

San Francisco Public Library

Mission: We work to ensure free and equal access to information, knowledge, independent learning and the joys of reading for our diverse community.

SAN FRANCISCO'S VISION

Residents and families that thrive

Clean, safe and livable communities

A diverse, equitable and inclusive City

Excellent City Services

A City and region prepared for the future

Be the premier public library in the nation

- Restore seven-day service and full hours of operation at all twenty-eight neighborhood libraries.
- Increase community awareness and usage of San Francisco Public Library through targeted outreach and marketing efforts to reach new users and underserved neighborhoods.
- Provide programming and services to residents experiencing homelessness through the Library's Social Worker Program.

Support the economic recovery of San Francisco

- Help individuals with [programming and services](#) to support job searching, technology access, and career development, and connect small business owners with government assistance and services.
- Partner with the SF Arts Commission to support the City's artistic community via artist residencies at branches, and Cultural Equity Grants for projects that illuminate the City's recovery and resilience.
- Expand Smart Money financial coaching program to provide patrons one-on-one help with certified financial coaching professionals.

Continue strong community partnerships

- Establish industry leading standards for library services to incarcerated individuals and provide free access to ebooks, music and videos, via tablets in San Francisco County Jails.
- Expand Summer Stride initiative with Human Rights Commission and DCYF to encourage reading of BIPOC authors and increase book giveaways for SFUSD students.
- Support the SF Arts Commission installation of public artwork at the Main Library to honor Dr. Maya Angelou and increase female representation in the public realm.

Engage youth in learning, workforce and personal growth

- Support culturally affirming early literacy and learning programs and STEM enrichment for all school age children and teens.
- Provide job training, internships, college prep, and educational support for teens and transitional age youth.

Support and celebrate reading & learning

- Offer enriching experiences for children and school age youth through early learning programs and storytimes, book giveaways, [FOG Readers](#) tutoring and the [Scholar Card](#) initiative.
- Deliver library programs, classes, services, partnerships and exhibitions that foster learning, equity, inclusion and community connection.
- Increase access to digital literacy classes, computer help, and resources to promote digital equity.

Excel in operational and fiscal management and professional development

- Implement the Library's departmental [Racial Equity Action Plan \(REAP\)](#) to achieve more equitable outcomes for city residents and foster an anti-racist culture within SFPL.
- Engage residents in eleven Supervisorial Districts regarding SFPL programs and services to inform development of a new strategic plan and seek voter approval for renewal of the Library Preservation Fund.

Provide facilities to meet 21st century needs

- Renovate the historic [Mission and Chinatown Branch Libraries](#), and plan for the construction of a new [Ocean View Branch Library](#).
- Improve access to library services and assistive technology at the Main Library with a major renovation of the [Talking Books & Braille Center](#).
- Extend reach and pilot access to library collections with automated kiosks on Treasure Island and Hunter's View neighborhood.