

RIDGLEA LIBRARY

3628 Bernie Anderson Drive, Fort Worth 76116-5403



Facility Data

Facility Type	Neighborhood Library
Year Built	1967
Building Size, in Square Feet (BGSF)	9,585
Collection Size	71,897
Staff FTE (Full-Time Equivalents)	10.00
2010 Operating Budget, Proposed	\$721,677
Modern Library Facility Factors Achieved	0
Estimated Cost to Retrofit Building Systems	\$445,170
Estimated Cost to Retrofit FF&E	\$82,373

Facility Analysis

<i>unit of capacity</i>	<i>current</i> 2010	<i>2010 need</i> to standards	<i>current vs.</i> <i>standards</i>
Building square feet (BGSF)	9,585	16,282	58.9%
Site area, in acres	1.16	1.50	77.7%
Parking spaces	36	81	44.2%

Distance & Drive Times¹

	<i>library</i>	<i>miles</i>	<i>minutes</i>
Distance to Nearest Library	Southwest	5.65	11
Distance to Central Library		6.02	11
Distance to Suburban Library	Benbrook	5.20	10

Demographic Data & Findings²

Population Served	85,404
Households with Children	10,129
Persons 17 & Under	18,711
Percentage Persons 17 & Under	21.9%
Persons 18 to 64	53,572
Persons 65+	13,121
Percentage Persons 65+	15.4%
Percentage Asian	2.4%
Percentage Black/African-American	14.2%
Percentage Hispanic	26.2%
Category & Percentage Core Customers:	
Top Category & %	F01: Steadfast Conservatives 18%
2nd Category & %	B03: Urban Commuter Families 8%
Library Materials/Services More Likely to be Used:	
Best Sellers, Adult Fiction, Books on CD, and Adult Non-Fiction	

Collections Analysis

Collections for Adults, % of Total Collection	57.9%
Collections for Children/Teens, % of Total Collection	42.1%
Media Collections for All Ages, % of Total Collection	18.1%
Collections, Capacity of Shelving Housing: ³	
Reference	95%
Adult Circulating	90%
Teens	85%
Children's Easy/Picture Books	75%
Children's Fiction/Non-Fiction	60%
Media	65%
Industry Standard SF to House Collection ⁴	7,163
ADA/User-friendly Standard SF to House Collection	8,953

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."

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

Analysis of Usage Data

<i>output</i>	<i>measure</i>	<i>ranking</i> ⁵
Collection Turnover ⁶	4.63	6 of 15
Contacts per Capita ⁷	7.34	12 of 15
Contacts per FTE Staff	51,739	8 of 15
Cost Efficiency per Contact	\$1.39	3 of 15
Contacts per Square Foot (SF)	53.98	6 of 15
Operating Cost Efficiency per SF	\$75.29	8 of 15
Cumulative Ranking		6 of 15

Findings

The Ridglea building needs an additional 7,000 square feet of space and 45 more parking spaces to meet current standards, but the site is only three-quarters of the need size, suggesting expansion would be problematic without additional land. Also, the building requires almost \$450,000 in infrastructure upgrades.

The Ridglea Library ranks in the middle third of most of the usage criteria, indicating it is about “average”.

Recommendations

While the location of the Ridglea Library is excellent, the small size of the building points to relocating the facility to 25,000 square feet of lease space in the immediate vicinity by 2014. If acceptable space cannot be found in a suitable location, then consideration should be given to reconstructing a new Ridglea Library on the current site. Consideration should also be given to housing an appropriate City of Fort Worth service(s) that will benefit the residents and businesses in the area in the larger space. Extend hours in to 56 per week in the larger facility.

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 & 2020 quantities are based on relocating to 25,000 square feet of space and extended hours by 2014.

Collections	2015	2020
Popular Display	3,500	3,500
Adult Fiction	25,000	30,000
Adult Non-Fiction/Reference	18,000	20,000
Special Collections: Spanish	500	700
Easy/Picture/Board	4,500	5,000
Youth Fiction/Non-Fiction	6,500	7,000
Teen Fiction/Non-Fiction	1,750	2,000
Media CDs/DVDs	10,000	11,000
Current Periodicals	50	60
TOTAL ITEMS:	69,800	79,260

Computers	2015	2020
Adult	20	22
Youth	4	6
Teen	4	6
TOTAL COMPUTERS:	28	34

Seating	2015	2020
Adult	26	28
Youth	16	16
Teen	12	14
TOTAL SEATS:	54	58
ITEMS PER SEAT:	1,292	1,367

Meeting Room	2015	2020
Seats	75	75

Staff	2015	2020
FTE	10.00	10.00