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Becoming a One Service Desk at Robert R. Muntz Library



INTRODUCTION



The Dilemma

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This poster seeks to share the UT Tyler Robert R. Muntz Library journey to a One Service Desk.

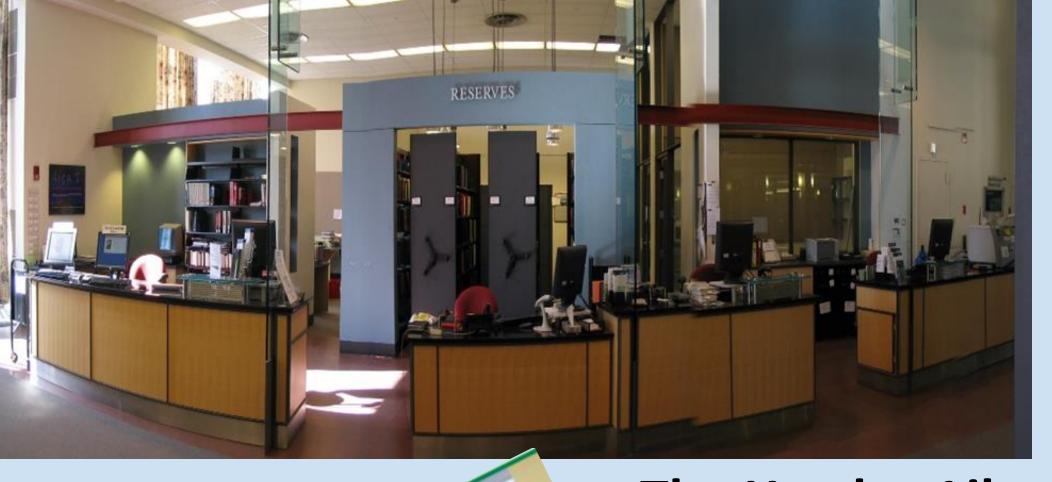
A space planning assessment was completed the prior year, but at the time, we were not considering becoming a one service desk.

Getting Started

We began by:

- Assessing the current setup
- Getting Buy-In from Staff
- Visiting other institutions
- Searching online
- Asking on List Serves





UNT Digital Library

The Hayden Library (Columbia University)

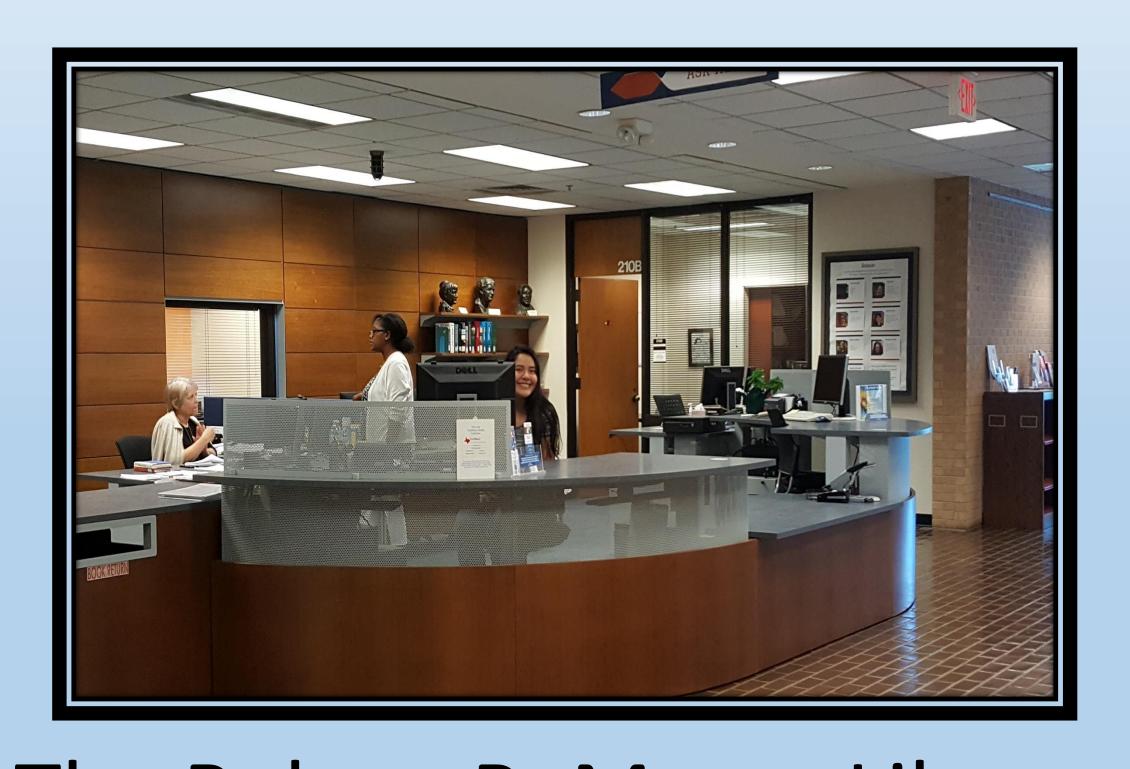
The Road to One Service

- 1. The Space Planning assessment in 2014 included a new set up for Public Services, but it only involved moving to a new location.
- 2. In 2015 the Executive Library Director mentioned an interest in changing the structure of Public Services to a One Service Point.
- 3. Two years later, discussion continued, while studying other facilities, both in person and online.
- 4. Finally in 2017, funds were available to begin the set up of a One Service Point.
- 5. Early Spring 2018, the One Service Desk was installed.

Findings

- 1. Not as many staff are needed at the desk.
- 2. The desk is not as flexible for reference as we thought.
- 3. It allows librarians more time away from the desk.
- 4. It has increased the workload of Circulation Staff.

End Result



The Robert R. Muntz Library "Help Desk"

conducive for our Library. We began brain storming becoming a One Service Desk in the Fall of 2015.

changing needs of our users and a

traditional setup was no longer

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