

On Wednesday, November 16, 2011, the Valdez-Perry Branch Library will close for a period of approximately six months for renovation as part of the Better Denver Bond Program approved by voters in 2007. The branch is tentatively scheduled to open in mid May 2012.

### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

#### **What I can expect when the branches reopen?**

- Lighting upgrades
- New furnishings and fresh paint throughout the building
- An enclosed children's activity space
- Main service area will be redesigned to improve staff and customer interactions and offer self-check option
- Access to computers will improve with specific areas for desktop computers and informal WiFi spaces
- Public restrooms will be updated
- Small addition for office and storage space

Visit the [Bond Program Improvements at Denver Public Libraries page](#) for more information.

#### **What are the closest branches?**

- Blair-Caldwell African American Research Library, 2401 Welton Street
- Ford Warren Library, 2825 High Street at E. 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
(Note: the Ford Warren Branch will be closing for renovations April 2012)
- Pauline Robinson Library, 5575 E. 33<sup>rd</sup> Ave. at Holly Street

#### **I have outstanding requests going to the Valdez-Perry Branch Library. What will happen if they arrive before the branch reopens?**

Any outstanding requests that arrive during the branch closure will automatically be sent to the following branch:

Pauline Robinson Library, 5575 E. 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue at Holly Street

If you prefer to pick up items at a different location, please alert a staff member so we may change the destination of your requests to the [branch of your choice](#).

#### **Will I be able to return items to the closed branch?**

No. Items must be returned to a [Denver Public Library location](#) that is currently open. Items should not be left at a closed location under any circumstances.

#### **What will happen to the staff?**

DPL will take advantage of the branch closures to redeploy staff to other locations, allowing the library to increase vacancy savings and not immediately hire open positions. By doing so, the Library will meet the 2011/2012 budget reductions required by the City and County of Denver.

#### **If the City and County of Denver is having budget problems, where is the money coming from for the renovations?**

The funds are coming from the [Better Denver Bond Program](#) that voters approved in 2007. The bonds have already been issued and are separate from the operating budget of the City and County of Denver.

#### **Will there be other branch closures?**

The Ford-Warren Branch Library will close in April 2012.