

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Beardsley Branch Library January 2025

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Service Statistics	<p>Number of new library cards: 74 (12 A; 17 J; 6 YA) Number of visitors: 3,921</p> <p>Number of questions answered: 2,177 (189 Reference, 463 Technical, 1,525 Other)</p>		
Collection Statistics	<p>Collection Size: 6,731 Total Added: 144</p>		
Circulation Statistics	<p>Total Circ: 1,387 In-house: 176</p>		
Public Internet Usage	<p>Users for the month: 813 users; 91 unique clients Total Wifi connections: n/a</p>		
Room Usage	<p>Community Room: 6 times; Collaboration Hub: 36 times; Study Rooms: 84 times; Total Attendance: 276 patrons Podcast Studios: 2 recording sessions, 8 studio hours</p>		
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Other Services	<p>Digital Navigator (1-1.5hr): 4 sessions Notary Public: 26 sessions; 41 notarized documents LuxerOne Pickup Locker: 10 deliveries</p>		
Outreach	<p>1/6 Anna and Ana attended the Three Kings Day celebration event at Luis Munoz Marin School (145 patrons stopped by at our table)</p>		
Staff Development	<p>1/13 Anna viewed the Understanding the Implications of the November 2024 Elections for Libraries presentation</p>		

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- January was filled with bustling activity, with patrons attending new year programs, checking out books for winter reading, and using our meeting rooms for study, meetings, workshops, and more.
- COLLECTION: We've been ordering new titles and are looking forward to having the 2024-25 collection on the shelves.
- PROGRAMMING: We held three computer classes with 10 attendees. The topics were: Intro to Typing; Google Chrome and All About Emails.
- PROGRAMMING: Besides our ongoing weekly and monthly programming, we held two crochet classes for adults, with an attendance of 27 patrons. Victoria, our LA1, is the lead instructor for the class.
- PROGRAMMING: In January, we've launched a new Microbit Robotics programs, designed for children ages: 8-15. Since we were able to purchase Microbits and robotics equipment with our programming budget, the program incurs no additional cost because it is lead by our staff members, Phil and Elvis.
- BOOK DISPLAYS IN JANUARY: New Year Resolutions; Explore Biographies!
- OUTREACH: On January 6th, Anna and Ana attended the Three Kings Day event at Luis Munoz Marin Elementary School. We estimate that about 145 people stopped by our table, which was set up with library goodies and promotional materials. We were even able to create 14 new library cards!
- 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.
- CONCERNS: With the increase in the number of visitors, we've seen a rise in incidents at the branch. In addition to minor episodes, a few incidents have even led to patrons being arrested by the police. Some of our staff have expressed concerns, especially when the part-time security guard (26 hours per week) is absent, given the building is open 50 hours a week. We hope this changes in the future, potentially increasing security hours at our location.
- SUCCESSES: Each month we've seen a large number of the Community Room and Collaboration Hub bookings, but our most reserved spaces are the study rooms. Our patrons and local organizations have expressed satisfaction with the spaces we offer for meetings, workshops, study groups, and more.