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Success from the start: results



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Why a Neighbourhood Branch in James Bay?

- City of Victoria requires more library service than can be provided at a single location.
- In the 1980s, James Bay had library service via a storefront library and a bookmobile. A small reading collection was available in the James Bay Community Project until spring 2018.
- In the 1994 Victoria Accord, a branch library was one of the amenities should the Legislative Precinct be developed (South Block).
- James Bay population over 11,000 people, density is high.
- Community surveys indicated a desire for a library in the area.



Community Survey results...

- 60% felt a meeting room was somewhat or very important
- 56% of respondents want the James Bay branch to provide programs onsite
- Space for community programs: 78% want general interest programs for adults, 59% want children's programming, 53% want adult computer & training programs at the branch.



Municipality	Branch	Size of Branch (Square Feet)
Victoria	Central	48,222
Colwood	Juan de Fuca	19,268
Saanich	Nellie McClung	13,700
Saanich	Saanich Centennial	12,500
Oak Bay	Oak Bay	11,358
Saanich	Bruce Hutchison	9,702
Esquimalt	Esquimalt	8,619
Victoria (James Bay community)	sx ^w enx ^w əŋ tənəx ^w James Bay	7,500
Saanich	Emily Carr	5,509
Central Saanich	Central Saanich	4,701
Langford	Langford Heritage Branch	4,068
Langford	Goudy	2,044

Inclusive and welcoming



View from Superior and Menzies



Thank you

