

NORTHSIDE LIBRARY



Facility Data

Facility Type	Neighborhood Library
Year Built	1967
Year Renovated	2005
Building Size, in Square Feet (BGSF)	7,072
Collection Size	38,954
Staff FTE (Full-Time Equivalents)	5.00
2010 Operating Budget, Proposed	\$451,720
Modern Library Facility Factors Achieved	0
Estimated Cost to Retrofit Building Systems	\$385,179
Estimated Cost to Retrofit FF&E	\$31,174

Facility Analysis

	<i>current</i>	<i>2010 need</i>	<i>current vs.</i>
<i>unit of capacity</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>to standards</i>	<i>standards</i>
Building square feet (BGSF)	7,072	9,881	71.6%
Site area, in acres	3.73	0.91	409.9%
Parking spaces	34	49	68.8%

Distance & Drive Times¹

	<i>library</i>	<i>miles</i>	<i>minutes</i>
Distance to Nearest Library	Riverside	3.85	10
	Diamond Hill/Jarvis	3.29	12
Distance to Central Library		3.05	10

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

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Demographic Data & Findings²

Population Served	42,222
Households with Children	5,162
Persons 17 & Under	12,272
Percentage Persons 17 & Under	29.1%
Persons 18 to 64	26,332
Persons 65+	3,618
Percentage Persons 65+	8.6%
Percentage Asian	0.8%
Percentage Black/African-American	9.7%
Percentage Hispanic	79.5%
Category & Percentage Core Customers:	
Top Category & %	J02: Latino Nuevo 78%
2nd Category & %	D01: Nuevo Hispanic Families 14%
Library Materials/Services More Likely to be Used:	
Spanish Materials, Reference, Juvenile DVDs, and DVDs	

Collections Analysis

Collections for Adults, % of Total Collection	56.7%
Collections for Children/Teens, % of Total Collection	43.3%
Media Collections for All Ages, % of Total Collection	20.8%
Collections, Capacity of Shelving Housing: ³	
Reference	85%
Adult Circulating	75%
Teens	75%
Children's Easy/Picture Books	85%
Children's Fiction/Non-Fiction	80%
Media	80%
Industry Standard SF to House Collection ⁴	3,426
ADA/User-friendly Standard SF to House Collection	4,283

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."

Analysis of Usage Data

<i>output</i>	<i>measure</i>	<i>ranking</i> ⁵
Collection Turnover ⁶	4.33	7 of 15
Contacts per Capita ⁷	7.07	14 of 15
Contacts per FTE Staff	59,127	5 of 15
Cost Efficiency per Contact	\$1.53	7 of 15
Contacts per Square Foot (SF)	41.80	9 of 15
Operating Cost Efficiency per SF	\$63.87	6 of 15
Cumulative Ranking		8 of 15

Findings

The current Northside building is almost 30% smaller than it needs to be to meet current standards. And, it would cost \$378,657 to bring the building infrastructure up to modern standards, without adding any space to the facility. The Northside site has abundant land for future expansion.

The Northside Library ranks 6th of 15 facilities in operating cost per square foot and 7th in cost per customer contact – demonstrating a fairly efficient operation. However, it ranks 14th in number of customer contacts per capita.

Recommendations

Effective with the start of the 2010/11 Fort Worth Independent School District year re-purpose the library as an After School Library. See Section Two: Alternative Models, for additional information. By 2016, the Northside Library should be closed, in favor of a new 25,000 square foot branch near North Main Street, combining the Northside and Diamond Hill/Jarvis Libraries.

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 2010 quantities are based on a reprogramming of the building into an After School Library.

Collections	2010
Popular Display	300
Adult Fiction	3,500
Adult Non-Fiction/Reference	7,000
Special Collections: Spanish	2,000
Easy/Picture/Board	3,000
Youth Fiction/Non-Fiction	5,000
Teen Fiction/Non-Fiction	1,500
Media CDs/DVDs	7,500
Current Periodicals	30
TOTAL ITEMS:	29,830

Computers	2010
Adult	10
Youth	8
Teen	8
TOTAL COMPUTERS:	26

Seating	2010
Adult	8
Youth	10
Teen	10
TOTAL SEATS:	28
ITEMS PER SEAT:	1,065

Meeting Room	2010
Seats	0

Staff	2010
FTE	5.00