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Renovation Planning Meeting Set for Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh - South Side

Community invited to join the conversation during open forum on January 19th.

(PITTSBURGH, PA – January 10, 2011) Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh will host a planning meeting on Wednesday, January 19 at 6 pm at CLP – South Side, 2205 East Carson Street, to discuss the renovation of its South Side library. During this meeting project architects from Loysen + Kreuthmeier will present several design options based on earlier community input.

This is the eleventh project in the Library's ongoing *Libraries for LIFE* capital campaign. The Library follows a collaborative design and usage process for all of its capital renovations, involving anyone in the community who wishes to be a part. The renovation of CLP – South Side is expected to begin mid-summer and take approximately 12 months to complete. Funding for the project includes \$2.7 million in capital grants specifically restricted to CLP – South Side.

Pre-registration for the planning meeting is not required. For more information, please contact Maggie McFalls, Community Engagement Coordinator, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh at 412.622.8877 or mcfallsm@carnegielibrary.org.

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About Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh

Engaging our Community in Literacy and Learning

Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh contributes to the educational attainment, economic development, and cultural enrichment of the region. Through critical services such as early learning programs for children, job search assistance and computer and Internet access, the Library fosters lifelong learning and is a renowned leader among the nation's libraries. With more than 2 million visitors and 3.5 million items borrowed each year, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh is the region's most visited asset and one of the largest public libraries in Pennsylvania. Established in 1895 by philanthropist Andrew Carnegie as a public trust to be funded by the community, the Library derives approximately 90% of its annual operating budget from public or government sources, including the Allegheny County Regional Asset District (RAD), the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the City of Pittsburgh.