A BOLD VISION FROM THE TOP OF PIKES PEAK

A New Paradigm for Sustainable Services and Facilities

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seek + engage + transform

21st Century Library

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Which Challenges do you face:
• Building issues?
• Budget concerns?
• Hours of operation?
• Changing staffing needs?
• Relevance issues?
• Public support issues?
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Stormy Weather
Lightning Strikes
Not just strategic, sustainable
Sustainable services show
Sustainable services flow
Sustainable services can grow
Otherwise, let it go
Sustainability checklist
http://jfwilliams.com/samples/tools
Community
- Changing demographics – older and more diverse
- Focus on health and wellness
- Non-traditional students

Economy
- Uncertain public funding
- Decrease in taxable property
- Economic development focused on incubation of small businesses into major industries (biotech, alt. energy)

Environment
- Climate change
- Loss of wilderness
- Increased concerns about energy costs, transportation

Culture
- Embrace of sports/outdoors
- Self-directed service
- Digital content, accessible anywhere

Sustainable Library Services
Design around community values, not just community needs
Not just workload, added value
Rethink staffing
Adapt without rationing
Invest in technology and digital content
Be alert to opportunities
A bold vision— not a fantasy
Service channel trends

inside  outside  online

2010  2030
If 50% digital collections by 2030
How much space is needed inside?
21st Century Library: People still need space

kids
collaboration
21st Century Library: People still need space

digital browsing

teens
scalable destination libraries
Walnut Creek Library

42,000 sf, 56 Hrs/week, 15 FTE
Efficient Delivery:
Design the library to flow
Efficient Delivery: Leverage technology
Efficient Delivery : Flexible Zoning
Stop thinking my library, start thinking my libraries
Give them something worth the drive

ECONOMY OPTION  |  ROBUST OPTION

DESTINATION LIBRARIES
MAY BE EITHER
DESTINATION LIBRARY OR
EXPRESS-PLUS

EXPRESS-PLUS LIBRARIES
ADMINISTRATION
COLLECTION MANAGEMENT
LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED

DESTINATION LIBRARY
W/ CREATIVE COMMONS FLAGSHIP
Redefine your libraries to changing demographics and usage patterns
Look beyond traditional facility types
Seeing the Forest for the Trees

A holistic look at planning results and recommendations
Taking advantage of opportunities
Efficiencies, effectiveness, and excellence
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Alternative View from the Peak
Clear Skies Ahead

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2MpZnfybGA&list=PL5992A3176672C78C
Reflections
PPLD Through Rose-Colored Glasses?
Goals for Another Day – The Path Forward

Next Steps
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