

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Beardsley Branch Library February 2025

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Service Statistics	<p>Number of new library cards: 44 (32 A; 10 J; 2 YA) Number of visitors: 3,828</p> <p>Number of questions answered: 2,799 (209 Reference, 823 Technical, 1,767 Other)</p>		
Collection Statistics	<p>Collection Size: 6,899 Total Added: 123</p>		
Circulation Statistics	<p>Total Circ: 1,369 In-house: 87</p>		
Public Internet Usage	<p>Users for the month: 715 Total Wifi connections: n/a</p>		
Room Usage	<p>Community Room: 6 times; Collaboration Hub: 53 times; Study Rooms: 81 times; Total Attendance: 282 patrons Podcast Studios: 3 recording sessions, 6 studio hours</p>		
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Other Services	<p>Digital Navigator (1-1.5hr): 8 sessions Notary Public: 23 sessions; 50 notarized documents LuxerOne Pickup Locker: 8 deliveries</p>		
Outreach	<p>2/27 Anna and Elvis attended a parent night event at Park City Magnet School</p>		
Staff Development	<p>2/19 Andre attended Access and Agency: Welcoming the Disabled Community at Public Libraries webinar 2/26 Phil attended an Introduction to 3D Printing in person training at Burroughs-Saden 2/28 Phil attended the Tools of the Trade: Tech Tools That Make Your Work Easy Webinar</p>		

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- Since the weather persisted, February was filled with fun programs and events for all ages. From the Take Your Child to the Library Day to our ongoing computer classes, patrons came and enjoyed staying cozy and warm at our library branch.
- COLLECTION: New titles have been arriving, and we are periodically weeding out older ones; a few items are sent to other library locations, while the rest are sent to Burroughs-Saden.
- PROGRAMMING: We held four computer classes with 21 attendees. The topics were: Internet Safety; MS Word; MS Excel, and Canva.
- PROGRAMMING: On Saturday, March 1st, we celebrated Take Your Child to the Library Day. The visitors could participate in various activities throughout the day; from attending a morning or afternoon storytime, to taking part in a library scavenger hunt, making a special bookmark, and much more!
- PROGRAMMING: Our new Microbit Robotics program has been well received. We had 21 patrons attend this free program, designed for children ages: 8-15. Phil and Elvis, the lead instructors for the program, design a lesson plan for each monthly session, so the kids have always something to look forward to and something new to learn every time they attend.
- SERVICES: Notary services at Beardesley have become highly used by the community. Elvis, our notary public at the location, conducted 23 notary sessions and notarized 50 documents.
- SERVICES: Our Digital Navigator Phil met with eight patrons for hour long one-on-one sessions. Common technology topics that he is frequently requested to assist with include resume creation, Excel, job applications, artificial intelligence, and more.
- BOOK DISPLAYS IN FEBRUARY: Black History Month; Valentine's Day.
- BUILDING RELATED: The Maintenance Dept. has assisted us with multiple projects in the building, from replacing light fixtures and electrical outlets to painting and refurbishing a bookshelf given by Burroughs-Saden's children's department. We are grateful that our often time-sensitive requests are always addressed.
- Librarians are already planning programs and events for the spring and summer, and the staff is definitely looking forward to warmer weather.