

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE  
NEIGHBORHOOD/COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS CAPITAL PROGRAM  
Department: Library

Department Goal:

The goal of the library for the 1987-1992 CIP is to acquire and provide an expanded collection of library materials in partial fulfillment of professionally established national standards which will meet the informational, cultural, and recreational needs of the residents of the Municipality through all the libraries in the system.

Program Statement:

This program will enhance the currently underdeveloped collection of the Anchorage Municipal Libraries. American Library Association standards recommend collections of 2 to 4 books per capita for public libraries. The per capita national average for libraries serving populations of over 100,000 is 2.0 volumes. The 1984 Areawide Library Plan established a local goal of 3.5 volumes per capita for Anchorage. This plan was developed by the Municipal Planning Department in cooperation with the Library Advisory Board and the Library Department, reviewed in public hearing, and adopted by the Municipal Assembly. The rapid population growth of the last decade has left the library system far short of these goals with a current 1.50 volumes per capita. This program will raise the per capita holdings by .30 and greatly increase the information resources available for residents of Anchorage, Municipal and other governmental agencies, and library users in Southcentral Alaska under the state plan for cooperative library development, "Library Service for ALL Alaskans".

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Department Library	Project Category Library Improvements				Fund Code 0401	
PROJECT TITLE AND DESCRIPTION	COSTS IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS					S-State O-Other F-Federal B-Bonds
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992
<p>Headquarters Library Materials - This project will provide approximately 15,600 book volumes, or alternate information formats, to be added to the Z. J. Loussac Public Library collection. Specific subject areas to be developed are outlined in the Anchorage Municipal Libraries' Collection Development Policy. The additional materials would raise the library's per capita holdings from the anticipated 1.50 to 1.80 volumes and increase the value of the library collection as an information resource for residents of the Municipality, Southcentral Alaska, and the state through cooperative networking and interlibrary loan.</p>		S-500	S-500	S-500	S-500	S-500
<b>TOTALS</b>	S-2,500 F-0	O-0 B-0				