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Facts About

The New Central Library

Construction Began

August 2010

Grand Opening

September 28, 2013

Location

330 Park Blvd, San Diego, CA 92101
(Downtown - East Village, Park Boulevard at 11th Avenue, near Petco Park.)

Total Building Size

497,652 square feet (nine stories including a charter school on two levels, two levels of parking, an auditorium and a café)

Parking Spaces

250 on-site, 250 across the street

Cost

\$184.9 million

Special Library Features

- Outdoor Garden Courtyard and Café
- 350-seat auditorium
- Three-story domed reading room
- 333-seat, west-facing multi-purpose room
- 3,797-square-foot Teen Center
- 9,141-square-foot Children's Room
- Technology Center
- 163 square foot Café

Additional Unique Feature

Co-located Charter High School, e3 Civic High, with space for approximately 500 students on 6th and 7th floor of building

Architect

Rob Wellington Quigley, FAIA
Tucker Sadler & Associates

FEATURES AND SERVICES	CURRENT CENTRAL LIBRARY	NEW CENTRAL LIBRARY
Library Space	144,524 square feet, three stories	366,673 square feet, nine stories
Site	30,000 square feet	69,820 square feet
Parking	None	250 spaces (plus 250 across street)
Collection Size		
Total (volumes)	780,000	1,250,598
Children's (volumes)	42,749	71,965
Public Computers	84	400 computing devices*
Special Areas		
Children's Library	3,200 square feet	9,141 square feet
Teen Center	1,240 square feet	3,797 square feet
Homework Center	None	926 square feet
Readers Seats	409	1,200
Meeting Spaces		
Auditorium Capacity	180	350
Number of Meeting Rooms	2	6
Number of Study Rooms	None	22**
Special Services		
Literacy Services	None - Off-site at branch library	4,907 square feet onsite
Gallery and Exhibit Space	Minimal Hallway Space	3,010 square feet
Special Event Space	None	3,605 square feet (capacity - 333 lecture, 216 dinner)

* Broadband wireless Internet within the Central Library will allow additional public connections for people to use their personal laptops and other devices.

** The total does not include specialized study rooms located in the Teen Space, the I CAN Center and READ/SD.



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