

Beardsley Branch Library July 2025

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Service Statistics	Number of new library cards: 91 (63 A; 22 J; 6 YA) Number of visitors: 4,459 Number of questions answered: 2,416 (210 Reference, 490 Technical, 1,716 Other)
Collection Statistics	Collection Size: 7,047 Total Added: 112
Circulation Statistics	Total Circ: 1,634 In-house: 239
Public Internet Usage	Users for the month: 843 Total Wifi connections: n/a
Room Usage	Community Room: 5 times; Collaboration Hub: 55 times; Study Rooms: 113 times; Total Attendance: 285 patrons Podcast Studios: 9 recording sessions, 18 studio hours
Programming Highlights	4 Computer classes: 12 patrons 2 Podcast Studio orientation: 7 patrons 4 Chess Club for Kids: 37 patrons Microbit Coding Class Kids: 6 patrons Adult Craft Class Picture Frames: 7 patrons Magic Show: 25 patrons Be a Health Scientist: 8 patrons Total programs: Total patrons: 102 patrons
Other Services	Digital Navigator (1-1.5hr): 3 sessions Notary Public: 55 notarized documents; 38 sessions LuxerOne Pickup Locker: 10 deliveries
Outreach	7/13 Elvis participated in the Puerto Rican Parade 2025
Staff Development	7/9-7/10 Elvis attended the Microbit Robotics morning trainings at Westport Library 7/18 Anna attended the Digital Media Labs and Production Studios Event via Zoom 7/22 Andre attended: Make the Most of Generative AI for Your Library Work at UConn 7/23 Anna attended: Meetings That Matter: Seven Steps to Running an Effective Meeting via Zoom

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- July is a great month for any public library: patrons can cool off on hot days, catch up on reading, or simply get work done in comfortably air-conditioned spaces when outdoor temperatures soar into the high 90s.
- COLLECTION: We celebrated summer days with a special display of summer related titles, alongside a selection of dog-themed books and humorous reads.
- PROGRAMMING: We held four computer classes with 12 attendees. The topics were: Intro to Excel; All About Emails; Intro to Typing; and a class on free digital library resources.
- PROGRAMMING: Adult patrons could participate in a wine glass painting class, conducted by our LA1, Victoria. We had fourteen patrons attending this relaxing but very creative class.
- PROGRAMMING: The "Be a Health Scientist" class, presented by the Discovery Museum in collaboration with the GSK Science in the Summer program, welcomed eight patrons. A second free session for students in 2nd-6th grade will take place in August.
- SERVICES: Printing and copying services remain among most frequently used services, along with computer assistance and small space room bookings. It's impressive that our two study rooms were used 113 times in July.
- STAFF RELATED: Due to high demand of notary requests, Andre is now serving as an additional notary public for the location. We are grateful to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring the supplies.
- STAFF RELATED: On July 22nd, Andre attended a workshop titled "Make the Most of Generative AI for Your Library Work" at UConn. The all-day event motivated him to write a proposal on how Bridgeport Public Library can benefit from using generative AI both for internal and external use.
- STAFF RELATED: Phu (Phil) On resigned from his Library Assistant I position as of July 7th.
- STAFF RELATED: Big thanks to library staff Kristin Graf, Latara Cohen, Adam Cleri, and Breta Hasimi for helping us with staff coverages in July.
- BUILDING RELATED: In July, we had issues with phone lines for a few days. However, after Voice New England visited and reset the equipment, the phone lines are repaired and have been working well since.
- SUCCESSES: With another notary public on site, Elvis and Andre conducted 38 notary sessions, with a combined total of 55 notarized documents.

Respectfully submitted,

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