

Beardsley Branch Library April 2024 Monthly Report

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Service Statistics	<p>Number of new library cards: 106 (64A; 1 YA; 41 J) Number of visitors: 4,328 Specific to BHC: n/a</p>	<p>Number of questions answered: 2,855 (412 Reference; 1,971 Other; 472 Technical) Number of interlibrary loans (in/out): 165/137 Number of online database sessions: n/a</p>
Collection Statistics	<p>Adult: 1,375 (16 added in April) Teen: 549 (26 added in April) Children: 2,110 (32 added in April)</p>	<p>A&V materials: 761 (26 added in April) Magazines & Newspapers: 56 (4 added in April) Hot spots: 6 Passes to cultural sites: 3</p>
Circulation Statistics	<p>Adult: 242 Children: 861 Teen: 79 A&V materials: 318 Magazines: 4</p>	<p>Newspapers: (35 in house) Hot spots: 14 Cultural passes: 3 Total circ: 1,674 In-house: 152</p>
Public Internet Usage	<p>Users for the month: tba Total Wifi connections: n/a</p>	
Room Usage:	<p>Room use: Community Room: 6; Collab. Hub: 12; Study Rooms: 69 times; Total Attendance: 190 patrons; Podcast studio use: 4 sessions; 8 recording hours</p>	
Programming Milestones Totals:	<p>11 Digital Navigator (1-1.5hr) sessions 5 PC Classes: 40 patrons 2 Podcast Orientation Sessions: 6 patrons 5 Kids Chess Club Sessions: 45 patrons 4 Drop-in Craft for Kids sessions: 103 patrons Class Visits: Capital Prep Harbor School: 35 students Class Visit: Beardsley School: 42 students Free Tree Giveaway collab. With Neighborhood Forest: 120 patrons</p>	
Staff Development	<p>3/20 Anna attended the Circulation Desk Spanish (PCI Webinar) 4/24 Andre attended the Teen Behavior in the Library (PCI Webinar)</p>	

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Highlights

- In April, we've started having first patrons using the Podcast Studio #1. Four patrons reserved their studio time in April for two hours of each. In addition, we had six patrons attending podcast orientation sessions.
- PROGRAMMING: In April, we held five computer classes with total of 40 attendees. The topics were: Microsoft PowerPoint; Introduction to Firefox; Microsoft Excel; File and Password Management; and Introduction to WordPress.
- PROGRAMMING: Beardsley Branch celebrated its first birthday on Saturday, April 20th. Our young patrons came for storytime, craft and a birthday cake. Throughout the day patrons could participate in Earth Day drop-in craft and a library scavenger hunt to win prizes.
- During Earth Week, in collaboration with the Neighborhood Forest organization, the library gave out 130 tree seedlings to patrons.
- In April, we held a class visit from Beardsley School; we had forty-two 2nd graders visiting the library on April 12th. Since Beardsley School is located about a 15-minute walking distance from the library, the students were excited that they could walk here.
- Jada Vermont has started a Library Assistant I – part time position on April 22, 2024. She has been going through various training and have started working at the information desk.
- Elvis Molina had passed all the requirements to become the Notary Public for the branch. Our patrons are pleased that free notary services can be re-launched from Beardsley again.
- Andre has joined Adam in creating a podcast episode for the Library's Bridgeport Unmasked Podcast.
- COLLECTION: Since picture books are the most popular circulating item, we have been ordering duplicates of many popular children's titles.
- BOOK DISPLAYS IN APRIL: Financial Literacy Month; All About Podcasting and Media.
- SUCCESSES: Overall, April was a busiest month so far; we had over 4,300 visitors, and as of May 6, total of eleven 5-star reviews on Google.