

**** Public Notice ****
Oakland Public Library
FY 2009-11 Budget Impacts

The Oakland City Council passed a budget on June 30 for Fiscal Years 2009-2011 which may be subject to some changes due to the budget demands of the State of California. This budget will have the following impacts for library services and collections in the upcoming year:

- Remove pairing of libraries; keep branches open 5-days per week;
- Maintain 7 day service hours at the Main Library;
- Reduce the materials budget by 10%;
- Keep full General Purpose Funding for 2nd Start Adult Literacy;
- Rent out the 2nd Start Literacy space when it moves to Main;
- Eliminate the bookmobile service;
- Increase fines and fees:
 - Replacement Library Card: \$2.00
 - Overdue Fines on Materials: \$0.25/day
 - Computer Printing Fee: \$0.15 (no free copies)
 - Copy/Mailing Fees (e.g., obit look-ups): \$4.00
 - A number of new fees for photos/scans

The effective date for the above fines/fees is still being worked out so that we can provide some advance notification to our patrons.

We are currently assessing the five-day week schedule and have begun discussions about what this will look like and the effective date.

There were a number of budget items passed by City Council that will affect the Library, but at this time, we do not yet know what those impacts will be. Those items included:

- The Golden Handshake retirement program: Positions that are vacated under this program will require City Council approval for filling;
- Public Works add-backs: the positions cut in PWA included gardener and landscaping crews;
- An additional 1% vacancy rate (total of 5%);
- Reduction of supplies budget for all departments of 20%

Lastly, City Council mentioned yesterday that this is an *interim* budget. We will likely go back again to review any changes needed by the end of July and again in September. We will keep you posted.

Thanks for your support and please be patient as we try to make the implementation of these changes go as smoothly as possible for both public and staff alike. If you have any suggestions or comments, you can e-mail one of our Library Administrators, listed on our Web site: <http://www.oaklandlibrary.org/admin.html>.