

**Toronto Public Library**  
**2010 Operating Budget Reductions – City Target**

**GENERAL BUDGET REDUCTIONS**

	\$000s	%	FTEs
1. Reduction in Monday-Saturday service	4,091	2.50%	53.6
2. Reduction in Sunday service	650	0.40%	
3. Reduction in library materials budget	<u>1,902</u>	<u>1.16%</u>	
	<u>6,643</u>	<u>4.05%</u>	

*1. Reduction in Monday-Saturday service (\$4.091 million and 53.6 FTE)*

The proposed reduction of \$4.091 million represents a reduction of 24,596 hours or 9.3% of Monday-Saturday hours of service, which will reduce access to collections, library programs, information services, computers, internet, study and community space. Additionally, there will be fewer morning, evening and Saturday hours available for customers to access library services.

The reduction will affect 54 branches, as follows:

- 2 Research and Reference and 17 District libraries will be reduced to 58.5 hrs/wk, resulting in a combined loss of 4,368 hours per year or 1.7%;
- 23 of the busiest neighbourhood libraries will be reduced to 50.5 hrs/wk, resulting in a combined loss of 13,780 hours per year or 5.2%;
- Other 11 neighbourhood branches and the Urban Affairs branch will be reduced to 40 hrs/wk, resulting in a combined loss of 6,448 hours per year or 2.4%.

*2. Reduction in Sunday service (\$0.650 million)*

The proposed reduction of \$0.650 million will reduce service days at all 27 branches from 37 to 27 Sundays, which represents a reduction of 945 hours or 27% fewer Sundays per year. Sundays are particularly busy and popular with families.

The Sunday reduction will affect service as follows:

- Service will begin on the second Sunday of January and will close for the summer mid-May, instead of the third week of June;
- Service will resume mid-October, instead of the second week of September and will close mid-December.

*3. Reduction in library materials budget (\$1.902 million)*

The proposed reduction of \$1.902 million represents a 10% cut in the materials budget and a loss of approximately 111,000 items.

Due to the late budget approval in April 2010, savings associated with a reduction in hours of service could not be fully realized in 2010, therefore, to meet the reduction target, library materials in 2010 will have to sustain a further one-time cut of \$2.430 million or the loss of an additional 142,900 items, resulting in a total library materials reduction of \$4.332 million or 24% and the combined loss of an estimated 252,000 items.