



Countywide Library System

FY 23-24 Countywide Free Library System Annual Agreement

September 19, 2023
Community Services Department

Today's Agenda

1. A Brief Overview of the Countywide Library System
2. Countywide Free Library System Annual Contract funding allocations for FY 23-24
3. Isla Vista Library Service
4. Staff's Recommendations
 - Approve FY 23-24 Countywide Library Agreement;
 - Explore potential for IVCSA to administer library services; and
 - Determine such actions are CEQA exempt



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The remaining five County branches are in unincorporated areas and have no other public funding source.



SBC's Unique Library System

- Complex and unique partnership between the County and the cities
- Approximately 65% or \$3.0M of the \$4.6M in funding goes towards the five City Municipal Libraries
- Approximately 35% of funding goes towards the eight County Branch Libraries



Increased Costs & Expanded Role

- County has increased funding overtime but costs and demand for services are also increasing (e.g. labor, digital materials)
- Libraries are providing an increasing level of social services:
 - Technology hub & skill training provider
 - De facto cooling/warming centers/resilience hubs
 - Social infrastructure
 - Connect residents to services
- Possible new tax to support libraries being considered



County Library Funding Allocations by Zone, Library and Source

Library Branch	FY 23-24 Population Estimates	FY 23-24 \$8.88 Base - Per Capita (incl. CPI)	FY 23/24 Cannabis/GFC Funding	FY 23/24 Small Library Fund	FY 23/24 Total County Funding by Zone
Santa Barbara/Eastside	89,388	793,765	-		793,765
Montecito	9,080	80,630	230,294	50,000	360,924
Zone 1	98,468	874,395	230,294	50,000	1,154,689
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Lompoc	48,916	434,374	-		434,374
Vandenberg Village	10,387	92,237	40,033	-	132,270
Zone 2	59,303	526,611	40,033	-	566,644
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Santa Maria	114,030	1,012,586	-	8,900	1,021,486
Cuyama	890	7,903	21,045		28,948
Guadalupe	8,515	75,613	30,249		105,862
Los Alamos	2,332	20,708	29,742		50,450
Orcutt	31,394	278,779	110,765		389,544
Zone 3	157,161	1,395,589	191,801	8,900	1,596,290
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Goleta	63,333	562,397	-		562,397
Isla Vista	25,461	226,094		12,500	238,594
Buellton	10,148	90,114	71,777		161,891
Solvang	10,148	90,114	96,151		186,265
Zone 4	109,090	968,719	167,928	12,500	1,149,147
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Carpinteria	16,535	146,831	-	-	146,831
Zone 5	16,535	146,831	-	-	146,831
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Total	440,557	3,912,145	630,056	71,400	4,613,601



Isla Vista Library Services

- Services currently provided by City of Goleta via Book Mobile
- IVCSD has expressed interest in assuming responsibility for library services
- Library Advisory Committee recommends exploring this option
- IVCSD would provide services in exchange for County per Capita funding currently allocated to Goleta

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Options for Isla Vista Library Services

- a) Provide IVCSA County Per Capita so IVCSA can provide IV library services directly
- b) Provide IVCSA County Per Capita to contract with a Managing City
- c) Allow IVCSA to make a recommendation on a Managing City to provide IV library services
- d) Take no action and leave Isla Vista library service with the City of Goleta

