"A library is not a luxury but one of the necessities of life." - Henry Ward Beecher

Background:
There has been a decline in public library attendance within the past few years. Ebooks are replacing books, research is done online, and more people have access to technology. These primary intents are being taken away by the use of electronics in this generation. Rather than maintain this pattern, changes need to be made to bring back people into this public space.

Driving Question:
How can architecture alter the perception and purpose of public libraries in modern times? Can the library space be utilized in other ways?

Site Info:
The site is an existing library in the city of Carrollton. The library and additional spaces surrounding the structure will act as the base of the project.

Client Info:
Clients will be librarians and citizens in the local area. A survey and various discussions will take place to retrieve the information for this project. Feedback from this material will be base on what they want to see changed in their public library.

Presentation Tools:
The final product will utilize Rhino to formulate elevations, interior, and exterior renderings. Revit will be used to capture the floor plans, site plan, and section views of the structure. Final models will be two physical displays: one of the site and one of the interior rooms. Pictures will also be utilized to convey the atmosphere of the library.
- Sketches
- Revit: floor plans, site plan, and section views
- Rhino: elevations, interior & exterior renderings
- Study Models
- Final Model