### Mini-Bookmobiles: Good Things Come in Small Packages



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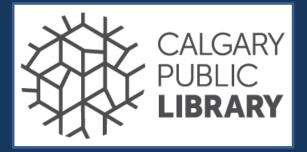
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Adding flexibility to the fleet of larger bookmobiles



Guelph Public Library Explore • Connect • Thrive Transitioning to a smaller, more flexible, mobile service vehicle



Re-launching bookmobile services after 25 years

### Ottawa Public Library Adding flexibility to the fleet







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# Transitioning to a smaller, more flexible, mobile service vehicle







Calgary

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### What's your story?

### Why Small is Good

Visibility	Flexibility	Programming	
Collection	Inter-departmental cooperation	Staffing	
Service Continuity	Maintenance	Cost	

### **Procurement Process**



Concurrent projects: Collection development, IT, partnership work

### Vehicle Design Elements Commonalities







Carts

Shelves

Steps





Insulation



Shorelines

Doors



#### **Adjustable Shelves**



#### **Retractable Step**



#### Insulation



#### **Sliding Door**

#### **Shoreline**





#### Differences

Lifts	Wifi	Awnings	Cargo netting
Desks	Safety package	Windows	Solar panels
Inverter / Batteries	Generator	Heating	Cooling

## Vehicle Design Elements LIFTS Calgary Ottawa Guelph





#### Awning

#### **Public Wi-Fi**





#### **Cargo Netting & Desk - Ottawa**



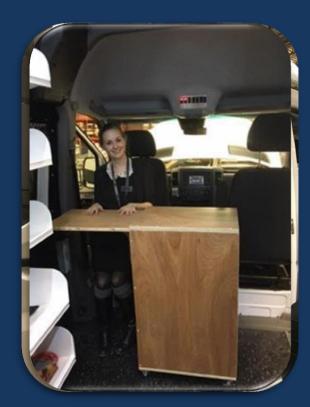




#### Desk – Guelph



#### **Desk - Calgary**



#### Safety Package

#### Windows





#### **Solar Panels**



#### **Inverter/Batteries**





#### Generator



#### A/C



### Heating



### Now taking questions...



### Service Model Considerations



### Service Model - Ottawa

#### 1. Supplementary Vehicle

2. Outreach Vehicle

> 3. Bus Replacement

## Service Model - Ottawa Supplementary Vehicle – photos



#### Hertz Rental Van



Sprinter as Supplementary Vehicle

### Service Model - Ottawa Outreach Vehicle – photos





Outside

And inside!

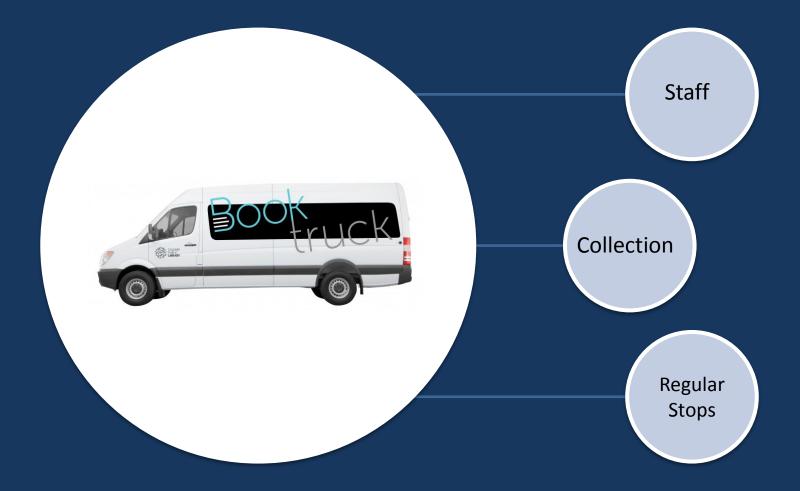
### Service Model - Guelph

- Regularly scheduled community stops
  - Apartment buildings/low-income housing
  - Day cares
  - Seniors residences
  - Long-term care facilities
- Multipurpose vehicle for on-board access or lobby stops
- Special events
- Techmobile: 3D Printer, Oculus Rift, public WiFi
- Flexible collection

### Transitional challenges - Guelph

- The interim period of modified service using borrowed city van, inability to service stops that lack accessible lobby areas
- One year service disruption for some stops, loss of customer base
- Opportunity to expand service to underserved communities

### Service Model – Calgary



### Now taking questions...





Aesth	etics	Partnerships		Weather	
Techno	ology	Parking		Timing	
	Ergon	omics	Consu	ltation	

### Sign up for Bookmobile Listserv

Drop off your biz card at the end of the session

# Thank You