#### **CHAPTER 8**

# "The Experience Library" PROJECT LIFE CYCLE

## **POST OPENING**

#### **KEY OBJECTIVES**

- Keep the New Experience Paradigm Alive
- Close-out Project Contracts
- Continue to Fine Tune Library Plan of Service
- Review Goals & Objectives
- Continue Marketing Messages
- Reorient the Public to the New Library
- Evaluate Customer Impact
- Think About the Future

## Total Buy-in

- Team Dynamics: New experience paradigm
  - ◆Planning team activities
    - Create new bench-marks for service
    - Overcome stereotypes
    - Deal with surprises
    - Appreciate the staff
    - Prepare for staff let-down after opening

### ■Staff activities

- Old & new staff integrate into new organizational culture
- Re-learn jobs in new environment
- Re-learn new work patterns until second nature

### Close-out Building Contracts & Other Deliverables

- ■Punch list
- ◆Construction post mortem
- ■Archive documents
- Fine-Tune Library Plan of Service
- Evaluation, Analysis & Adjustment Process
  - ■On-going assessment
    - Surveys
    - Staff
  - ◆Select evaluation team (internal plus external)
- Ramp up for New Vendors & Service Providers
- Marketing Messages
  - Internal
    - Marketing materials/packages
  - **⋖**External
    - Articles
    - Presentations; tours for other professionals
    - Awards
    - Continue on-going relationships with sponsors/partners
- Reorient the Public to the new library
  - ■Tours; self directed & by staff
  - ■Teach how to use the new library
- Think About the Future
  - ■No going back to "business as usual"
  - ■Continue to apply creative skills to new situations
  - ■Continue to examine, evaluate & create

### • Team Members

- **◄Library Planning Team**
- **◄**Evaluation Team
- ■On-going consultants
- ■Sponsors/partners

Where do we go from here?