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**MAYOR EMANUEL ANNOUNCES CHA TO FUND RENOVATION OF
BRONZEVILLE LIBRARY BRANCH**

Mayor Rahm Emanuel today announced the Chicago Housing Authority is investing \$2.32 million to renovate the existing Chicago Bee Library at 3647 S. State St. in the Bronzeville neighborhood.

"Modern libraries are the core of communities throughout Chicago and critical for the education of our students," said Mayor Emanuel. "This investment will modernize the Chicago Bee Library to better serve the Bronzeville community for generations to come."

The funding from CHA to renovate the Chicago Bee Library will provide better public library services to its neighboring residents and the Chicago metropolitan area. The library is located in the Chicago Bee Building, which formerly housed a newspaper of the same name that served the African American community in Chicago. It was named a Chicago Landmark in 1998.

Work is expected to begin later this year.

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