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SubCategory Libraries Administering Agency General Services

Planning Area Countywide Status Ongoing

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY23	Est FY24	Total 6 Years	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	13,818	5,194	706	6,655	1,001	984	1,097	1,279	1,162	1,132	1,263
Site Improvements and Utilities	623	67	556	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	32,136	9,646	481	17,248	4,299	3,202	1,840	3,169	3,998	740	4,761
Other	6,207	1,885	-	3,553	1,056	433	307	661	888	208	769
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	52,784	16,792	1,743	27,456	6,356	4,619	3,244	5,109	6,048	2,080	6,793

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY23	Est FY24	Total 6 Years	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	Beyond 6 Years
G.O. Bonds	46,853	12,874	687	26,499	5,399	4,619	3,244	5,109	6,048	2,080	6,793
Recordation Tax Premium (MCG)	1,035	1,035	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Aid	4,896	2,883	1,056	957	957	-	-	-	-	-	-
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APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 25 Request	6,356	Year First Appropriation	FY15
Appropriation FY 26 Request	1,085	Last FY's Cost Estimate	34,627
Cumulative Appropriation	23,683		
Expenditure / Encumbrances	17,601		
Unencumbered Balance	6,082		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Library Refurbishment Level of Effort (LOE) project provides a structured process to modernize all 21 library branches over 20 years with new technologies and service delivery improvements that reflect the latest in 21st century library trends at much less costs than renovations. The improvements include renovated restrooms, creating group collaboration rooms, providing new sit / stand ergonomic service desks, prekindergarten early literacy display elements, new water fountains with bottle filling features, and a general esthetic refurbishment of new paint, carpet and other flooring, and some furnishings. With the addition of funding from the 21st Century Library Level of Effort project, electric connectivity at many tables and seating groups and loanable laptops are provided.

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

The Library Refurbishment LOE started in FY15. Refurbishments per fiscal year are scheduled to complete the facility assessment of one library, design of one library, and the construction of one library per fiscal year. This will enable all 21 libraries to be refurbished by FY29 where the cycle would start over again. The Library Department identifies the libraries to be refurbished 18 months in advance before the planning and design begins, so that applications for state grant funding can be submitted. Notice identifying the specific library projects for the given fiscal year must be provided to Council at least 60 days before any funding is obligated or spent. The notice to Council includes the scope of work, cost estimate, and expenditure schedule for planning design and supervision, construction, and other costs by fiscal year.

COST CHANGE

Updated projects list, schedules, and escalation. Cost increase for Damascus Library refurbishment.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

Until the implementation of these projects, many of the County Libraries have not been updated in 20 years. The Library Refurbishment LOE will ensure that all libraries are refurbished and updated on a scheduled basis. This will ensure that the libraries continue to meet the community's needs for programs, services, and facilities. The Library Refurbishment projects enable the County to update more libraries over a shorter period with less money than the old approach of renovating only 1 or 2 libraries. Refurbishments also help avoid future major renovations on many buildings.

FISCAL NOTE

FY15 Supplemental in State Aid for \$387,000 was approved for this project for the refurbishment of Twinbrook (\$128,000) and Kensington Park (\$259,000) branches. FY16 Supplemental in State Aid for \$800,000 was approved for this project for the refurbishment of Davis (\$400,000) and Little Falls (\$400,000) branches. FY17 Supplemental in State Aid for \$1,500,000 was approved for this project for the refurbishment of the then Bethesda, now Connie Morella, (\$500,000), Quince Orchard (\$500,000), and White Oak (\$500,000) branches. Amended FY18 for State Aid of \$200,000 for the refurbishment of Long Branch (\$100,000) and Marilyn Praisner (\$100,000) branches. Cost estimates will be refined after facility assessments are completed. Recordation Tax Premium will be used to cover the costs to renovate the Maggie Nightingale Library. In FY23, FY25 to FY28 costs were reduced because the Chevy Chase Library refurbishment costs were reflected instead in the Chevy Chase Library and Redevelopment project. Amended FY24 for State Aid of \$500,000 for Damascus Library and Senior Center and \$555,600 for Long Branch Library Building and Site Improvements. Amended FY25 for State Aid of \$957,000 for Damascus Library Renovation.

DISCLOSURES

A pedestrian impact analysis will be performed during design or is in progress. Expenditures will continue indefinitely. The County Executive asserts that this project conforms to the requirement of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

COORDINATION

Department of General Services, Department of Public Libraries, Maryland State Department of Education, and Department of Technology & Enterprise Business Solutions.