

Core features model only, not architectural plans



Fort Bragg Library Expansion Project

Redwood boards salvaged from house to be repurposed in new building

When you are thinking about making a donation or a qualified charitable distribution, why not donate to the Friends of the Fort Bragg Library?

The Fort Bragg Library, supported by the Friends, is an extraordinary community organization, providing programs for toddlers, grade school students, middle school, high school, and adults, not to mention material in every format, including e-collections. It also offers a popular seed library. Patrons can select material from 25 libraries in a three-county system. Internet access has increased library use so the computers are always full. The library assists nearly 10,000 people a month in a user area stretching from Elk to Westport.

The Friends expansion project will provide more space and materials for an increasing number of patrons. In 2016, the Friends of Fort Bragg Library bought the ramshackle house next to the library. That lot has now been cleared, leveled and fenced, awaiting an architect.

The Friends of the Library have sponsored a number of fundraisers for this expansion. Since 2018, a grass-roots fundraiser called the \$1000 Club has added 75 members, raising over \$80,000. In addition to our building project, the Friends fund the library's active calendar of programs, paying for performers and providing materials and refreshments.

Your donation would be most welcome. Thank you. **Carolyn Schneider**, *City of Fort Bragg Representative to Mendocino County Library Advisory Board*

For more information, please contact FFBL Secretary, Valerie Frey, at ffblnews@gmail.com or write to PO Box 2718, Fort Bragg, CA 95437. Visit the library website at fortbragglibrary.org Friends of the Fort Bragg Library, Inc. is a 501c3 nonprofit corporation, Tax ID # 68-0013046.

The greatest work is shared work. When we gather together, working towards a mutual goal, our common work and commonwealth is enhanced, individually and collectively.

Our local library's success is a result of common work and common wealth working together. Individuals in our community treasure their library where the concepts of teaching and learning from each other are valued and respected.

The opportunities available at our library are unlimited. We interact with community members by attending library programs and looking at displays, meeting acquaintances in the aisles, consulting with library staff or receiving book recommendations from friends.

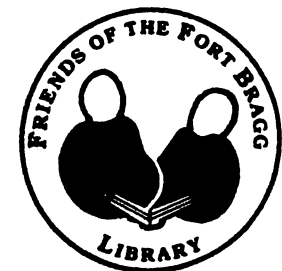
The sense of common purpose grows, nurturing larger goals like an informed electorate, educated workforce, universal literacy and civil society.

Libraries foster civil society by offering free and equal access to factual information and promoting conversations and debate about issues. Libraries celebrate differences yet welcome all people on an equal footing.

These goals are large and lofty but within reach. Pooling our common wealth will help build an informed citizenry, educated workforce and meet all the needs of our patrons.

The Friends Expansion Project will increase the size of the library to help fulfill the library's mission. Please support the library expansion, intellectually and financially. Thank you for considering these goals.

Janice Marcell, *Vice President Friends of the Fort Bragg Library*



The Fort Bragg Library is Expanding—and we want your ideas!

THANK YOU! To all who have so generously supported the Fort Bragg Library, thank you from the Friends of the Fort Bragg Library and the Fort Bragg Library staff.

Progress to Date: The Fort Bragg Library has been supported by our community for over 100 years and the community is again answering the call for library support. The current library is too small to meet the needs of our vibrant Fort Bragg and North Coast population. The community has provided necessary funds to purchase the property adjacent to the current library and have it cleared.

Moving Ahead: Our goal is to expand the library to better serve people of all ages. We are developing details for expansion and asking for your input. Soon we will hire an architect to provide an outline of an expanded library and an estimate of the costs we face. Using that estimate, we will begin a major capital campaign while realizing that achieving this ambitious goal may take several years. We are excited to move into this new phase.

Community Input: We want your comments for expanding the library. Send us your ideas by email to ffblnews@gmail.com or through the mail to Friends of the Fort Bragg Library, PO Box 2718, Fort Bragg, CA 95437.

Please reply by 30 June 2021.

La Biblioteca de Fort Bragg se expande y Queremos sus Ideas

¡MUCHAS GRACIAS! A todos los que han apoyado tan generosamente la Biblioteca de Fort Bragg. Muchas gracias les damos los "Amigos de la Biblioteca de Fort Bragg" y los que trabajamos en la Biblioteca de Fort Bragg.

PROGRESO HASTA EL DÍA DE HOY: La Biblioteca de Fort Bragg ha sido apoyada por nuestra comunidad por más de cien años y la comunidad nuevamente responde a nuestra llamada para apoyar la biblioteca. La biblioteca actual es demasiado pequeña para satisfacer las necesidades de nuestra vibrante población de Fort Bragg y de la costa norte. La comunidad ha proporcionado los fondos necesarios para comprar la propiedad junto a la actual biblioteca y el terreno está listo.

AVANZANDO: Nuestra meta es expandir la biblioteca para servir mejor a la gente de todas las edades. Estamos desarrollando los detalles para la expansión y pidiendo su opinión. Pronto contrataremos un arquitecto que nos dará un esbozo de la expansión de la biblioteca y una estimación de los costos que tendremos que enfrentar. Con esta estimación, comenzaremos una campaña mayor de recolección de capital mientras nos damos cuenta que alcanzar esta ambiciosa meta puede llevar varios años. Estamos muy emocionados de entrar en esta nueva fase.

LA OPINIÓN DE LA COMUNIDAD: Queremos que nos den sus comentarios sobre la expansión de la biblioteca. Envíenos sus ideas por correo electrónico a ffblnews@gmail.com o por correo postal a "Friends of the Fort Bragg Library". P.O. Box 2718, Fort Bragg, CA 95467.

**Por favor,
contéstenos
antes del 30 de junio 2021.**

