



Branch District Library Fact Sheet

COLDWATER BRANCH
(Main Library)
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ALGANSEE BRANCH
580-B S. Ray-Quincy Rd.
Quincy MI 49082
(517) 639-9830

BRONSON BRANCH
207 N. Matteson St.
Bronson MI 49028
(517) 369-3785

QUINCY BRANCH
11 N. Main St.
Quincy MI 49082
(517) 639-4001

SHERWOOD BRANCH
118 Sherman St.
Sherwood MI 49089
(517) 741-7976

LUCILLE E. DEARTH
UNION TWP. BRANCH
195 N. Broadway St.
Union City MI 49094
(517) 741-5061

About the Millage

- Branch District Library is seeking a millage of .5
- The millage proposal will appear on the August 5, 2014 ballot
- This millage will last for 8 years
- Branch District Library currently has a millage of .7 that is in perpetuity.
- Due to the Headlee Amendment, the .7 millage was reduced to .605
 - In 1978, Michigan voters approved the "**Headlee**" tax limitation amendments to the Michigan Constitution of 1963 (Article IX, Sections 24 - 34). Article IX, Section 26 establishes an overall limitation on total state spending each fiscal year.
- The current millage costs the average Branch County household 6¢ per day or \$22.74/year.
- The new millage will cost the average Branch County household 5¢ per day or \$18.80/year.
- The new total for the average Branch County household will be 11¢ per day or \$41.64/year.

About the Library

- Library revenue comes from many sources including, but not limited to
 - Property Tax
 - Penal Fines
 - State Aid
 - Donations
- From 2009-2014, Branch District Library has experienced a decline in revenue of \$164,611 or 15.3%.
- Since 2009, Branch District Library has experience a decline in penal fine revenue of \$161,894 or 46.5%.
- Since 2010, Branch District Library has had to decrease its hours of operation (district-wide) by 42 hours (23.5%) per week.
- Since 2009, Branch District Library has had to decrease its spending on library materials (books, magazines, DVD's, etc.) by \$51,841 or 48.4%.

Interesting Facts

Cost per Average Household	Average Cost of Hardcover Book
\$18.80	\$28.00

Item Type	Estimated Average Cost
Adult Hardback Book	\$28.00
Adult Paperback Book	\$16.00
Children's Hardback Book	\$18.00
DVD	\$15.00