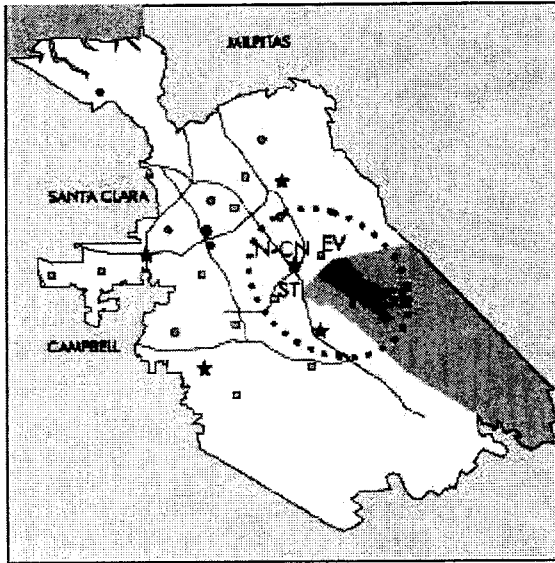


# SOUTHEAST BRANCH LIBRARY



## Needs and Opportunities:

A new branch has two significant benefits for library service. A new branch reduces the distance travelled to the library for those living nearby, and diminishes the demands placed on the other libraries located in that branch network.

Currently, people in the Southeast Branch neighborhood typically use the Evergreen and Seventrees Branches. Without an additional branch in the network, these facilities would not be able to accommodate the increasing demand for library service in the area - even with the planned improvements to those two branches.

## Recommendations:

To support the current and future demand for library services a new library, approximately 12,000 sf, is proposed to be constructed. The new Southeast Branch would remove some of the demands placed on the other branches in the network.

The recommendations for Evergreen and Seventrees are at their maximum, due to site constraints and other BFMP policies. If the new Southeast Branch was not constructed, one, if not all, of these existing branches would need to move to a new and larger site. By creating one new branch, several existing sites are maintained.

Features of the new Southeast Branch would include....

- + Community room
- + Adequate parking
- + Handicap accessibility
- + More books
- + Technology center
- + Language center
- + Study area
- + Many places to sit

The Southeast Branch Library will reflect the neighborhoods it serves. As part of the design process, the Southeast Branch communities will be asked to give input on how to tailor the mix of services to meet local needs. The chart below describes current services and a recommended starting point for what services the reconstructed library might provide.

Service	Current	Proposed
Building size	0 sf	12,000 sf
Collection	0 volumes	57,100 to 69,700
Computers	0	16 to 20
Seats	0	60 to 74
Group study area	0 persons	10 to 12 persons
Storytelling area	0 persons	16 to 19 persons
Meeting area	0 persons	41 to 51 persons
Parking	0 spaces	45-55 spaces
2000 population served	n/a	n/a
2020 population served	n/a	28,016

## Southeast Branch Network:

N-SE Southeast Branch  
New  
12,000 sf

EV Evergreen Branch  
Reconstruction  
21,000 sf

ST Seventrees Branch  
Replacement  
21,600 sf

N-CN Central Branch  
New  
24,000 sf

## Network Improvements:

Network Square Footage Increase:

- 553% increase

Network Collection Increase:

- 248% increase

## Estimated Cost:

for Southeast Branch  
\$6,445,000 (2000/01 dollars)  
includes land acquisition fees