

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Beardsley Branch Library May 2025

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Service Statistics	Number of new library cards: 37 (25 A; 9 J; 3 YA) Number of visitors: 4,051	Number of questions answered: 2,188 (158 Reference, 610 Technical, 1,420 Other)
Collection Statistics	Collection Size: 6,837 Total Added: 78	
Circulation Statistics	Total Circ: 1,394 In-house: 123	
Public Internet Usage	Users for the month: 789 Total Wifi connections: n/a	
Room Usage	Community Room: 4 times; Collaboration Hub: 40 times; Study Rooms: 97 times; Total Attendance: 235 patrons Podcast Studios: 7 recording sessions, 14 studio hours	
Programming Highlights	4 Computer classes: 26 patrons 2 Podcast Studio orientations: 3 patrons 3 Chess Club for Kids: 26 patrons Microbit Coding Class Kids: 8 patrons	3 Book Buddies Storytime: 21 patrons Adult Craft Class: 9 patrons Teen Gaming: 12 patrons Total programs: 17 Total patrons: 107 patrons
Other Services	Digital Navigator (1-1.5hr): 6 sessions Notary Public: 56 notarized documents; 35 sessions LuxerOne Pickup Locker: 7 deliveries	
Outreach	n/a	
Staff Development	5/28 Anna and Ana attended the Acorn App webinar, offered by Bibliomation 5/7 Andre attended the Simplify Your Production with Pearl webinar by Epiphan	

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- May is a great month to dive into our new collection and attend fun programs and events at the library. It's also the time when librarians begin planning one of the year's most anticipated events- the Summer Reading Program!
- COLLECTION: For the first time since we've opened, the librarians have begun weeding the adult nonfiction section. Some titles were sent to the branches, and a few were donated to the Friends of the Library.
- PROGRAMMING: We held four computer classes with 26 attendees. The topics were: Introduction to PowerPoint; Library Digital Resources; Internet Safety; and a class on Microsoft Edge. The most attended was the class on free library resources, where the instructors, Andre and Phil, taught about Hoopla, Kanopy, and Morningstar Investing database.
- PROGRAMMING: The 'Chess for Kids' on Mondays has been gaining popularity. We've even relocated the program to the community room to offer the children more space to spread out and focus on the game.
- BOOK DISPLAYS IN MAY: Memorial Day and Mental Health Month.
- STAFF RELATED:
- Elvis assisted for full day coverage at the Black Rock Branch and helped out at the Newfield Branch for a few hours on a Saturday in May.
- Anna assisted with getting Dinormous, a new marketing firm, on board, by facilitating future communication and content sharing between the firm and the library team.
- By the end of May, Luis Rodriguez had paused helping us with Wednesday and Thursday coverage due to his temporarily relocation to the North Branch. For now, a staff member from Burroughs-Saden will cover Luis's shift at least on Thursdays, so the building can remain open two full days a week.
- CONCERNS: We've been having issues with the bicycle lockers outside. We've observed that some patrons don't return us the key, and a few keys are already missing, so certain lockers are unusable. For the next fiscal year, we plan to request the purchase of traditional bicycle racks.
- SUCCESSES: Beardsley's Notary Public, Elvis, notarized 56 documents in May. We are glad that patrons find this free service valuable.