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**Milwaukee Public Library Green Roof - Planting Grasses  
Monday, October 26, 2009, Weather Permitting**

**What:** Construction on the Milwaukee Public Library green roof at Central Library is progressing to the point where the new roof will actually begin to look “green”. Weather permitting, grasses will be planted on the roof in time to take root before winter sets in.

**Website:** [http://www.mpl.org/file/green\\_index.htm](http://www.mpl.org/file/green_index.htm)

The green roof replaces a 1986 traditional roof that covers Central Library’s annex. It is financed by the City of Milwaukee and grants from the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD), Focus on Energy, and the City’s Energy Challenge Fund for Solar Energy Fund. The new roof will include photovoltaic cells, or solar panels, that will generate approximately 36,000 kilowatt hours per year. The rest of the roof will feature a variety of green plants and grasses, and an observational deck will be installed for educational groups and others to view the green roof more closely.

**Media coverage is welcome and encouraged. Mayor Tom Barrett (invited) and Library Director Paula Kiely will assist with the planting, and will available for interviews onsite.**

**When:** Monday, October 26  
**12:45 p.m. – Note new time! Precedes press event at 1:00 p.m.**

**Where:** Milwaukee Public Library - Central Library  
814 W. Wisconsin Ave.  
Call 414.303.3686 when you enter the building – you will be escorted to the roof

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