

# San Francisco Public Library

*Vision: Fostering shared experiences for a connected community*

*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:



### BE THE PREMIER PUBLIC LIBRARY IN THE NATION

- Partner with the Financial Justice Project to institute a fine-free service model, eliminating overdue fines for library collections.
- Provide programming and services to residents experiencing homelessness through the Library's Social Worker Program.
- Implement expanded hours of operation at the Main Library and modified schedule for branches.

### PROVIDE FACILITIES TO MEET 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY NEEDS

- Engage residents in the [Mission](#), [Ocean View](#) and [Chinatown](#) neighborhoods regarding future branch library renovation projects.
- Conduct a comprehensive facilities master planning process to guide future capital investments in response to growing community needs for library services.

### SUPPORT AND CELEBRATE READING & LEARNING

- Host the 14th Annual *One City One Book: San Francisco Reads* featuring *The Best We Could Do* by author Thi Bui.
- Promote [technology use and skill-building](#) among senior citizens and economically disadvantaged residents by providing access to digital literacy classes.

### ENGAGE YOUTH IN LEARNING, WORKFORCE AND PERSONAL GROWTH

- Support youth engagement and learning through the [teen digital media lab](#).
- Provide [job training, internships, college prep, and educational support](#) for teens and transitional age youth.

### PROVIDE ACCESS TO INNOVATIVE INFORMATION SERVICES

- Provide high-speed access to the internet and [public computers](#), and MiFi devices (mobile wireless internet hotspot) available for check-out.
- Enhance the [virtual library presence](#) for more seamless use of digital collections.

### DEVELOP STRONG COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

- Celebrate the city's diverse cultures with exhibitions and cultural heritage programs.
- Participate in city-wide cohort for the Government Alliance on Race & Equity (G.A.R.E.) and develop the Library's Racial Equity Action Plan.
- Support the equitable experience and awareness of San Francisco's biodiversity and the responsible access and stewardship of nature in partnership with SF Environment.

### EXCEL IN OPERATIONAL AND FISCAL MANAGEMENT AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Modernize collections inventory systems and equipment for improved customer service.
- Evaluate the outcomes of library programs and services to assess impacts on San Franciscan's quality of life.
- Invest in staff development and employee engagement to enhance the skills of the library workforce