

Facts on Crystal Lake's New Library

What will we get?

Fiscal Responsibility/long-range cost effectiveness

- up-to-date energy efficiency facility designed to deliver 21st century services
- responsible use of taxpayers' dollars for operating costs
- a flexible design that can be easily adapted as public library service trends and community needs change over time

Accessible, welcoming and user friendly

- Collection—depth to meet community demand
- drive-up book return
- adequate parking
- 24/7 "Redbox®"-type dispenser loaded with books and other materials

Community Place for Lifelong Learning

- appropriate space for everything including
 - programs and classes
 - public meeting rooms and Storytime rooms
 - reading areas and small group study rooms
 - media creation spaces
 - traveling, educational and community cultural displays

Technology - 21st century

- automated materials check-in for faster handling
- more computers
- improved wireless network and more power sources for laptops and handhelds

Sensitive to the unique needs of our youngest and oldest patrons

- improved lighting, seating, shelving and computer stations that are conducive to use by a mature population
- improved space for hands-on early literacy activities
- improved, convenient ground-level entrance
 - especially needed for handicapped and older individuals as well as parents with strollers

