



San Francisco Public Library



SUNSET BRANCH LIBRARY FACTS & FIGURES

Address	1305 18 th Avenue San Francisco, CA 9412
Opened	1918
Original architect	G. Albert Lansburgh
Original financing	Philanthropist Andrew Carnegie (\$43,955 in 1918)
Landmark designation	June 2004
Branch status	Third busiest branch in SFPL
Opening hours	Open 7 days per week
Closed for renovation	September 2005
Grand Re-Opening	March 31, 2007
City Librarian	Luis Herrera
Branch Manager	Jane Hudson
Architect	Fougeron Architecture
Project Management	Department of Public Works
General Contractor	Cooper Pugeda Management Inc.
Total project cost	\$1.5 million
Scope	Interior remodel
Size	9,434 square feet
Financing	Renovation of the branch was funded by a \$105.9 million bond measure passed by voters in November 2000 that calls for 19 branches to be renovated, four leased facilities to be

replaced with City-owned buildings and one brand-new branch in Mission Bay. The Branch Library Improvement Program (BLIP) is the largest capital improvement campaign in the history of the San Francisco Public Library. Friends of the San Francisco Public Library raised \$500,000 in private funds to pay for furniture, fixtures and equipment at the branch not covered by the bond.

Highlights

Functional and efficient for the public and staff

- Updated book & materials collection
- Revamped Children's Area
- New designated Teen Area
- New Program Room
- New street level after hours book drop
- New efficient book shelving & materials displays
- Space for strollers
- More functional staff work areas
- Clearer signage
- Improved lighting
- New cork flooring
- New furniture

Technology

- 21 public computers for children, teens, and adults with word processing and spreadsheet software plus access to the Internet, library online catalog, and multiple databases
- Wireless (Wi-Fi) access to the Internet
- Express checkout machines

Historic restoration

- Refinished perimeter wood book shelving
- Repaired terra cotta façade
- Enhanced ceilings and windows

Safe and accessible

- ADA fully accessible building
- New accessible restrooms
- Ramp & elevator installed in 1992
- Seismically retrofitted in 1992
- New roof

We voted to renovate and build new branches across the city. It's happening!