

Downtown Branch Library & Affordable Housing Project



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The new modern library portion of the project, funded by voter-approved Measure S, will replace the existing downtown library. The project is located in Downtown Santa Cruz at a city-owned surface parking lot (Lot 4), bounded by Cathcart, Cedar and Lincoln Streets. The weekly Downtown Farmers' Market that is currently located on Wednesdays at the project site will move to a permanent home in Downtown Santa Cruz.

The City Council Approved Downtown Library & Affordable Housing Project includes these important elements:

- A modern library with resources for all
- A child care facility
- At least 124 units of very low-income housing
- Approximately 258 Bicycle Parking Spaces, including varying sizes, bike lockers and e-bike charging
- 235 parking spaces including 25 level 2 EV charging stations

Project Milestones & Accomplishments:

- Acquisition of 113 Lincoln Street
- Building Permit Application Submitted
- Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities Award of \$33.5M

ABOUT MEASURE S:

The project to modernize, upgrade and repair local libraries in Santa Cruz, Aptos, Live Oak, Scotts Valley, Boulder Creek, Capitola, Felton and La Selva Beach-- replace failing roofs, outdated bathrooms, electrical systems/ structurally damaged facilities; support growing use by children, seniors, veterans and others; expand access to modern technology; and construct/ expand facilities where necessary was made possible by Measure S. On February 11, 2016, the SCPL Facilities Financing Authority placed a \$67 million bond measure (later designated Measure S) on the June, 2016 ballot. With 70% approval, voters agreed to fund Measure S