

With changing technologies and social norms, how can we increase the importance of the Public Library and the books they contain without letting either fade into disuse?

The shift in prominence from books to digital media in society has affected the use of the library and its importance in the public eye. In order to uphold the importance of literature and maintain the importance of the library in society, the library as a typology must adapt to societal and technological demands. This will be done by intertwining literature, technology, consumerism and community services into the program.

Duluth, MN

The site used is the site of the current public library built in 1980. The site is located on West Superior Street upon entering Downtown Duluth from the South. As of now, only half of the city's population has a library card, and the amount of materials possessed by the library is slowly declining. These factors and the need to re-evaluate the role of the library affirm that Duluth's library is in desperate need of revitalization.





