The Michael Kusalaba Library is located on the site which, since 1928, has been home to this branch, 2815 Mahoning Ave., Youngstown OH.

- Named in honor of a generous $1.68 million donation from The Michael Kusalaba Fund, Youngstown Foundation
- 11,815 sq. ft.
- Cost: $3.775 million
- Architect: Ron Faniro of Faniro Architects, Inc.
- General Contractor: Brock Builders
- Features include: MakerSpace, Sound Studio, Public Meeting Room, Early Learning Center, Computers, Study Rooms, Pop-up Library

1925-1928 West Library

West Branch was first located at the Mahoning Avenue ME Church (1925) and by July 1928 moved to a new building on Schenley and Mahoning, where it remained.

June 15, 1928, new West Library was dedicated at 2815 Mahoning Ave., Youngstown OH. Cost of the building was $17,000 including equipment; $10,000 was raised by West Side residents.

1928 architects were Brooke and Dyer; General Contractor Hohloch Construction Co.

1965 West Library

A major renovation and addition to the original building took place in 1965, expanding the library to 8,900 square feet.

This addition provided new public space, a meeting room and space for Special Delivery services (formerly Special Outgoing Services).

Cost of the addition: $128,198

Architect was James S. Olsavsky. General Contractor was Daniel A. Terreri & Sons

What you’re saying about your new library...

“My wildest adventures happen because of you!” “It is the future.” “Peaceful place for the community to congregate.” “It continues to give us the opportunity for real, tangible face-to-face communications with members of our community in this digital era.” “MakerSpace is cool!” “It is one of the last places you can exist in the country without being expected to spend money or even have money.” “It’s no longer your mother’s library! It is so much more.”