

Arlington Public Library Capital Campaign Summary "Building the Library of Tomorrow"



Libraries play an important role in the communities they serve. At a library, children can get access to the tools they need to succeed in school, families can learn a new language together and job seekers can take advantage of job search technology and resources to help them become more competitive in the workforce. In Arlington, Texas, the George W. Hawkes Central Library was no different. For more than 40 years, the Central Library was a destination for hundreds of thousands of Arlington residents looking to learn, discover and gain new skills.

However, after countless repairs and maintenance of long-term structural issues, the Central Library had reached the end of its useful life.



PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP

The City of Arlington is committed to enhancing the economic, social and cultural vitality of this diverse community and has joined the Arlington Public Library Foundation to form a public-private partnership to build Arlington's library of the 21st century. The \$30,000,000 project will bring a state-of-the-art library experience to Arlington through a new, modern building design, improved technology and expanded public programming. When complete, the new George W. Hawkes Downtown Library will be a valuable resource for personal enrichment and civic engagement – a place where the people of Arlington go to achieve their dreams!



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The City of Arlington has approved \$22,000,000 for construction of the new George W. Hawkes Downtown Library. In order to fulfill its mission to ensure an outstanding public library for the people of Arlington through private giving, the Arlington Public Library Foundation has committed to raise the remaining \$8,000,000 through the *DREAM:*CENTRAL – Building the Library of Tomorrow capital campaign. The private funding will combine with public funds in order to create a library that offers more than just the "basics" of library service.



Naming opportunities for gifts of \$25,000 and above are available for donors who wish to make a significant and lasting contribution to the Arlington community. In addition, we will be pleased to recognize gifts of \$5,000 and above in a prominent way in the lobby of the Downtown Library. If you would like more information on either of these opportunities or have questions about making a capital campaign pledge, please contact Andi Davis, Development Coordinator, at 817-459-6924.



