



San Francisco Public Library

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GOLDEN GATE VALLEY BRANCH LIBRARY FACTS & FIGURES

Address	1801 Green Street at Octavia San Francisco, CA 94123
Grand Reopening	October 15, 2011
Opened	1918
Original Architect	Ernest Coxhead
Opening hours	Open 6 days per week
City Librarian	Luis Herrera
Branch Manager	Irene Lee
Architect	Paulett Taggart Architects/Tom Eliot Fisch
Project Management	Department of Public Works
General Contractor	Fine Line Construction
Total project cost	\$8.5 million
Original cost	\$43,000 in Carnegie & City funds
Scope	Renovation & addition
Size	7,432 square feet
Financing	Renovation of the branch was funded as part of a \$105.9 million bond measure passed by voters in November 2000 and \$500,000 in private funds raised by the Friends of the San Francisco Public Library for furniture, fixtures and equipment.
Program	The Branch Library Improvement Program (BLIP) is the largest capital improvement campaign in the history of the San Francisco Public Library. BLIP calls for 16 branches to be renovated, four leased facilities to be replaced with City-owned buildings, three branches to be replaced with new buildings, and one brand-new branch in Mission Bay. Golden Gate Valley is the 22 nd completed library project.

Highlights

Safe and accessible

- ADA accessible
- Seismically retrofitted
- New elevator
- New accessible restrooms for public and staff
- Power assist lower level entrance
- Clear signage
- New accessible entry courtyard

Functional and efficient for the public and staff

- Updated collections of books, magazines, CDs, DVDs and audio books
- Children's area with interactive learning space for young children
- New designated teen area
- A variety of seating options
- Ergonomically designed staff work areas
- Program room with built-in media equipment for library programs and after-hours access for community use
- New and restored furniture
- Self pick up of reserved materials

Historic restoration

- Restored brick and terra cotta façade
- New pendant ceiling light fixtures
- Refinished historic chairs
- Refurbished windows
- Refinished perimeter bookcases

Technologically updated

- 12 public computers for children, teens, and adults
- Laptops available for use by patrons within the library
- Wireless (Wi-Fi) access to the Internet
- Self checkout machines

Environmentally sound

- Designed to meet LEED Silver standards or greater
- Photovoltaic solar panels
- New linoleum flooring
- Refinished furniture
- Collection area for recycling and compostable materials
- Construction materials sourced locally
- 95 percent of the project's construction waste was recycled or salvaged
- Efficient fixtures such as low-flow faucets that reduce water use
- New energy efficient heating system
- Reuse of existing building
- Energy efficient mechanical and lighting systems
- New bicycle racks
- Green Stacks signage to identify green features
- Transit friendly location (MUNI lines: #41, #45, #47, & #49)

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