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Creative Casework, Furniture, and Storage Solutions

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Pennsylvania Business Partners was established in November of 2002, with the primary goal of partnering with regional clients -- including end users, architects, designers, and engineers -- to provide them with innovative and cost effective solutions to their specific space and storage problems. The business was founded by David Caparosa, a designer and consultant specializing in institutional space planning and efficiency.

David has over twenty five years of experience designing, selling, and installing casework, furniture, storage equipment and relocation services to libraries, archives, and museums in Western Pennsylvania and surrounding areas. He has another ten years of experience in construction, construction supervision, and operations management. David graduated from Churchill Area High School, near Pittsburgh, PA, in 1975 and from Denison University in Granville, OH, with a degree in English, in 1975.

PBP currently specializes in the following areas: library, archive, and museum storage; library technical furniture; specialty education furniture and equipment; library layout and design; library collection measuring, mapping, and relocation; library equipment inventory and relocation; institutional space planning. Past projects have included the following types of equipment: wood and steel library shelving; custom wood and steel library casework and accessories; library and museum cabinetry; archival shelving and racks; compact shelving of all types; automated book sorting systems; library depository mezzanines; library depository high bay systems.

Below is a partial list of past library projects. In general, projects have included a detailed space and collection survey, followed by furniture and equipment design and layouts to achieve the desired goals, and then the implementation of the design.

University Libraries - Penn State University, University Park

Architecture Library*
Arts and Humanities Library
Earth and Mineral Sciences Library
Engineering Library
Life Sciences Library
News and Microforms Library
Penn State Law Library
Physical and Mathematical Science Library
Special Collections Library
Patee/Paterno Library
Bigler Annex Book Depository
Cato Park Book Depository
Library Business Office
Lending Services
Media and Technology Support Services*
Penn State University Press

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University Libraries - Penn State University, Commonwealth and Affiliated Campuses

Penn State Dickinson School of Law
Penn State Altoona*
Penn State Beaver*
Penn State Erie, The Behrend College*
Penn State Fayette, The Eberly Campus
Penn State Harrisburg
Penn State Greater Allegheny*
Penn State Mon Alto
Penn State New Kensington
Penn State Schuylkill
Penn State Shenango*
Penn State Wilkes-Barre
Penn State York

Other Universities & Colleges

Dickinson School of Law
Duquesne University*
Westminster College
Carnegie Mellon University
University of Pittsburgh, Hillman Library
University of Pittsburgh, Special Collections*
University of Pittsburgh, Book Depository
University of Pittsburgh, Music Library
University of Pittsburgh, Fine Arts Library
University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg
Carlow University*
West Virginia University, Wise Library
West Virginia University, Evansdale Library*
Seton Hill University*
Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Special and Corporate Libraries

Alcoa Technical Center
United States Steel Library and Archives*
Senator John Heinz History Center, Detre Library & Archives
Disciples of Christ Archives
Old Economy Village, Rare Books and Archives
Drake Well Museum, Library and Archives
PA Lumber Museum, Library and Archives
Carnegie Museum of Art, Museum Archives
Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Core Library

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Public Libraries - Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh

Main Branch
Squirrel Hill
Brookline
Homewood
Hazelwood*
Beechview
Sheraden
East Liberty
Woods Run
Allegheny
Lawrenceville
Hill District
West End
Downtown & Business

Other Public Libraries

Kent Free Library*
Grove City Community Library
Plum Community Library*
Trafford Public Library*
Monroeville Public Library
Carnegie Library of McKeesport*
Delmont Public Library
Erie County, Raymond M. Blasco, M.D. Memorial Library

Other Libraries

Franklin Regional Senior High School
Oakland Catholic High School*
Pittsburgh Central Catholic High School*

* denotes projects that included collection relocation services in addition to new or relocated library furnishings and equipment