



WESTWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT BACKGROUND

At 900 square feet, the Westwood Branch Library is the smallest library in the Denver Public Library system, and is located in a neighborhood identified as needing additional library services in the Denver Public Library’s 2017 Facilities Master Plan. The existing space lacks room for community gatherings, learning and programming, and limits the circulating collection. The lack of space also restricts the number of public-access computers, internet access and types of programs offered. This project will construct a new library, co-created with other neighborhood organizations. Using a collective impact model, it will provide the community services to immigrants, refugees, and offer early learning support for youth.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Location: TBD in Westwood

District: 3

Neighborhood: Westwood

RISE Denver Funded Amount: \$13.9 million

Designer: N/A

Contractor: N/A

ECONOMIC BENEFITS

Approximately 176 jobs (created and continued)

\$12.1 million in wages to workers

\$27.8 million in economic output (sales activity to businesses)

PROJECT BENEFITS

Establishment of a community hub where people can connect to services such as computers, the internet and educational opportunities

Additional opportunities for programming focused on immigrants, refugees and early learning support for youth

KEY MILESTONES

**BEGIN FINAL
DESIGN**
Completed

**BEGIN
CONSTRUCTION**
In Progress

**PROJECT
COMPLETION**
Anticipate Closing Q2 2024