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BROKEN ARROW – Saint Francis Health System has agreed to donate a 6.5-acre parcel in south Broken Arrow to the Tulsa City-County Library.

The land will be the site of the William K. and Natalie O. Warren Library. The property is near the intersection of Aspen Avenue and New Orleans Street, across Chestnut Street from the current South Broken Arrow Library.

“Our two current libraries in Broken Arrow are two of our busiest locations in Tulsa County,” said Tulsa City-County Library CEO Gary Shaffer. “However, the South Broken Arrow Library is the busiest of our 24 locations in terms of visitors and checkouts on a per-square-foot basis. Until today we simply did not have adequate space to grow the facility.”

In addition to housing a book collection, the library system hopes to offer access to technology such as a maker space, digital learning lab and a quiet reading room. A coffee shop also may be incorporated into the space.

“Advancing access to libraries and learning opportunities provided by the library system is in the best interest of our children, our region and our future,” said Barry Steichen, chief operating officer of Saint Francis Health System.

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