New \$2.5-million home asked for 3 libraries

Three cramped Oakland County li-raries may get to spread out in brand

Oakland County commissioners have been asked to build a Law and Govern-mental Library in the county complex

in Pontiac.

The 30,000-40,000-square-foot facility would combine the Oakland County Law Library, Oakland County Covernmental Library, and Oakland County Library for the Blind and Physically-Handicapped. Full of research materials, the libraries are all open to the nublic.

public.
Also housed in the proposed \$2.5 million building would be Oakland County
Bar Association, Legal Ald, Mediation,
Court Watchers, Oakland University
Paralegal Program, and the Oakland
County Library Trustees Association.

The United Foundation board 1 directors has ended a five-year moratorium on the admission of new agencies.
The action means non-member or-ganizations providing health and human services may apply for funding. Currently 127 charitable organizations receive money though the UP's annual Torch Drive campalga.
"The re-establishment of an open admissions process will permit the United Foundation to be more flexible and re-sponsive to community needs," said UP Board Chairman Roger B. Smith, chairman of the board of General Motors Corp.

"This will help respond to new and emerging needs of our community."

to hold helm

Of UNION

James Glass, president of Michigan AFSCME Council 23, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, the largest public-sector union in the United States, has announced his candidary to retain the presidency of his union.

Glass made his announcement in a series of meetings with supporters in Lansing, Flint, South-field and Ann Arbor.

"In an era when trade unions are under fire, I am proud to have served as the chief officer of our union in Michigan, where we have grown in strength and stature," he said.

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October convention in the

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Glass also serves as an officer of the Michigan AFL-CIO, the Detroit Metropolitan AFL-CIO, the Michigan Democratic Party and the First Congressional District Organization.

of union

UF lifts curb

on new charities

"THIS WOULDN'T change the nature of the libraries," said George A. Googasian, president-elect of the Oakland County Bar Association. The Oakland Township resident is a lawyer who practices in Bloomfield Hills.

Tac new building would give the specialized, operations more room and make them more efficient, Googasian said.

said. delis would make them more ac"And this would make them more ac"And the the public," he said. The
Law Library is now on the fifth floor of
the County Building and the Governmental Library across the street in the
Executive Office Building, Farmington
Hills Branch Library houses the Oakland County Library for the Blind and
Physically Handicapped.
The Law Library stracts a wide
range of people, including many who
are re-scarching litigation, he said.
"We have a litigation-oriented society.

to new requests.

Nearly 100 organizations have already indicated an interest in receiving

support.
A letter of inquiry to request applica-tions should be addressed to the Agency Relations Department of United Foun-dation at 1528 Woodward, Detroit 48226, Deadline is May 10.

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IN OTHER action, the control proved:

• An allocation of \$453,000 to United Community Services of Metropolitan Detroit (UCS) to fund summer programs for youth.

• A purchase of service agreement of \$250,000 ayear for three years with the Northwest Activities Center, located in northwest Detroit in an area of high long-term unemployment.

"It's a public library and receives public use, but because of where it is, people don't feel free to go there."

OAKLAND COUNTY Treasurer C.

OAKLAND COUNTY Treasurer C. Hugh Dobany, who served on the three-person committee that worked on the project, suggested the library be paid for by taxes.

Italsing the property tax rate .02 mills (two cents per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation) would raise \$300,000 a year. Other library revenues would come from leasing space, mediation fees, penal lines, and appropriations by the Oakland Bar Association and other groups.

groups.
Each year, the Oakland Bar Association turns over to the Law Library \$70,000-\$90,000, part of what it receives from mediation services.

Dohany told commissioners they could either put the tax to a vote or raise the tax rate themselves since the

county is below its taxing limit.
Dohaney, who is a member of the County Library Board, also asked the commission to reorganize the five-member board as appointments come up. The proposal called for one member to represent both the courts and Bar Association.

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OBJECTING TO the proposal was Republican Commissioner John Olsen.
"If I was home in Huntington Woods reading about this in the paper, I'd think it was very, very expensive facility to house at law library for lawyers who work at the court," Olsen said. Approving the project, attorney Adexander C. Perinolf, D-Southfield, suggested his fellow commissioners also look into adding more space for the county courts.

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"They're packed — especially the Probate Court area. Court expansion should be part of our planning.

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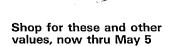
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