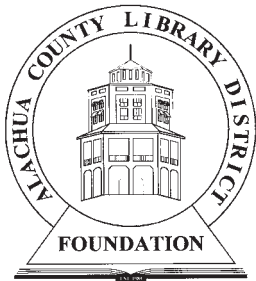


# The Foundation

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### Foundation Helps Fund Archer Branch Expansion

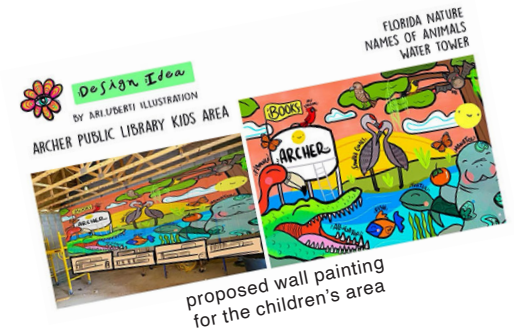
The Archer Branch Library is undergoing a major expansion from its current 3,427 square feet to 6,313 square feet, with the Foundation contributing \$100,000 to the project. Foundation funding is directed to three areas that Branch Manager Lesia Schnur says will significantly enhance the services that the library provides the community. One is the greatly expanded space dedicated to the children's area.



current children's area



construction for  
new children's area



proposed wall painting  
for the children's area

There are two other new areas for the Archer Branch — a dedicated Teen Space and a MakerSpace. As Branch Manager Schnur commented, Archer middle and high school students go to Newberry Middle and High Schools. The Library is a school bus pick up/drop off location, and the Teen Space is an excellent way to introduce them to the myriad library services. The MakerSpace will focus on the arts, following the example of the Waldo Branch.

This expansion project is yet another example of how the Foundation uses its endowment to enable the Library District to better serve the people of Alachua County.



Foundation Board member  
Jeanne Davis and Branch  
Manager Lesia Schnur  
discussing the construction