



To: Library Board

Fr: Alanna Maddox, Circulation Supervisor

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Re: Wauwatosa Public Library Foundation Support Request: Open hold bookcases

Purpose/Need

New book shelves for the open holds shelves.

Background

The Library has open hold shelves for patrons to pick up items that they placed on hold. As holds have grown in popularity over the years, the Library expanded its existing open hold shelf capacity by adding older wooden book shelves in the circulation lobby. These book shelves date to the 1950s and are massively beyond their useful life.

Library staff explored options with EBI, and is proposing to replace the existing wooden book shelves with four new bookcases.

Project Costs

	Individual Cost	Quantity	Total
60" inch tall laminate bookcase.	\$1,207.00	4	\$4,828.00
Project total:			\$4,828.00

Recommendation

A motion for the Library Board to approve submitting the proposal to the Wauwatosa Public Library Foundation Board for consideration.