

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Beardsley Branch Library April 2025

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Service Statistics	Number of new library cards: 46 (30 A; 12 J; 4 YA) Number of visitors: 4,543	Number of questions answered: 3,174 (366 Reference, 888 Technical, 1,920 Other)
Collection Statistics	Collection Size: 6,687 Total Added: 166	
Circulation Statistics	Total Circ: 1,450 In-house: 87	
Public Internet Usage	Users for the month: 868 Total Wifi connections: n/a	
Room Usage	Community Room: 8 times; Collaboration Hub: 47 times; Study Rooms: 124 times; Total Attendance: 334 patrons Podcast Studios: 9 recording sessions, 18 studio hours	
Programming Highlights	5 Computer classes: 21 patrons 2 Podcast Studio orientations: 3 patrons 3 Chess Club for Kids: 27 patrons Microbit Coding Class Kids: 18 patrons	3 Book Buddies Storytime: 23 patrons 2 Adult Crochet Class: 16 patrons Pasta Making Class: 12 patrons Total programs: 21 Total patrons: 144 patrons
Other Services	Digital Navigator (1-1.5hr): 6 sessions Notary Public: 34 sessions; 54 notarized documents LuxerOne Pickup Locker: 3 deliveries	
Outreach	n/a	
Staff Development	4/1 Ana attended Acquisition training with Vivian Bordeaux via Zoom 4/9 Security guard Nathan viewed the Safety in the Library video training March/April Phil completed 3D training in person at Burroughs-Saden Library	

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- It's hard to believe how quickly April passed as our library staff continues assisting patrons with a wide range of inquiries—from recommending books to providing technical support for computers and mobiles, and even coordinating library programs and events - April is always a fun month.
- COLLECTION: The librarians continue to order new titles for adults, teens, and children. It's great to see new titles landing on the shelves and reaching patrons' hands.
- COLLECTION: After a long wait, we've finally started receiving our daily newspaper in the book drop instead of on the street.
- PROGRAMMING: We held five computer classes with 21 attendees. The topics were: Canva; Online Shopping; Internet Safety; Intro to Typing and a class on Microsoft Word.
- PROGRAMMING: On Saturday, April 24th, we hosted a pasta-making class that was well received by our patrons. We've been getting more requests from patrons for similar hands-on learning experiences.
- PROGRAMMING: Our in-house Microbit Robotics program, planned and conducted by our staff Phil and Elvis, has been gaining in popularity; we had 18 patrons in attendance in April. Students in this program engage in basic coding, problem-solving, and the development skills like critical thinking and collaboration.
- PROGRAMMING: Every Saturday, we host a drop-in craft in the children's area. Our staff members rotate in preparing it, each contributing their unique creative ideas to make arts and crafts fun.
- Under the direction of the library administrators and the library board, two community input forums were held in April at Beardsley. Attendees made some great suggestions and even brought up ideas for improving the Beardsley Branch. Some of their recommendations included: acquiring a trash can in front of the library, addressing the issue with study rooms not being soundproof, offering more affordable printing options, and more.
- BOOK DISPLAYS IN APRIL: Spring/Easter/Passover and a book display featuring books with red covers.
- STAFF RELATED: Our former security guard, Gabriel Rodriguez, got transferred to another library location. We are pleased to introduce Nathan Mora as our new security guard on site. Nathan has been undergoing training and familiarizing himself with the building and our community.
- BUILDING RELATED: Antonio (Maintenance Department) built and installed a much-needed locker for use by a floating library staff member.