

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Beardsley Branch Library March 2024 Monthly Report

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Service Statistics	<p>Number of new library cards: 48 (37 A; 1 YA; 10 J)</p> <p>Number of visitors: 3,382</p> <p>Specific to BHC: n/a</p>	<p>Number of questions answered: 2,187 (173 Reference; 1,534 Other; 480 Technical)</p> <p>Number of interlibrary loans (in/out): 148/139</p> <p>Number of online database sessions: n/a</p>
Collection Statistics	<p>Adult:1,388 (18 added in March)</p> <p>Teen: 542 (8 added in March)</p> <p>Children:2,063(13 added in March)</p>	<p>A&V materials: 728(90 added in March)</p> <p>Magazines & Newspapers:52 (1 added in March)</p> <p>Hot spots: 6</p> <p>Passes to cultural sites: 3</p>
Circulation Statistics	<p>Adult: 224</p> <p>Children: 778</p> <p>Teen: 82</p> <p>A&V materials: 285</p> <p>Magazines: 3</p>	<p>Newspapers: (35 in house)</p> <p>Hot spots: 11</p> <p>Cultural passes: 5</p> <p>Total circ: 1,395</p> <p>In-house: 82</p>
Public Internet Usage	<p>Users for the month: 665</p> <p>Total Wifi connections: n/a</p>	
Room Usage:	<p>Room use: Community Room:4; Collab. Hub: 9; Study Rooms: 77 times; Total Attendance: 226 patrons</p>	
Programming Milestones Totals:	<p>9 Digital Navigator (1-1.5hr) sessions</p> <p>4 PC Classes: 40 patrons</p> <p>1 Podcast Orientation Sessions: 2 patrons</p> <p>4 Kids Chess Club Sessions: 29 patrons</p> <p>4 Drop-in Craft for Kids sessions: 77 patrons</p> <p>Essential Oils Event with Ms.Larkin: 13 patrons</p> <p>Free Tree Giveaway collab. With Neighborhood Forest: 120 patrons</p>	<p>4 Book Buddies Storytime: 58 patrons</p> <p>1 Microbit for Kids/Teens: 5 patrons</p> <p>1 Adult Craft Class: Easter Eggs: 13 patrons</p> <p>St. Patrick's Day Storytime&Craft: 28 patrons</p> <p>2 Class Visits: Big Dreams Daycare: 21 children</p>
Staff Development	<p>3/20 Anna attended the Circulation Desk Spanish (PCI Webinar)</p> <p>3/12 Andre attended the Adult Programming and LGBTQ Roundtable</p>	

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Highlights

- In the middle of March, we've made the Podcast Studio #1 available to the public. Patrons can now reserve a podcast studio recording session to create their own podcast. All information about this service has been posted to the library website. In addition, we've increased a number of podcast studio orientation sessions per month and the patrons are thrilled.
- PROGRAMMING: Besides podcast orientation sessions, we've continued with our ongoing programs such as weekly Computer Classes, Chess classes, Saturday storytime, monthly MicroBit program, and more. In March, we held four weekly computer classes with total of 40 attendees. The topics were: Internet Safety; Artificial Intelligence; Microsoft Word and Intro to Typing. The most attended computer class was the Artificial Intelligence class with 15 patrons in attendance.
- Anna has been collaborating with Neighborhood Forest, a nonprofit organization, that gives away trees for children to plant. In less than two weeks, 113 people from our community registered for 120 tree seedlings. The tree distribution will take place at the Beardsley Branch, the week of April 22nd.
- Elvis Molina has accepted a full time LA1 position on March 18th.
- COLLECTION: We have been receiving new DVDs, which shows in an incline of DVDs circulation in March.
- BOOK DISPLAYS IN FEBRUARY: Easter/Ramadan/St. Patrick's Day; Women's History Month.
- BUILDING RELATED: Maintenance team assisted us with sound proofing the doors in podcast studios and installing an "On Air" signs and other tools to have the podcast studios running.
- ISSUES/CONCERNS: We've observed that there might be an after-hour activity behind the building when the library is closed. An additional lighting and possibility adding a camera was proposed to make the area safer in evening/night hours.
- SUCCESSES: Overall, March was a great month; we had over 3,300 visitors, and as of April 12, total of ten 5-star reviews on Google.