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Background

In addition to providing internet access through publicly-accessible computers and offering free Wi-Fi access at all of its branches, the Library has 825 mobile Wi-Fi hotspots that can be borrowed by library patrons. Wi-Fi hotspots provide a connection to the internet for Wi-Fi-enabled devices such as laptops, tablets, and mobile phones.

Of the 825 Wi-Fi hotspots, 575 of them are assigned to general circulation, meaning that they are available to the general public for three-week loan periods. The remaining 250 devices are made available for extended loan periods and are designed to reach specific populations that have access barriers.

This proposal would fund an additional 100 general circulation Wi-Fi hotspots, bringing the number of general circulation devices to 675, and the total number of devices to 925. The funding in this green sheet would cover all of the costs associated with adding 100 devices: data service (\$48,000), and packaging and equipment (\$3,750).

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Budget Action Transactions

Budget Action Title: Add \$51,750 GSF to the Library for Wi-Fi hotspots

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BCL or Revenue Source	Summit Code	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Increase GSF support for Wi-Fi hotspots				FG	Library Fund	Q5971041	00100	2018		\$51,750
2	Increase GSF support for Wi-Fi hotspots				SPL	General Subfund Support	587001	10410	2018	\$51,750	
3	Increase appropriations for Wi-Fi hotspots				SPL	Library Programs and Services	B4PUB	10410	2018		\$51,750