BEACHES BRANCH LIBRARY NEW PUBLIC SERVICES DESK AND ENTRANCE

Neptune Beach, Florida



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> *Location:* Jacksonville, Florida

> > *Project Size:* 1,500 SF

Completion Date: July 2000

Construction Cost: \$150,000.00 (est.)

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The new public services desk replaced the original circulation desk of steel frame and pre-cast concrete panels. The new desk consists of six stations: three standard stations, one sit-down, accessible station and two Reference stations. The entire desk is 40 feet in length, and has become the Jacksonville Public Library standard for Public Services desks.

New power, telephone and data lines are distributed to each station. Each station contains personalized drawers, and file cabinets. The Reference Stations contain additional shelving for reserved books.

Natural colored maple veneer provides a lighter warmer and more welcoming appearance than the previous unit. The solid surface counter is very user friendly, durable and smooth to the touch. The library shell antefix (logo) is incorporated at each station.

The Design and Construction Teams were challenged to meet exacting schedules to keep library down time to a minimum for new construction. The Architect was extensively involved with coordination of the User and Contractor to insure that the replacement of the desks was implemented efficiently and quickly.

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