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Calling "for" or "against" committee members for Sumner Library ballot measure

PIERCE COUNTY, Washington – Please contact Pierce County Library System to be part of a "For" or "Against" Committee for the Library Capital Facility Area (LCFA) and bonds ballot measure to construct a new Sumner Pierce County Library. As part of the Aug. 1, 2023 primary election, the Pierce County Library System and City of Sumner are asking voters to consider the LCFA and bonds ballot measure to ask voters to fund the building with \$15 million in bonds.

The Library System estimates the total project cost at \$19 million in today's market. In addition to the bonds, the Library System is committed to contributing \$5 million through a variety of sources, including private donations, which helped to reduce the amount of the bonds.

The Pierce County Auditor's Office requires jurisdictions with a measure in the local voters' pamphlet to seek and appoint members to For and Against committees.

Please contact Brenda Tanksley at <u>btanksley@piercecountylibrary.org</u> if you are interested in participating on either committee, by **Monday, May 1, 4:30 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time**. Provide your name, email address and phone number.

About Pierce County Library System

The nationally acclaimed <u>Pierce County Library System</u> serves 655,000 people throughout Pierce County with 19 libraries and online services. The system is the fourth largest in the state and property taxes are the main funding source. People may choose from more than one million books, e-books, audiobooks, movies and other materials. Pierce County Library is committed to directing services in three primary areas: learning, enjoyment and community connection. Its services and programs spark success for Pierce County residents. More than 2 million people visit Pierce County Libraries each year. The Library provides services and programs directly to people in adult care facilities, people who are homebound, and to children in childcare centers and schools. <u>Pierce County Libraries</u> are located at Anderson Island, Bonney Lake, Buckley, DuPont, Eatonville, Fife, Gig Harbor, Graham, Key Center, Lakewood, Milton/Edgewood, Orting, Parkland/Spanaway, Pierce County Library Administrative Center, South Hill, Steilacoom, Summit, Sumner, Tillicum and University Place. Pierce County Library is an independent municipal corporation and operates as a junior taxing district.

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