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VIRTUAL LIBRARY

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Enact A Customer First Strategy

These steps are critical for extending the library's reach through the digital channel to where users need our mission critical programming and services such as workforce development, general digital literacy, and citizenship.

Transformation

Agile, adaptive, responsive to your community

Deliver what the customer wants, sooner versus what you think what works for you.

Anyone can address an immediate need or deal with a cranky customer but implementing a cultural shift into investigating root causes of issues and engaging customers on how they want issues resolved or how they encountered an issue has long term benefits in increased customer satisfaction.

Agile, Lean Strategies

- Follow-up interviews with customers
- Convene Cross-disciplinary teams to look at recurring issues
- Issue escalation and follow-up among teams
- Tying resolution of issues to performance reviews
- Training, training and more training. Engage staff in robust training schedule as your programs, services and customer service methods evolve to keep everyone on the same page
- Show and tell, look for service models and products outside the library world that can influence what you're doing - bring those references together as a group and discuss

Transformation

You can't transform the library or any industry unless you are intimately aware of existing market needs or heavily engaged with your customers frustrations. In addition, doing a realistic market/competitive analysis of what you are competing against for your customer's mind share in their daily lives: e.g. work, commuting, cloud services (Amazon, Netflix), museums, digital access) and what they are comparing you to.

In addition, there may be synergy amongst their concerns or competing concerns. Your team has to gather enough data to make important distinctions and draw important "testable" conclusions that may evolve over time. In other words your work is <u>never done.</u>

People Not Sure What Libraries Offer



Americans (16+) say they know what their libraries offer 46%

Americans (16+) say they know <u>some of</u> <u>what</u> their libraries offer 31%

Of tablet owners say they do <u>nothing at all</u> about what their library offer

Pew Internet

Library Services in the Digital Age January 22, 2013

58%

Of all library card holders say they do not know that their library provides eBooks 53%

Of tablet owners say they do not know that their library provides eBooks **Pew Internet** Libraries, patrons, And e-books June 22, 2023

Transformation

Don't force an internal business process on your users.

They are looking to satisfy their own needs and will be confused by lingo, jargon, and conflicting agendas.

You will be confronted with the reality That the commercial market is doing "it" faster, cheaper, better, and at scale – so really ask yourself why can't you?

What is the blocker to success?

National Affinity Numbers

91%

Americans (16+) say public libraries are important to their communities 76%

Say libraries are important to them and their families

Pew Internet

Library Services in the Digital Age January 22, 2013

84%

Americans (16+) used a public libraries or bookmobile unit at some point 77%

Americans say someone else in their household used public libraries growing up

Do Something! Experiment!

Don't be paralyzed by change, instead experiment:

"Don't let perfection be the enemy of progress, get engaged and do something!"

John Ingram of Experimentation:

"I think it almost goes without saying that experimentation is critical in a world that is changing, because how can you know what you need to do without poking around and trying to figure out what it is that ultimately makes sense? The nature of change requires that those who hope to be successful experiment as a means to trying to figure out where you can add value and add relevance in the industry and for the people whom you serve."

Americans, New Yorkers Use Libraries

25%

Of Americans at least in part rely on public libraries for Internet access, higher among minorities

33%

Of Americans have no Internet access at home

Pew Internet

Library Services in the Digital Age January 22, 2013

Center For Urban Future

Re-envisioning New York's Branch Libraries September 2014

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70%

Increase in Queens Library program attendance, trending up (2002-2014) 30%

Of top visited branches in New York City are in Queens Library System

Anatomy of Transformation<u>According to Forbes</u>

Step One: Getting the right strategic vision is critical

Step Two: Execution is the hardest part of transformation

Step Three: The biggest challenge to transformation may be a leader wedded to a past or current success

Step Four:

Take a broad view of customer demand when embarking on business transformation

Anatomy of Transformation

Step One:

Getting the right strategic vision is critical

This means being able to anticipate what the customer is going to want and how best to achieve it. It also includes defining the depth and scope of the changes and the redesign of internal processes and structures.

Source: <u>http://www.forbes.com/sites/forbesinsights/2014/03/18/4-steps-to-a-successful-business-transformation/#4bb3a1572a0f</u>

The Demand Is There

1,000

Turned away from adult learning program annually because of lack of space and capacity

200,000+

Visits to some of our smallest branches, among top visited in system **Center For Urban Future** Re-envisioning New York's Branch Libraries September 2014

Queens Library Job and Business Academy January 4, 2016

Queens Library CEO Testimony to City Council

Quarter 1 2015

Center For Urban Future

Re-envisioning New York's Branch Libraries September 2014

591sq ft

<u>Avg.</u> meeting room size in Queens Library branches 2300

New Yorkers sign up or register interest in working with Job & Business Academy <u>Monthly</u>

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Make the idea of bringing the library to your community, to where your customers live and work – central to your customer service model.

This realignment of your daily execution with have exponential results; making the library part of your customer's lifestyle.

Trends To Watch

Of readers like print to read to their children

81%

69%

Of people prefer print to share with others

Pew Internet The rise of e-reading April 4, 2012

53%

Prefer eBooks for the convenience of the wide selection 73%

Of people like eBooks for traveling and commuting

53%

Of millennials "normally" acquired books from a public library

Publishing Technology

New research reveals print habits die hard with millennial readers March 26, 2015

> eBook acquisition option behind online bookstores and websites for specific searches

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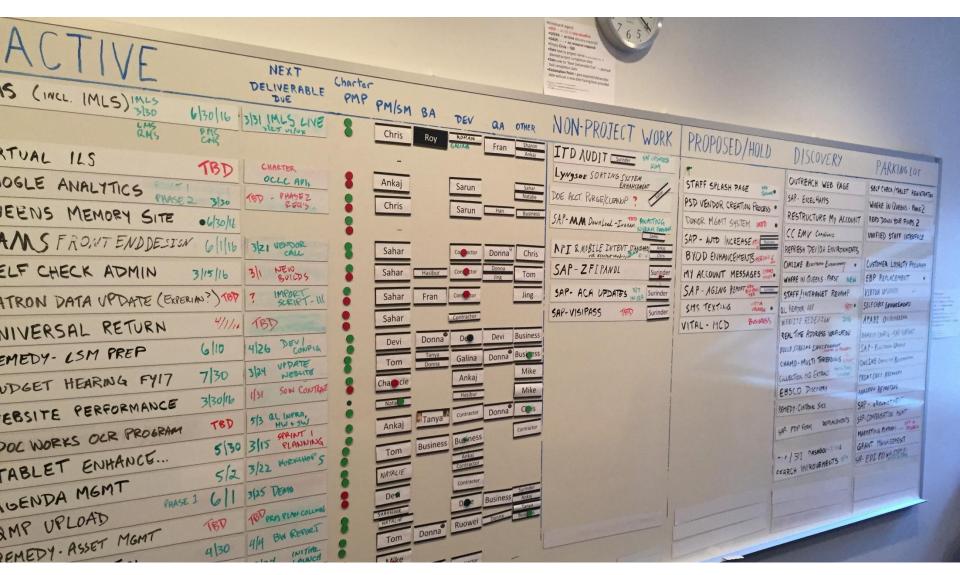
Step Two:

Execution is the hardest part of transformation

In the current complex and fast-changing business climate, organizations often underestimate the significance of operating model refinements necessary to effect transformation across people, process, technology, data management and risk management components.

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Agile Project Board



Anatomy of Transformation

Step Three:

The biggest challenge to transformation may be a leader wedded to a past or current success

Leaders cannot lull themselves into complacency based on a present revenue stream, but must keep transforming for the future. The transformation needs to be truly continuous, and thus never complete.

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Be A Disruptor

Customer needs over business process:

"Disruption takes a left turn by literally uprooting and changing how we think, behave, do business, learn and go about our day-to-day. Harvard Business School professor and disruption guru Clayton Christensen says that a disruption displaces an existing market, industry, or technology and produces something new and more efficient and worthwhile. It is at once destructive and creative."

"... disruptors share a common purpose: create businesses, products and services that are better — less expensive and more creative, useful and impactful — and scalable."

Be A Disruptor

Customer needs over business process:

"We think of libraries as a public service, full of nostalgia and old books. That may be true. But librarians, and the people running large library systems, think of their users as customers, which means companies like Google and Amazon are competition—not for profit, but for users."

Source: http://www.citylab.com/tech/2015/07/how-libraries-can-compete-with-google-and-amazon/398819/

Library Competition Examples

Google

Search

Other Agencies

And Institutions

Barnes

& Noble

Book stores

ALA Policy Brief

Strategy Visions for the 21st Century Public Library Confronting The Future 2011

Amazon

People are Not Reading the e-Books they Buy Anymore September 20, 2015

Good eReader

Netflix

Web

Content

Long Form Articles

Fan Fiction

Disruptor Examples

- Ingram / Book Purchasing Industry
- Borders / Amazon
- Uber/Taxi
- Apple iTunes / Music Industry
- Microsoft / Google Apps for Business
- Dropbox / Internal Networking
- Netflix / Cable Companies
- Tesla Motors / Car Industry

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Step Four:

Take a broad view of customer demand when embarking on business transformation.

Customers need solutions, not specific products or services. Business transformation needs to be aligned with customers' needs—in fact, it needs to anticipate them

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Hybrid Reading Trends

Yahoo News

Traditional print books still preferred by Millennials March 31, 2015

79%

Of US Respondents had read a Print book in the last 12 months 47%

Of US Respondents had read an eBook on a tablet in the last 12 months

Pew Internet

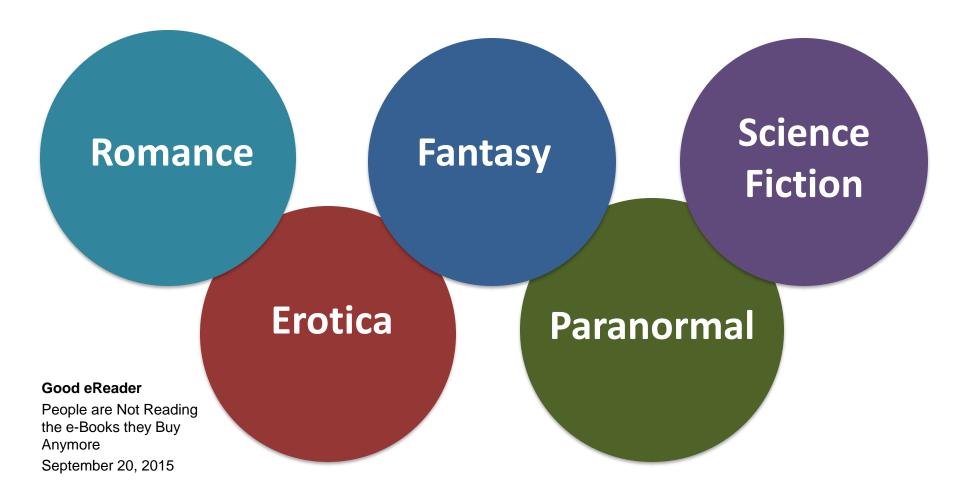
Younger American's Reading and Library Habits October 23, 2012

36%

Of US Respondents had read an eBook on a mobile phone in the last 12 months

- Print favored for better reading comprehension
- eBooks favored for variety and speed of acquisition
- Print is more warm, and personal experience, collectable

Genres that excel in eBooks



Usually Self published, Not available in print

eVendor Confusion Soup













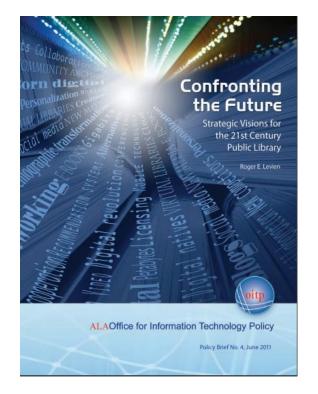
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Useful Resources for formulating strategy with stakeholders.

VIRTUAL LIBRARY

Delivering On The Shared Vision

Three Simple Principles

Your Library On Demand

Simple Access To Everything

Eliminate Obstacles & Silos

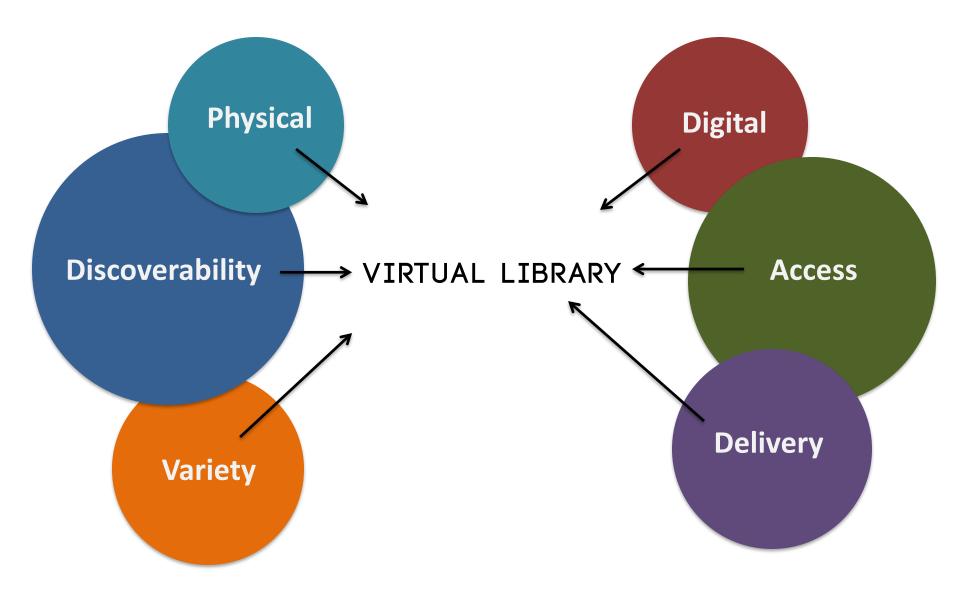
- Building Blocks Of The Future Of Libraries
- Change The Conversation Back To Information Literacy
- Win The War Of Relevancy And Convenience

The Virtual Library an integrated system created by Queens Library to improve access to eBooks & all services for public library users in either physical, or digital spaces.

The Virtual Library answers today's challenges by clearing the clutter that plagues legacy library tools and provides a superior customer experience in a single comprehensive catalog."

Library systems are no longer chained to seldomused tools, and can easily integrate with fresh partners via a plug-and-play fashion. Patrons also have flexible options to consume info and media on their terms.

Libraries Need It Now



1. Single Comprehensive Catalog

Users are able to search and browse relevant items in either our <u>physica</u>l or <u>digita</u>l collections. This includes all material types including eBooks, Audiobooks, print, CDs, DVDs, Articles & Databases. Doesn't replace public libraries or their physical spaces, instead it acts as a multiplier for the precious resources of space, staff, and finite hours of operation -- to extend the robust services and products our patrons already enjoy.

2. Easy Discoverability & Access

24/7 access and ease of enjoying library content, programming, and services. Essentially find what you want, when you want. Contains flexible components that can be used within our library facilities for self-service or to aid our staff to provide a superior customer experience.

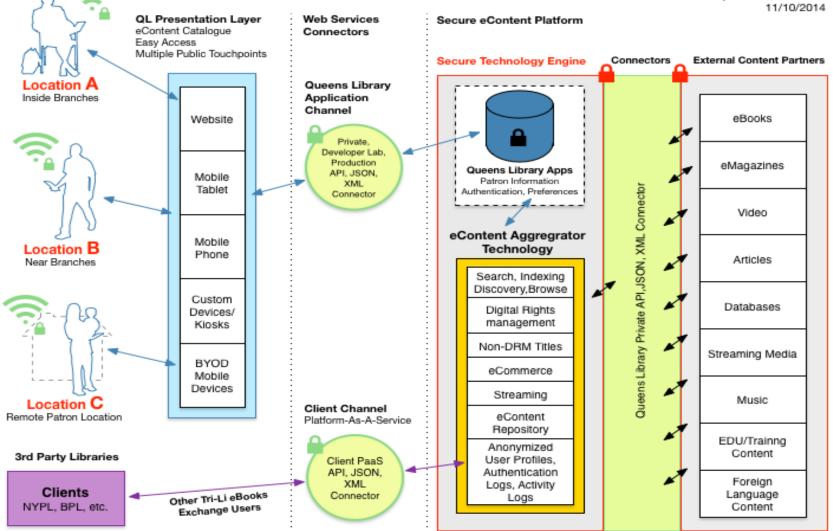
3. Flexible Content & Delivery Options

Enjoy the ability to download, stream, or access the full complement of available content from all our strategic partners and publishers via a low barrier of entry to mobile technology and literacy. Responds to the growth of mobile devices and technology in our lives, plus leaves no one behind in the digital divide.

Overview

Queens Library Virtual Library Overview (eLibrary)

ITD Department, Version 5



Recap: What's The Point Of All This?

Bringing everything together: The Virtual Library is an integrated system of <u>technology</u>, <u>automation</u>, and <u>human staff</u> workflows to improve eBook access, and <u>ALL</u> services for public library users in either physical, or digital spaces.

Libraries need this critical platform to compete in the war of convenience for library patrons against commercial entities and other demands of daily life – while enabling the delivery of a superior customer experience, leveraging our connection to local communities and their needs.

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