

# Manhattan-Elwood Public Library District Referendum proposal



## HomeStar Bank Building-Manhattan Station Located at Gougar and Sweedler Roads

**Election Day is March 20, 2012**

**Check your polling place as it may have changed**

### Main Highlights of the HomeStar Facility

- Central location
- Across from bike path/walking trail
- Walking distance to Wilson Creek Elementary
- Twice the size of the present library
- Adult quiet reading room
- Age appropriate Internet stations in all departments
- Early literacy computer stations for preschoolers
- Numerous study/reading areas throughout the building
- Library program/community meeting room
- Restroom facilities throughout the building
- Strategic emergency exits
- 35mph speed zone
- Sidewalk accessibility
- Masonry and steel construction
- Additional shelf space
- Juvenile activity room
- Digital lab
- Adult and teen study rooms
- Local history room
- Substantial patron seating
- Sprinkler system
- Ample parking

### March 20, 2012 Plan

- Purchase 13,000 square feet of the HomeStar Bank Building in the Manhattan Station strip mall  
Purchase price of building - \$2,250,000
- Cost to remodel, purchase shelving, furniture, computers, equipment, etc. - \$1,250,000
- Total bond amount \$3,500,000
- Monthly tax impact: \$4.16 on a \$250,000 market value home
- \$2,000,000 less than the November 2010 proposal

**Additional operating expenses will not be required to operate in the new location**

If approved, the new library should be open in February 2013. Visit [www.mpld.org](http://www.mpld.org) for further information