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Library Foundation Announces Capital Campaign Kick-Off Night on December 4

The Foundation for the Brookfield Library launches the public phase of its *A Time of Opportunity: The Campaign for Brookfield Library* with a special kick-off night for residents to be held on Tuesday, December 4 at 7 p.m. at the Library. The event will feature the unveiling of the Library's new building plans. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn more about the project and meet the Library's architects to ask questions.

To date, the Foundation has raised nearly \$1.1 million, more than 75% of its 1.4 million capital campaign goal, which includes a transformational \$1 million gift from community leader Linda Sokol Francis and additional lead gifts of \$25,000 from First National Bank of Brookfield and the Brookfield Chamber of Commerce, respectively.

The Foundation now looks to raise remaining monies to support the building of the new 21,000 square foot Library facility. The new space will offer dedicated space for children, teens and adults and features study rooms, a quiet reading room, an early literacy activity area, a makerspace for 3D printing and other technologies, and a 110 person meeting room which will divide to hold concurrent events and classes.

"Library and Foundation stakeholders have done an enormous amount of work to create the basis for a successful campaign," said early campaign investor Jo Ann Day, Foundation President. "To have reached 75% of our goal prior to launching this next phase is a testament to the extraordinary generosity of Brookfield's leaders and the community's belief in the importance and impact of the Library on the lives of residents. I realized the importance of giving my time and resources to the campaign. We look forward to raising the remainder of the necessary funds."