

**Rosemount's 95th Anniversary Event,
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Comments and ideas from the community / participants at our event
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The most common remark was about the Rosemount staff and how great this library branch is:

- A wonderful space and group of the best public servants...what to do? Duplicate it in every neighbourhood. More space would be great!
- Small and cozy – friendly – thoughtful staff
- Happy Anniversary! This library is an important part of our community!
- I love the library!
- The best branch – the best staff! Thank you!
- Wonderful little library serving our community
- Small and personal – quiet – good location – good place to study – nice staff – easy to use
- Beautiful place – good staff – welcoming – helping
- Staff: you know everyone! Really nice – small and home-like
- Staff are friendly and caring, they are family – there is a warm feeling when you come in
- Awesome staff!
- Helpful staff – love the old wooden shelves – good memories from childhood
- Staff is always friendly and helpful – great location
- A wonderful place to go where you can enjoy so many things

What else do they like best?

- Keep the trees
- We love your family story times!
- I love iPad (Milo, age 7)
- I like the kids' area (Lian, age 7)
- I like to walk in the children's section – magazines – staff
- Interlibrary loans between branches is fantastic – we are very lucky!
- I love how I am always able to find a new book I haven't read before, even though I come here almost every day

What do they want us to do to the physical building?

- Restore the original ceilings in the library and the program room
- Continue to partner with the developer for expansion into Bethany House – Connect Bethany House with a walkway – then the windows on the west wall can be restored
- Could you restore the original look of the front and have the accessible entrance in the new section?
- More space for students after work
- Make more space for books so you don't get rid of them so frequently
- Expanded space :) – more room for....comfy readings areas, work tables, inviting/bright/ not crowded ; meetings space
- Quiet spaces and chairs

- A separate study area for high school and university students with cubical-like desks – A reading club for various grades – the staff here is amazing :)
- Helping area with tables
- Study tables too tight to kids (Early Readers' shelves) – can't browse without bumping
- Two meeting rooms or even three? There's a real need in the community and for library programs
- Keep lots of space for community announcements! And keep the bench!
- Meeting space
- More post and ring bike racks at the front
- Metre une photo du jardin sur le site web
- For summer: outside meeting area (with a garden?)

The services they want:

- Be sure that everyone from 9-90 can be served
- A book club
- Book clubs please! for tweens, for families, for adults and for teens
- Read books to kids but ask kids to be a character in stories so they have to act it ("read books to kids but ask kids to be a careter in storie so they aft to ackt it")
- A book night – have fun reading books, eating snacks and talking about books
- Book clubs for kids
- A book club – a suggestion for purchase page for when library doesn't have what you are looking for (this is quite rare however)
- Tools Library – Baking Centre in Bethany House
- Work with community partners for Saturday demos
- Baking library – with kitchen facilities
- Tool library (like in TO)
- Spanish story time

And more of.....

- eBooks
- Events for babies and kids on weekends – even older kids like to sing in a circle :)
- Story times!
- Graphic novels
- Awesome Russian music
- Bigger teen section
- More Anime books
- A bigger Anime/Manga section
- More artsy stuff
- More Anime/Manga books
- More pillow-y things