

THE **LIBRARY QUESTION**

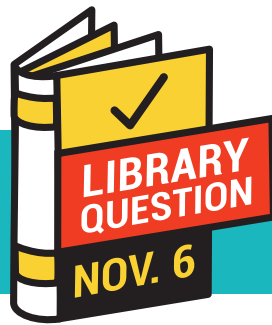
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Election Day: Nov. 6, 2018

More than ever, the Kansas City Public Library is central to the lives of the individuals, families, and communities it serves. The Library is proposing an 8-cent increase in its property tax-based operating levy for the purpose of upgrading its facilities and sustaining its collections and expansive menu of services for the public.

### WITH LEVY APPROVAL, THE LIBRARY CAN:

- ✔ **BROADEN ACCESS TO BOOKS, MUSIC, MOVIES, CLASSES, AND PROGRAMS**
- ✔ **RENOVATE AND REPLACE AGING FACILITIES**
- ✔ **IMPROVE ACCESS TO COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY**
- ✔ **EXPAND OUTREACH TO THE COMMUNITY, INCLUDING CHILDREN AND SENIORS**



**BUILT: 1988**

**Kansas City Public Library**

**LUCILE H. BLUFORD**

**BRANCH**

3050 PROSPECT AVE.  
KANSAS CITY, MO 64128



**IF THE LIBRARY QUESTION IS APPROVED,  
AT THIS LOCATION WE CAN:**

- ▶ **CREATE A NEW OUTDOOR LEARNING AREA**  
Design and maintain an outside learning playground for neighborhood families.
- ▶ **INCREASE ACCESS TO LIBRARY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**  
Remain open later on weekends, providing a safe space for youth and others.
- ▶ **BETTER SERVE THE COMMUNITY**  
Build upon popular health and wellness programs and other branch services.
- ▶ **PROVIDE SAFER, MORE COMFORTABLE,  
MORE WELCOMING LIBRARY SPACES**  
Accelerate facility repairs and upgrades, including the replacement of public restrooms.
- ▶ **MODERNIZE TECHNOLOGY**  
Update computers and other digital resources and expand training that assists everyone from seniors to job seekers.

Named for the pioneering Kansas City civil rights leader and former editor of *The Kansas City Call*, the Bluford Branch is a neighborhood beacon located at one of the busiest intersections in the Library's service district. Demand for its services – from computer and internet access to children's story times and fitness classes for adults and seniors – is high from open to close. The branch's interior was renovated in 2010, but the heavy demand calls for expansion.