South Branch
Temporary Closure During Demolition & Construction of the New South Branch

February 2012

The South Branch Library at 1901 Russell Street will close temporarily to allow for demolition and construction of a new building. The Tool Lending Library is open at its temporary location, 2547 8th Street, from March 20th.

This is a momentous occasion for the Berkeley Public Library and all of us in the City of Berkeley. We extend our thanks and appreciation to everyone for their support of Measure FF and, since that time, participation in the design process which has brought us to this milestone.

Some important dates to keep in mind:

**Saturday, March 17, 2012** — The South Branch Library will temporarily close at the end of the day for approximately 15 months.

**Tuesday, March 20, 2012** — Temporary Tool Lending Library opens at 2547 8th St.

**Monday, March 26, 2012** — BranchVan service will begin at the MLK Jr. Youth Services Center/Young Adult Project (YAP) 1730 Oregon St. Check out the Library’s webpage or pick-up a South Branch Temporary Closure Guide for more service information during the temporary closure that includes the BranchVan and children’s storytime schedules.

We look forward to bringing you a current code compliant, seismically safe, fully accessible green building with more public space, enhanced historic features, and a new meeting room for library programs and public use. We hope to see you at the South Branch & Tool Lending Library grand re-opening slated for mid-2013.

Project information and updates can be found at: [www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org/branchimprovements](http://www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org/branchimprovements) and at: [www.bplbranches.blogspot.com/](http://www.bplbranches.blogspot.com/)

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