

EAST BERRY LIBRARY

4300 East Berry Street, Fort Worth 76105-5003



Facility Data

Facility Type	Neighborhood Library
Year Built	1967
Year Most Recently Renovated	2005
Building Size, in Square Feet (BGSF)	7,527
Collection Size	33,924
Staff FTE (Full-Time Equivalents)	4.75
2010 Operating Budget, Proposed	\$409,552
Modern Library Facility Factors Achieved	0
Estimated Cost to Retrofit Building Systems	\$375,067
Estimated Cost to Retrofit FF&E	\$0

Facility Analysis

<i>unit of capacity</i>	<i>current 2010</i>	<i>2010 need to standards</i>	<i>current vs. standards</i>
Building square feet (BGSF)	7,527	9,619	78.2%
Site area, in acres	1.05	0.88	119.8%
Parking spaces	40	48	83.2%

Distance & Drive Times¹

	<i>library</i>	<i>miles</i>	<i>minutes</i>
Distance to Nearest Library	COOL	1.12	4
	Meadowbrook	3.99	10
Distance to Central Library		6.26	13

¹ As computed using Yahoo! Local Maps and/or MapQuest.

Demographic Data & Findings²

Population Served	47,880
Households with Children	6,726
Persons 17 & Under	14,907
Percentage Persons 17 & Under	31.1%
Persons 18 to 64	27,853
Persons 65+	5,120
Percentage Persons 65+	10.7%
Percentage Asian	1.0%
Percentage Black/African-American	58.6%
Percentage Hispanic	35.9%
Category & Percentage Core Customers:	
Top Category & %	J03: Struggling City Centers 32%
Second Category & %	none of significant quantity
Library Materials/Services More Likely to be Used:	
Spanish Materials, Juvenile DVDs, PC Logins, and DVDs	

Collections Analysis

Collections for Adults, % of Total Collection	59.2%
Collections for Children/Teens, % of Total Collection	40.8%
Media Collections for All Ages, % of Total Collection	24.5%
Collections, Capacity of Shelving Housing: ³	
Reference	60%
Adult Circulating	75%
Teens	90%
Children's Easy/Picture Books	50%
Children's Fiction/Non-Fiction	70%
Media	80%
Industry Standard SF to House Collection ⁴	3,130
ADA/User-friendly Standard SF to House Collection	3,912

² As provided by Buxton Co.

³ Percentages based on a visual inspection by principal consultant.

⁴ Industry standard: Any shelf above 80% filled is "beyond capacity."

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Analysis of Usage Data

<i>output</i>	<i>measure</i>	<i>ranking</i> ⁵
Collection Turnover ⁶	3.90	9 of 15
Contacts per Capita ⁷	5.15	15 of 15
Contacts per FTE Staff	57,414	6 of 15
Cost Efficiency per Contact	\$1.50	6 of 15
Contacts per Square Foot (SF)	36.23	11 of 15
Operating Cost Efficiency per SF	\$54.41	5 of 15
Cumulative Ranking		10 of 15 (tie)

Findings

The current East Berry building is about 20% smaller than it needs to be to meet current standards. Also, it would cost \$384,078 to bring the building infrastructure up to modern standards, without adding any space to the facility. The East Berry site is almost 20% larger than it needs to be to accommodate a properly sized library and parking lot for current needs, so future expansion is a possibility.

The East Berry Library ranks 5th of 15 facilities in operating cost per square foot and 6th in cost per customer contact – demonstrating a fairly efficient operation. However, it ranks in the bottom one-third in number of customer contacts, signaling a potentially under-utilized facility.

Recommendations

Temporarily relocate the Library in 2015 in order to expand the building to 20,000 square feet on-site by 2017. Additional land or City street surface may be needed for parking. Extend hours to 56 per week upon reopening in 2017.

⁵ Comparative ranking with other Fort Worth Libraries.

⁶ Computed by dividing annual circulation by total collection size.

⁷ Contacts = circulation + reference transactions + visits + total program attendance + computer logins.

Reprogrammed Service Delivery Mix

Year 2015 quantities are based on moving to lease space in 2015. Year 2020 quantities are based on expanding the current location by 2017 with extended hours.

Collections	2015	2020
Popular Display	642	1,000
Adult Fiction	2,616	20,000
Adult Non-Fiction/Reference	3,688	22,000
Special Collections: Spanish	1,575	5,000
Easy/Picture/Board	2,107	9,000
Youth Fiction/Non-Fiction	3,461	16,000
Teen Fiction/Non-Fiction	1,154	2,000
Media CDs/DVDs	4,986	10,000
Current Periodicals	33	50
TOTAL ITEMS:	20,263	85,050

Computers	2015	2020
Adult	12	18
Youth	4	8
Teen	3	6
TOTAL COMPUTERS:	19	32

Seating	2015	2020
Adult	10	24
Youth	12	18
Teen	6	12
TOTAL SEATS:	28	54
ITEMS PER SEAT:	724	1,575

Meeting Room	2015	2020
Seats	0	75

Staff	2015	2020
FTE	5.25	8.00