



Beardsley Branch Library May 2026

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Service Statistics	<p>Number of new library cards: 51 (43 A; 7 J; 1 YA) Number of visitors: 4,825</p> <p>Number of questions answered: 2,223 (299 Reference, 470 Technical, 1,454 Other)</p>								
Collection Statistics	<p>Collection Size: 7,810 Total Added: 192</p>								
Circulation Statistics	<p>Total Circ: 1,258 In-house: 111</p>								
Public Internet Usage	<p>Total uses: 784</p>								
Room Usage	<p>Community Room: 14 times; Collaboration Hub: 110 times; Study rooms: 167 times, Total attendance: 581 Podcast Studios: 9 recording sessions; 18 hours</p>								
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Other Services	<p>Digital Navigator (1-1.5hr.): 2 Notary: 48 notarized documents; 40 sessions Luxer One Pickup Locker: 8 deliveries</p>								
Outreach	<p>n/a</p>								
Staff Development	<p>May - Juan DePara has completed training in circulation and reference services, assigned by the Branch Manager</p>								

- **PROGRAMMING:** We held three computer classes with nine patrons attending. The topics were: Introduction to Typing; MS Word; and All About Mobile Phones class.
- **PROGRAMMING:** On May 16, we hosted a presentation by Dr. Naumec on the *Revolutionary Battle of Ridgefield*, officially kicking off our America 250 programming at Beardsley.
- **PROGRAMMING:** On May 28, we held a wine-glass painting class, which was attended by twenty-two attendees - a great turnout. Our LA1, Victoria, led the program.
- **PROGRAMMING:** City of Bridgeport and Social Services Department conducted a Narcan training workshop at Beardsley, which showed high interest among our patrons.
- **PROGRAMMING:** Librarians have been busy planning for America 250 and our upcoming Summer Reading events. We want to offer a diverse range of programs and activities for all ages, while also providing fun and engaging opportunities for the community to enjoy during the hot summer months.
- **COMMUNITY ROOM USE:** In May, many community groups used the community room. Besides the library's ongoing programs in the room, 14 outside groups use the space. From educational workshops and various presentations to meetings, the community room was fully utilized throughout the month.
- **COLLECTION:** We featured Memorial Day and Mother's Day book displays in the main area of the library. We have also begun receiving new materials from Brodart at a steady pace. We are hopeful that all ordered items will be delivered by the end of the fiscal year.
- **OUTREACH:** Andre and Anna have met with the director of Bridgeport Rescue Mission and discussed teaching computer classes at their location.
- **STAFF RELATED:** Our new part-time LA1, Juan DePara, has been trained in customer service, circulation, and reference services. In addition, he has taken over the Microbit Robotics program alongside Jada, and has replaced Elvis as the instructor for the Monday Chess Club.
- **STAFF RELATED:** Burroughs-Saden librarian Adam Cleri has been assisting with staff coverage on our two extended-hour days: Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- **BUILDING RELATED:** Anna has been working closely with Library Maintenance Manager David Otero on a few repair projects, including repairing interior and exterior lighting, installing a bike rack, and other necessary projects.