



Library Hours Update

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Operational Assessment

Key Findings



Limited Public Access

- The Library was closed every Friday, despite full-time staff working every other Friday



Limited Supervisory Coverage

- Weekend public service hours staffed primarily by part-time employees without routine full-time librarian or management coverage



Community Feedback

- Staff consistently received requests from patrons asking when the Library would reopen on Fridays.



Sunday Usage

- Sunday offered the fewest public service hours and experienced lower patron use than other service days.

Goals of the Revised Schedule

The revised schedule was developed to:

- ✓ **Increase** public access to library services
- ✓ **Restore** Friday library service
- ✓ **Provide** full-time librarian or management coverage whenever the Library is open
- ✓ **Align** staffing with operational needs
- ✓ **Maintain** the City's 9/80 work schedule
- ✓ **Create** dedicated staff meeting and training time

Current vs. Approved Hours

Current Schedule		Library Board Approved Schedule (Pending Implementation)		Benefits Achieved
Monday	10am-6pm	Monday	10am-7pm	+4 Weekly Public Service Hours Friday Service Restored Full-Time Coverage During All Open Hours
Tuesday	10am-6pm	Tuesday	10am-7pm	
Wednesday	10am-6pm	Wednesday	10am-7pm	
Thursday	12pm-8pm	Thursday	1pm-7pm	
Friday	CLOSED	Friday	10am-5pm	
Saturday	10am-5pm	Saturday	10am-5pm	
Sunday	10am-2pm	Sunday	CLOSED	

Regional Library Operating Hours

Library System	Sacramento PL	Stockton-San Joaquin County PL	Stanislaus PL	Amador PL
Closed Days	Sunday and Monday	Limited Sunday Access	Sunday	Saturday and Sunday
Number of Branches	28	17	13	4

Sunday closure is a common operating model among regional public library systems.



Service Delivery Model

How It Works

- Four-week rotating schedule for Friday 9/80 days off and Saturday assignments
- Existing part-time staff continue to support Friday and Saturday operations
- Full-time librarian or manager scheduled during all public service hours
- No additional staffing required

Results

- ✓ Friday service restored
- ✓ 9/80 schedule maintained
- ✓ Full-time supervisory coverage
- ✓ No additional staffing



Fiscal Impact

Implemented Within Existing Budgeted Resources

- Existing part-time staff continue to support Friday and Saturday operations
- No additional full-time positions required
- Improved utilization of existing staffing resources



Benefits to the Community

 More library access

 Friday service restored

 Better access for families and working adults

 Full-time librarian or manager available whenever the Library is open

☐ Weekly public service hours increased

Questions?