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THE FUTURE IS FINE FREE:

**How Libraries are Increasing Equity,
Engagement, and Access for Their
Communities**

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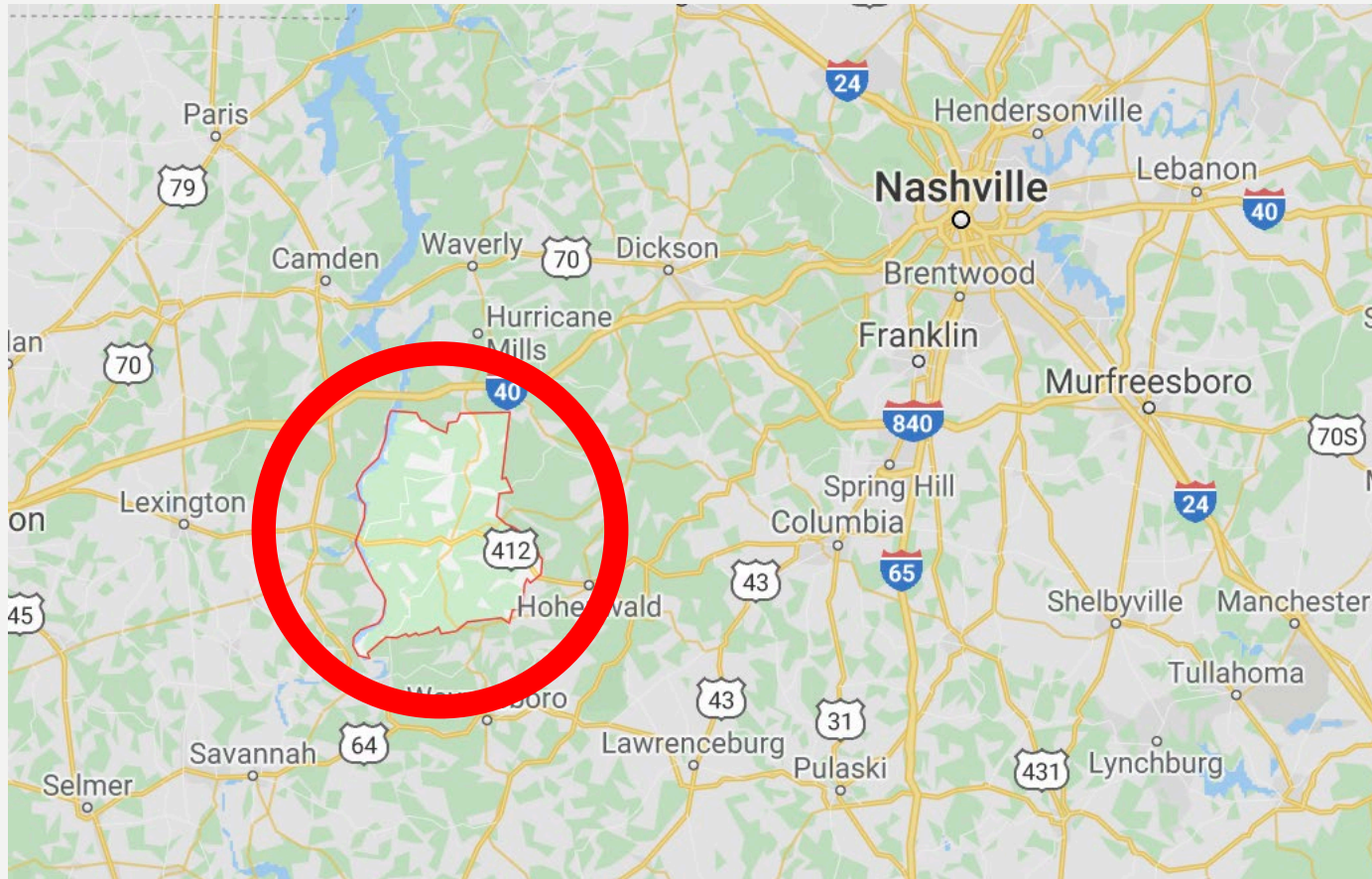


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Describe your community

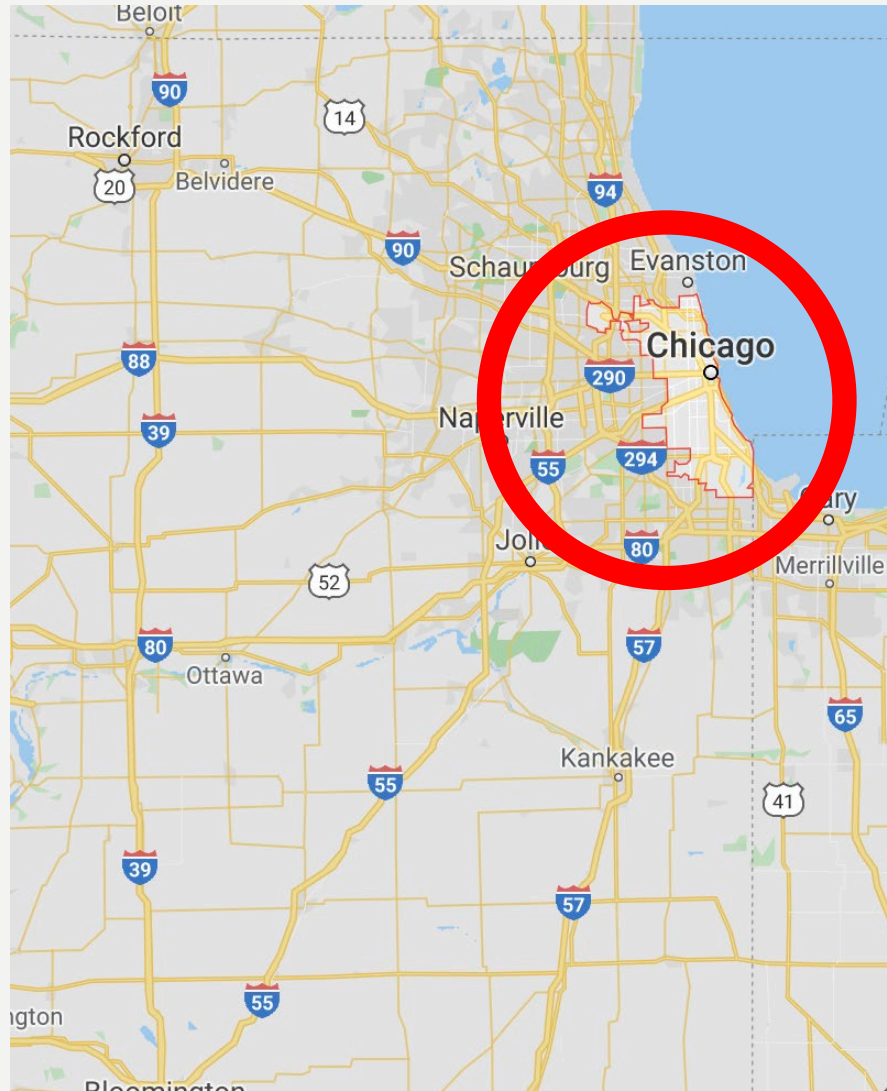
PERRY COUNTY, TN



PERRY COUNTY LIBRARY

Characteristic	Perry County, TN
Population	7,882
Educational attainment	74% High school degree or higher, 11% Bachelor's degree or higher
Below poverty level	29% Individual, 22% Family, 26% Children
Unemployment rate	6%
Free and reduced lunch participation	61%

CHICAGO, IL



CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY

Characteristic	Chicago, IL
Population	2,705,994
Educational attainment	84% high school degree or higher, 38% bachelor's degree or higher
Below poverty level	21% Individual, 17% Family, 31% Children
Unemployment rate	10%
Children living in households receiving public assistance	43%

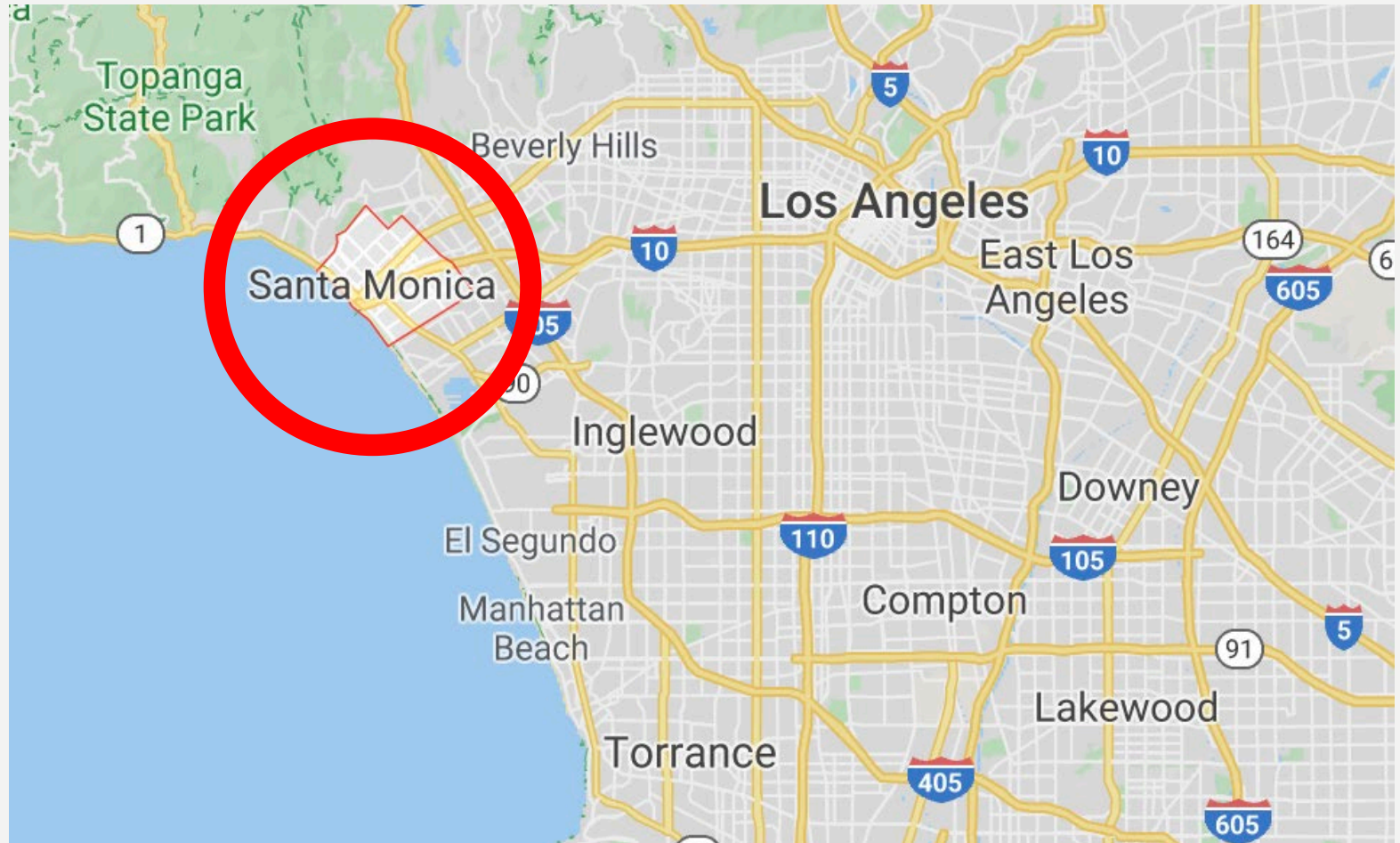
ELBERT COUNTY, CO



PINES AND PLAINS LIBRARIES

Characteristic	Elbert County, CO
Population	24,553
Educational attainment	96% high school degree or higher, 35% bachelor's degree or higher
Below poverty level	5% Individual, 4% Families, 7% Children
Unemployment rate	3.6%
Children living in households receiving TANF or enrolled in WIC	3% receiving TANF, 14% under age 5 enrolled in WIC

SANTA MONICA, CA



SANTA MONICA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Characteristic	Santa Monica, CA
Population	92,495
Educational attainment	94% high school degree or higher, 67% bachelor's degree or higher
Below poverty level	11% Individual, 5% Family, 5% Children
Unemployment rate	5%
Children living in households receiving public assistance	8%



**Why did your library
decide to go fine free?**



**How has going fine free
impacted your relationship
with your community?**



**What's next for
your library?**



Questions?

Want to learn more about the how-to's of going fine free?

Eliminating Fines: A Win-Win For Your
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