



City of Seattle
Mayor Jenny A. Durkan

Mayor Durkan's Libraries for All Proposal

Increasing Access with More Open Hours

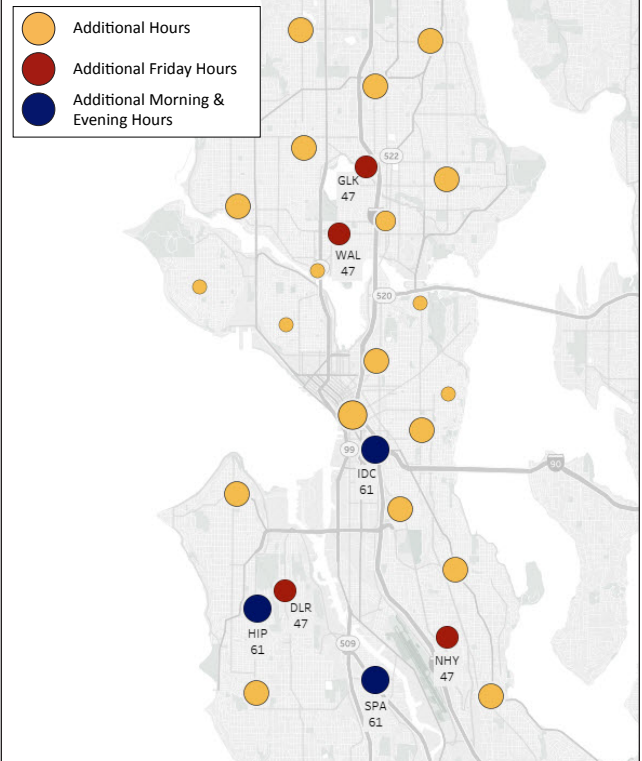
By renewing our shared investments in The Seattle Public Library, we can expand access to education and opportunity, promote equity, lift up the places where communities come together, and invest in libraries of the future. Under Mayor Durkan's plan, The Seattle Public Library would expand hours, eliminate fines, improve technology, and make seismic retrofits of existing libraries.

Expanding Hours So Communities Can Access Libraries On Their Schedule

While Mayor Durkan's plan would maintain current investments to support 52 week per year operations (**1,330 hours a week/69,182 hours a year**), it would also **add nearly 5,000 operating hours per year** for branches across the entire city. It would:

- Expand Sunday hours at all branches by opening at noon.
- Based on community feedback, expand hours at seven branches across the city including: High Point, NewHolly, Delridge, Green Lake, International District Chinatown, Wallingford, and South Park so that communities can access the libraries on their schedule.

Libraries Receiving Additional Hours



Investments

The proposed funding for increased access with more open hours would be \$67.5 million total, or about \$9.6 million annually over seven years. This investment, identified by community as the top priority for their library system, would comprise **32 percent of the proposal.**