Library Background

Founded in 1965, Rose County Community College is located in Rose County, Pennsylvania. The College’s Library was initially situated in a small building in the middle of campus. The Library moved to its own building in 1970 and underwent a renovation and addition project in 2015.

The library's collections include over 35,000 print books and periodicals, a small collection of rare books, a robust multimedia collection, and thousands of e-resources. The mission of the library is to support College's students and the community with quality information services and resources.

Disaster Scenario

At approximately 8 AM on a Wednesday in mid-October, a significant leak is discovered in the basement of the Rose County Community College Library. The basement is home to many of the library's modern monographs as well as its small, but valuable, collection of rare books donated by a graduate of the College.

The leak appears to have been going on for some time, having saturated the stacks in the immediate vicinity – affecting a total of five ranges of compact shelving and leaving a small amount of standing water. The leak is clearly coming from the ceiling immediately above the stacks. The water has created a hole in the ceiling and continues to pour down.