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# West Ashley Branch

**Community Forum** 

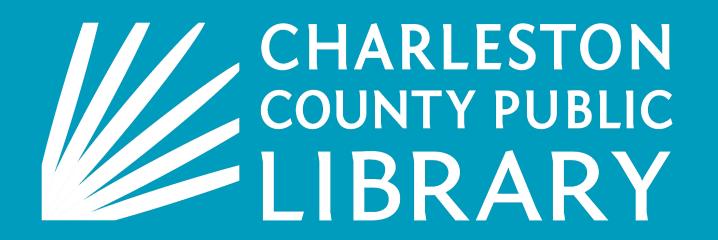




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## Agenda

CCPL Referendum Overview Public Libraries Today Timeline and Conditions Challenges and Limitations Renovation Scope Options and Opportunities Questions and Feedback

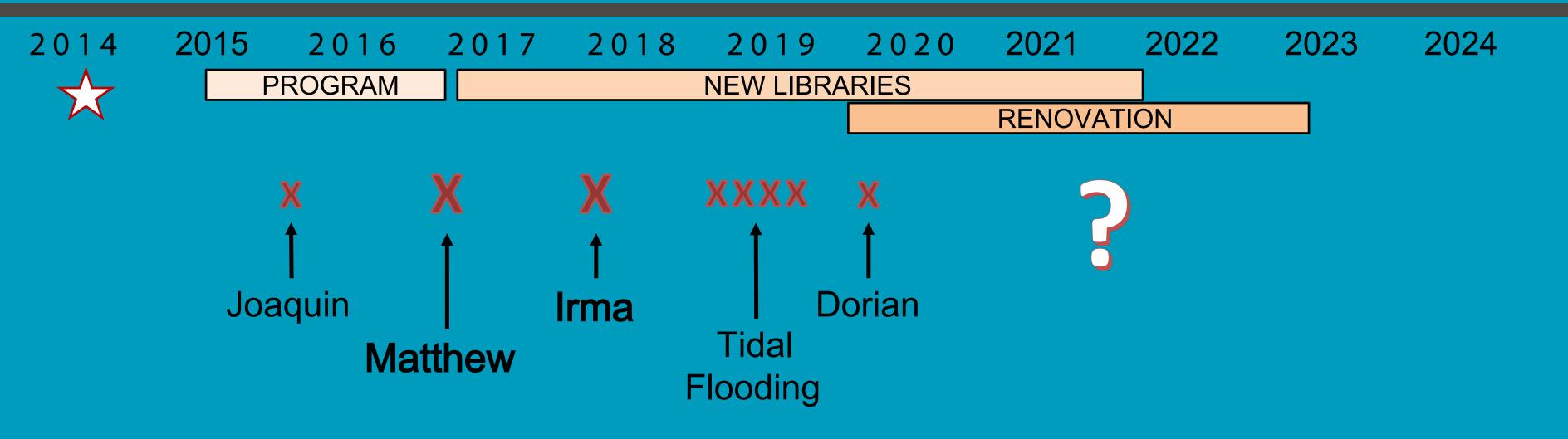






Charleston County
Public Libraries Today

### Timeline of Events



On average closed for 30 days per year to repair flood damage

\$160,000 flood related repair costs



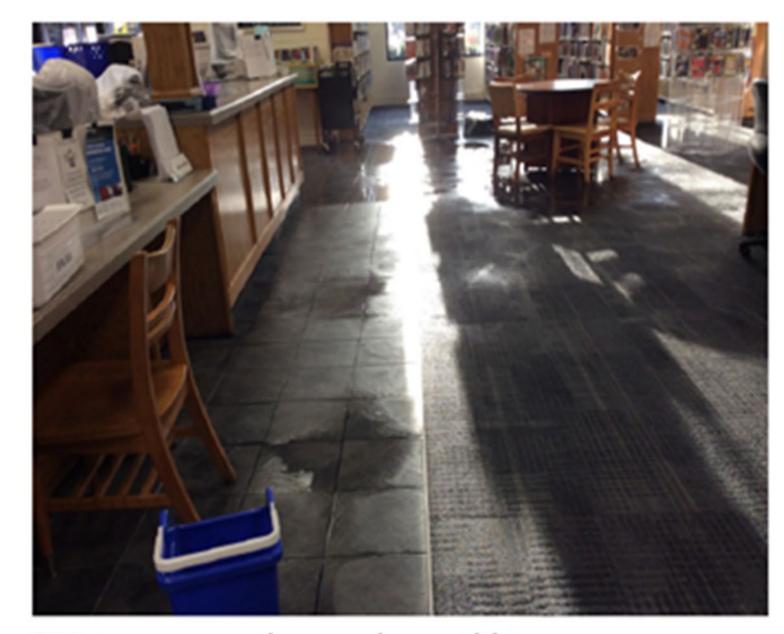
Flooding at main entry



Mechanical Room high water line



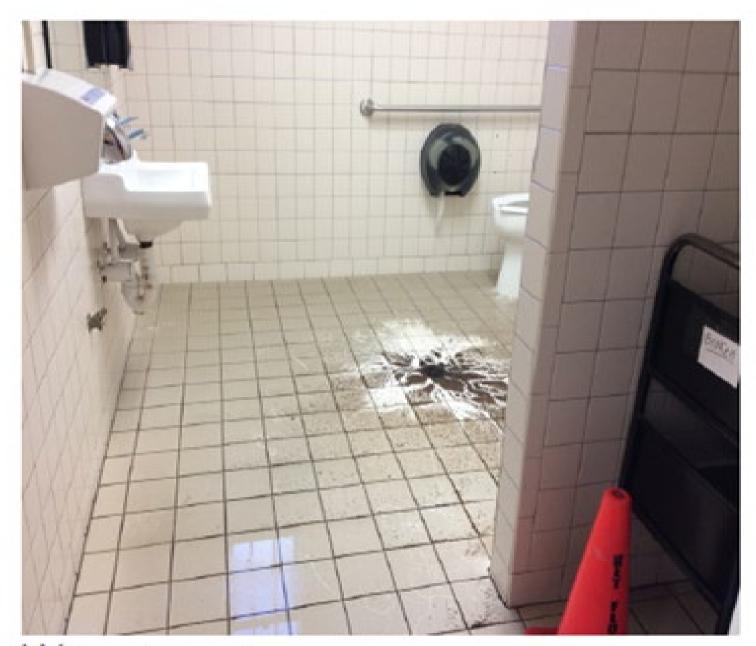
High water line evident at front entry



Water seen throughout library



Pooling water at seating area



Water in restroom

## Site Specific Challenges



4.3 feet below flood elevation

- Structure can withstand
   only 15 inches of water
- Water seeps through floor during high water
- Excessive ponding at entrance and parking

#### Constraints

Referendum Funds

 Funding amount only supports renovation of existing libraries to align with new library programs and services

 FEMA Regulations – Renovations over 50% of property value must meet full FEMA flood -proofing standards

2018 International Existing Building Code

 Structural changes

 require a structural redesign and upgrade to current code

City of Charleston Redevelopment Ordinance

 Any land
 disturbance requires 50% drainage runoff reduction

## Scope of Limited Renovation

#### May Include

- Limited refresh of furniture, restrooms, ceiling, lights, wall colors
- Change to children's area to improve some services

#### Not Included

- Updated spaces for newer programs and operations
- Effective flood mitigation measures
- Replacement of major building systems

## Windermere Community

- Holds pick up
- Flexible use space
- Avid readers
- Internet access

## Boutique Library

A smaller branch that
can provide a focused
range of specialized
services that will meet
the community needs



#### Bookmarks

#### Dallas, Texas









## Check It Outlet, Charlotte NC







Cafe Feel

Open floor space

Flexible seating

Welcoming to all

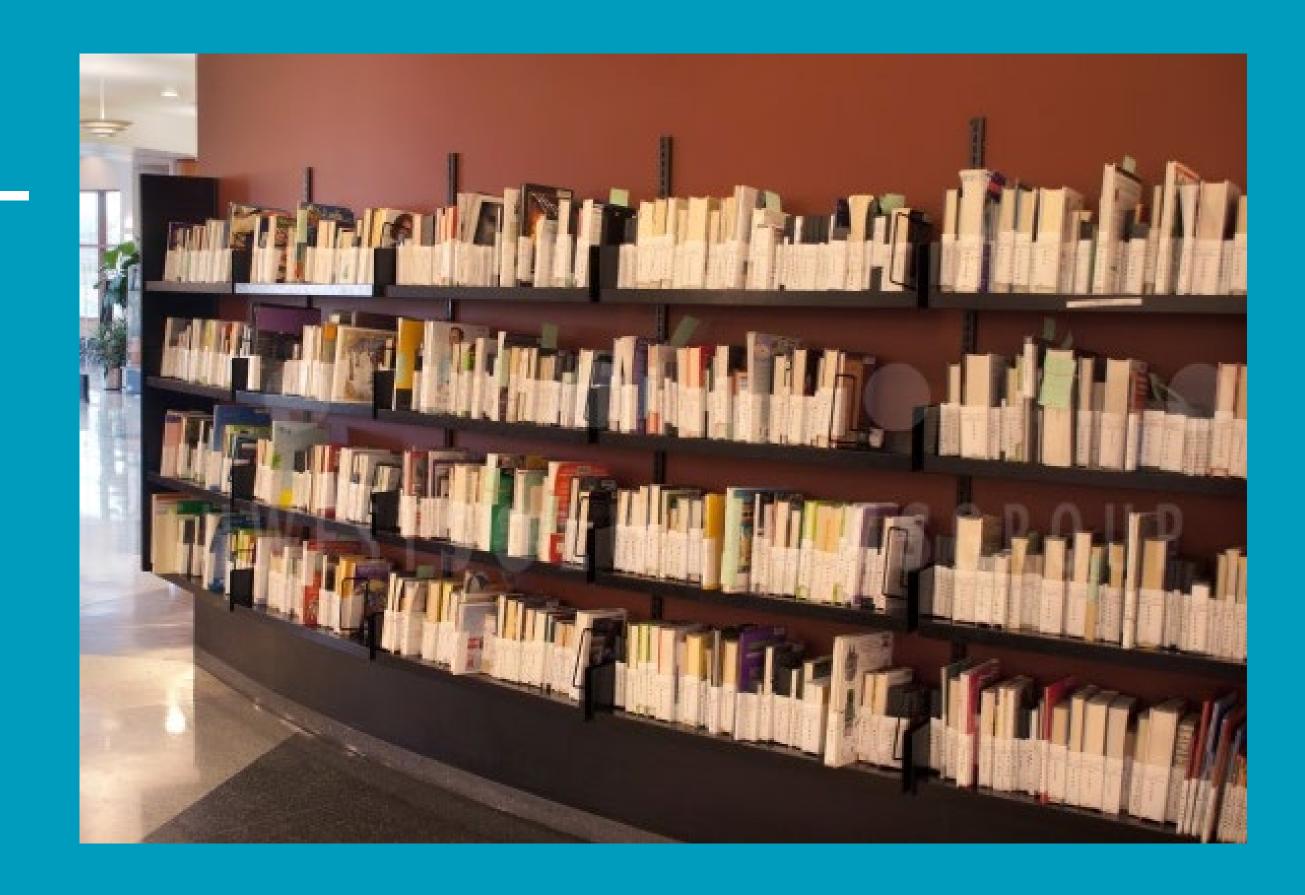


Holds Pick Up

Ample shelves

Near entrance

Easily Accessible



#### **Store Front Window**

Laptop Bar

Charging ability



Laptop Bar



Study Space

Reading Area

Flexible Seating







Storytime area

Reading Area

Flexible Seating



A

Minor refresh of existing location operating within limitations/restrictions

B

More resilient location in this community to offer opportunities for more current services

# Feedback

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