

CITY OF DETROIT FISCAL 2008/09 BUDGET

AGENCY 72 DETROIT PUBLIC LIBRARY

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Detroit Public Library desires to become a vibrant, dynamic and leading-edge personal resource for every citizen of Detroit. The Detroit Public Library will provide easy access to local and global information that will assist all users in the development of a lifetime of enrichment and growth. As the Library moves into the future, it will hold on to the best of its services while meeting changing community needs. The community will recognize the library as a vital force for expanding the mind, promoting literacy, embracing diversity, creating opportunities for individual and community development, and building a thriving city.

The Detroit Public Library enhances the quality of life for the diverse and dynamic community in the City of Detroit. The Library enlightens and empowers its citizens to meet their lifelong learning needs through open and equitable access to information, technology, and cultural/educational programs.

DESCRIPTION

The Detroit Public Library serves as the City's information hub and a major educational, cultural and informational resource. The library has a book collection of over 3.7 million catalogued volumes; this is supplemented by current periodicals, and an extensive Audio, Video and DVD collection. In addition, the library has up to 4 million pieces of manuscripts, sheet music, scores, photographs, pictures and government documents. Twenty-three (23) neighborhood branches serve as community centers, providing informational services that are unique to their communities. Over 800 public access computers provide customers with Internet access. Computer assistance and training is available at most library locations. Two bookmobiles make weekly stops to schools and community centers farthest removed from library locations.

Detroit Public Library (DPL) desires to provide the highest level of public library services to the citizens of Detroit by maintaining, constantly evaluating and improving on traditional and innovative public library services.

GOALS

1. Develop and implement strategies that promote DPL as a stable employer in the local region.
2. Develop, test and implement a Detroit Public Library Brand Identity.
3. Position and market DPL as the community's agent, resource and primary partner for addressing literacy needs.
4. Develop and implement strategies to launch DPL as a destination for literary events.
5. Position and market DPL as a forum and resource for community dialog.
6. Continue to seek out community leadership opportunities that enhance the library's role in the city.
7. Pursue partnerships that will strengthen the library's community ties.

DEPARTMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	<u>OTHER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
EXPENDITURES	\$48,458,126	\$48,458,126
REVENUES	<u>48,458,126</u>	<u>48,458,126</u>
NET TAX COST	\$ 0	\$ 0
POSITIONS	467	467