

MARIN COUNTY FREE LIBRARY COMMISSION



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MARIN COUNTY FREE LIBRARY COMMISSION
Proposed Agenda
Wednesday, February 11, 2026
4:00 p.m.

Fairfax Library
2097 Sir Francis Drake Boulevard, Fairfax CA 94930
Directions: Take the Sir Francis Drake Blvd to Fairfax; continue past the town center, the Library is on left side of the road, past Azalea Street. St. Rita’s church is across the road from Library. If you reach Olema Rd, you have gone too far.

NOTICE: Members of the public may address the Library Commission on any matter during Open Time for Public Expression. Statements should be no more than 2 minutes per person.

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PRESENTER</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
4:00pm		
(1 min) 1.	Call to Order	Christian Action
(5 min) 2.	Welcome, Introductions & Meeting Agreements	Christian Information
(1 min) 3.	Approval of Agenda	Christian Action
(1 min) 4.	Approval of January 16, 2025, meeting minutes	Christian Action
(20 min) 5.	Open Time for Public Expression	Christian Information
(5 min) 6.	Announcements/Book Recommendation(s)	Ridgeway Information
(5 min) 7.	Reading & Correspondence File Comments	Christian Information
(10 min) 8.	President’s Report	Christian Information
(10 min) 9.	Director’s Report for January	Adlawan Information
(40 min) 10.	New Business	
	a. Marin Housing Authority Partnership	Schiller, Merza, Sadler & Lechuga Information



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(1 min) 12. Adjournment
5:30pm

Christian

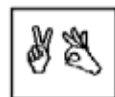
Action

Numbered List of attachments:

4. Minutes for January 16, 2025
5. Library Director's Report for January 2025

Unnumbered Attachments:

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**The Shop at South Novato Library
931 C Street, Novato, CA 94949**

Directions: From either North or South 101 exit Nave Drive and turn onto Main Gate Rd. Follow Main Gate Road to C Street and turn left. The Shop is next to the Library past the North Bay Children's Center on the right.

--PROPOSED MINUTES--

Friday, January 16, 2026

(1) CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 4:02 pm. Glynda Christian welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Commission read through the Meeting Agreements. Commission went through introductions.

(2) ROLL CALL

In Attendance

Crystal Lewis	Glynda Christian	Doug Sides
Ted Ridgeway	Linda Ward	Sally Hauser
Claudia Wilson		

Absent with Notification

Anya Schandler	Nick Javaras
Sue Ream	Ann Kaplan

Absent Without Notification

Amelia Lahn

Also Present

Lana Adlawan, Director of County Library Services
Raemona Little Taylor, Assistant Director of Public Services
Gina Turrini, Administrative Assistant I
Ahmad Merza, Library Services Manager of Public Services
Leching Chan, Administrative Services Associate
Brandon Barragan, Library Technology Program Coordinator
(South Novato)
Natalie McCall, Senior Librarian – Education Initiatives Coordinator
(South Novato)
Cris Criollo, Community Library Specialist (South Novato)
Brian Campbell-Miller, Librarian I – Youth Services (South Novato)
Hector Garcia, Community Library Specialist (South Novato)

Members of Public

Allias, Member of the Public
Adelle, Member of Public
Nicky St. Clair, Member of Public
Laura Catas, Member of Public
Kathleen Cage, Member of the Public
Kathy Bremer, Member of the Public

Karen, Member of the Public
Emy Macal, Member of the Public
Shahati Noburu, Member of the Public
Lisa, Member of the Public
Kathy Bremer, Member of the Public
Kahlani, Member of the Public
Additional Members of the Public Present - 9

- (3) ADOPTION OF AGENDA M/S/C – Doug Sides/Claudia Wilson approved as submitted.
- (4) ADOPTION OF September and October 2025 MINUTES M/S/C – Sally Hauser/Crystal Lewis approved as submitted.

- (5) OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION –

Adelle (13) – My name is Adelle; I am 13 years old and I go to 7th grade at Novato Charter School which is across the street from the library. After school I sometimes come to the library. I come to the library 2 of the 5 days a week they are open. I check out anywhere from 2-40 books at a time. I come here on Fridays because I play dungeons and dragons with 9 other people. We take up the whole teen section and we are kind of ruckus, if we were able to have more room or add a conference room or club room we would have more room and our noise wouldn't impact other library and any clubs could use it, and possibly make people have clubs of their own. Thank you for listening.

Alias (9) – My name is Alias I am 9 years old, and I go to Novato Charter School I am the co-founder of the chess club. I come here 5 out of the 7 days they are open. I think that a bigger room would benefit the chess club and other clubs. A place away from the loud and rowdy kids, a room where we can be rowdy. It would benefit our club greatly, thank you.

Nicky St. Clair - Hi my name is Nicky I am a patron of the library as well. I am a nursing student and I am usually here Tuesday through Saturday. I get here an hour early before the library opens to ensure I can get a table and spread out. The library is pretty small but It is one of my favorite libraries in Marin. But we need expansion of the library, and I hear you guys too when you are in the teen section.

Laura Catas – I am a resident of Novato, and I have children here in the public school, my son and me come here to the library at least once a week and I would also like to bring up the need for a permanent home for the South Novato Library. I am just going to read what I wrote down. This particular branch is limited in its ability to support the community due to its size constraints of the building itself and the challenges that exist that come with existing in a temporary location. So there are certain changes and adjustments they would like to serve the community that they cannot actually do on this site. Like expanded parking and shaded areas. Obviously, there is a need for more meeting rooms. This location has an amazing and dedicated staff. Every time I come in they are welcoming, I am delighted at the friendliness and helpfulness. I am impressed with how effectively they can communicate to the public what recourses the library has to offer. This is an equity and education branch that focuses on literacy programs that are free to the community. Their mission is to narrow the achievement gap that exists based on race and income in Hamilton. Unfortunately, they do not have the physical space to actually house all the programs they offer. There can be several groups meeting at the same time in this small library which we know can be hard given the time constraints and it creates the need to hose these programs off site. So I would like to see some time and consideration made to find a permanent home for this branch where they can be fully supported in their good work and support the community. Thank you.

Karen – Good afternoon, everyone my name is Karen this is our home library. I think most of the librarians have seen my kids grow. Since they were babies, Adelle is in my

daughter's classroom. I am the president elect of the Hamilton School which is more than 500 students. A lot of the time, when we invite parents to visit the library to come and explore. They don't express fear thanks to the amazing staff we have in service in a very unique way, but there are a lot of worries because people have kids, and they may be running around and I think more space wise we'll be amazing for our whole community and families won't be afraid of making noise or inconveniencing people who are here at the library. Also, the shop is an incredible resource and Brandon is amazing. We want to make this bigger for us. Thank you.

Member of Public – So I second the shop, Brandon is unfortunately kind of a babysitter of a number of kids who come over here from Novato Charter School once they get off school every single day. This needs to be part of whatever future solution is and great to see it expanded and the library needs I support equally because there is no library in Novato Charter school, there is no space for children to read except for in the classroom with everyone there. So a lot of kids come here, they check out books and study, I was in here yesterday doing some school fundraising on the computers because it was a quiet space. It's extremely important that this school has a space nearby so that students, teachers and parents have access to books. My children have come here since kindergarten on fieldtrips to check out books and they check out piles of books when they come, it's insane how much they read. I also applaud the community as I was in here the other day and someone was doing an interview on their computer in the library, so it would be nice there could be a quiet space for someone like that to do an interview where there aren't a bunch of people and kids around, and I think it would be really helpful. Thank you.

Emy Macal – Hi my name is Emy Macal, I work for the Novato School District, but I am not here in that capacity. But I am just saying, I am also the community school lead parent coordinator, which means I coordinate with my cohorts at the library Hector and Cris for programs that are working with housing here at Hamilton. But I want to take you on my personal journey. I have been a patron of the library, the MCFL library for 24 years, I came to this country 24 years ago on with a fiancé visa, I am still here with my husband and we have three kids. When I first came here it was just me and my fiancé now husband. Then I had my kids. This is a journey for me cause I was first at the Novato library and then I came here. I want to share with you the first time I felt welcome and a home away from home was when I was at the library and I saw people that looked like me and spoke my language. That were welcome and open to every culture. The team at this library is always open, always open the doors and say yes lets do it. Even if they don't have the space. Which is sad because this community deserves something that is bigger and better because we have so many problems and so many projects and we could do more and better if we just had the space. So I really invite you guys to go forward with this project so we can find the space even if we house the library at Hamilton if that is a possibility, we will see what happens. But something we can bring together to connect this library. Me and Hector have a dream that we could connect the library and the school to do bigger and better and more. To be better connected. Thank you.

Shahati Noburu – Hi my name is Tahni Noburu and I have been a patron of this library for many years I've also been an intern at this library and volunteering at the library for 3 years. We've notice when we help with the reading buddies, which is a program to help with were we support students with reading and comprehension and struggling with reading and pronunciation we help them with it. Me and my partner have noticed the huge limitation to our program is the space in library. So we actually have to limit our program to around 14 students as we didn't have enough space for them to have a quiet space for them read, so if we could move forward with this plan to expand the library this would be really beneficial to our program because we could admit more students and help the community. We've seen a lot of students wanting to join this program and needed. So, we feel this project should go forward.

Lisa – Hi my name is Lisa and I hate to say I sneak up here from San Rafael. This is my new home away from home in this building here. We don't really have a place there with a workshop or this huge sewing area and plus all these things for kids to do. I see all these moms with their kids coming in here, and I wish we had something like this when my son had been young. Plus he could learn woodworking and everything. So when someone said that this was part of the library, I want to say it's a huge part of the library and so I definitely wanted to put a good plug in for The Shop.

Kathy Bremer – Hi my name is Kathy Bremer I live here at Hamilton and have been here 13 years, and I am a big user of the library. I wanted to let you know I am also a member of the Friends of the Novato Library and I really could only echo the fabulous the people that work here and their enthusiasm, and innovativeness and creativity, we need to foster that in these people. We really need to go to the bat for these guys I am so impressed that you all showed up today. I couldn't have said better what this young man and young lady said today, it was wonderful. Fabulous! But that happens because we such a great program here. As you can tell I am very emotional about the library, I always have been and I can only echo what you said, this was the first place I felt welcome as a young person in New York City. So we got to do it.

Kahilani – Hi my name is Kahilani I am mother of Shahati and I am a kind of away from home person as an immigrant. But this place gave us an opportunity for our kids to learn and grow as a immigrant parent so hard sometimes. But this place gave my son, who is 21 and is now in his last year at UC Davis and my daughter who is a 10th grader, both of them learned, they grew here actually. They feel like part of this community and library. The librarians here have been very welcoming and not just look at the people as people here they treat them as family here. They are so welcoming and inclusive here they let the children learn and grow. No judgment zone so kids can be kids and adults can be adults. So if there is a way there can be some room for this expansion definitely I would vote for it.

- (6) ANNOUNCEMENT / BOOK RECOMMENDATION(S) – None, Ann could not make it to this meeting.
- (7) READING & CORRESPONDENCE FILE – Materials were sent to the Library Commission prior to meeting.
- (8) PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Glynda welcomed the board members to the meeting and those members of the public who came to the meeting as well. She started with a statement about new beginnings and growth. That at the start of the new year we have the means to do better and be better.
- (9) DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR December – Lana started with asking the commission if they had looked at the report in the packet as it gave a good summary of 2025. Anything she could have said couldn't have been said better then what had been voiced during public comment at the meeting. She thanked those who had come to speak to the commission as well as the library staffed that helped to gather support for the library branch. Lana thanked the budget team as those deliverables were brought to the board that day for the next two budget years and in the next few meetings those items will be shown and talked about with the commission. Glynda asked a question regarding MariNET and the membership fee.
- (10) NEW BUSINESS –
 - a. Measure A/B Fund Review was presented by Leching Chen and Lana Adlawan

MARIN COUNTY FREE LIBRARY									
2470 & 3550									
5 Year Projection	Actuals FY 2023-24	Actuals FY 2024-25	Adopted Budget FY2025-26	Projected FY 2025-26	Projected FY 2026-27	Projected FY 2027-28	Projected FY 2028-29	Projected FY 2029-30	Projected FY 2030-31
Property Taxes	\$ (17,158,317)	\$ (17,865,972)	\$ (17,520,540)	\$ (18,133,962)	\$ (18,949,990)	\$ (19,802,739)	\$ (20,693,863)	\$ (21,625,086)	\$ (22,598,215)
Measure A	\$ (2,861,932)								
Measure B		\$ (4,564,804)	\$ (4,784,755)	\$ (4,700,000)	\$ (4,817,500)	\$ (4,937,938)	\$ (5,061,386)	\$ (5,187,921)	\$ (5,317,619)
Other Revenue	\$ (2,713,445)	\$ (2,262,753)	\$ (1,842,645)	\$ (2,138,705)	\$ (2,376,406)	\$ (2,652,299)	\$ (2,958,856)	\$ (3,301,002)	\$ (3,682,695)
Total Revenue	\$ (22,733,694)	\$ (24,693,529)	\$ (24,147,940)	\$ (24,972,667)	\$ (26,143,896)	\$ (27,392,976)	\$ (28,714,104)	\$ (30,114,009)	\$ (31,598,528)
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 13,555,251	\$ 14,298,571	\$ 16,099,737	\$ 15,840,096	\$ 16,473,700	\$ 17,132,648	\$ 17,817,954	\$ 18,530,672	\$ 19,271,899
Services and Supplies	\$ 4,932,645	\$ 5,539,346	\$ 5,254,129	\$ 5,655,672	\$ 5,254,129	\$ 5,364,466	\$ 5,477,119	\$ 5,592,139	\$ 5,709,574
Capital Assets	\$ 500,148	\$ 1,070,646	\$ 2,757,750	\$ 2,776,492	\$ 2,600,000	\$ 2,600,000	\$ 2,600,000	\$ 2,600,000	\$ 2,600,000
Other Expenses	\$ 4,606,949	\$ 3,425,097	\$ 4,286,979	\$ 4,286,979	\$ 4,106,691	\$ 4,923,923	\$ 5,903,784	\$ 7,078,636	\$ 8,487,285
Total Expenses	\$ 23,594,993	\$ 24,333,660	\$ 28,398,595	\$ 28,559,239	\$ 28,434,520	\$ 30,021,036	\$ 31,798,857	\$ 33,801,447	\$ 36,068,758
Net Library Costs	\$ 861,299	\$ (359,869)	\$ 4,250,655	\$ 3,586,573	\$ 2,290,624	\$ 2,628,060	\$ 3,084,753	\$ 3,687,438	\$ 4,470,229
as of 1.16.26									

	5 YR Growth Rate 1/16/26 updates	
Property Taxes	1.5%	4.5%
Measure B	3.0%	2.5%
Other Revenue	12.9%	
Total Revenue	4.5%	
Salaries & Benefits	0.7%	4.0%
Services & Supplies	2.1%	2.1%
Capital Assets	141.3%	
Other Expenses	19.9%	
Total Expenses	4.5%	

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
1	REVENUE SOURCES & FACILITIES EXPENDITURES: MEASURE B																	
2																		
3	FUNDING SOURCE:				Measure B Tax Revenue (3550)										3550 Measure B Totals	2480 MEASURE A EXPENDITURES TO DATE	2470 OPERATION EXPENDITURES TO DATE	TOTAL EXPENDITURES TO DATE
4																		
5																		
6	Fiscal Year				FY 24-25	FY 25-26	FY 26-27	FY 27-28	FY 28-29	FY 29-30	FY 30-31	FY 31-32	FY 32-33	as of				
7	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:				\$2.6M	\$2.6M	\$2.6M	\$2.6M	\$2.6M	\$2.6M	\$2.6M	\$2.6M	\$2.6M	9/10/2025				
8	CMA HVAC Project (Measure A)														\$ 900,396		\$ 900,396	
9	Los Gatos Renovation (Operations)															\$ 90,969	\$ 90,969	
10	Refresh Project (All Branches) Design & Consulting N&T															\$ 347,165	\$ 347,165	
11	Refresh Project (All Branches) Non N&T Funds															\$ 189,713	\$ 189,713	
12	Refresh Project (All Branches) Measure B				\$ 275,912	\$ 218,713									\$ 494,625		\$ 494,625	
13																		
14	TOTALS as of 01-16-2026				\$ 275,912	\$ 218,713	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 289,265	\$ 900,396	\$ 536,878	\$ 2,022,868

MEASURE B CAPITAL PROJECTS SUMMARY FY 25/26

Project No.	Project Title	Service	BUDGET 25/26	BUDGET 24/25	Total Expended
		Furniture Flooding/Carpet Painting		Measure B 2.5 ML	FY 24/25 9/10/25
	Refresh Project 10 Libraries				
54LP16RFMB	Measure B	Furniture	\$ 183,941.66	\$ 275,912.08	\$ 459,853.74
54LP16RFMB	Measure B BOL, INV, PRE & STB	Carpet	\$ 34,771.00		\$ 34,771.00
54LP16RFMB	Measure B	Painting			\$ -
			\$ 218,712.66	\$ 275,912.08	\$ 494,624.74
1/16/2026			\$ 218,712.66	\$ 275,912.08	\$ 494,624.74

MEASURE A CAPITAL PROJECTS SUMMARY FY 25/26											
Project No.	Project Title	Service	BUDGET 25/26	BUDGET 24/25	BUDGET 23/24	BUDGET 22/23	BUDGET 21/22	BUDGET 20/21	BUDGET 19/20	BUDGET 18/19	Total Expanded FY 18/19 to 25/26
		CONSTRUCTION PROF. SRVC. MISC			1 MIL	1 MIL	1 MIL	2 MIL	500K	500K	
					\$ 900,000.00	\$ 800,000.00	\$ 800,000.00	\$ 1,500,000.00	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 400,000.00	
					\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	
					\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	
54LP05ROOF	Novato Measure A Project	Professional Services 522510				\$ 7,472.00		\$ 26,440.00	\$ 29,651.45		\$ 63,563.45
		Construction 540210				\$ 940.00	\$ 128,717.10	\$ 441,815.60	\$ 27,684.63		\$ 598,957.33
		Miscellaneous Costs 522310									\$ -
	Project Completed	DPW Labor 561110					\$ 27,836.85	\$ 76,127.80	\$ 27,997.83		\$ 131,962.48
						\$ 8,112.80	\$ 156,553.95	\$ 544,183.40	\$ 85,335.91		\$ 794,183.26
54LP06R00F	Corte Madera Measure A Project	Professional Services 522510				\$ 11,616.00	\$ 1,374.00	\$ 46,988.00	\$ 67,766.30		\$ 127,754.30
		Construction 540210		\$ 6,015.00	\$ 56,646.20	\$ 140,048.10	\$ 496,594.95	\$ 682,421.45	\$ 62,863.20		\$ 1,343,553.90
		Miscellaneous Costs 522310					\$ 7,335.64		\$ 279.35		\$ 7,615.00
	Project Completed	DPW Labor 561110				\$ 30,972.00	\$ 85,494.72	\$ 119,076.65	\$ 27,867.41		\$ 243,110.78
				\$ 6,015.00	\$ 56,646.20	\$ 170,746.10	\$ 590,799.31	\$ 749,084.10	\$ 148,578.29		\$ 1,721,689.00
54LP07ROOF	Fairfax Measure A Project	Professional Services 522510				\$ 7,830.00	\$ 8,635.00	\$ 39,305.00			\$ 55,770.00
		Construction 540210						\$ 41,438.77	\$ 66,980.00		\$ 100,416.77
		Miscellaneous Costs 522310									\$ -
	Project Completed	DPW Labor 561110				\$ 2,376.12	\$ 27,876.77	\$ 30,507.54	\$ 8,800.16		\$ 78,159.59
						\$ 19,206.12	\$ 36,511.77	\$ 120,249.31	\$ 85,180.16		\$ 232,547.36
54LP10FAI	Fairfax Life Safety Project	Professional Services 522510			7,640.95	\$ 5,773.00					\$ 13,413.95
		Construction 540210			322,615.23	\$ 273,207.80					\$ 595,823.03
		Miscellaneous Costs 522310									\$ -
		DPW Road Services 561230									\$ -
	Project Completed	DPW Labor 561110			25,042.85	\$ 88,678.61	\$ 41,266.92				\$ 154,988.38
		Transout 560110				\$ 6,545.00					\$ 6,545.00
					\$ 355,298.83	\$ 309,303.41	\$ 41,286.92	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 699,769.16
54LP13HVAC	Corte Madera HVAC Project	Professional Services 522510	480.00	\$ 16,080.47							\$ 16,560.47
		Construction 540210		\$ 731,458.51	3,346.50						\$ 734,805.01
		Miscellaneous Costs 522310		\$ 17,377.56							\$ 17,377.56
		DPW Road Services 561230		\$ 8,304.33							\$ 8,304.33
	Project Completed	DPW Labor 561110 / 561120		\$ 35,246.90	51,652.01	\$ 38,443.60					\$ 125,348.41
			480.00	\$ 806,467.67	\$ 54,898.81	\$ 38,443.60					\$ 900,289.78
	\$ Novato Measure A Project	Professional Services 522510						\$ 36,000.00			\$ 36,000.00
		Construction 540210									\$ -
		Miscellaneous Costs 522310									\$ -
	Project Completed	DPW Labor 561110						\$ 36,000.00	\$ -		\$ 36,000.00
54LP15ISC	Measure A MISC Proj	Professional Services 522510								\$ 1,240.00	\$ 1,240.00
		Construction 540210								\$ 23,872.95	\$ 23,872.95
		Miscellaneous Costs 522310									\$ -
	Project Completed	DPW Labor 561110									\$ -
								\$ -	\$ 25,060.95		\$ 25,060.95
1/16/2026			480.00	\$ 812,482.67	\$ 466,943.54	\$ 530,717.23	\$ 825,131.95	\$ 1,449,516.81	\$ 299,492.36	\$ 25,060.95	\$ 4,409,825.51

b. Facilities Overview was presented by Ahmad Merza and Lana Adlawan

Marin County Free Library Commission

Facilities Overview

January 16, 2026




FACILITY IMPROVEMENT GOALS

MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORKPLAN FY 2024-2026

Revamp the interior space for library patrons and staff at all 10 branches in FY 2024-26, with improvements ranging from new furniture, paint, and accessible technology.



MEASURE B – Approved by voters at 76.59%

Upgrade library facilities



BIENNIAL LIBRARY COMMISSION GOALS FY 2024-26

Complete a facility assessment of four County-owned branches to identify a Multi-Year Capital Plan for Measure B funds. The priority of improvements will be determined by community need through a racial equity lens. The Library Commission, as the fiscal oversight committee for Measure A and B, will approve an allocation of Measure B funds to complete necessary capital improvements for the library system.

Complete interior refresh project for all 10 branches of the Marin County Free Library system. Upgrades to our spaces include additional support for technology access and use; new furniture, carpet and paint; and flexible shelving to allow for additional program and event space.



Photo by Terry Paul



Library Improvement Projects Now - 2030

INTERIOR
10-BRANCH
REFRESH
PROJECT

HEALTH &
SAFETY
BUILDING
IMPROVEMENTS

COUNTY-
OWNED
BUILDING
RENOVATIONS



INTERIOR 10-BRANCH REFRESH PROJECT

Noll & Tam Architects Interior Refresh Project *Implementation*



Communication strategy for the 10-branch Interior Refresh Project:

- Overall purpose of refresh project on [webpage](https://marinlibrary.org/refresh/) – (<https://marinlibrary.org/refresh/>)
- Plans per branch (similar to Corte Madera, each branch will have designs, photos, and updates)

LIBRARY REFRESH 2025-2026

projects completed / library photos



The refresh project for all ten branches of the Marin County Free Library will reimagine interior spaces for the 21st century and uplift staff and community members from new furniture, paint, and decorative enhancements. This project is a phase one of the more extensive 2025-2026 Refresh II funding for library services, programs, and facility enhancements.

This project makes substantial improvements to better serve the local communities at each library branch consistent with the 2021 [San Francisco Green Building Ordinance](#) (SFGRO) and only those projects that are not yet completed are shown in red.

All the projects shown in red (orange) will be completed by the end of 2026.

Fairfax Library



View Fairfax Design Plan

Fairfax Library highlights:

Revised Planned Community Room: A newly designed library with new seating and lighting, flexible meeting space.

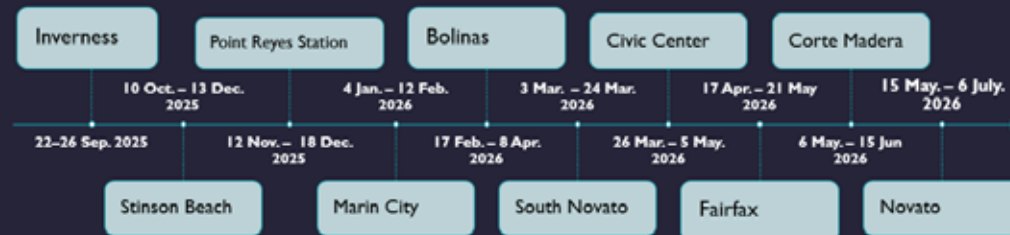
New Seating & Workspaces: New tables, chairs, and lounge areas to provide a quiet reading space for all ages.

Outdoor Seating: New outdoor seating areas, including tables and chairs, to create a relaxing outdoor space.

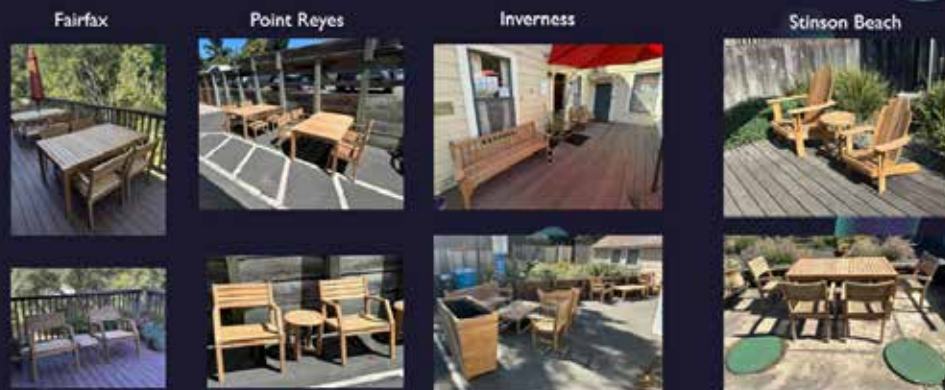
New Display: Create new space to display local art and books to highlight local history and culture.



10 Branch Draft Refresh Timeline



Outdoor Furniture - Fairfax, Point Reyes, Inverness, South Novato & Stinson Beach Branches



Completed Refresh - Inverness Library



Completed Refresh Stinson Beach Library

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Completed Refresh Point Reyes Library

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2026 Technical Services Refresh (Los Gatos offices)



New automated material handling machines, New TEC space and design!



Health & Safety



From May 2024 Multi-Year Capital Plan Review

*Construction Cost Estimate – Four County Facilities

BRANCH	ESTIMATED IMPROVEMENT COSTS
CIVIC CENTER (2026-27)	\$3,427,583.00
NOVATO (2025-27)	\$7,000,358.00
FAIRFAX (2027-29)	\$4,525,088.00
CORTE MADERA (2028-29)	\$5,619,437.00
TOTAL	\$20,572,466.00

* Additional financing and soft costs will be incurred.

Novato Capital Improvement Project – Strategic Pause

This strategic pause strengthens decision-making, mitigates risk, and ensures responsible stewardship of public resources.

- Complete floodplain assessment
- Conduct seismic and structural safety evaluations
- Evaluate feasibility, and cost–benefit to guide investment decisions
- Applying the same assessment approach to the Corte Madera Library



Capital Improvements – Full Steam Ahead

- Capital planning continues moving forward across the system
- While assessments proceed for Novato and Corte Madera, no projects are idle
- Work on the Civic Center Library is moving forward next

Key Takeaways

- All refreshes and capital improvement projects are supported by Measure B funding
- Civic Center Capital Improvement Project is up next while we assess Novato and Corte Madera Libraries for seismic, floodplain and overall cost feasibility

County-Owned Facilities	Leased Facilities
Novato	Stinson Beach
Fairfax	Bolinas
Civic Center	Point Reyes
Corte Madera	Inverness
	Marin City
	South Novato Library

- Library Refresh Project ends in 2026 and Capital Improvement Project in 2030
- Community & staff gathered and incorporated for all projects



(10) ADJOURNMENT – Glynda adjourned the meeting at 5:21pm



January 2026

Library Commission Report

Lana Adlawan,
Director of County Library Services



Our *Story*

January 2026 | Marin County Free Library

January set the gears in motion as Marin County Free Library began the year with steady purpose. Across branches, mobile services, and support teams, joyful learning, collective impact, and community power were activated through everyday moments of service, care, and connection.

Our work reflected the Library's commitment to meeting people where they are. Programs and outreach emphasized practical support, including homework help, literacy development, language learning, access to legal and financial resources, and opportunities for creative and cultural engagement. From early literacy storytimes and teen leadership activities to adult learning, technology assistance, and arts programming, the Library continued to offer inclusive pathways for learning at every stage of life.

Partnerships with schools, cultural organizations, social service agencies, and county departments extended services beyond branch walls and reinforced the Library as a trusted collaborator. Behind the scenes, staff across departments strengthened systems, planned strategically, and aligned efforts with the Library's Strategic Plan. Marketing and Communications amplified access to essential resources, Technical Services advanced digital accessibility, and teams collaborated to support consistent, mission-driven service.

Together, this work tells a clear story: as a library system, we are grounded in service, adaptability, and care. As Marin County Free Library moves forward into the year, the gears continue to turn in alignment, carrying communities toward equitable learning, resilience, and connection.

Our *Mission*

We provide welcoming, equitable, and inclusive opportunities for everyone.

Our *Vision*

We believe in empowered and thriving communities built on diverse voices and perspectives. We believe in a just Marin that advances equity for communities of color.

PARTNERSHIPS, PROGRAMMING, AND OUTREACH

Partnership Engagement

Marin County Free Library (MCFL) branches and mobile services strengthened partnerships that expanded learning, cultural connection, and civic engagement across the county. These collaborations spanned schools, cultural institutions, social service agencies, and community organizations, reinforcing the Library's role as a trusted community partner.

The Bookmobile partnered with the Marin Youth Poet Laureate program to bring poetry programming to Nicasio School and Juvenile Hall, centering youth voice in educational and justice-impacted settings. Corte Madera re-established outreach with San Clemente Place and began collaboration with the Financial Freedom Youth Initiative to explore future financial literacy programs for teens.

At Fairfax, partnerships with Stanford Blood Center and Ross Valley Charter School supported community health and early literacy, while Inverness maintained its longstanding connection with West Marin Elementary School through regular class visits. In Novato, collaboration with One Tamalpais brought environmental education into family programming. Point Reyes partnered with the Point Reyes Reality Investigation Center to host a community read rooted in local literary history. South Novato strengthened school and cultural partnerships through Black History Month planning and family outreach, and Stinson Beach collaborated with local artists and filmmakers to center regional storytelling.

Programming

January programming across Marin County Free Library emphasized joyful learning, creativity, and inclusive participation for all ages. Branches resumed or expanded storytimes, book clubs, ESL classes, literacy programs, crafts, STEM activities, wellness offerings, and teen leadership opportunities.

At Bolinas, intergenerational programming included Book Scouts, preschool storytimes, crafts, Lego Club, Mending Mondays, and a longstanding adult book club. Corte Madera and Fairfax saw strong attendance as children's and family programs returned in full, alongside technology, gardening, and arts programming.

Inverness focused on early literacy and bilingual learning through school storytimes, Colors of Spanish Storytime, Mending Circle, and community-driven Let's Talk About Books. Library Beyond Walls offered site-based programming, including book clubs, read-alouds, and technology instruction within supportive settings.

In Novato, dynamic offerings included Homework Helpers, book clubs, gaming, creative workshops, and the return of the Teen Advisory Group. Point Reyes reactivated weekly and monthly programs following its refresh, quickly transforming the branch into a hub for gathering and creativity. South Novato launched a new ESL cohort and continued youth leadership development, and Stinson Beach showcased documentary film screenings and local art exhibitions.

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PARTNERSHIPS, PROGRAMMING, AND OUTREACH

Outreach / Community Education Support

Outreach and community education remained central to service delivery in January, especially during branch refresh closures and transitions. The Bookmobile ensured continuity of access in Pickleweed and Marin City by bringing books, storytimes, and resources directly to neighborhood gathering spaces.

Library Beyond Walls delivered extensive countywide outreach, providing literacy support, technology assistance, book clubs, and read-alouds. These visits resulted in new library cards, material circulation, and meaningful opportunities for connection, particularly for residents experiencing isolation.

Branches, including Fairfax and Novato, emphasized cultural awareness and accessibility through heritage displays, author visits, and National Braille Literacy Month programming. Point Reyes supported youth mentorship and family literacy through participation in the Magnolia Project and distribution of bilingual Family Reading Bags to local classrooms.

MCFL's partnership, outreach, and programming efforts demonstrate how operations are connected to community-rooted systems that supports learning, belonging, and collective power across Marin County.

THE GEARS THAT DRIVE US

Joyful Learning, Collective Impact, and Community Power

In January, the Marin County Free Library advanced its mission through three interconnected forces: joyful learning that invites discovery and delight, collective impact that expands reach through collaboration, and community power that elevates lived experience and shared voice. Together, these forces propelled the Library's work across Marin County.

Joyful Learning

On the Bookmobile, children leaned into interactive storytimes and shared in lively read-aloud moments. At Bolinas, Book Scouts, Lego Club, crafts, and intergenerational spaces like Mending Mondays created environments where children and adults learned and connected together. Corte Madera welcomed preschoolers on their first library visit, leaving with stacks of books and bright curiosity; Fairfax saw strong participation in Lego Club and technology classes that built confidence with devices.

In Inverness, bilingual storytimes and community book conversations invited families into joyful literacy play and peer connection. Point Reyes offered bilingual Canta Conmigo storytime and DrawBridge art pop-ups that sparked creativity and cultural engagement. In Novato, the Spanish Conversation Club brought language learning to life through shared music and conversation, and South Novato celebrated youth leaders as they developed digital storytelling skills. At Stinson Beach, film screenings and local art exhibitions transformed the library into a reflective space for community exploration and creative encounter.

Collective Impact

Collaborative literacy programs such as bilingual Family Reading Bags delivered to classrooms at Tomales Elementary strengthened home-based learning. Accessibility initiatives, such as Braille displays at Novato, highlighted the Library's commitment to inclusive learning. Cultural partnerships, including community reads at Point Reyes and environmental learning with One Tamalpais in Novato, demonstrated how shared work with local organizations deepened community engagement and broadened educational pathways.

Community Power

Community power emerged when people used the Library as a platform for voice, choice, and advocacy. On the Bookmobile, patrons shared books and stories with one another with little prompting from staff, modeling generosity and mutual care. In Inverness, regular patrons shaped the Let's Talk About Books conversation into an evolving community tradition founded in shared recommendation and reflection.

Across branches systemwide, January's work showed that the gears driving the library are not programs alone but people learning together, partners aligned in shared goals, and communities empowered to shape the future of their libraries.

THE STORIES THAT SHAPE US

In January, patron stories from across Marin County Free Library reflected the Library's role as a place of belonging, connection, and shared humanity. From quiet moments of generosity to powerful expressions of civic voice, these stories illustrate how library spaces continue to shape daily life across Marin County.

On the Bookmobile, small acts revealed the depth of community connection. At one stop, when a patron asked for a specific title, another patron immediately offered their own personal copy to borrow. The two left together, books in hand, demonstrating how the library fosters generosity beyond its collections. On a cold Sunday at the Civic Center Farmers Market, patrons gathered inside the Bookmobile not only to browse materials but also to connect with one another and discuss events unfolding in the wider world.

At Library Beyond Walls, patrons frequently shared that the library's presence mattered as much to the community as to reading. One book club participant at the Maria B. Freitas Center said, "I may not actually read the books, but I come more for the community interaction." Across senior housing, recovery homes, and supportive living sites, library visits created reliable spaces for conversation, learning, and belonging.

In Fairfax, patrons described the library as a rare and vital refuge. One patron shared appreciation for expanded hours and staff hospitality, noting the library as a place to "shift gears." Others expressed gratitude after technology classes, emphasizing how practical learning opportunities build confidence and independence.

At Inverness, patron stories reflected deep relationships built through consistency and care. During staff transitions, patrons shared poems, notes, and words of encouragement, expressing both gratitude and vulnerability. One patron described how difficult it was to say goodbye after finally finding stability through the library, highlighting the importance of trusted spaces in small communities.

Following its refresh, Point Reyes Library quickly reclaimed its role as a gathering place. Former WebStars, now college students, returned during winter break to reconnect, exchange gifts, and work on puzzles around the new main table. A resident from senior housing shared how much she missed the library during the closure and how essential it is to her daily life, expressing appreciation for both the refreshed space and the staff who sustain it.

In Novato, patrons shared appreciation for thoughtful service details, from a well-organized used book sale to carefully curated book selections highlighting diverse abilities. At Stinson Beach, a moment of delight captured the library's place in everyday adventure when a patron returned books after paragliding from Mount Tam, having planned his landing at the library all along.

Together, these stories show that Marin County Free Library is defined not only by its services but also by its relationships. Across the county, patrons experience the library as a place where generosity is shared, voices are heard, and community is built one story at a time.

SNAPSHOTS OF MCFL



Bolinas Afterschool club, Wednesdays, kids play with clay!



Caroline's Last Day at Inverness.



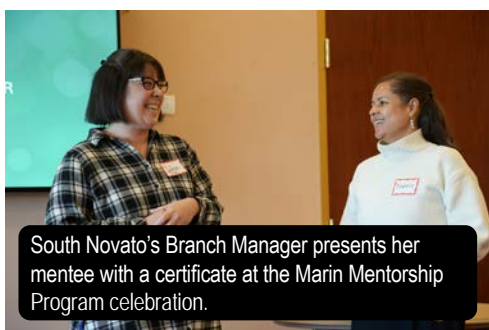
New cushions in the Inverness Children's room.



Craft afternoon at Corte Madera has grown from a few chairs in the children's room to filling the Community Room twice a month.



Iris visiting the K/1 class at Ross Valley Charter School.



South Novato's Branch Manager presents her mentee with a certificate at the Marin Mentorship Program celebration.



Book Scouts at the West Marin School library.



One Tam's Tam Van visited Novato's Books & Bubbles Storytime on 1/14, welcoming 63 attendees.



Book Scouts at the West Marin School library.



Braille Literacy Month display at Novato Library.

COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLICITY

The Marketing & Communications (MarCom) team focused on strategic promotion, prepared and aligned marketing strategies to support upcoming programs, seasonal services, and priority initiatives. This planning work ensured that communications were timely, coordinated, and responsive to both community needs and systemwide goals.

Through social media channels, Marketing promoted information about Free Tax Services, Legal Aid resources, and an interactive workshop focused on reducing waste, helping connect patrons with practical tools that support financial stability, legal awareness, and environmental responsibility. Additional promotions highlighted creative and educational offerings, including guidance on making a zine, information about Homework Helpers, and promotion of the Black Voices in America Opera, broadening awareness of the cultural, academic, and artistic programming available to the community.

MarCom also supported the Library's primary outreach vehicle by producing graphic materials for the Library Newsletter, ensuring clear, visually engaging communication of programs, services, and stories reach patrons countywide. In support of community engagement efforts, the team produced promotional graphics for the West Marin Vehicle Naming initiative, helping invite public participation and amplify outreach around this collaborative project. These materials were designed to be accessible, inviting, and adaptable across platforms and branch use.

Marketing & Communications' role is to connect communities to services, elevating educational and cultural opportunities, and support engagement through clear, consistent, and mission-aligned storytelling.



TECHNICAL SERVICES

Partnership Engagements

In January, Technical Services advanced partnerships that strengthen the Library's collections, digital infrastructure, and long-term access for Marin County residents. Collection Development librarians met with Hoopla representatives to explore potential consortium membership and adding records to the shared catalog. These conversations focused on expanding digital access, improving discoverability, and leveraging collaborative purchasing models to better serve patrons across the system.

The Online Library team also played a key convening role, facilitating cross-departmental collaboration on digital accessibility. Staff coordinated meetings between the County's Digital Accessibility Team, MARINet, and the Library's Marketing team to establish shared best practices for accessibility compliance. This partnership supports systemwide readiness for the Americans with Disabilities Act Title II Web and Mobile Application Accessibility Rule, ensuring that the Library's website, apps, social media, videos, and other online content remain accessible to all users ahead of the April 2026 compliance deadline.

Outreach / Community Support

Technical Services supported branch staff and patrons through behind-the-scenes outreach and resource development that enhances access to library services. Collection Development librarians designed and translated a bilingual Zip Books flyer, working closely with the Marketing team to create a tool that branch staff can use to promote the Zip Books book ordering service. This effort helps ensure that patrons, particularly those seeking materials not readily available in the collection, are aware of and able to use this service in both English and Spanish.

In addition, Collection Development librarians hosted a virtual Drop-In Collections Conversation, providing an open forum for staff to engage, ask questions, and share learning on collection strategy and stewardship. These touchpoints support consistent service delivery across branches and reinforce Technical Services' role as a resource for staff and the broader library system.

Together, January's partnership and outreach efforts highlight how Technical Services contributes to community support by strengthening access, improving digital equity, and equipping staff with tools and guidance that ultimately benefit patrons countywide.

New Talent, New Energy: Welcoming Our Colleagues

Every library has its stories, and ours includes the people who make it come alive. We're honored to welcome new team members who are helping us shape the future of Marin County Free Library.

- Alicia Graves joins the Marin City Library as our new Librarian II.
- Caroline Brabbee joins the Fairfax Library as our new Library Assistant II.

Future Ready: Opportunities in the Works

We're investing in our future! Recruitments are underway for open positions, bringing new staff who will help strengthen and expand our services.

Librarian I in the California Room – Recruitment officially closed on January 26, 2026, and after a meeting with the hiring manager, the team is preparing for the next steps for the first interview phase.

Media Specialist in Electronic Services – The interview process is moving into its final stretch, and if all goes as planned, February will mark the arrival of a new member of our team.

Inside the Process: A Thoughtful Approach to Onboarding

Over the past few months, these reports have taken on a slightly different tone. Instead of simply sharing outcomes, we've been pulling back the curtain, inviting everyone into the parts of HR that usually stay out of view. The quiet work. The behind-the-scenes decisions. The unglamorous moments that, taken together, keep everything moving forward. We believe there's real value in showing not just what we do, but how and why we do it.

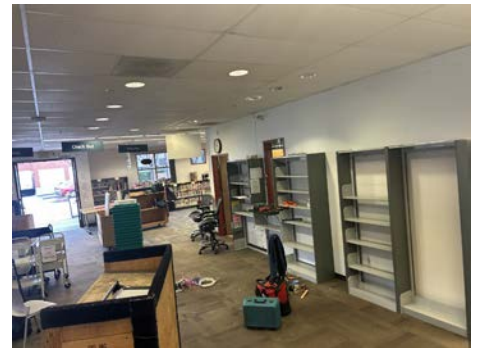
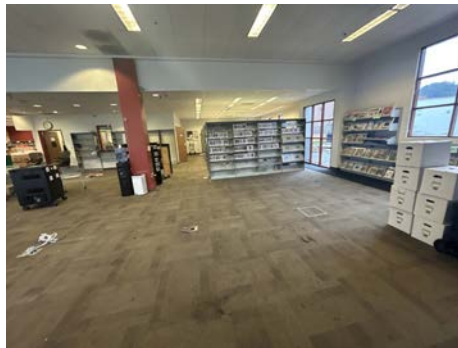
That story didn't start this year. It began years ago. For the last six years, our team has been deliberate about how data is collected, maintained, and protected. At the time, it may have felt routine, another spreadsheet, another update, another check-in. But over time, those small, disciplined habits began to reveal something larger. Patterns surfaced. Trends became easier to recognize. And eventually, the data started speaking up, often before challenges made themselves visible.

That's the moment we find ourselves in now. Because of this long-term, intentional approach, we didn't have to wait for a staffing gap or a sense of urgency to begin talking about recruitment. The data showed us when those conversations needed to happen. And as we reviewed the closing 2025 data, it confirmed what we were already seeing unfold.

This is the power of letting data inform the work. It allows us to move with intention rather than reaction, to plan thoughtfully instead of scrambling to respond. As we move into February and March, the picture will continue to come into focus, and we'll be able to share more about upcoming recruitment efforts and the roles we anticipate needing to fill.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

2026 opened our fourth library branch refresh project, in Marin City!



The Marin City Library will be closed until the last week in February and will receive the following improvements:

- **Updated Service Desk:** A sleek new desk to provide a professional, efficient workspace for staff, while offering a warm welcome to patrons.
- **Reorganized Shelving:** New shelving throughout the library to create more inviting, accessible browsing spaces.
- **Modern Furniture:** New tables, chairs, and workstations to provide comfortable, stylish spots for studying, reading, and relaxing, for all age groups.
- **Fresh Paint:** A new coat of paint to create a more vibrant, welcoming space.
- **Expanded Teen Area:** A space for teens to call their own, with access to technology and comfortable seating.
- **Gallery Wall:** A new gallery wall in the teen and adult areas to showcase local artwork and inspire creativity.
- **New Carpet:** Fresh new carpet to enhance the look and feel.

We can't wait to debut new spaces in Marin City, welcoming elders in our community and teens to enjoy areas of the library created specifically for them to truly feel at home in the library. Our last West Marin branch, Bolinas, is the next in queue to begin to be refreshed in early February.



Image: MCFL staff and Library Commissioners at YWCA Induction Ceremony

2026 Class, YWCA Marin Women's Hall of Fame
yourywca.org/get-involved/events/marin-womens-hall-of-fame

Virginia (Ginny) Schultz, President of the Friends of the Marin County Free Library, was inducted into the YWCA Marin Women's Hall of Fame on January 28, 2026. Ginny has spent decades of her life in support and service to local schools and libraries, advocating for education and literacy in our communities. She has led in most, if not all, of the libraries parcel tax campaigns, currently serving as Treasurer of our Measure B past and future campaigns! A large contingent of Friends of the Marin County Free Library members, longtime advocates of MCFL libraries, Marin County Library Foundation

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

members, District 5 Supervisor Eric Lucan, District 5 Library Commissioners and MCFL staff and administrators were present for the celebration, which was all about libraries and the importance of reading banned books (to audience delight). We thank you, Ginny, for your tireless advocacy and countless hours in service to the Marin County Free Library. Our libraries and services have benefitted from your efforts.

FY 26-28 County Budget Process

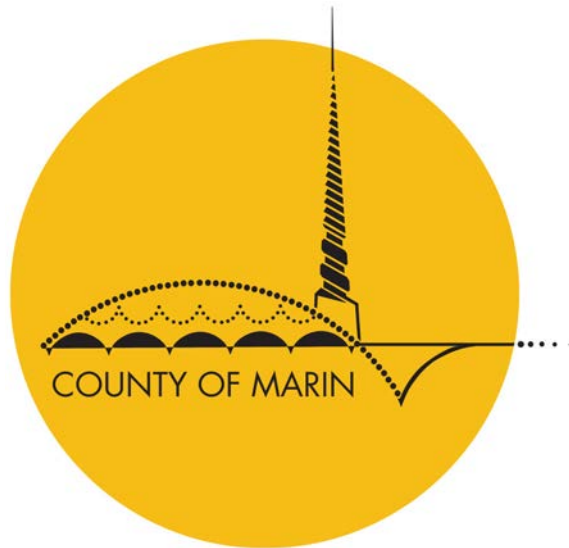
Over the past few months, library leaders have been meeting and discussing budget proposals for the FY 26-28 Budget in a climate of caution due to current instability in our economy, both on the national and local level. Leaders centered requests that are responsive to expressed community need as both state and federal supports grow more restrictive. The Library's proposed FY 26-28 Workplan Goals also directly connect to County priorities:

- Expanding affordable housing and reducing homelessness
- Ensuring racial equity
- Addressing climate change and sea-level rise
- Emergency preparedness
- Investing in County Infrastructure
- Fostering Economic & Community Vitality

Preliminary Budget Workshops will take place with the Board of Supervisors at the end of February, with final budgets and workplans adopted in June 2026. The Library has an incredible number of projects in the queue this fiscal year that will be completed, such as the Library Branch Refresh Project and West Marin Vehicle. We look forward to communities enjoying these investments for many years to come!



Lana Adlawan,
Director of County Library Services



THANK YOU

As we reflect on another season of growth, creativity, and connection, we are grateful for the continued guidance and support of the Library Commission. Your dedication helps us expand opportunities, nurture equity, and celebrate the voices of our diverse communities. Thank you for championing the work of MCFL and for walking alongside us as we bring joy, learning, and belonging to Marin. Together, we are building a stronger, more vibrant Library for all.



DIGITAL MARIN: CONNECTING COMMUNITIES PROJECT



WHY THIS PROJECT MATTERS

The Digital Divide is Still Real in Marin County

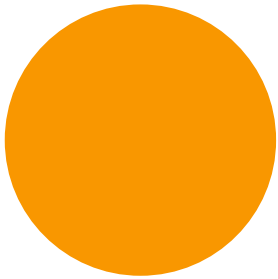
Many residents lack:

- reliable home internet
- access to devices
- confidence using technology

Digital access impacts:

- school success
- job applications
- healthcare access
- public benefits
- connection and isolation

PARTNERSHIPS



- **Marin County Free Library (MCFL)**
 - Outreach, engagement, equity-driven service delivery
- **Marin housing authority (MHA)**
 - Site coordination, resident communication
- **IST (County IT)**
 - Implementation planning, system oversight
- **Comcast/Xfinity**
 - Bulk internet service + infrastructure support
- **Community volunteers**
 - Helping residents build confidence and skills

PROJECT GOAL: MAKE DIGITAL ACCESS UNIVERSAL AT MHA SITES

The project provides:

- Free high-speed internet (bulk service)
- Internet-ready devices (laptops + iPads)
- On-site resident interviews & deployment support
- Ongoing tech support system (Help Desk)
- Community Room “Lift Zone” Wi-Fi access

SITES AND TIMELINE



Project Timeline Consideration



HOW THE WORK HAPPENS

- Build the infrastructure
- Pre-planning + resident outreach
- 1:1 resident interviews (needs assessment)
- Device deployment (iPads/laptops)
- Free internet installation + modem support
- Ongoing technical support & training



WEBSTAR INTERNS – KEY PROJECT SUPPORT

Webstars are college interns supporting Digital Marin implementation by helping with:

- Resident outreach and scheduling
- 1:1 resident interviews and technology needs assessments
- Device deployment support (iPads, laptops, accessories)
- Ordering, assembling, and preparing technology kits
- Submitting and managing Help Desk support tickets
- Supporting digital literacy workshops and community learning sessions



WEBSTARS INTERNS – KEY PROJECT SUPPORT

Impact

- Increased project capacity and responsiveness at MHA sites
- Strengthened resident support and follow-through
- Expanded MCFL's ability to provide hands-on tech assistance

Professional Development

- High-impact learning opportunity in community-based public service
- Webstars gained real-world experience in outreach, technology support, and equity-driven work
- Opportunity to send our two **webstars** to the American Library Association (ALA) Conference in Philadelphia (2025)



MCFL'S COMMUNITY LIBCABINET

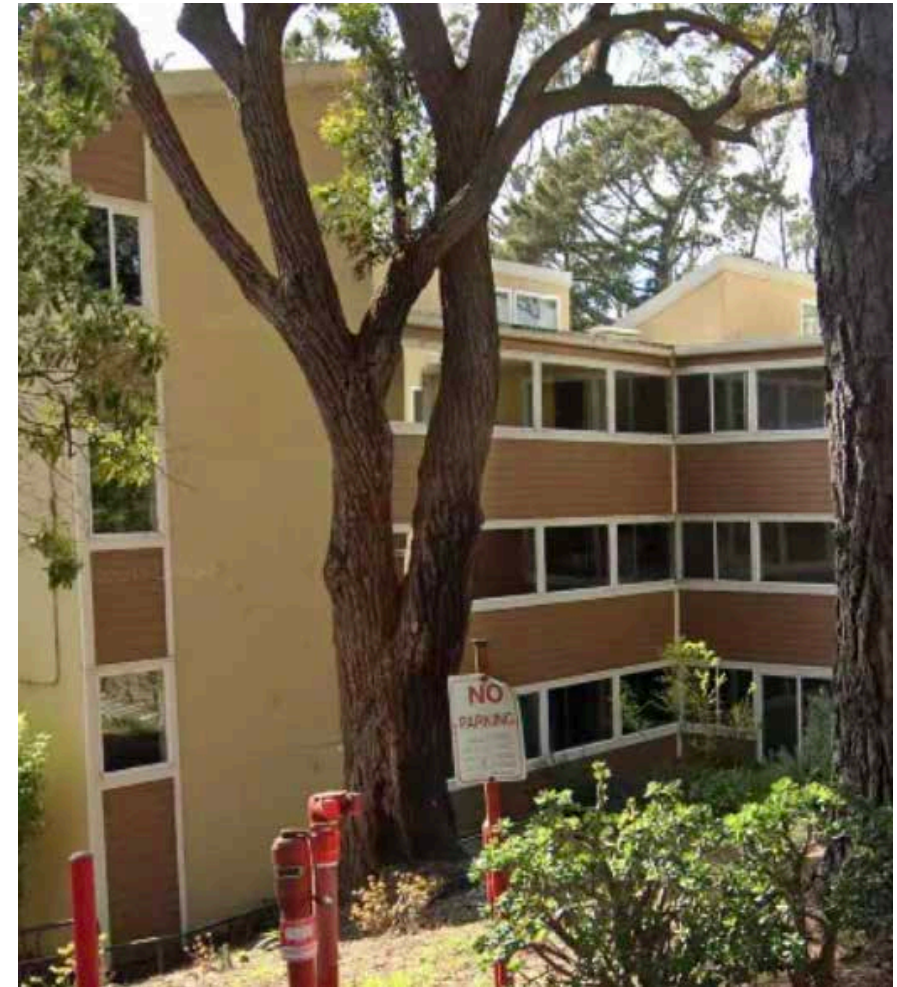


LIBRARY VENDING MACHINE PROCESS FOR ENGAGEMENT

In 2024, we visited multiple Housing Authority sites across Marin to understand community needs and the placement of the StoryStop - LibroStop cabinet. We were interested in learning how far residents lived from a branch, how the community spaces were used, and what residents wanted.

We chose Kruger Pines due to the location and distance to a branch, plus the large community room. There are 56 residents who live in the apartments.

We worked with the Marin Housing Authority to survey residents, asking about favorite genres and the types of materials they'd want.



KRUGER PINES

Kruger Pines, in conjunction with Marin Housing and the Marin County Free Library, are engaging with residents at risk of housing or health instability through a library "vending machine."

The vending machine includes physical books and movies and the potential for many other physical materials to be housed directly inside the Community Room. This eliminates the need for transportation or mobility to a local branch.

The LibCabinet (the vendor's name for the book cabinet) has been rebranded for MCFL as the StoryStop and LibroStop (Spanish version).

STORYSTOP / LIBROSTOP

MCFL is expanding our 10-branch traditional brick and mortar environment by bringing resources directly to residences at Kruger Pines with the StoryStop Library Cabinet.

We will continue to host direct feedback from Kruger Pines residents on types of genres and materials they would like to see the StoryStop house.

The StoryStop LibCabinet holds up to 200 physical books or assorted materials and will rotate regularly to keep the selection fresh and relevant to residents' needs.

Residents will use their MCFL Card to open the bookcase style cabinet to check in and out library materials, the unit can also provide room for holds requested, eliminating the need to travel to a branch to pick up materials.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- THERE IS A DIGITAL DIVIDE THAT EXISTS IN MARIN COUNTY AND THE LIBRARY IS A PRIMARY ACCESS POINT TO FREE TECHNOLOGY AND TRAINING FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS. FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: <https://godigitalmarin.org/about/>
- WEBSTARS ARE KEY POSITIONS TO ASSIST – BOTH IN TECHNOLOGY TRAINING AND INTERGENERATIONAL CONNECTION, KEY TO ELDER SUCCESS IN OUR COMMUNITY
- LIBRARIES CAN BE EVERYWHERE! WE REACH COMMUNITIES WHERE THEY ARE
- THESE PROJECTS ARE AN EXAMPLE OF THE LIBRARY'S COLLECTIVE IMPACT STRATEGIC PILLAR
- BROADBAND ACCESS AND INTERNET CONNECTIVITY ARE ESSENTIAL TO COMMUNITY SUCCESS AND AN IMPORTANT PART OF LIBRARY ADVOCACY

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