

Library Open Hours Funding

The Library is primarily funded by property taxes. The Library Department receives 1.5% of the 1% ad valorem property tax each fiscal year (July 1 - June 30).

This funding is enough to provide 40 weekly open hours at all full-service library branches. The 40 open hours have the following schedule: Tuesday 12-8, Wednesday and Thursday 10-6, Friday and Saturday 9-5. (The Bay Point, Crockett, Prewett and Rodeo Libraries are outlets and not full-service libraries due to their size.)

If cities would like their local libraries to be open more than 40 hours per week, they have the option of funding 6, 12, or 16 extra weekly open hours. Each of these options comes with the following schedules:

6 Extra Hours per week (46 open hours per week)	12 Extra Hours per week (52 open hours per week)	16 Extra Hours per week (56 open hours per week)
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Cities may change their extra open hours option annually. The Library provides an estimate to each city manager by March 31st of each year. The estimate outlines the upcoming annual costs to the city to maintain their current extra hours option as well as estimates for increased extra hours options. Cities are required to inform the Library of their intentions for extra hours by May 31st of each year.

