

EXPANSION AND ENHANCEMENT



CURRENT STATE

POPULATION GROWTH

MORE THAN 200% OVER 25 YEARS

Current library on Bury Street opened its doors 25 years ago when population was 2,400, less than half of what it is today. Projected growth of another 7 or 8 percent by 2020

CURRENT LIBRARY

LESS THAN 50% RECOMMENDED SIZE

Library now at 6,000 sq ft. vs. 9,000 recommended for current needs. Recent 10-year needs assessment calls for 16,000 sq ft

166 AVERAGE DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT LIBRARY



Library loans out an average of about 5,000 books, movies and audiobooks a month. That's about 166 a day. We also borrow thousands of books from other libraries—through inter-library loan



22 NUMBER OF COMPUTERS AT THE LIBRARY



Currently, we have only 10 desktop computers and 12 laptops

GOALS

Help enhance/revitalize downtown Tonganoxie by keeping library downtown

Increase space, including more flexible and quiet space

Provide high-quality facilities for all, including larger community room

Respond to patron demand for more technology, materials and programs

More computers and the room and electrical capacity to add them

More books and the space and shelving to add them

Expanded programs and the space to host those programs

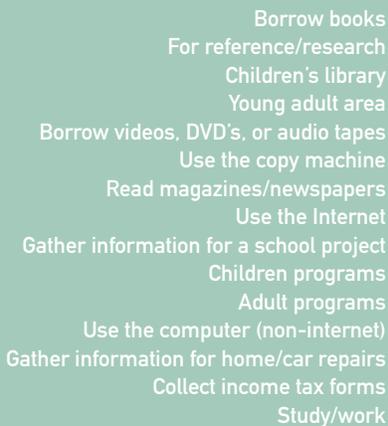
COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

In the summer of 2016, a digital survey was sent out to the community of Tonganoxie asking people to respond to questions about how they use the library and what they would like to see it become.

310 PEOPLE RESPONDED

87% FEEL THAT THE LIBRARY IS AN IMPORTANT COMMUNITY SERVICE

79% FEEL THERE IS A NEED FOR A NEW OR IMPROVED LIBRARY



How do you currently use the library?



comments

"I really want the library to do well in Tonganoxie. I have felt like a traitor going to Basehor. I want to support the library and I do feel like they need to update the building to expand with the current needs of the community and updated to be in line with 21st century needs for a small town."

"The kids activities are wonderful and needed. However it got too crowded. There needed to be more space. We stopped coming because it was hard to participate and enjoy the event."

"[The library] is too small. Half the time it is filled with kids and it is hard to get on computers to have my child look up what they need."

"They needed upgraded bad. This one they have is too small. That is why I go to others."

TOP TEN RESPONSES TO WHAT PEOPLE WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE OF:

- 1 Book selection
- 2 Children's area
- 3 Computer/Internet stations
- 4 Children's activities
- 5 Community meeting space
- 6 Seating
- 7 Small study/work rooms
- 8 Teen area
- 9 Teen activities
- 10 Services for Seniors

"A larger building would be nice - so many kids use the library after school."





-  Ask voters to approve an extension of the expiring pool tax to help finance construction of a new library downtown.
-  Discuss and refine the Tonganoxie Library Board's proposal to build a library that would meet our community needs for the next generation.
-  Build on the \$30,000 raised through the Library Run since 2014
-  Continue fund-raising through the Tonganoxie Library Foundation for amenities, technology and furnishings
-  Ultimately deliver a modern library that will position Tonganoxie to be a strong, vibrant community years, even decades, into the future



Great communities provide great amenities.
STRENGTHENING TONGANOXIE, BUILDING COMMUNITY.



THE LIBRARY FOUNDATION

President Jill Breuer
 Vice President Lajeane Keene
 Treasurer Shawna Gilmore
 Secretary Dan Breedlove
 Diane Minear
 John Maack

-  Formed in 2015
-  Conducting capital campaign to lessen the taxpayer burden for new library, followed by sustained fund-raising for ongoing support of library
-  Have supported Library Board with planning, needs assessment, feasibility study/site analyses, community survey, advocacy, etc
-  Partnered with Douglas County Community Foundation for 501(c)3 status and handling donations (dccfoundation.org/donate/)

THE LIBRARY BOARD

President Megan Garren, 2016-2020
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