The Park Branch Library opened in 1909 and is the oldest existing branch library in San Francisco. Its careful historic renovation and restoration in 2011 was designed to meet U.S. Green Building Council’s Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) silver certification. The building features a painted ceiling by Mark Evans and Charlie Brown, a collection of photographs by Robert Altman, and a collection of posters from the Haight Ashbury Street Fair.

**Branch Facts**

**Style:** Neoclassical  
**Area:** 8,825 sq. ft.  
**Architects:** McDougall Brothers, 1909  

**LEED Green Report Card**

**Sustainable Sites**  
Location is Everything
- Close to public transportation
- Reduced construction pollution
- Reduction of urban heat island effect
- Minimization of light pollution

**Water Efficiency**  
Saving Resources
- Low flow fixtures

**Energy and Atmosphere**  
Light & Air
- Extensive natural light
- Zero use of CFC-based refrigerants
- Systems verified for optimal performance

**Materials and Resources**  
Renew & Reuse
- Natural linoleum
- Refurbished shelving
- Dedicated recycling area
- 95% of construction waste recycled or salvaged
- 20% of building materials sourced within 500 miles of Library
- Use of Forest Stewardship Council-certified wood

**Indoor Environmental & Air Quality**  
Breathe Deeply
- Low VOC paints, adhesives and sealants
- Controlled lighting, temperature and ventilation systems

**Innovation and Design Process**  
Fresh Ideas
- Environmentally conscious pest management
- Green cleaning products and practices