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CHARLOTTE MECKLENBURG LIBRARY SEEKS COMMUNITY INPUT FOR ITS FACILITIES MASTER PLAN

Plan will develop recommendations for next 15 years of growth

Charlotte, NC – February 25, 2021 – Charlotte Mecklenburg Library is asking residents to participate in a survey that will guide the development of the Library’s programs, services and locations for the next 15 years through a Facilities Master Plan project. The survey is open to all Mecklenburg residents, is available in both English and Spanish and takes only a few minutes to complete. The survey is located at cmlibrary.org/survey.

“Charlotte Mecklenburg Library is in the process of developing a Facilities Master Plan that will guide the Library during the next 10-15 years, and an important part of that process is receiving feedback from the community,” said David Dillard, Charlotte Mecklenburg Library real estate leader. “We know there are several areas throughout the County that are in need of Library services, and we want our community’s feedback on where our future Libraries should be located.”

Charlotte Mecklenburg Library currently operates 20 branch locations throughout Mecklenburg County, along with a robust online presence. On February 22, 2021, the Library re-opened its newly renovated South County Regional Library (the highest circulation activity branch in the system) located on Rea Road in South Charlotte. The Library plans to close Main Library in Uptown in late 2021 to demolish it and build a new 115,000 square-foot new Main Library at the corner of Sixth and Tryon, scheduled to open in late 2024.

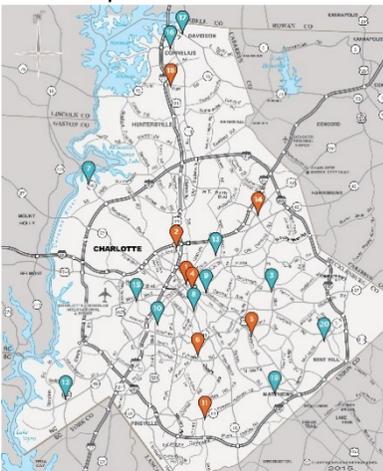
During the COVID-19 pandemic, the Library continues to offer important resources and services to the community, while also quickly moving program offerings to virtual and on-line formats. A Library card is free for any Mecklenburg resident, and can be obtained online at www.cmlibrary.org/getacard.

Most recently Charlotte Mecklenburg Library won a 2020 Urban Libraries Council Top Innovator award for its MeckTech program, which provided more than 2,000 free computer devices into the community, funded by CARES Act grants and addressed the digital divide in Mecklenburg County.

More information on the Library re-opening and services available can be found at cmlibrary.org.

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Photo Caption: Current Charlotte Mecklenburg Library locations.



About Charlotte Mecklenburg Library:

Charlotte Mecklenburg Library is one of America's leading urban public libraries, serving a community of more than one million citizens in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Through 20 locations, targeted outreach and online resources, the Library delivers exceptional services and programs, with a mission to improve lives and build a stronger community. For more, visit cmlibrary.org.

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