

Talking Points for Platform 2010: Academic Libraries

Platform point...

Minnesota's Libraries support:

- *Capital budget proposals to improve **MnSCU library facilities** for: Alexandria Technical College; Minnesota State Community and Technical College – Moorhead; Hennepin Technical College—Eden Prairie; South Central College—Faribault; Minnesota State University, Moorhead; Technical College library renovations on eight campuses.*

Talking points...

- **\$4,363,000 for Alexandria Technical College which includes a renovated Library**
Alexandria Technical College's current library is located in a space that includes a temporary mobile building. This temporary building has inadequate air circulation and uneven floors and does not comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. This funding will include an infill addition in a courtyard area that will become new space for student services, library and a student commons.
- **\$5,448,000 for Minnesota State Community & Technical College: library and classroom addition.**
Minnesota State Community & Technical College, Moorhead is located in Moorhead, Minnesota currently serving about 2,300 students and expecting enrollment to reach 3,000 within the next five years. This funding is for the construction of a library and resource center and 10 classrooms to accommodate growth in the Associate in Arts degree program, which has increased from 217 students to about 1,050 over the last five years.
 - The new library will provide a critical educational component for the expanding number of AA programs and growing Technical students.
 - The library will include computer resource spaces, quiet study areas, group study rooms, informal seating areas and larger service areas.
 - The library will also serve as designated area for over fifty computers, some placed in a lab setting and others placed remotely throughout the main library.
 - Testing areas are needed for growing distance learning enrollment.
 - The current library has one small conference room and two chairs for informal seating and is not ADA compliant in all areas. The new library will meet ADA requirements.
- **\$10,566,000 for Hennepin Technical College, Eden Prairie and Brooklyn Park includes a Learning Resource Center & Student Service Center renovation.**
Hennepin Technical College operates libraries at its Eden Prairie and Brooklyn Park locations and serves 8,385 students and additional faculty and staff.
 - Renovation and addition to 38-year-old facilities to create expanded Library and Learning Resource Center, computer lab space and student services area.
 - Respond to increased expectations for library resources to strengthen associate degrees in applied science; general education courses, including the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum; and advanced curricula in technical programs.

- 45,284 square feet of renovation and 3,200 square feet of new construction at the entry to both campuses.
- **\$13,360,000 for South Central College, Faribault for a Classroom renovation and Addition, including a Library and Learning Resource Center for the campus.**
South Central College, Faribault location is seeking funding for the complete design and fund renovation of a 46-year-old structure for improved classroom and lab space to reflect workforce changes. Renovation will include 43,730 square feet and 16,200 square feet of additional construction for the new Library and Learning Resource Center.
- **\$14,901,000 for Minnesota State University, Moorhead for Renovation of the Livingston Lord Library & Information Technology Center.**
 - Renovate 130,000 sq ft of outdated 1960s library and other academic and support space
 - Strengthen capacity to deliver high-quality learning programs and innovative use of technology
 - Provide space for a technology help center, tutoring, and flexible group and individual study
 - Serve as the county repository for legal and historical documents and the hub for information technology systems in the region
- **\$3,448,000 for Eight Technical College Campuses to Renovate Library Space.**
 - Renovate and configure space to accommodate greater library demands at technical colleges
 - Technical colleges historically have had less space for library and learning resource centers; this initiative will renovate 24,000 square feet for eight technical college libraries
 - Renovations range from \$50,000 to \$1.5 million, depending on individual campus needs
 - Eliminate \$300,000 of deferred maintenance

Anoka Technical College

Convert a storage room into small group room, make media collection more visible, improve accessibility of circulation desk and replace ineffective library security gates.

Central Lakes College, Staples

Provide better work spaces for students and new collaborative spaces and access to technology within the library.

Minnesota State Community and Technical College, Wadena

Renovate the existing library and adjacent bookstore and campus commons to increase space and meet growing academic program demand.

Minnesota West Community and Technical College, Canby

Renovate existing Library and Academic Resource Center space to improve access to technology and group work space

Minnesota West Community and Technical College, Pipestone

Renovate existing Library and Academic Resource Center space to improve study environment, access to technology and group study space.

Riverland Community College, Albert Lea

Minimal interior work such as relocation of partitions, a new reference desk and new finishes throughout the existing library.

St. Cloud Technical College

Relocate undersized library at the college, which has the largest renovation need and the largest growth and enrollment of the eight projects represented in this request

Saint Paul College

Renovate adjacent unused area within the cafeteria to provide collaborative learning space for underrepresented students; enrollment of students from groups traditionally underrepresented in higher education has doubled since fall 2003