The Central Library Expansion Project, completed in April 2013, added 17,000 square feet to the existing 54,000 square foot Central Library. The expansion of the Central Library evolved both from need for more space and the vision of a vibrant gathering place that would link the Central Library with Civic Center Plaza.

World-class architects from Bohlin, Cywinski Jackson designed the spacious, light-filled addition to include an entrance from Civic Center with indoor and outdoor seating and a cafe for coffee and light meals, a state-of-the-art Media Center, children’s program space, comfortable reading areas, individual study stations with power outlets, and WiFi throughout.

The breakdown of the space added is as follows:

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<th>Space</th>
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<td>Children’s Room</td>
<td>2,230</td>
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<td>Popular Library</td>
<td>500</td>
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<td>Media/Recording Lab</td>
<td>1,155</td>
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<td>Conference Room</td>
<td>360</td>
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<td>Staff/Storage</td>
<td>880</td>
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<td>Café Storage</td>
<td>320</td>
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<td>Upper Level Reading Areas</td>
<td>3,325</td>
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<td>Bridge and Café area</td>
<td>3,825</td>
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<td>Restrooms, hallways, utility</td>
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Parking Structure
Additional parking was critical to the needs of library customers. A three-level parking structure with 450 spaces now provides convenient and plentiful parking for City Hall and Park visitors, City employees and Central Library customers. There are two entrances to the structure, one from the existing Central Library parking lot and another from the Civic Center Plaza.

Architects: Bohlin Cywinski Jackson
Landscape Architects: Peter Walker Partners (PWP)
Construction Manager: C.W. Driver

ENTRANCE FROM CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
- Links to Civic Center Green
- Views of City Hall and Civic Green
- Outdoor and indoor seating
- Café for coffee and light meals
- WiFi accessible

UPPER LEVEL
- Study space and reading areas
  - Individual work stations
  - Power outlets and privacy screens
  - Comfortable soft seating
  - RFID self-checkout machines
  - Upper level restrooms
  - Digital signage

LOWER LEVEL
- Expanded children’s area
  - Performance area
  - Early literacy station
  - Comfortable soft seating
  - Child-size furniture
- Expanded Popular Library
  with new reading room
- Picnic area outside Children’s Room
- Media Center
  - Mac and PC computers
  - Widescreen monitors
  - Graphic design software
  - Video editing software
  - Computer drafting software
  - Sound room

NOTABLE FEATURES
- Entrance shaped like open book
- Glass walls and abundant natural light
- Stairway oculus/clerestory windows
- View through upper level to ocean
- Views of City Hall and Civic Green