MAINTENANCE = SUSTAINABILITY

We promised to maintain buildings for the next generation

2014 ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Completed 11,000+ work orders to keep Library buildings clean, efficient and in good working order
- Retreaded all escalators and refurbished all public elevators at Central Library
- Replaced worn furniture at 18 locations
- Renovated restrooms at Ballard and Fremont branches
- Upgraded security and safety infrastructure at Central Library, Ballard, Capitol Hill and Douglass-Truth branches

2014 spending: $2.5 million

50% INCREASE
in preventive maintenance performed since 2012

> "*The building has never looked better!*"
>
> *- Library patron who attended Central Library 10th anniversary event in May*

OUR MISSION
The Seattle Public Library brings people, information and ideas together to enrich lives and build community.

2014 LEVY AT A GLANCE

Overall spending:
$13.9 million, includes
$4.3 million to preserve existing core service levels and $116,000 for levy administration

For more information, visit the Library website at www.spl.org/levy

INVESTING IN EXPERIENCES

LIBRARY LEVY 2014: A REPORT TO THE PUBLIC

In 2012, Seattle voters improved access to critical educational and literacy resources for every resident by passing a seven-year, $123 million Library levy.

The levy is helping restore core services drastically cut during the prolonged recession. The levy supports better Library hours, books, technology and building maintenance.

It also protects a bold vision Seattle voters approved in 1998 called "Libraries for All" that resulted in the world-renowned Central Library and new and renovated branch libraries in every neighborhood of the city.

The Seattle Public Library board of trustees and City Librarian Marcellus Turner are proud to report our progress after two years of levy funding.

The Seattle Public Library

HOURS = ACCESS	COLLECTIONS = QUALITY	TECHNOLOGY = OPPORTUNITY

We promised to keep libraries open when patrons need them

2014 ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Retained 6,000+ new open hours systemwide
  - Open 52 weeks a year
  - All locations open Sunday
  - 7-day service at Columbia and Northgate branches
- Added nearly 1,300 classes, workshops and outreach events
- Launched Open Air pop-up library for community events
- Answered 22,000+ questions at branches with restored reference staff

We promised to provide a robust collection of books and materials

2014 ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Added 37,000+ new titles to print books, audiobooks, DVDs and CDs
- Added nearly 16,000 new e-book and e-audiobook titles
- Bought 37,000+ more copies of popular materials to shorten wait times
- Launched Pike Place Market Digital Collections and enhanced the Neighborhood History Project
- Launched new service to make it easy to find e-books available for immediate checkout

We promised to improve computer and online services

2014 ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Upgraded Wi-Fi infrastructure systemwide to provide faster and more reliable Internet service
- Added digital media software to all Internet computers for the public
- Offered 2,500+ hours of scheduled one-on-one help with technology after systemwide program expansion
- Piloted tablets for families in children's area at Central Library
- Installed interactive Visitors Center at Central Library

2014 spending: $3.1 million

2014 spending: $2.6 million

2014 spending: $1.4 million

44% INCREASE
Visits to Columbia and Northgate branches since 2012

It was wonderful to be able to see a movie at the library with my child.

–Northgate Branch patron

74% INCREASE
in digital circulation since 2012

You have an excellent selection of foreign-language DVDs, DVDs non-fiction, fiction (and) music CDs... Keep it up!

–Beacon Hill Branch patron

100% ENHANCED
Digital media for 804 computers for public

Oh wow. What an incredible experience!!! Every step of the way, my online experience was perfect.

–Library patron via "Ask a Librarian"