

Community Advisory Committee



The Pierce County Library System's Community Advisory Committee on Library Funding is a 13-member volunteer committee made up of community leaders from throughout Pierce County, from businesses, local governments and nonprofit organizations. The Library System formed the committee in winter 2018 to evaluate the Library's funding as well as public comments and input, with the goal to develop a recommendation to the Library's Board of Trustees on how the Library should address its budget deficit.

The Library's budget deficit stems from the costs to maintain services and operations being higher than revenues. In recent years costs have been growing by 4-7 percent a year, while property tax revenues have been increasing by 1-3 percent annually.

The committee convened from March-June 2018.

Members

Barbara Bitetto, Councilmember, City of Sumner, Sumner resident

Jeff Brown, President, Jeff Brown Architecture, Lakewood resident

John Caulfield, City Manager, City of Lakewood, Lakewood resident

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