



Board of Library Trustees

INFORMATION REPORT

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To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Board of Library Trustees
Submitted by: Donna Corbeil, Director of Library Services, Acting as Secretary, Board of Library Trustees
Subject: Status Report: Activities of Public Library

SUMMARY

This Berkeley Public Library Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 is presented to the Berkeley City Council and the community to provide updated information about the status and activities of the Public Library in its provision of a vital and valued service to the community. The annual report includes information about programs, services, and major activities and decisions of Library staff and Board of Library Trustees during the past fiscal year.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The Berkeley Public Library consists of the Central Library in the downtown district, four neighborhood branch libraries, and a tool lending library. In fiscal year 2012, two branches, the North and Claremont underwent renovation and reopened. Currently, the West and South branch libraries are under construction, they closed during the fiscal year covered in this report.

In the next few months the Library will produce an annual report for fiscal year 2012, highlighting services, statistics on use, a summary of the budget, and other information related to the general state of the library. The Library Board is committed to communicating with the public regarding their activities and the status of the Library, and has directed staff to continue the past practice of producing and making available an annual report.

BACKGROUND

As prescribed by the City of Berkeley Charter, the Board of Library Trustees is to make an annual report to City Council giving the condition of the library with a summary of their proceedings. In addition, reports and information as requested on specific topics are shared with the Council. In the past, these reports have been written and oral.

POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

None

FISCAL IMPACTS OF POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

None

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Attachments:

1. Berkeley Public Library Board of Library Trustees: Annual Report to City Council