

Independence Public Library Questions and Answers



What impact will a new library have on the community?

The new library will be a tool for economic development in the community. As businesses and families decide whether or not to move here, one factor in the decision is the quality of the public library. Also, lifelong learning opportunities strengthen the workforce and help with job searches.

The new library will be the community's living room, a central meeting place for small and large groups. Information in many formats, reading materials, computers, artistic and cultural programs will be available. The new library will be a boost to the quality of life in the Independence community.



"Large majorities of Americans see public libraries as critical institutions in their communities. Researchers of this report heard loud and clear that people believe their communities must have well-functioning public libraries in order to be healthy and strong."

-Mary Wegner, State Librarian

Refers to *Long Overdue Study*. Access at www.indylibrary.org by clicking on *Long Overdue* under New.