## PROPOSED

## Library Future plans

1, 3 AND 5 YEARS

In Person Library Visits for Fiscal Year 2022
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## Library usage

| Types of Usage | September 2019-August 2022 | Percentage of <br> population <br> 29,000 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Unique Rec card numbers that used the library space and <br> checked out materials (Digital and Physical) | 12,995 | $45 \%$ |
| Used only the library no checkouts | 5,184 | $18 \%$ |
| Checked out Physical items | 6,114 | $21 \%$ |
| Checked out Digital items | 3,086 | $11 \%$ |
| Checked out digital items only but didn't visit the library | 935 | $3 \%$ |

## Proposals for the R.H. Johnson Library

FISCAL YEARS 2022-23 THROUGH 2026-2027
$\square 1$ Year: Replace Software
$\square 3$ Year: Create Fenced-In Outdoor Space in area currently covered in landscape rocks
$\square 5$ Year: Replace carpet, paint, tables, chairs and shelving; add welcome/help desk

## 1 year plan - Change to New Library Integrated System

## OLD SYSTEM: FOLLETT

$>$ Focus is on school libraries
>Search page not user friendly
$>$ Limited holds function for notification
>Limited options for reviewing patron history to help advise readers
$>$ Inexpensive software, but extra cost and hassle of in-house server since we host onsite

## NEW SYSTEM: KOHA WITH ASPEN

$>$ Better search functionality \& user interface
$>$ Easier to place holds and provide notifications
$>$ More options for advising readers with suggested titles
$>$ Online software, hosted by vendor
$>$ High setup cost in first year and annual cost higher than current system, but without costs of a server
>Better integration with other library software
Examples of libraries using Koha Flagstaff Public Library

## 3 year planOutdoor Patio

- Add an outside patio to the east side of the library, accessible only through the Library
- Include shade covering, tables and chairs, landscaping, and hard-surface floor
- Provide food or coffee in outdoor space only
- Provide access via the exit door by the Children's area; create extra emergency exit door if needed.
- Can be used for special events or as a sitting/reading area for patrons



## 5 -year plan

Carpet is scheduled to be replaced, per Reserve Study

- Tables and some shelving will be 50 years old in 2029
$\square$ Take advantage of Reserve Study Carpet replacement schedule to modernize and match furniture, colors, shelving
$\square$ Hire consultant to look a traffic flow for better design of library space utilization.
$\square$ Choose tables that are multifunctional and lighter for staff/volunteers to move around
$\square$ Choose shelves that are lower in height for ease of patrons' use and provide more display area on endpoints
$\square$ Provide reference opportunities at ends of shelves for patrons' convenience
$\square$ Provide point of contact/information at Library entrance with Welcome Desk
$\square$ Create two multipurpose spaces for Library and community use


## New carpet and paint

$\square$ Stay on schedule for carpet replacement
$\square$ Redo paint at same time to take advantage of shelves being moved $\&$ to match colors
$\square$ Add more accent walls for more, updated color
$\square$ Use carpet squares so easier to replace if damaged
$\square$ Add new signage on shelves \& walls to ease patron navigation
$\square$ Add electric to some shelf endpoints to add reference machines in convenient locations


## New welcome desk

$\square$ Currently, patrons are sent to back of Library for reference assistance
$\square$ Move 3 of the computers used for Library Catalog to the end of book rows for easier patron accessAdd a new welcome desk near the main entrance to help residents
$\square$ Leave 1 computer for staff to assist residents at the welcome desk.
$\square$ Add 1 computer for staff to use.


## New shelving

- Current shelves are nearly 50 years old; wood and joints are aged
- Most won't handle disassembly for another renovation
- Replace with shorter shelves (easier to reach)
- Ensure all shelving is coordinated.
- Newer options provide variety of connectors for more aesthetic setup, and more display options, drawing patrons' eyes to different areas

OLD SHELVING


NEW OPTIONS


## New Magazine shelving

OLD SHELVING


NEW TYPES OF SHELVING


## New shelf ends

## OLD SHELVING <br> ENDS



NEW SHELVING ENDS


- Laminate on current shelf ends is starting to separate
New shelf ends will accommodate larger print on ends.
- Move library catalog computers to the end of rows
Have embedded slots for more options for displays at the end of rows


## Replace 50-year-old tables

- Current circular tables are aged \& heavy
- Difficult for staff \& volunteers to move
- Circular shape prohibits ability to combine for larger tabletop space



## New tables

- Use nesting tables to minimize their size if needed for events
- Square, rectangle and half circles allow for more table setup configurations as needed
- Tables estimate costs



## 5 year plan - Expand study room

CURRENT STUDY ROOM


EXPAND STUDY ROOM TO FIT 4 TO 6 PEOPLE


## 5 year plan-

Multipurpose room
$\square 80$ people room capacity
Cabinets on sides for storage
$\square$ Tables and chairs for variety seating arrangements with storage space for nesting tables and stacking chairs
$\square$ Projector, Screen and TV for Tech class and VR
$\square$ Include a sink and small counter
$\square$ Microphone PA system
$\square$ Covers for windows


Can do at same time as carpet/paint, or as a separate phase


