WE WANT OUR LIBRARY TO BE

✓ A destination in our community
✓ Provides access to information and materials though the system-at-large
✓ Equipped with the most current technological amenities
✓ Defines the community with a source of pride
✓ A space with off-street parking; classrooms; a kitchen and special events area
✓ A place that transforms hopelessness to empowerment and vision
Sponsor and Support Page (logos-move logos to this page from page 2)

Golden Gate Lock & Key; Crown and Buccaneer Club; Bogotá Employment Project; WOYC (West Oakland Youth Center); Juneteenth Celebration; Blink Lab architecture; KOB (Keep Oakland Beautiful); EastBay Express; Beat 7x NCPC; (Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council) Beat 6x NCPC; (Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council) Oakland NAACP; Mentoring Center; Network for Good; UC Berkeley Dept. of Education; East Bay Community Law Center St. Mary’s Center; Downs Memorial United Methodist Church Community Update; Market Street 7th Day Adventist Church; Oakland Unite; Ivy Moon Restaurant; Friends of the Oakland Public Libraries; Hoover Elementary School; Oakland Public Library Advisory Commission; Oakland Catholic Archdiocese; iconographygroup
Supporters:

[Logos of various supporters]
BACKGROUND

- Oakland Public Branch Library Disappeared in 1971
- “A library is the best babysitter in the community”
- Library is an excellent employment resource
- Survey of residents concluded the district wanted a Library*

* Source: survey conducted by EBALDC in 2016
The Hoover neighborhood once had a library branch called the North Oakland Branch Library; located at 3424 San Pablo Avenue; very near Hoover Junior High. This branch opened in 1888. There were also a Telegrove Branch housed in a much smaller storefront on 34th and Grove Streets.
Mr. John W. Dreyer, Librarian,  
HOOVER/DURANT BRANCH LIBRARY; OAKLAND PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Thank you for your letter requesting the Hoover/Durant Branch:
1. We do not have any current plans to move the present building.
2. We are still studying the feasibility of the present location.
3. We are not sure if the present building is still being used.
4. We are not sure if the present building is still being used.
5. We are not sure if the present building is still being used.

We appreciate your interest in our libraries.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Director of Libraries

The Hoover/Durant Public Library

[Address]
Located on a hillside in the neighborhood of La Ladera in Medellin; the Parque Biblioteca Espana; completed in 2007; is a stark trio of monolithic modern buildings looking down on what was once among the most dangerous neighborhoods in Latin America. Designed as a symbol of hope; the library; auditorium and community center buildings were inspired by the shape of boulders.

Metrics of Change
Homicides -1991 were 6,349
Homicides -2007 were 653
• Neighborhood is experiencing additional development. Residents includes families and more mature residence and services should include both formal and life-long educational support; literacy and community resources.

• The neighborhood has significant geographic limitations to travel; especially for young children and the elderly. The service area population has increased by 12%.

• The Library site should be coordinated to ensure the balance of library space and services needed in this area are met.

“The community deserves amenities.”

M. Wells; 2013
CLOSEST LIBRARIES

- West Oakland Community – 1 mile
- Golden Gate Branch – 0.91 mile
- Temescal Branch – 1.6 miles
- Main Library – 1.96 miles
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**DEVELOPMENT FACTORS**

- Location convenient to area residents; i.e.: auto/public transportation as well as pedestrian and bicyclist.

- Location should support neighborhood revitalization and facilitate parking and/or other community services.

- Estimated project cost: $9-25M for 8,000-12,000 SF building including budget for land.
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2 POTENTIAL LOCATIONS

- 3000 Market Street. 27;911 square feet
- 2810 West Street / Marcus Foster School. 29;200 square feet
We want to build and walk into our new 10,000 square foot Branch Library and Community Center by 2022.

**FUNDING NEED**
- $22 Million

**SOURCES**
- Bond Measure
- Mello-Roos Model
- Private Donations
- Private & Public Foundations
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**NEXT STEPS**

MEETINGS with

- City Council Members ~ Kalb and McElhaney
- **Oakland Public Library** ~ Director
- **Oakland Unified School District** ~ Johnson, Trammell & Jamoke Hodge
- County Representative ~ Supervisor Keith Carson
- Private Corporations dedicated to Education
  - *Hearst Foundations*
  - *Best Buy Foundation*
  - *Ben & Jerry’s Foundation*
  - *Dollar General Literacy Foundation*
  - *Kresge Foundation*
  - *Carnegie Mellon Foundation*
  - *Private Corporations*
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