Expanding to Become a New Regional Library.

Renovation of the Beatties Ford Road branch began in November 2009, with the goal of updating and expanding the facility to meet increased community demand. During the initial phase of renovation, the branch remained open with limited hours and services. However, on June 19, in light of significant cuts to Library funding, the Beatties Ford Library was closed to expedite the expansion and renovation effort.

As part of a plan to cope with funding cuts in fiscal year 2011, Library trustees voted to approve a plan to make Beatties Ford Road Library the new regional library for the area when it reopens in early 2011, replacing Freedom Regional Library. Freedom Regional will close as a Charlotte Mecklenburg Library, but it will continue as the school library for the Phillip O. Berry Academy of Technology.

Features of the renovated Beatties Ford Road Library

This renovation will help enhance service to the community in the following ways:

- Providing popular, current and bestseller materials to meet business, job seeking/career, recreational, entertainment and informational needs.
- Supporting the community and providing cultural opportunities and lifelong learning through programs, materials and services.
- Offering technology assistance, access and understanding to those of all ages and abilities.
- Providing developmental and learning support for children from infancy through the early teens and space for activities.