



*It's About  
You, It's  
About Us.  
It's About  
the Future.*



## Leaving a Legacy

Curious about what “bookmark” you want to leave and how best to build a living memorial?

We are here to provide a helping hand. With Sun Prairie growing every year, the Library will have many expansion and growth opportunities in the years ahead.

Let's explore your options together, with your trusted family financial advisors all part of the conversation.

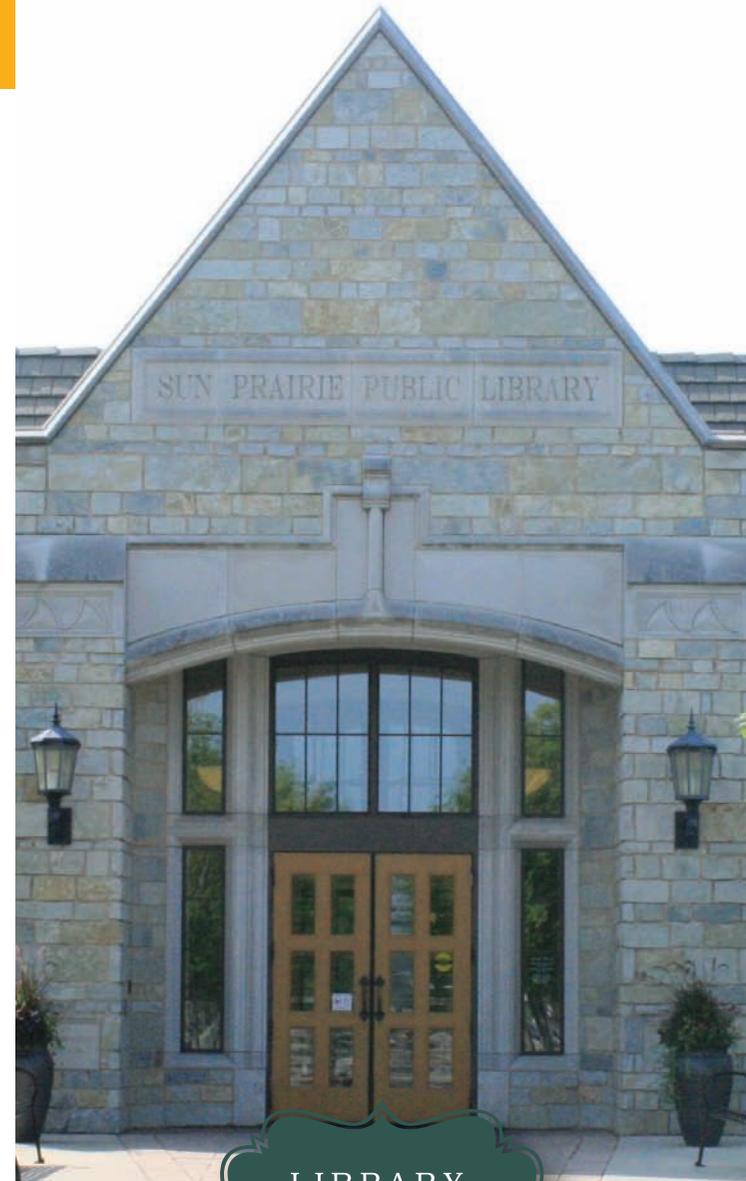
With every donation, there may be tax benefits, even for those who may not have tax issues.

Legacies come in all sizes and structures; each is important to our Library's future! Here are some simple ways to “bookmark” your legacy gift to the Library:

- Name the Sun Prairie Library Foundation as a beneficiary in your will or trust.
- Name the Sun Prairie Library Foundation as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy.
- Create a Charitable Gift Annuity that will generate an income for you and your spouse now, and provide funds later for the Foundation.
- Give of gift of money and/or securities for immediate or future use.

Of course, we would acknowledge your generosity as part of the Legacy Society, but you also may remain anonymous – the choice is yours.

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## Foundation Mission

*To raise funds to support the Sun Prairie Public Library, to make it the best library it can be.*



## From a Bookease to a Library

## Library Footprint

Today, the Sun Prairie Public Library boasts a collection of more than 100,000 items housed in a modern, 36,000-square-foot building. Members of the 20th Century Club, a Sun Prairie women's group founded in 1901, provided the momentum for the Library. The Village appointed its first Library Board in April 1901 and budgeted \$50. That early library was housed in the Village's city hall with 208 books. Other important dates include:

- 1924 – The first building dedicated to the Library.
- 1967 – To accommodate an increase in both patronage and archiving needs, the city relocated the Library to a former Super Valu store at the corner of Windsor and Bird streets.
- 1998 – Continued demand encouraged the city to raise \$2 million in private fund-raising for the current library across from Sheehan Park.
- March 31, 1998 – Groundbreaking date for the new Library.
- May 17, 1999 – The new Library officially opened.

There has been a 123-percent growth in circulation since 1999 with more than 80,000 visits to the Library each year. Other significant statistics include:

- 23,578 registered cardholders – up nearly 83 percent since the Library moved into its current home.
- In this time, an average of more than 100,000 items have been circulated at the Library monthly.
- For 2013, checkout volume was up four percent. The library also surpassed 1 million items checked in within one year.
- A 68-percent increase in digital checkouts from 2012 to 2013.
- Cutting-edge self-checkout, research stations and Internet.
- Expanding programs targeted to children. More than 20,800 people attended programs in 2013.

Many more needs and opportunities for future growth and expansion of materials could gratefully be met by your consideration of a Legacy donation today.

## My Legacy

I have remembered the Sun Prairie Public Library Foundation in my estate plan. Please contact me about membership in the Library Legacy Society.

I would like more information on the different ways to give.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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