

Planning for the Future of Lake Oswego Public Library



Exploring how the Library can meet
our community's future needs.



COMMUNITY NEEDS AND LONG TERM VISION

The existing library facility is facing significant and worsening seismic, water intrusion, building system and accessibility deficiencies. These conditions impact safe, reliable, and equitable services. Maintenance can extend short term operations, but it does not resolve core building issues or site constraints.

Demand for flexible spaces, meeting rooms, and children's areas exceeds the capacity of the existing building. A safe and future-ready building on a larger site is necessary to meet current service standards and support evolving community needs.



Crumbling Concrete



Accessibility Issues



Persistent Leaking



Not Enough Space



PHASED PLANNING

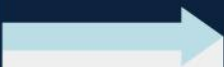
Phased process that balances fiscal responsibility, long-term community needs and stakeholder input.

Existing Site Reuse

Developing and analyzing reuse scenarios for the existing site after the library is relocated.

Future Library Planning

Developing and analyzing options for an expanded and modern library facility.



Criteria



Analysis



Decision

AN INTEGRATED PUBLIC PROCESS

Planning for the future of the Library is an integrated process that brings together public input, feasibility, balanced analysis, and long-term community needs to inform priorities and evaluate options. The process is ongoing as recommendations are developed through 2027.



The process will evaluate both a future library site and options for reuse of the existing site to support balanced decision-making.

Current Building: Grand Opening, 1983



Key Takeaways

- The existing library facility has significant structural, seismic, water intrusion, building systems, and accessibility issues that are expected to worsen over time.
- Continued investment does not address core building or site constraints and would require significant ongoing costs without resolving long-term needs.
- Library visioning, surveys, Task Force and community input will shape the planning process.
- Work is underway to evaluate options and identify potential paths forward for an expanded and modern library facility.



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