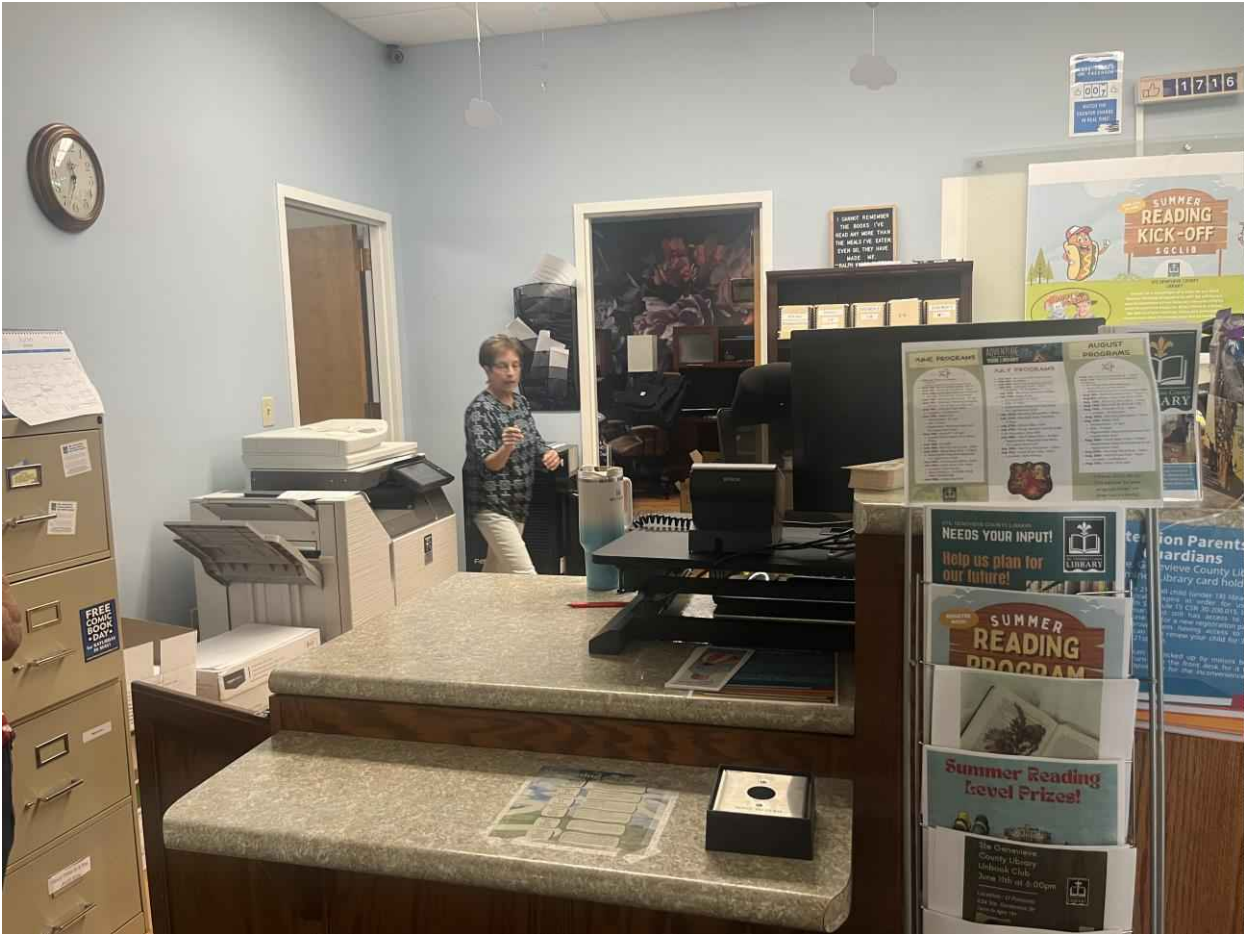


Check out Area



This photo illustrates the lack of space for operations.

The library needs space for the staff and community to interact.

The library needs to redesign the public service desk with a design that features self service areas.

Grade=C+

Public Service Desk



The desk is a community collaboration space.

The high desk protects the staff.

The library is small and the desk space can be reconfigured to support a digital resources and literacy bar.

Grade=C+

Meeting Room



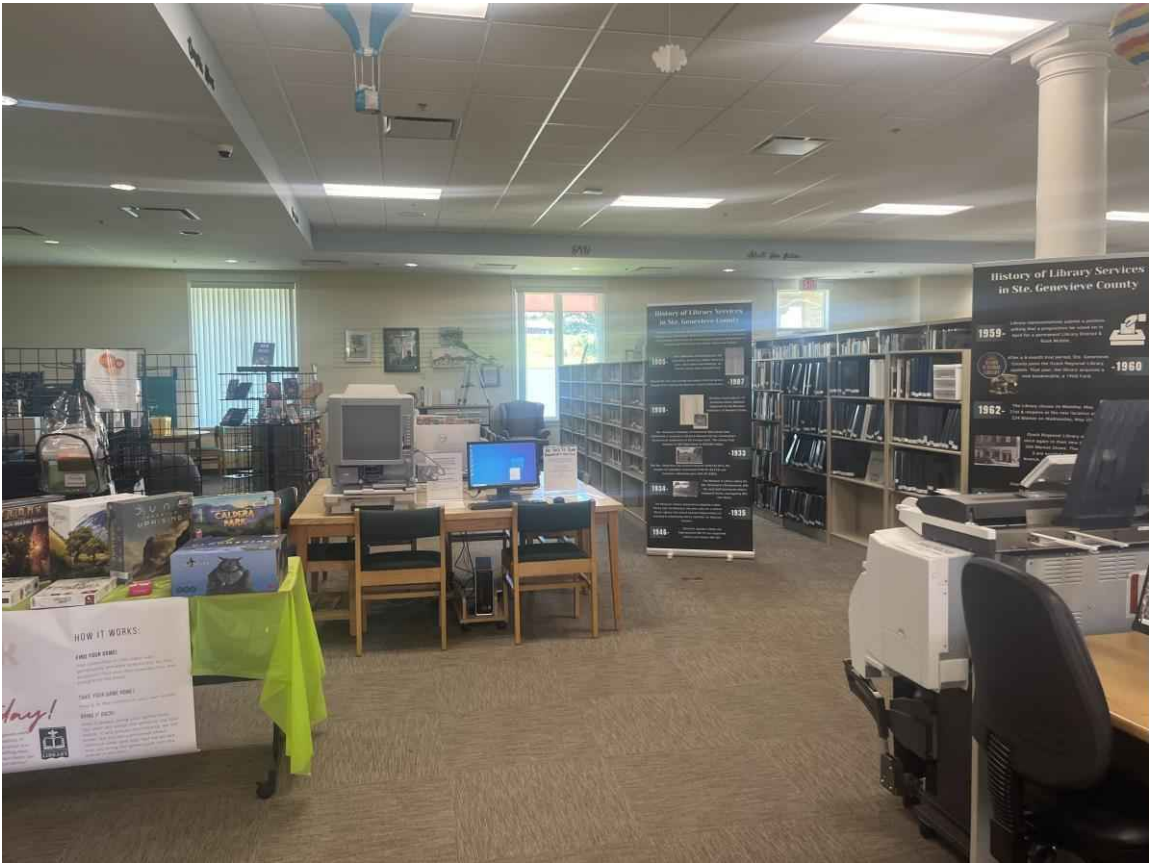
The library utilizes the meeting room for a number of activities. This room is in high demand.

The library requires a larger and more flexible meeting room. This limits how effectively the library provides community programming.

The community wants a more accessible meeting rooms. The staff wants more accessible space for both making things and prepare for programs.

Grade=C-

Seating Area



The library provides access to Wi-Fi enabling the seating areas to be productive zones.

The teen area does not have a divider between the adult seating area and the teen literacy area.

The noise bleeds over from the children on the other side of the library, disturbing the adults.

Grade=C (e.g. carpet)

Ste. Genevieve Learning Tree



The library space for children activates learning in the library and allows imaginative play in many different areas of the space.

However, the space does not have acoustical controls to protect the space or the rest of the library from noise.

Children use this space to explore and have seen significant upticks in usage since it has been remodeled.

Is this a missed opportunity? Provide a learning stage in the recreation center. In the Gym?

Grade=B

Promoting Titles/Book Collection



The library bookshelves illustrate the potential to modernize the library.

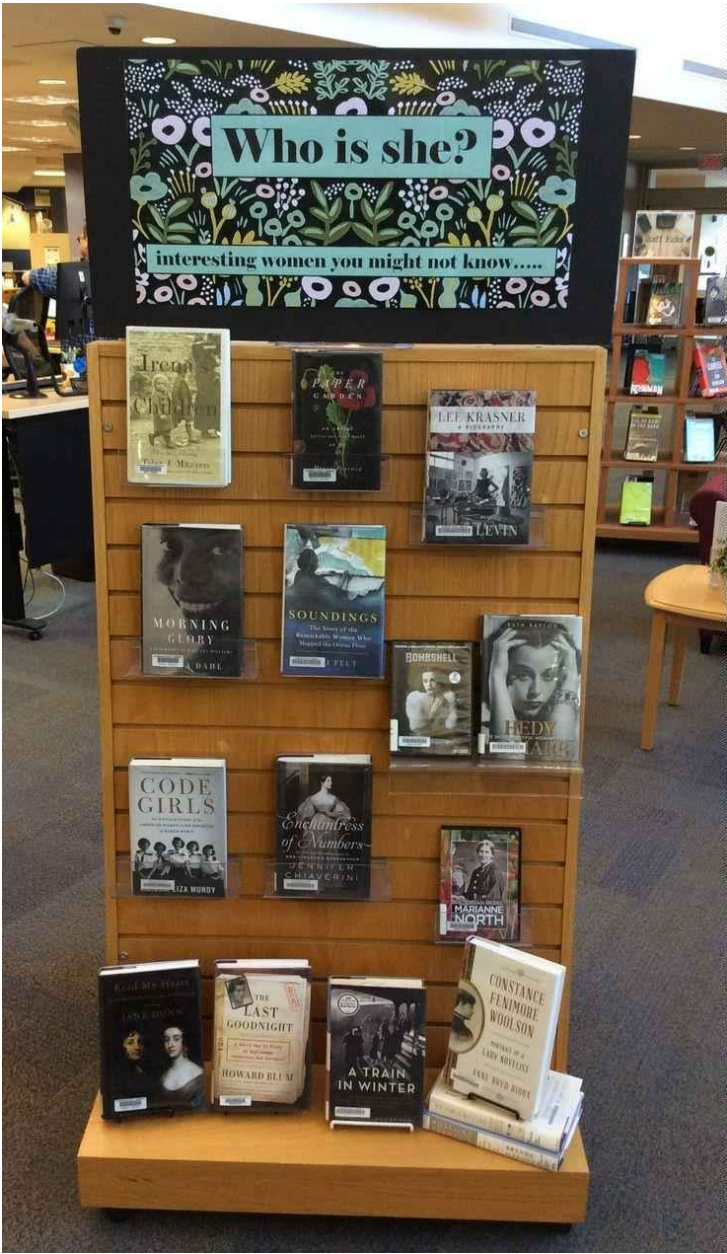
The new fiction shelving is along the wall.

Overall, lighting needs to be updated to enhance the browsing experience. Track lighting can be used.

Interactive book spaces are a positive
What would make this more appetizing?

Grade=B

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Games and Teen Collection



The library contains games and teen reading materials.

Meeting room is located at the back.

How can we improve the space/clutter?

More space is really required to properly give the items in this space its own area. Currently a 3D printer & Charlie Cart are being stored in this space. Making it feel “cluttered”

Additional shelving for teen materials is required.

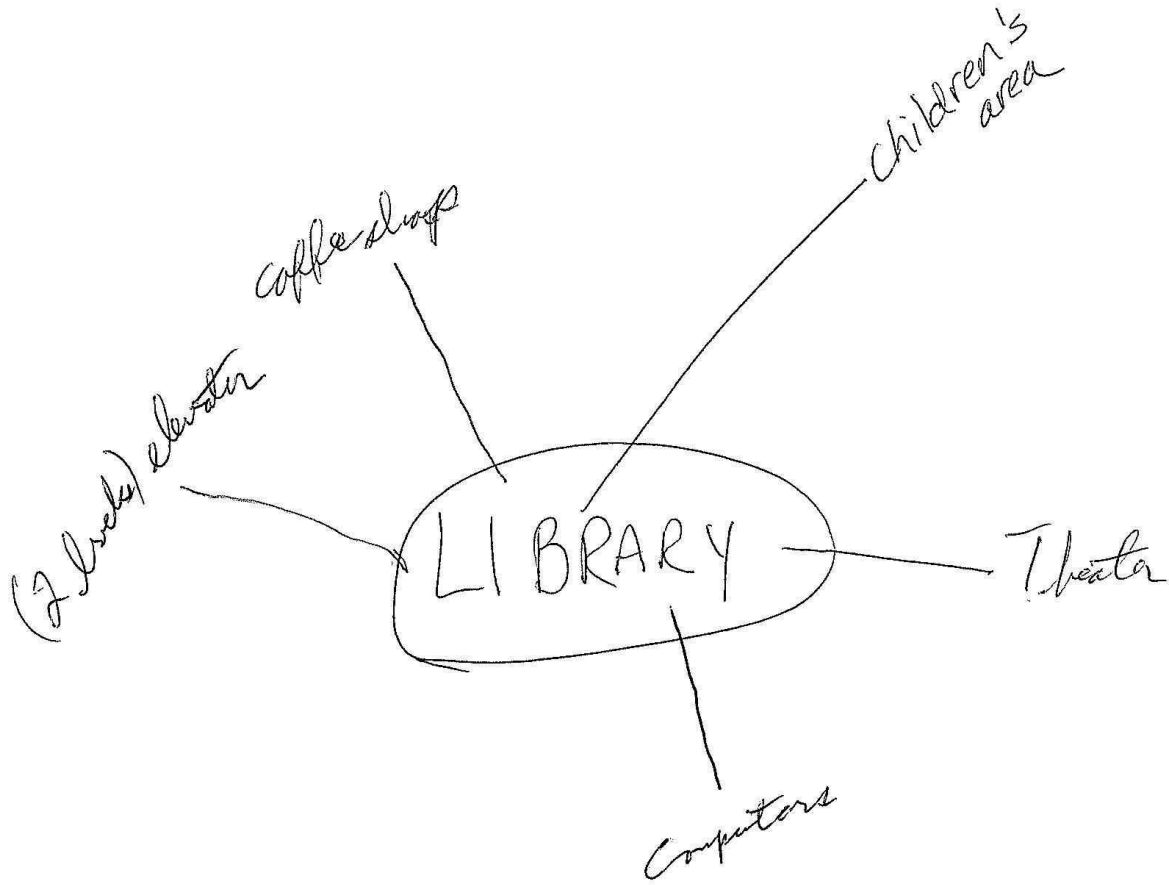
Grade=D (not enough space for community)

LIBRARY VISION SKETCHES

The Ste. Genevieve library user engagement, visioning, and characterization workshops were invaluable meetings. They helped us develop ideas for a library space plan. They ensured that the planning process was grounded in the real needs and aspirations of the community, leading to spaces that are functional, inclusive, and widely supported.

The following diagrams illustrate the value of the library. Below are sketches developed by the library board, which helped us characterize the library community. This exercise played a crucial role in shaping our vision for the library and its role within the community.





Crafts for all ages
Slide for kids
Quilting classes
Coffee area
Wedding area
Party area
Business classes
Movie nights w/ ^{all} the ~~stuff~~ stuff Family
more things for families to do together

Now
children's area
book sections
tech tables/pc based
big printer capability
access resources like
Hoopla + Libby
micro fishy/fiche CP

Adding options
more programming?
more tech options
"creative thinking"
areas
↳ for solo
↳ for groups
(small)

- foundation is strong
 - community support is strong
 - young minds would benefit from more group learning options
 - adults would appreciate more options
- variety of programs

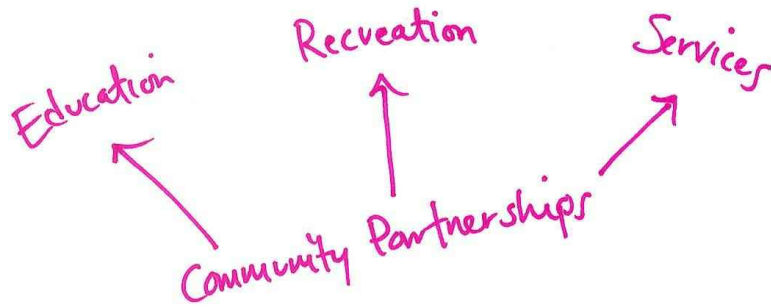
I like the (extended ed)
and (higher ed) concept -

it can be done in many
different formats
- with ~~AND~~ without "credits"
- distance learning and in house

What should the library do

~~Quit~~

- quiet space
- research
- interactive
- museum-like
- learning
- teen areas
 - video games, working on homework, studying together
 - board games, book recommendations from trusted people
- exchange of community resources - ^{garden} seeds, equipment, fishing poles
 - sharing/
 - checking out
- childrens programs
- play areas for children while parents study/
finish GEDs/work on homework
- outreach Bookmobile
 - books in other languages (spanish)
- help with resumes, job finding, housing



Youth programming

workspace for
remote workers

social hangout
for teens/young adults

Event space

Community Meetings

Non profit usage for meetings/events/seminars

