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Libraries as Community Hubs

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Pine River Library

Best Small Library in America 2014

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Recreation Programs



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Senior Center Outreach



Books
Audiobooks
DVDs



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Park Planning



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Libraries as Community Hubs



And Many More

- Classic Movie Mondays
- Downtown Summer Events
- Teen and Children Summer Reading Programs
- Computer and Digital Services
- Music in the Mountains Outdoor Concert
- Community Acoustic Music Jam
- Nutrition & Cooking Classes
- Local Author Discussions

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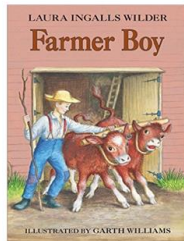
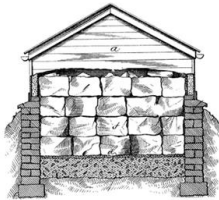


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Philadelphia Free Library

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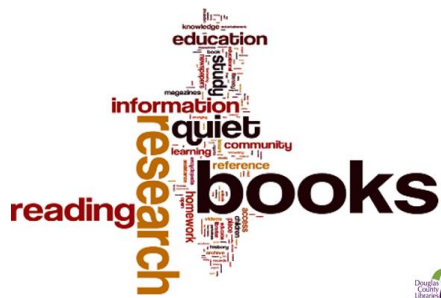
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Douglas
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Libraries



Aim Tastes Better!



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Strong Libraries = Strong Communities



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Build the "Town Square"
Spur economic Development
Act as an anchor store
Achieve Strong Partnerships

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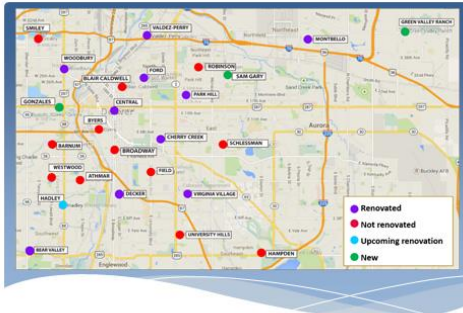
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Mission and Vision

The Denver Public Library connects people with information, ideas and experiences to provide enjoyment, enrich lives and strengthen our community.

An inspired and engaged Denver

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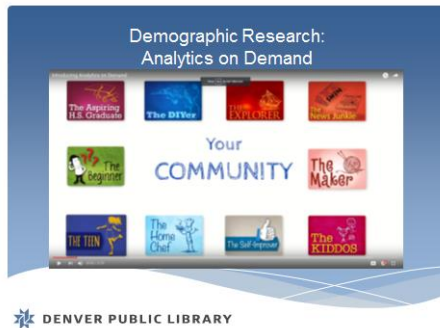
Books and Beyond



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Community Impacts



- * Children enjoy reading and learning and flourish in school and life.
- * People connect to resources and acquire the skills they need to thrive.
- * We build community through fun, inspiring and creative experiences.

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The Next Chapter

- * How does the Denver Public Library continue to serve the needs of a changing Denver?



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Community Conversations:

What kind of community do you want?



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Immediate Outcomes:



- Customer education
- Library materials
- Bilingual Capacity
- Contact list for future feedback



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Turning Outward Across Key Functions

- Updating infrastructure
- Providing the community with needed services
- Inviting partnerships to address community concerns and aspirations



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Turning Outward Across Key Functions

Creating opportunities to listen

Understanding the reality of the people we serve

Creating standards for ongoing feedback at all staff levels



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What's in it for you?

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Q&A



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