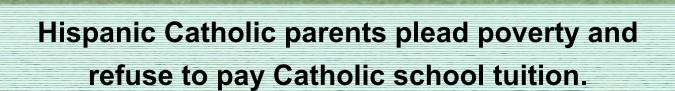


Background: Chicago skyline from Planetarium promontory.



Chicago Public Schools and charter schools rent vacant parochial school buildings and provide schooling to Hispanic Catholic children on Catholic church campuses that indoctrinate them with religious symbols.

The idea has caught on with other racial and ethnic groups.





Paulina Street 1600S, Chicago, Illinois.

CPS Charter School (Bartolome de las Casas) in building on church campus. Religious signage remains. Debt-financed by property taxes.



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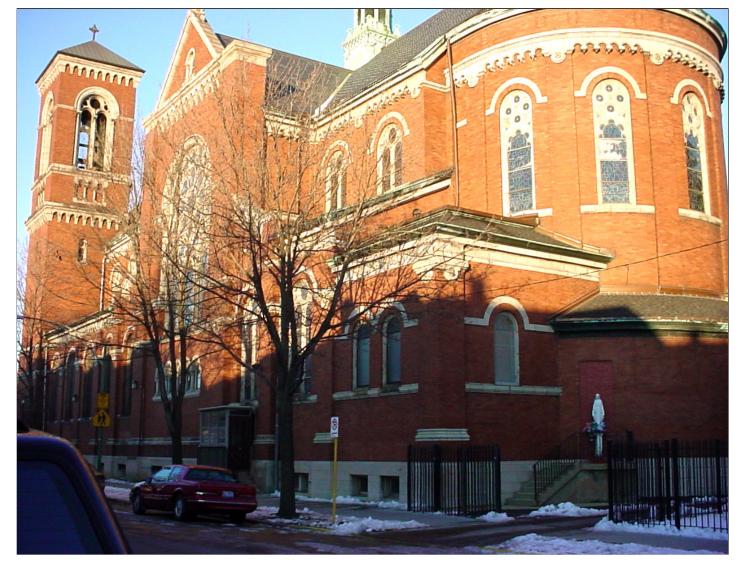
Hermitage Avenue 4831S, Chicago, Illinois.

CPS facility (Chavez Upper Grade) in building on church campus. Religious signage remains. Debt-financed by property taxes. This isn't the separation of church and state.

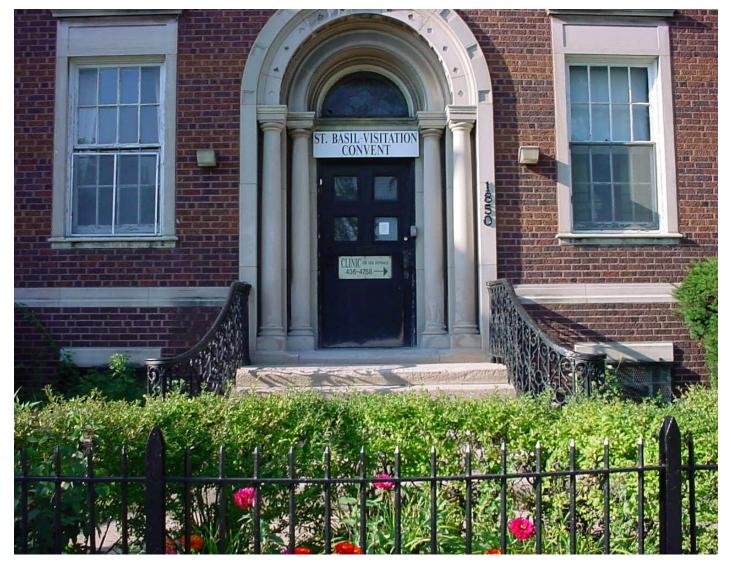
This is Catholics strong-arming people of other religions on the threat of seizing their homes for non-payment of the tax.



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55th Street (Garfield) 1816W, Chicago, Illinois. CPS charter school on Catholic church campus.



55th Street (Garfield) 1816W, Chicago, Illinois.



Pulaski Road 5600N, Chicago, Illinois.

Religious signage remains on failed Cathlic school that houses a CPS Charter School (Northtown).



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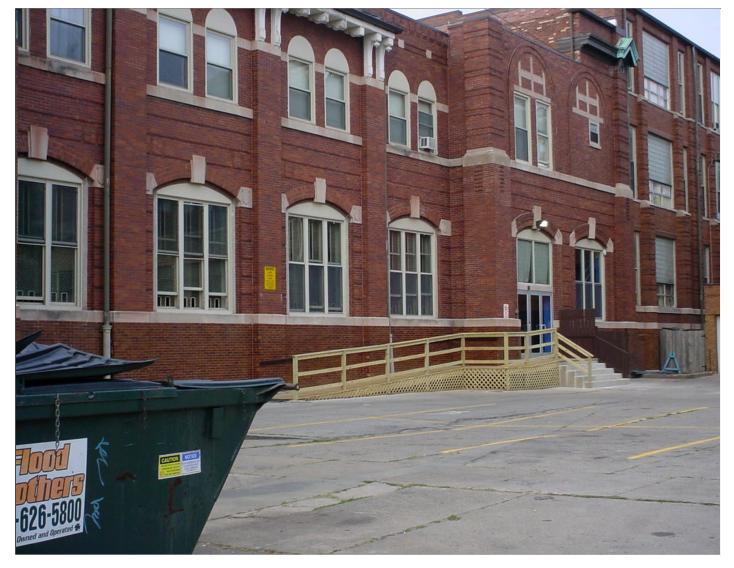


McKinley Park Elementary School, a CPS facility housed in a failed parochial school. Pershing Road (3900S) 2744W, Chicago, Illinois.



Bucktown neighborhood, Lyndale 2100W at Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois.

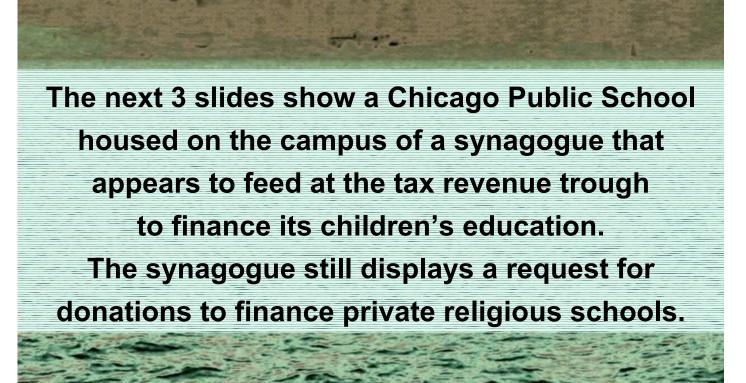
Tax-financed charter school on Catholic church campus. Religious symbols visible out classroom windows.



Bucktown neighborhood, Lyndale 2100W at Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois..



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Boone Elementary School Annex. California Avenue 6700N (at North Shore), Chicago, Illinois.



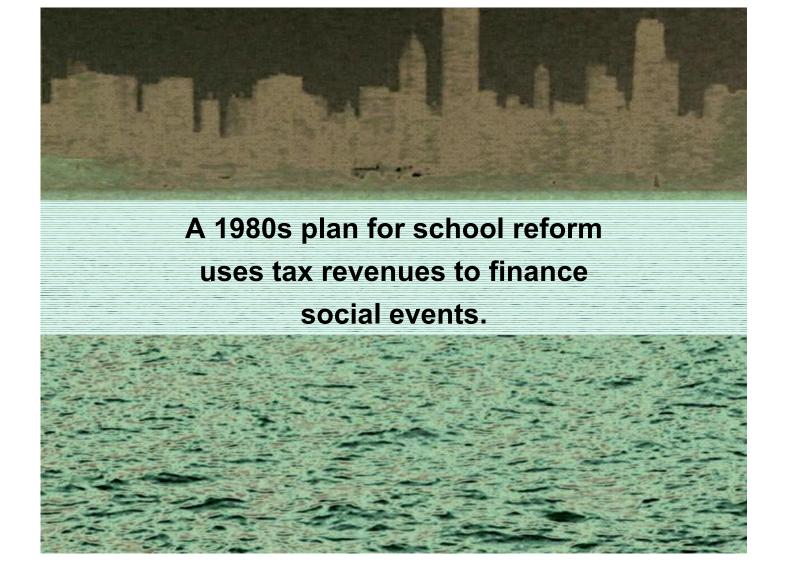
Boone Elementary School Annex. California Avenue 6700N (at North Shore), Chicago, Illinois.

In 1785, US founders enacted a plan to finance K-8 education in the Northwest Territory. The plan reserved 1/36th of township sections from sale. The land and its rental income would be a permanent endowment fund to offset the cost of tuition for private schools. The class of wealthy Virginia planters to which Washington and Jefferson belonged often made similar endowments in their wills.

In 1787, US founders required that the territory and the states formed from it forever encourage education. Encourage doesn't mean tax the people or mandate school attendance. Education does mean that which occurs in private religious and secular academies that preceded modern high schools. The 1787 Northwest Ordinance states clearly that the provision existed for the moral education of young people, with the implication that church schools would best achieve the goal. New England Puritan towns had township sections reserved to support their churches and church schools for the moral education of their youth.



Boone Elementary School Annex. California Avenue 6700N (at North Shore), Chicago, Illinois.





Sheridan Road 5000N, Chicago, Illinois.

An alleged grass roots movement for the alleged reform of Chicago Public Schools in the 1980s led to an Illinois statute that established Local School Councils by which parents, neighbors and teachers would oversee the administration and budget of their individual schools.

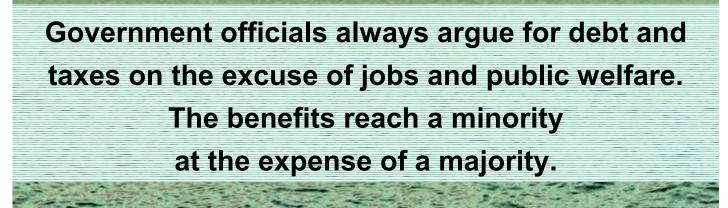
The plan politicized schools and gave principals far more power than they had when the central school administration ran the show. A principal can bully and fire teachers who don't get with her program. A principal can give bad grades to the children of parents who don't get with her program. Nonetheless, it is often politically expedient to spend money to make parents happy, and they've been getting a lot of lunches, dinners, field trips, and weekend retreats at taxpayers' expense.

Here at McCutcheon school, teachers and administrators bribe parents to get their children's noses to the grindstone. Though bribery at taxpayer expense explains good attendance and test scores, teachers take credit for student success and some even get extra pay for it, on top of their initial drain on taxpayers.

Neighbors are the only LSC members a principal can't control; therefore, aldermen stepped in to get their people positioned on the neighbors' chairs where they can control hiring and spending, converting school jobs to patronage jobs.



Sheridan Road 5000N, Chicago, Illinois.







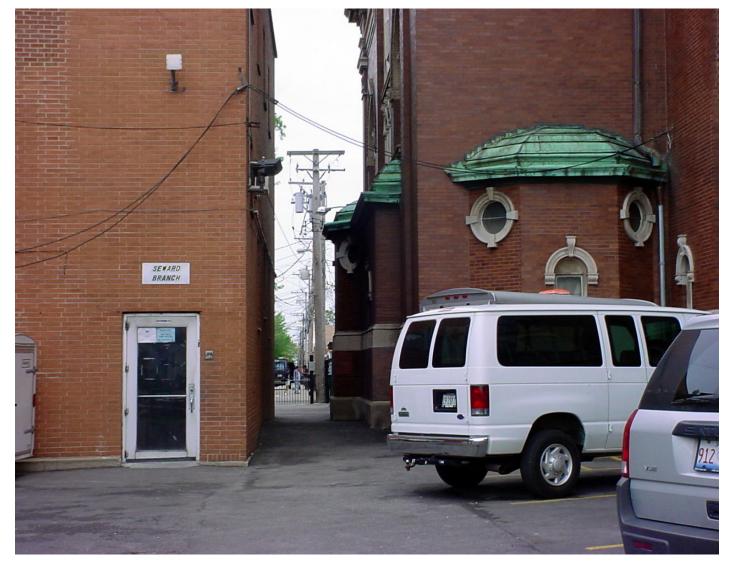


Holy Cross church. 46th Street 1700W (at Wood), Chicago, Illinois.



Hedges Elementary School. 46th Street 1700W (at Wood), Chicago, Illinois.

Catholics park their senior citizens' bus in a Chicago Public Schools lot across the street from the church.



Seward Branch. 46th Street 1700W (at Wood), Chicago, Illinois.

Chicago Public Schools tucked the annex of another elementary school into a nook of the Holy Cross campus.

Church icons are in the faces of public school students of both the Hedges and the Seward Branch schools every day they attend school.



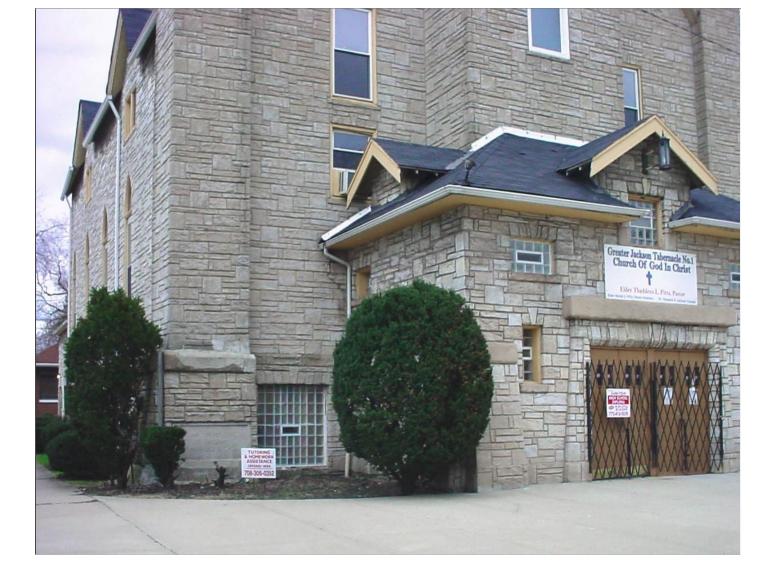
46th Street 1700W, Chicago, Illinois.

I'm guessing Jesus was upset when he heard about Holy Cross and Hedges, and has already locked the gates of heaven to many until they stop bullying homeowners to finance this mess.

School teachers and administrators made a strategic error when they asked government to fund studies that prove homework is the key to success in school. Why send children to school if their success depends on what they do at home? Why put their homes up as collateral for loans to finance school buildings and staff?



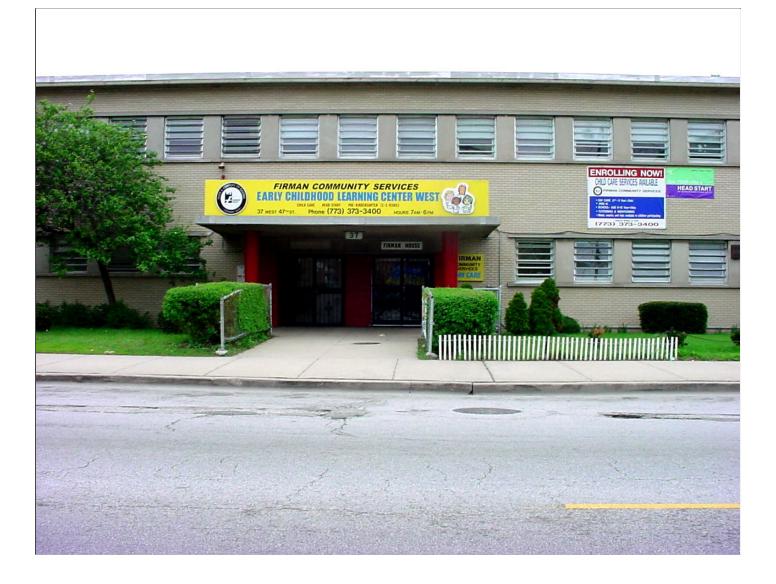


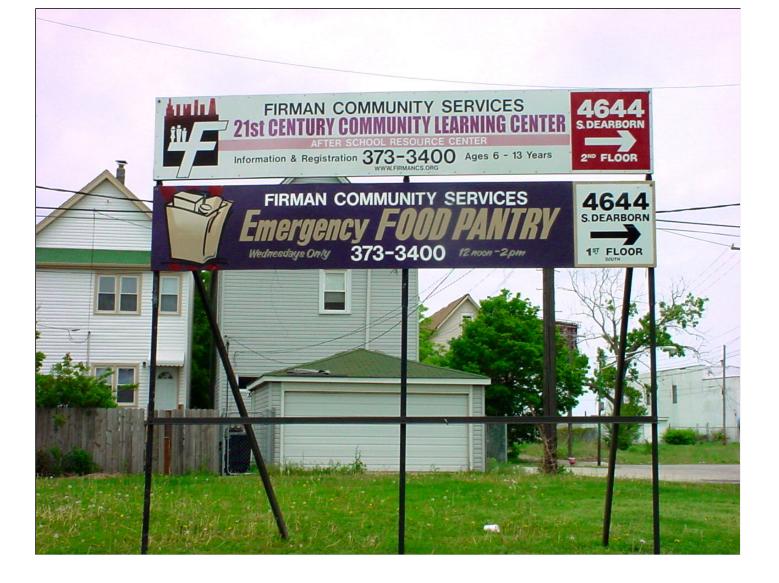


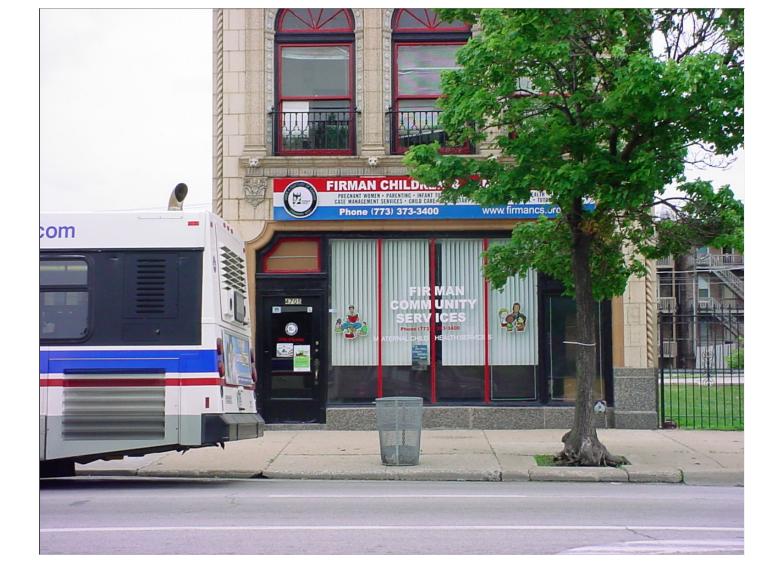


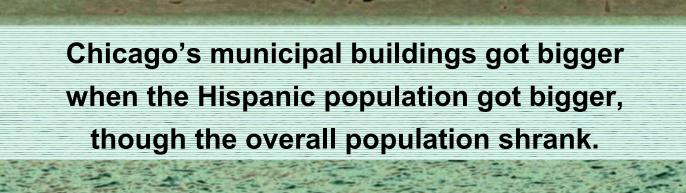
Smart Kids Digital Tutoring. 31st Street 556W, Chicago, Illinois.













Old police station. 63rd Street, Chicago, Illinois.



A section of new police station. 63rd Street, Chicago, Illinois.



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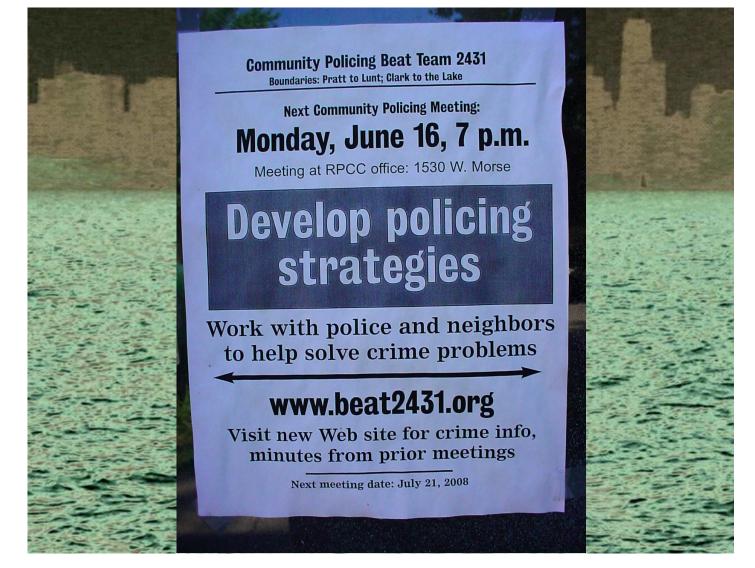
Fullerton 3800W, Chicago, Illinois.



Fullerton 3800W, Chicago, Illinois.



Cicero 2100N, Chicago, Illinois.



Rogers Park neighborhood, Chicago, Illinois.

More police per capita than ever before, more government grants for public safety to civic groups and academia than ever before, and police still ask the people they're supposed to protect to do their job for free.



Old firehouse and police station combined. Damen near Cermak, Chicago, Illinois.



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Old firehouse. Beverly neighborhood, 95th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

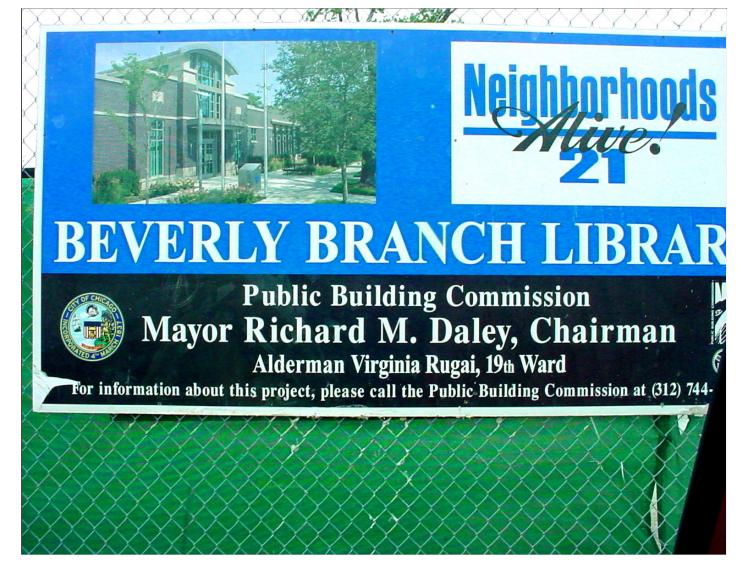


New firehouse. Beverly neighborhood, 95th Street, Chicago, Illinois.



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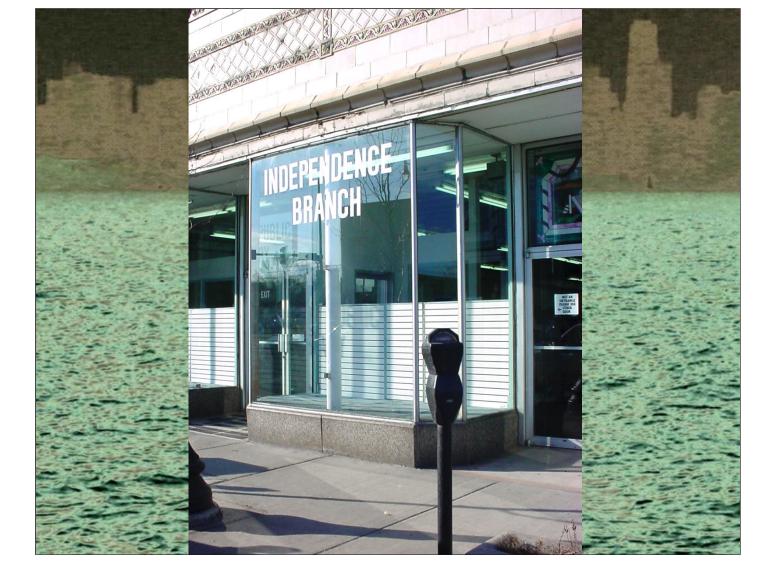
Your own garden hose and the hoses of a few neighbors are still the only thing single family homeowners need to get the job done. Small property owners subsidize fire protection for large property owners.



New libraries are more architectural showmanship and dead air space than books.

The public doesn't visit municipal libraries in sufficient numbers to justify the burden on property owners.

The publishing industry would profit more and publish a wider variety of books if individuals bought what they want to read instead of letting municipalities censor their choices.





Public libraries function as warming houses for homeless people.

The employees of tax-financed private security companies assigned to libraries have to dial 911 same as the librarian would, when indigent people and patrons act up.

Patrons can't bring food and drink into the library, so why can the security guard?



111th Street, Chicago, Illinois.



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Kedzie 6600S, Chicago, Illinois.



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Commuter train station. Beverly neighborhood, 95th Street, Chicago, Illinois.