF
13.05	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)*	3	75 SF	225 SF
13.06	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
13.07	Multimedia / Gaming / Interactives	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal				1,168 SF
Miscellaneous				
14.01	Older Children's Computers*	4	65 SF	260 SF
14.02	Parenting Collection*	100 Bks	.10 SF	10 SF
Subtotal				270 SF
YOUTH LIBRARY				3,815 SF

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
TEEN LIBRARY		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Teen Library				
15.01	Teen New Books and Display*	200 Bks	.20 SF	40 SF
15.02	Teen Periodicals	8	1.00 SF	8 SF
15.03	Teen Graphic Novels and Manga*	600 Bks	.09 SF	54 SF
15.04	Teen Fiction & Non-Fiction*	1,500 Bks	.10 SF	150 SF
15.05			.09 SF	\$F
15.06	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
15.07	Collaborative Workstation (4 place)	0	150 SF	\$F
15.08	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)*	3	75 SF	225 SF
15.09	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
15.10	Teen Computers	0	50 SF	\$F
15.11	Multimedia / Gaming / Interactives	1	50 SF	50 SF
15.12	Art Display Area (2-D and 3-D art)	1	75 SF	75 SF
15.13	Program Space/Area	Occ	15 SF	\$F
Subtotal				727 SF
TEEN LIBRARY				727 SF
BUILDING SUB-TOTALS				
Circulation Factor			15%	2,285 SF
Footprint, Mechanical & Electrical		1	15%	2,285 SF
Totals >>				19,804 SF
Existing Conditions				7,200 SF
Program Delta				-12,604 SF
Seating Standards & Calculations (Lower End of Standard Ranges Selected)				
Reader Seats		4.0	per 1,000	@15,000 pop
Total Reader Seats Target		60	Total	
Total Readers Seats in Program		70	(across all areas)	

COST ESTIMATE

NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY MASTER PLAN

Stevensville, MT

February 28, 2023

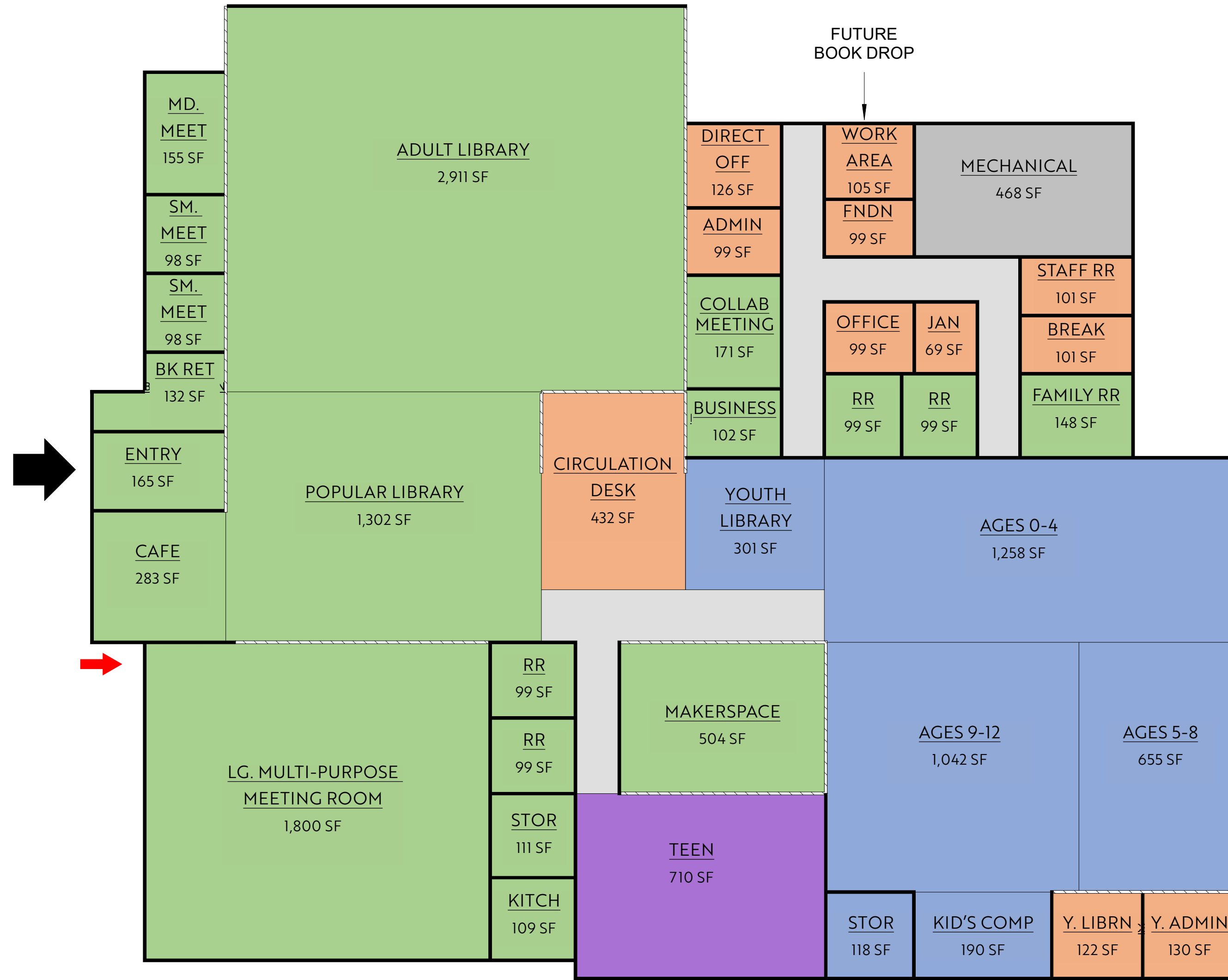
Project No: 22.025

<u>Scope</u>	<u>Area (sf)</u>	<u>Unit Cost Low</u>	<u>Unit Cost High</u>	<u>Low Range</u>	<u>High Range</u>
Building	19,000	\$350	\$450	\$6,650,000	\$8,550,000
Site Development	1.00	\$400,000	\$800,000	\$400,000	\$800,000
Non Municipal Service**	1.00	\$277,500	\$330,000	\$277,500	\$330,000
Subtotal Estimated Division Costs				\$7,327,500	\$9,680,000
Estimating Contingency @ 20%				\$1,465,500	\$1,936,000
Base Bid Estimate				\$8,793,000	\$11,616,000
Construction Contingency @ 5%				\$439,650	\$580,800
Construction Cost Estimate				\$9,232,650	\$12,196,800
FFE	19,000	\$45	\$50	\$855,000	\$950,000
Soft Cost*		13%	15%	\$1,200,245	\$1,829,520
Project Cost Estimate				\$11,287,895	\$14,976,320
2024 Projected Cost @ 4% Inflation				\$11,739,410	\$15,575,373
2025 Projected Cost @ 4% Inflation				\$12,208,987	\$16,198,388
2026 Projected Cost @ 4% Inflation				\$12,697,346	\$16,846,323

* Soft Costs include baseline estimates for: professional fees, permitting, testing and inspection

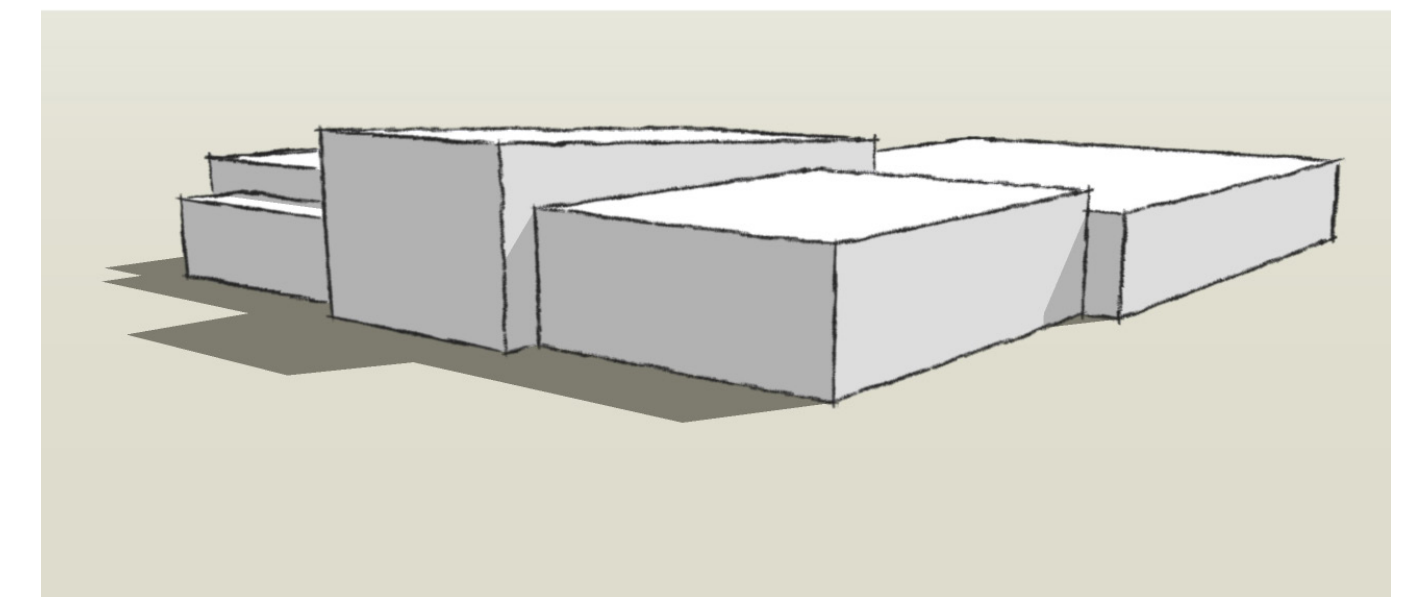
** Includes Public Well, Septic Drainage, Fire Supression Holding Tank

FLOOR PLAN | Option A

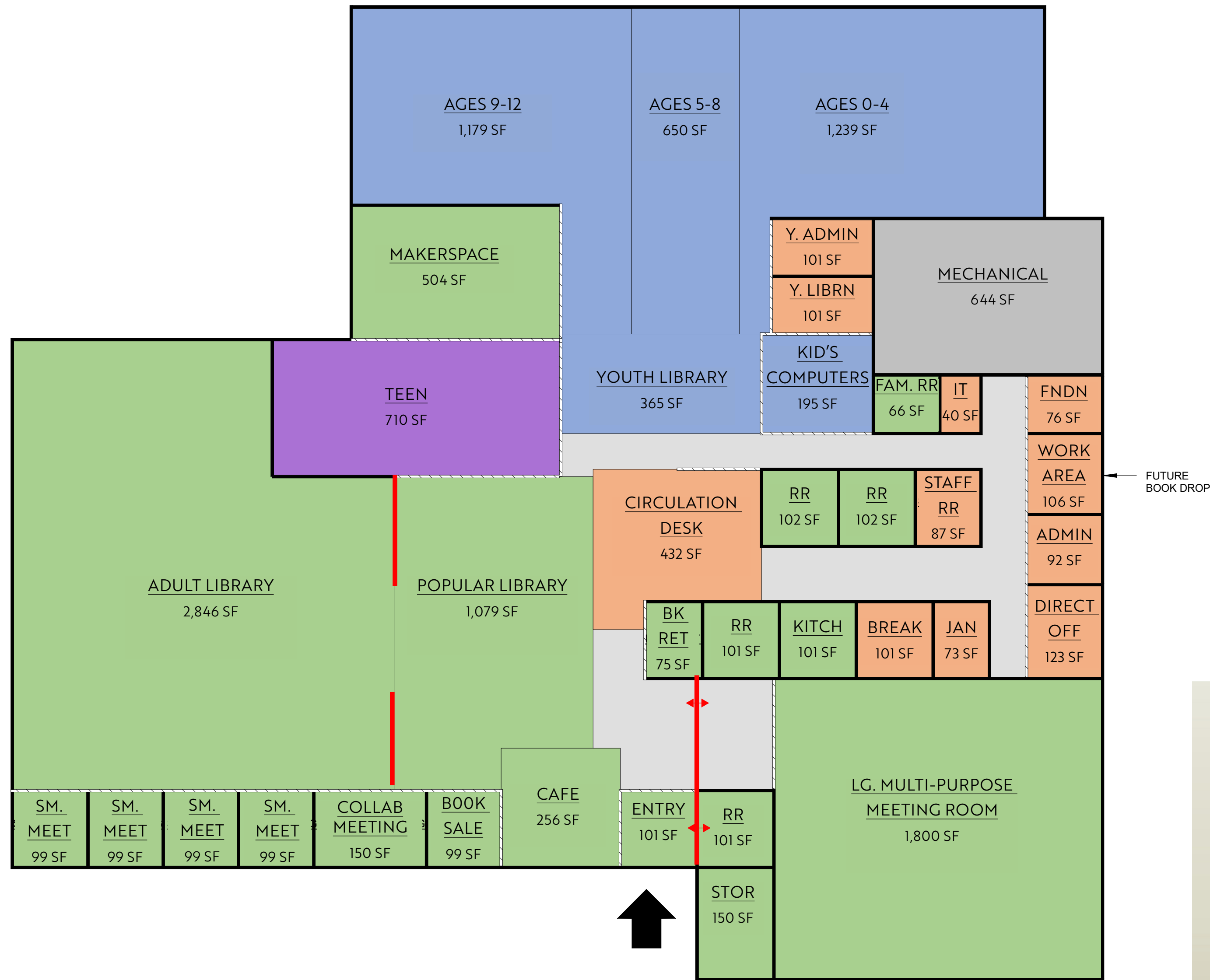


Legend

- Adult Public Spaces
- Administration
- Youth Library
- Teen Library
- Circulation
- Mechanical

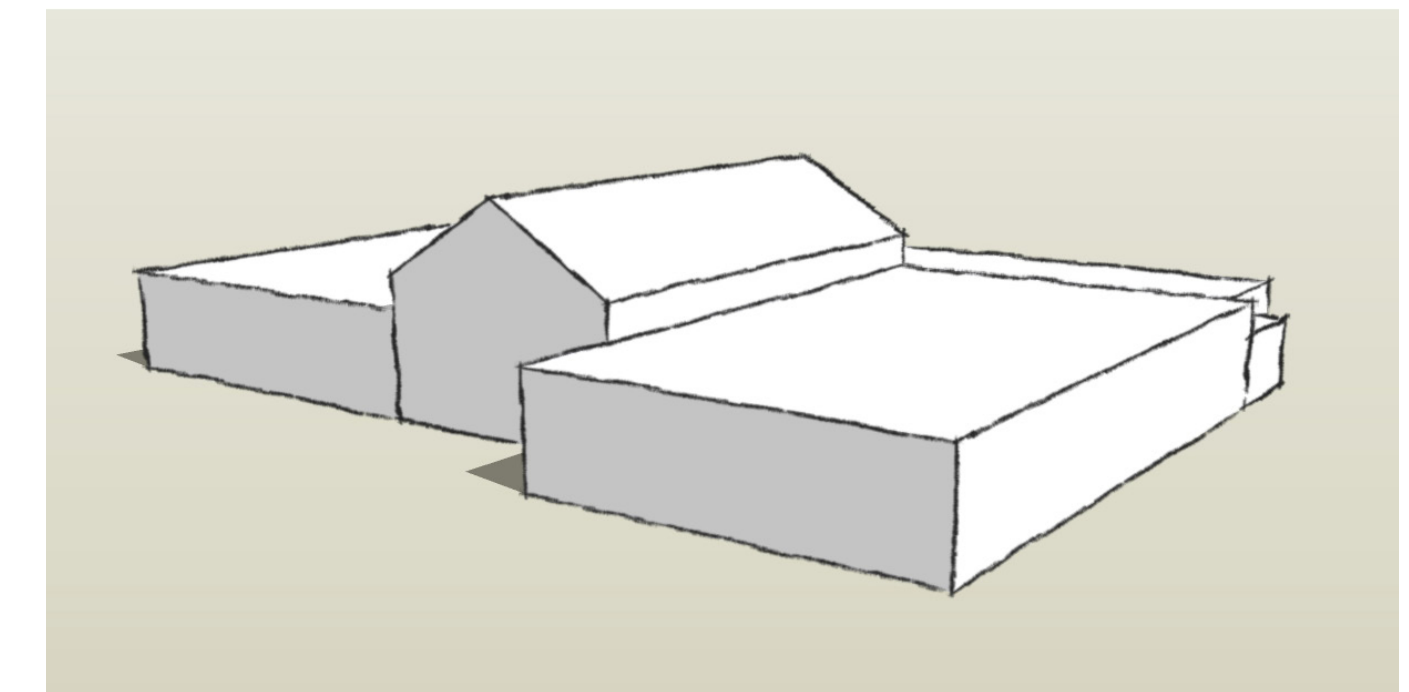


FLOOR PLAN | Option B



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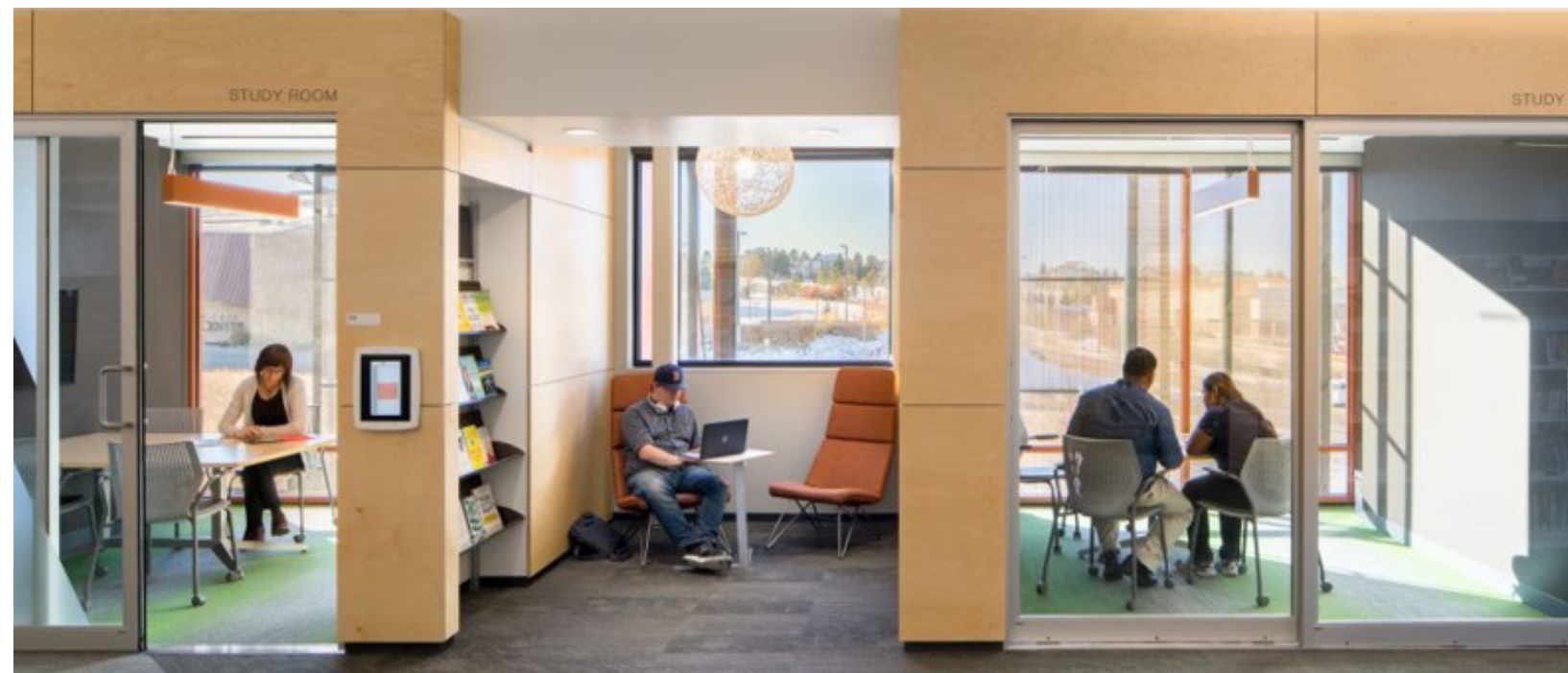
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- Administration
- Youth Library
- Teen Library
- Circulation
- Mechanical



PRECEDENT IMAGES | Interior - Youth Spaces



PRECEDENT IMAGES | Interior - Adult Spaces



PRECEDENT IMAGES | Interior - Adult Spaces



PRECEDENT IMAGES | Exterior



CODE SUMMARY

Occupancy - **Assembly Group A-3** (Libraries)

Automatic Sprinkler Systems - **Required in A-3**

- fire area exceeds 12,000 square feet

Type of Construction - **Type VB**

- maximum 24,000 square feet for single story when sprinkled

Occupant Load - **estimated 290 Occupant**

- 1 occupant/ 100 sf gross in stack area
- 1 occupant/ 50 sf net in reading rooms
- 1 occupant/ 150 sf gross in staff areas
- 1 occupant/ 15 sf net in assembly areas without fixed seating

Plumbing Calculations - **Assembly**

- Male Toilets: 2
- Female Toilets: 3
- Lavatories: 2
- Drinking Fountain: 1
- Service Sink: 1

ACCESSIBILITY

Recommendations for Libraries from **Whole Building Design Guide**:

- Doorway openings at least 32 inches wide and doorway thresholds no higher than 1/2 inch.
- Keep aisles wide and clear for wheelchair users. Minimize protruding objects for the safety of visually impaired users.
- Provide ways to assist patrons with mobility impairments in retrieving materials from inaccessible locations.
- Fully accessible restrooms with well-marked signs should be available.
- Make service desks and areas such as book returns wheelchair accessible.
- Provide ample high-contrast, large print directional signs throughout the library. Shelf and stack identifiers should be provided in large print and Braille formats. Mark equipment with large print and Braille labels.

Signage



ACCESSIBILITY

- Provide telecommunication devices for the deaf.
- Provide hearing protectors, private study rooms, or study carrels for users who are distracted by noise and movement around them or who need special equipment or support.
- Provide adaptive technology for computers.

Source: [wbdg.org/space-types/library](https://www.wbdg.org/space-types/library)

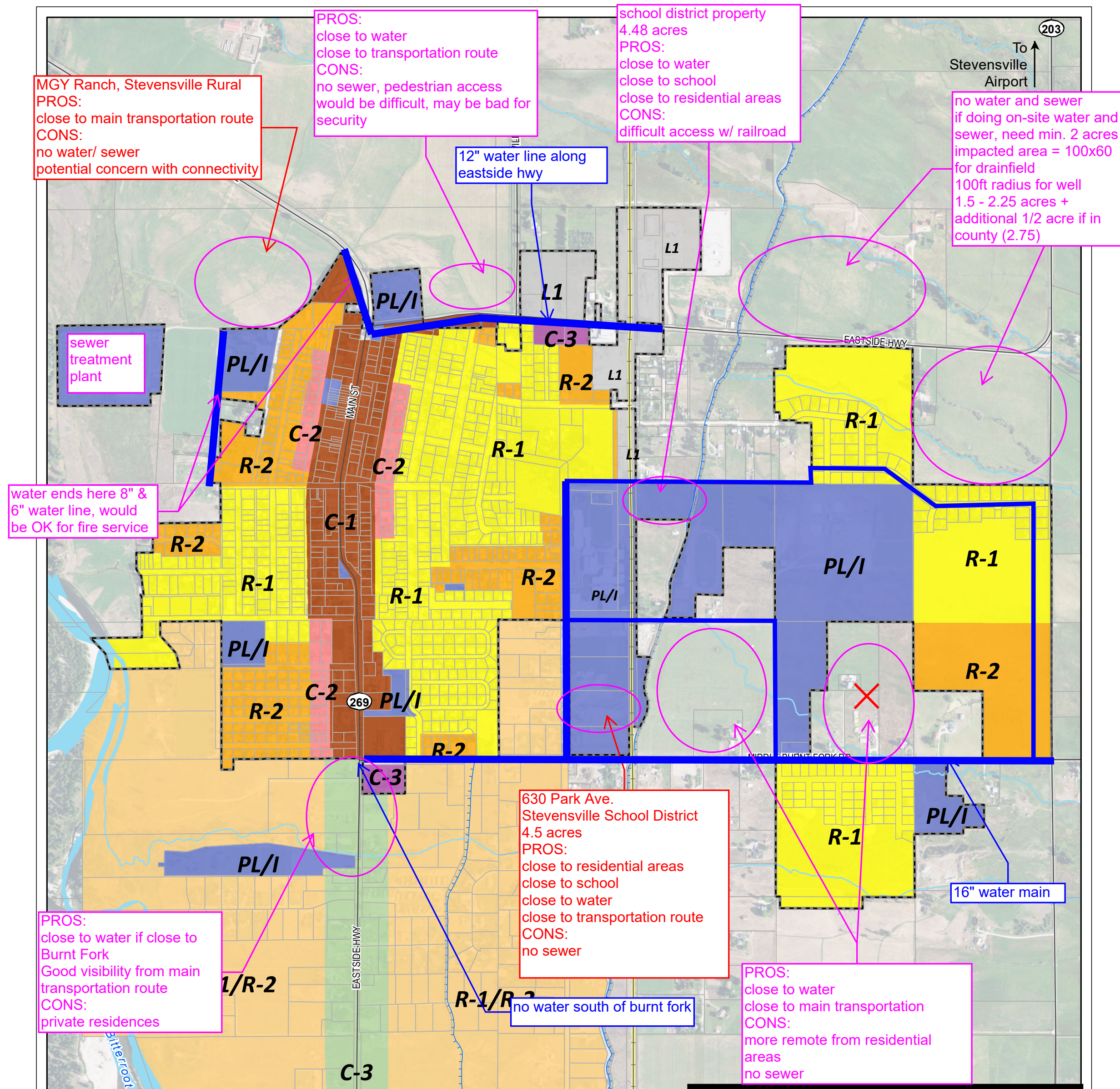
Adult Coworking Furniture



Sensory Room



SITE ANALYSIS



- 10:00 – 10:05 Introductions**
- 10:05 – 10:20 Review Updated Space Needs Analysis & Budget**
- 10:20 – 11:30 Present Updated Plan & Perspectives**
- 11:30 – 11:45 Discuss Site Location Updates**
- 11:45 – 12:00 Closing Thoughts & Next Steps**

SPACE NEEDS PROGRAM

AREA BY AREA BUILT SPACE NEEDS ANALYSIS				
North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
ADULT PUBLIC SPACES		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Entrance, Friends & Customer Service				
1.01	Entrance lobby	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.02	Internal book return	1	75 SF	75 SF
1.03	Main service point	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.04	Secure Laptop Storage	1	25 SF	25 SF
1.05	Self check stations	1	75 SF	75 SF
1.06	Self-serve holds	250	.15 SF	38 SF
1.07	Display/Gallery space	0	100 SF	SF
1.08	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
1.09	Literature rack	1	25 SF	25 SF
1.10	Business Center - Photocopier, Scanner, etc.	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.11	Friends Book Sale	1	100 SF	100 SF
1.12	Reference	150	.11 SF	17 SF
1.13	Family Restrooms	1	150 SF	100 SF
1.14	Public Restrooms	2	100 SF	200 SF
Subtotal				979 SF
Popular Library				
2.01	New adult books & A/V	50 Bks	.200 SF	10 SF
2.02	Adult media (DVDs, Audiobks, etc.)	3,000 Items	.08 SF	240 SF
2.03	Library of Things	15 Items	1 SF	15 SF
2.04	Adult periodicals	30 Titles	1 SF	30 SF
2.05	Adult lounge seating	0	40 SF	SF
2.06	Occasional Tables	0	8 SF	SF
Subtotal				295 SF
Meeting Rooms				
3.01	Large multi-purpose meeting	50 Occ	15 SF	750 SF
3.02	Medium Sized Meeting Room	0	350 SF	SF
3.03	Meeting Room Storage	1	100 SF	100 SF
3.04	Kitchen	0	100 SF	SF
3.05	Board Room / Staff Meeting Room	1	180 SF	180 SF
3.06	Small Group Meeting (2-4)	2	80 SF	160 SF
Subtotal				1,190 SF
Adult Library				
4.01	Adult Service Point	1	150 SF	150 SF
4.02	Adult fiction	6,000 Bks	.10 SF	600 SF
4.03	Large Print	1,500 Bks	.10 SF	150 SF
4.04	Adult Nonfiction & Bio	4,000 Bks	.10 SF	400 SF
4.05	Adult Paperback	Bks	.09 SF	SF
4.06			.09 SF	SF
4.07	Adult Tables and Chairs (2 seats ea.)	3	75 SF	225 SF
4.08	Adult Collaborative Seating (4 seats ea.)	1	100 SF	100 SF
4.09	Adult lounge seating	3	50 SF	150 SF
4.10	Occasional Tables	2	6 SF	9 SF
4.11	OPACs	2	50 SF	100 SF
4.12	Adult public computers	8	70 SF	560 SF
4.13	Printer /Reservation station	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal				2,494 SF
Eating Area				
6.01	CafeTable Seating (2 seats ea)	0	75 SF	SF
6.02	Vending Machines	0	50 SF	SF
Subtotal				SF
Miscellaneous Spaces				
7.01	Digital Creativity / Makerspace	1	200 SF	200 SF
7.02	Archive Collections - Public	0	2,000 SF	SF
Subtotal				200 SF
ADULT PUBLIC SPACES				5,158 SF

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
ADMINISTRATION		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Staff Space - ADMIN				
8.01	Library Director	1	80 SF	80 SF
8.02	Operations/Manager	0	150 SF	SF
8.03	Head of Marketing / Programs	0	125 SF	SF
8.04	Marketing Assistant	0	100 SF	SF
8.05	Foundation Office	0	75 SF	SF
8.06	Foundation Book Storage	1	75 SF	75 SF
8.07	Trustee's Office (Curently Law Office)	0	80 SF	SF
8.08	Other Admin Staff	1	70 SF	70 SF
8.09	Misc Admin Library Storage	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal				275 SF
Staff Space - Staff				
9.01	Head of Circulation	0	100 SF	SF
9.02	Circulation Staff	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.03	Drive-up Service Window	0	100 SF	SF
9.04	Circ. Workspace, Staging, & Logistics	1	150 SF	150 SF
9.05	Miscellaneous Circ. Storage	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.06	Head of Cataloging	0	100 SF	SF
9.07	Cataloging Work area /desks	1	80 SF	80 SF
9.08	Adult Librarian	0	100 SF	SF
9.09	Adult Staff	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.10	Miscellaneous Adult Storage	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.11	Youth Librarian	1	90 SF	90 SF
9.12	Youth Staff	1	65 SF	65 SF
9.13	Miscellaneous Youth Storage	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.14	Maintenance Office	0	100 SF	SF
9.15		0	100 SF	SF
9.16		0	SF	SF
9.17	Outeach Work Area & Storage	0	750 SF	SF
9.18	Garage / Bookmobile	0	1,000 SF	SF
9.19	Staff Break Area / Kitchen	1	90 SF	90 SF
9.20	Staff Restroom	1	75 SF	75 SF
9.21	Janitor's closet	1	50 SF	50 SF
9.22	IT Area	1	50 SF	50 SF
9.23	Miscellaneous General Storage	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal				1,075 SF
ADMINISTRATION				1,350 SF

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
YOUTH LIBRARY		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Children's Service Area / Popular Library				
10.01	Service Point	1	90 SF	90 SF
10.02	Children's Reference Materials	30 Bks	.10 SF	3 SF
10.03	New Books Display (Spine & Faceout)	50 Bks	.20 SF	10 SF
10.04	Children's DVDs & Videogames	200 Items	.08 SF	16 SF
10.05	Children's Audiobooks	100 Items	.09 SF	9 SF
10.06	Children's Periodicals	4 Titles	1 SF	4 SF
10.07	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
10.08	Art Display Area (2-D and 3-D art)	0	100 SF	SF
Subtotal				157 SF
Pre and Early Literacy (Ages 0 - 4)				
11.01	Children's Picture / Board Books	3,000 Bks	.09 SF	270 SF
11.02	Children's tables and 2-chairs	2	65 SF	130 SF
11.04	Parent lounge seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
11.05	Early Literacy Computer Stations	2	50 SF	100 SF
11.06	Special feature (e.g., interactives)	1	50 SF	50 SF
11.07	Story Time/ Program Room/Area	Occ	10 SF	SF
Subtotal				650 SF
Young School aged (ages 5 - 8)				
12.01	Easy Readers	1,500 Bks	.09 SF	135 SF
12.03	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	70 SF	140 SF
12.04	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	0	50 SF	SF
12.05	Special feature (e.g., interactives)	1	50 SF	50 SF
12.06	PAC Stations	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal				375 SF
Older Children and Pre-Teen (ages 9 - 12)				
13.01	Children's Fiction	3,500 Bks	.09 SF	315 SF
13.02	Children's Graphic Novels	500 Bks	.09 SF	45 SF
13.03	Children's Nonfiction	2,500 Bks	.09 SF	225 SF
13.05	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	75 SF	150 SF
13.06	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	0	50 SF	SF
13.07	Multimedia / Gaming / Interactives	1	50 SF	50 SF
Subtotal				785 SF
Miscellaneous				
14.01	Older Children's Computers	4	55 SF	220 SF
14.02	Parenting Collection	Bks	.10 SF	SF
Subtotal				220 SF
YOUTH LIBRARY				2,187 SF

North Valley Public Library		15,000 Pop PROGRAM Future Need ~10yr+		
TEEN LIBRARY		UNIT	SF PER UNIT	
Teen Library				
15.01	Teen New Books and Display	30 Bks	.20 SF	6 SF
15.02	Teen Periodicals	8	1.00 SF	8 SF
15.03	Teen Graphic Novels and Manga	600 Bks	.09 SF	54 SF
15.04	Teen Fiction & Non-Fiction	1,500 Bks	.10 SF	150 SF
15.05			.09 SF	SF
15.06	48" LCD Panels	1	25 SF	25 SF
15.07	Collaborative Workstation (4 place)	0	150 SF	SF
15.08	Adult-sized Table & Chairs (2 place)	2	75 SF	150 SF
15.09	Adult-sized Lounge Seating	2	50 SF	100 SF
15.10	Teen Computers	0	50 SF	SF
15.11	Multimedia / Gaming / Interactives	1	50 SF	50 SF
15.12	Art Display Area (2-D and 3-D art)	0	75 SF	SF
15.13	Program Space/Area	Occ	15 SF	SF
Subtotal				543 SF
TEEN LIBRARY				543 SF
BUILDING SUB-TOTALS				
				9,238 SF
Circulation Factor			15%	1,386 SF
Footprint, Mechanical & Electrical		1	15%	1,386 SF
Fire Protection Room				200 SF
Totals >>				12,209 SF
Existing Conditions				7,200 SF
Program Delta				-5,009 SF
Seating Standards & Calculations (Lower End of Standard Ranges Selected)				
Reader Seats		4.0	per 1,000	@15,000 pop
Total Reader Seats Target		60	Total	
Total Readers Seats in Program		37	(across all areas)	

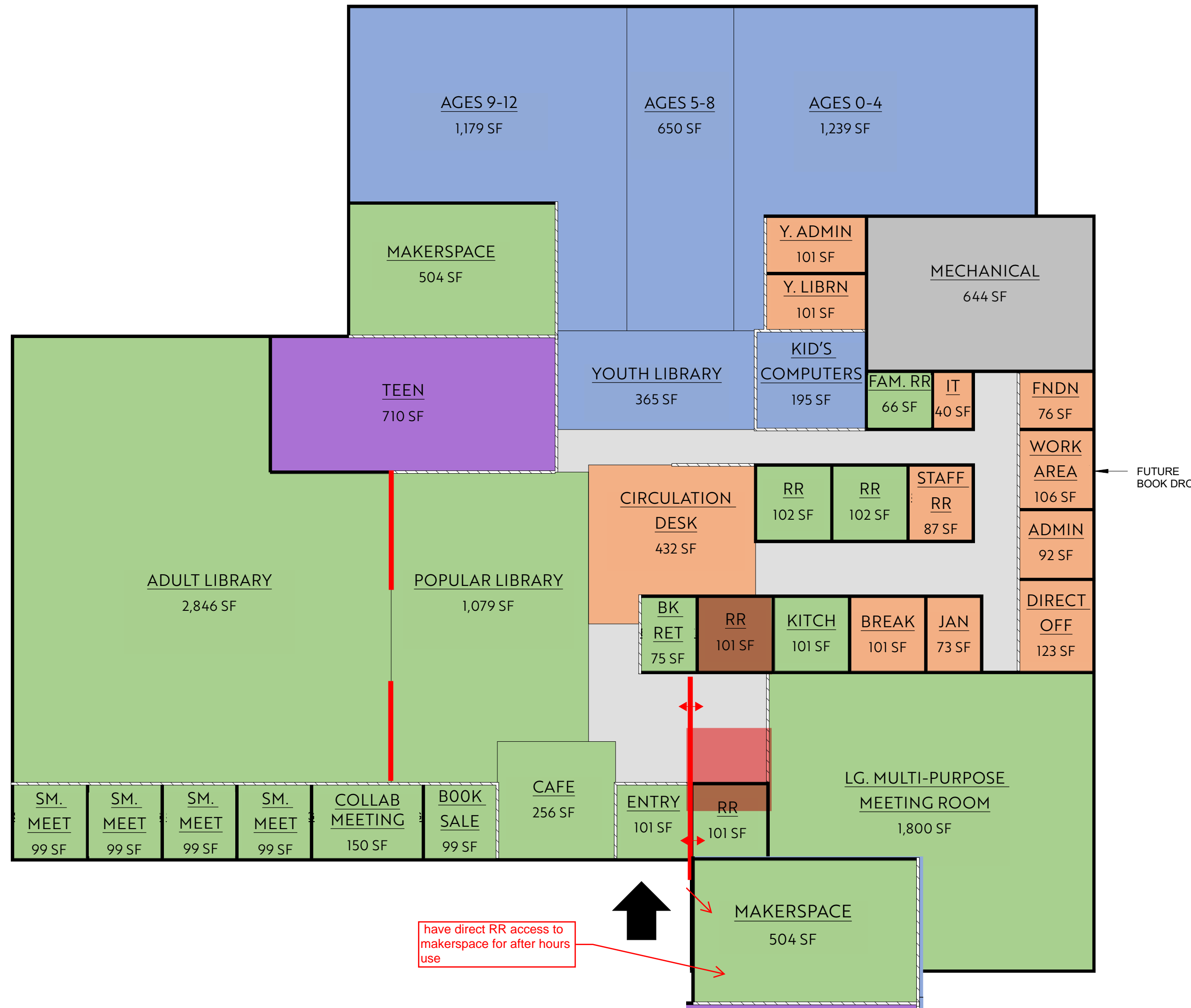
BUDGET | Updated

<u>Scope</u>	<u>Area (sf)</u>	<u>Unit Cost Low</u>	<u>Unit Cost High</u>	<u>Low Range</u>	<u>High Range</u>
Building	12,500	\$325	\$425	\$4,062,500	\$5,312,500
Site Development	1.00	\$400,000	\$800,000	\$400,000	\$800,000
Non Municipal Service**	1.00	\$277,500	\$330,000	\$277,500	\$330,000
Subtotal Estimated Division Costs				\$4,740,000	\$6,442,500
Estimating Contingency @ 15%				\$711,000	\$966,375
Base Bid Estimate				\$5,451,000	\$7,408,875
Construction Contingency @ 5%				\$272,550	\$370,444
Construction Cost Estimate				\$5,723,550	\$7,779,319
FFE	12,500	\$45	\$50	\$562,500	\$625,000
Soft Cost*		13%	15%	\$744,062	\$1,166,898
Project Cost Estimate				\$7,030,112	\$9,571,217
2024 Projected Cost @ 8% Inflation				\$7,592,520	\$10,336,914
2025 Projected Cost @ 8% Inflation				\$8,199,922	\$11,163,867
2026 Projected Cost @ 8% Inflation				\$8,855,916	\$12,056,976

* Soft Costs include baseline estimates for: professional fees, permitting, testing and inspection

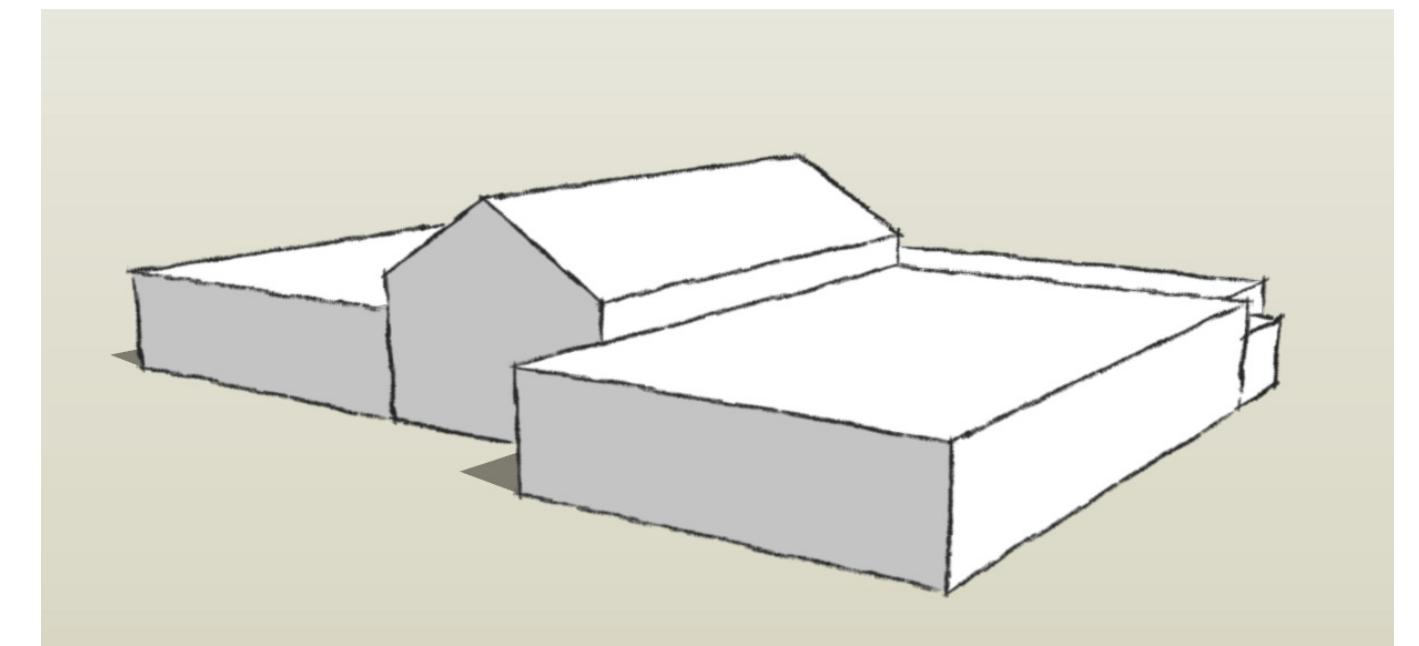
** Includes Public Well, Septic Drainage, Fire Supression Holding Tank

FLOOR PLAN | Previous Plan



Legend

- Adult Public Spaces
- Administration
- Youth Library
- Teen Library
- Circulation
- Mechanical



FLOOR PLAN | Updated Plan



Legend

- Adult Public Spaces
- Administration
- Youth Library
- Teen Library
- Circulation
- Mechanical

12,500 gsf

PERSPECTIVE | Interior



PERSPECTIVE | Interior



PERSPECTIVE | Pedestrian



PERSPECTIVE | Pedestrian w/ Materials



PERSPECTIVE | Aerial

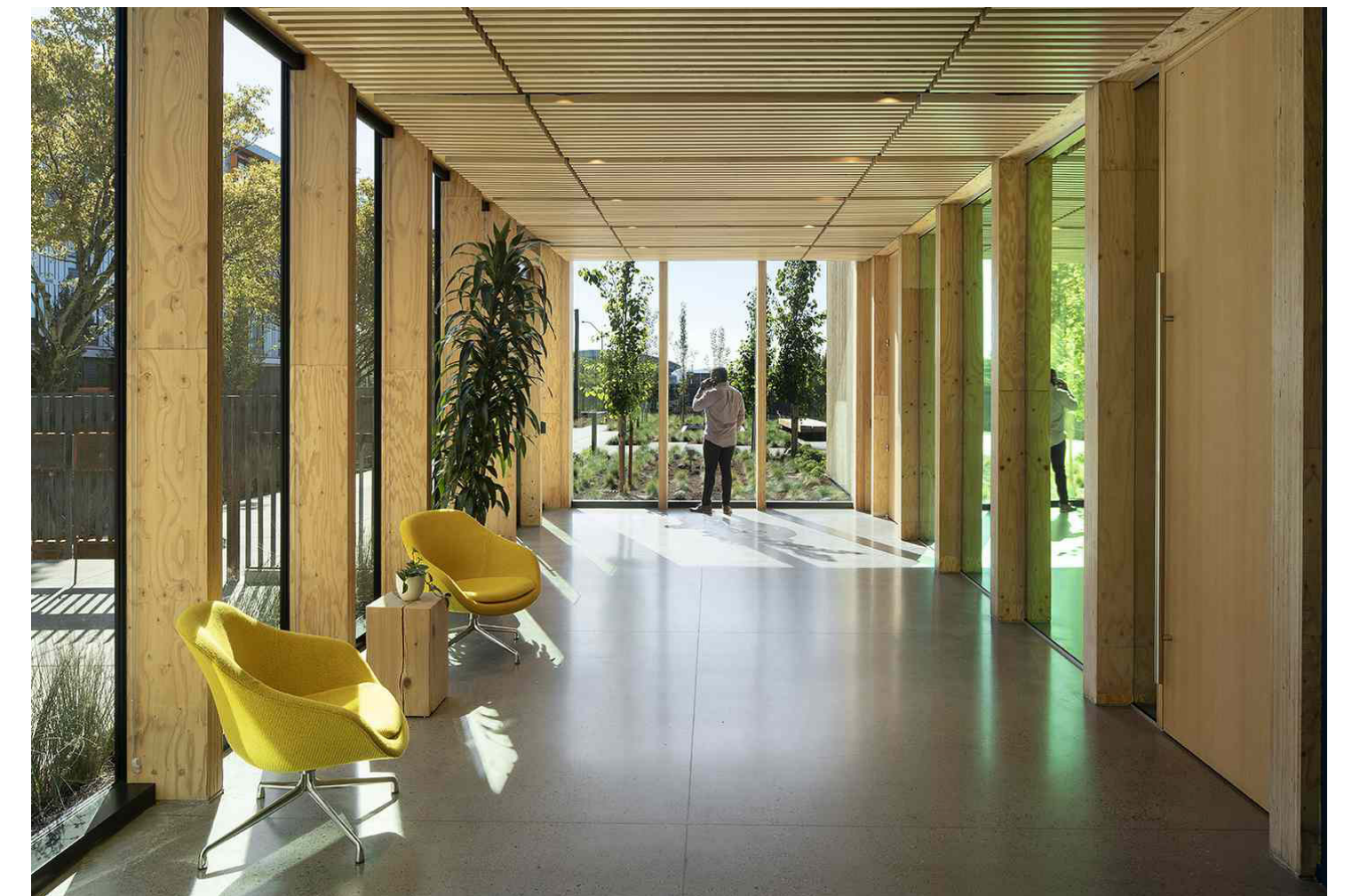
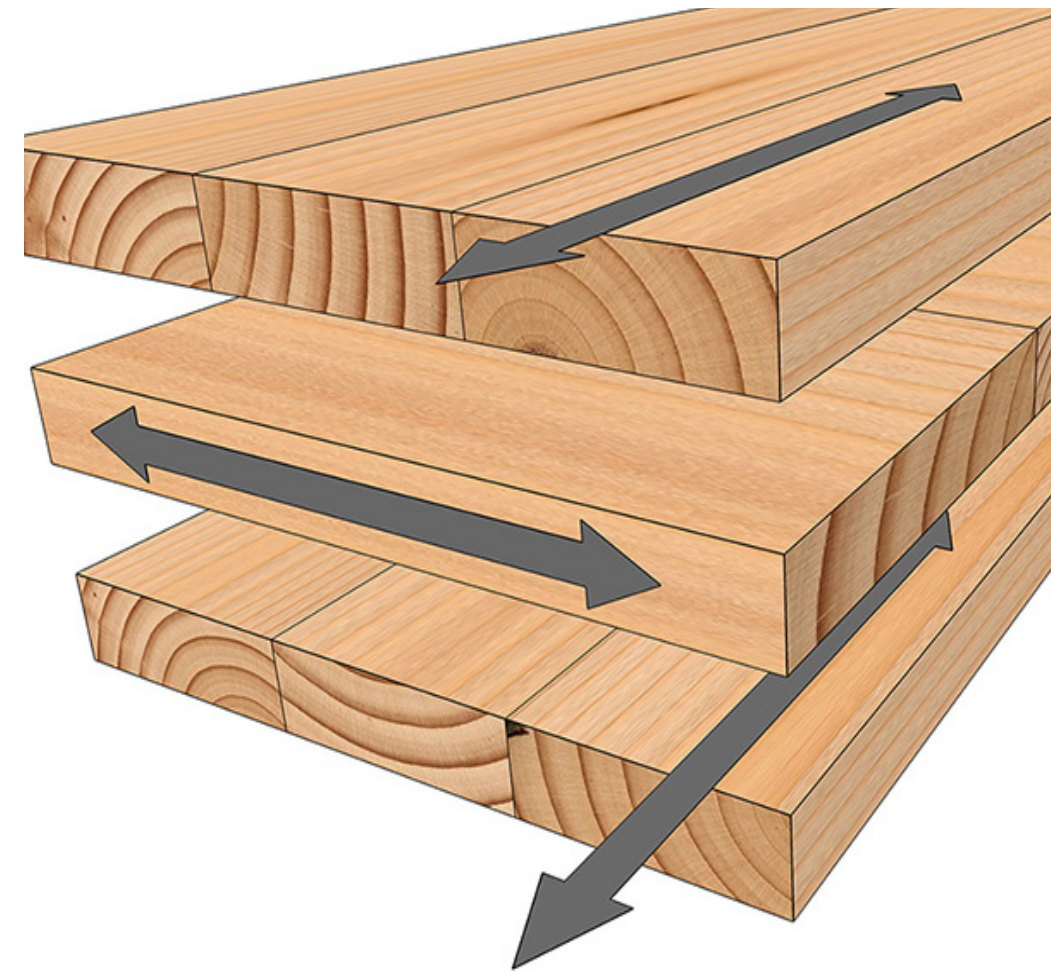


PERSPECTIVE | Aerial



ANALYSIS | Structural

- Efficient Layout
 - Primarily Wood-Framed Construction
 - Expression of Structure
 - for Maintenance
- Innovative Wood Technologies
 - Open-Web Trusses with Panelized Decking
 - Glue-Laminated Timber (GLT) Panels
 - Cross-Laminated Timber (CLT) Panels



ANALYSIS | Mechanical

- Recommended - Gas-Fired RTU w/ Energy Recovery Wheel
- Alternative - Electric Heat Pump RTU w/ Gas Backup
- MERV 13 Filtration
- Bipolar Ionization



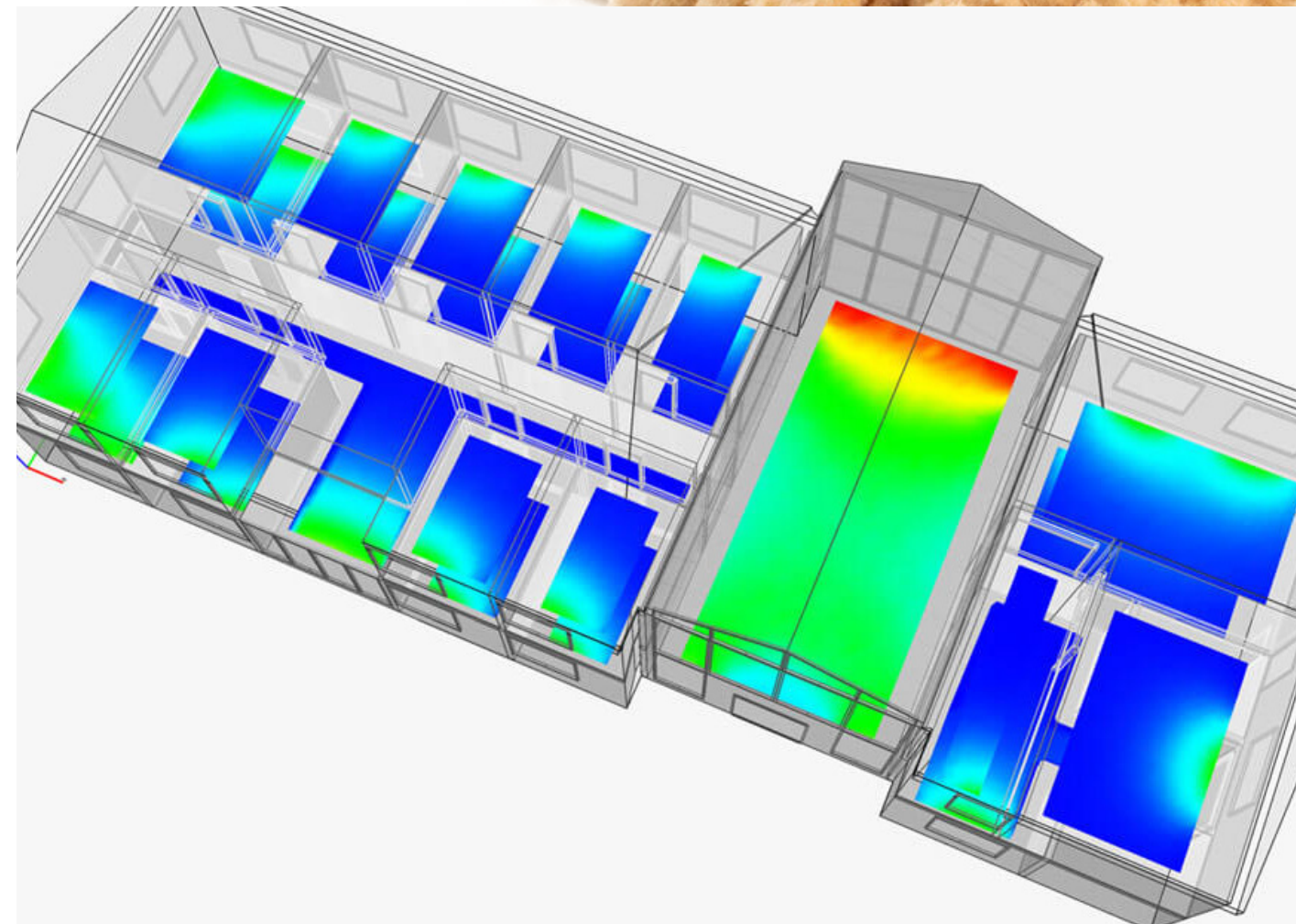
ANALYSIS | Plumbing & Electrical

- Single Occupant Restrooms
- Low Flow Fixtures
- Solar Ready
- Electrical Raceway
- Daylight Monitoring
- LED Lighting
- Wireless & Data Ports



ANALYSIS | Sustainability

- Low Carbon Materials
- Efficient Envelope
- Daylight Study
- Demonstration Opportunities



ANALYSIS | Code & Site

Occupancy - **Assembly Group A-3** (Libraries)

Type of Construction - **Type VB**

A-3 Building Area Limitations: **42,000sf**
(1-Story Sprinklered)

Building Height Limit: **60ft** (sprinklered)

Occupant Load - **Estimated 134 Occupants**

Plumbing Calculations - **Assembly**

- Male Toilets: 1, Female Toilets: 2
- Lavatories: 2, Drinking Fountain: 1
- Service Sink: 1

Parking - **24 Required (2 ADA)**

