

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Beardsley Branch Library November 2025

Submitted by: Anna Knorovska, Branch Manager

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Service Statistics	Number of new library cards: 38 (23 A; 12 J; 3 YA) Number of visitors: 3,443	Number of questions answered: 2,101 (289 Reference, 421 Technical, 1,391 Other)
Collection Statistics	Collection Size: 7,491 Total Added: 57	
Circulation Statistics	Total Circ: 1,421 In-house: 139	
Public Internet Usage	Total uses: 711	
Room Usage	Community Room: 7 times; Collaboration Hub: 52 times; Study Rooms: 87 times; Total Attendance: 279 patrons Podcast Studios: 6 recording sessions, 16 studio hours	
Programming Highlights	3 Computer classes: 6 patrons 2 Podcast Studio orientation: 7 patrons 3 Chess Club for Kids: 17 patrons Halloween Program for Kids: 38 patrons	2 Book Buddies Storytime: 11 patrons 3 English Conversation Group: 10 patrons Psychic Medium Event: 13 patrons Total programs: 25 Total patrons: 231 patrons
Other Services	Digital Navigator (1-1.5hr): 2 sessions Notary Public: 45 notarized documents; 28 sessions LuxerOne Pickup Locker: 7 deliveries	
Outreach	n/a	
Staff Development	11/5 Anna attended Creating Thriving Workplaces: Mental Health & Well-being Webinar by Niche Academy	

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- As the holiday season approached, **November** was a fun month at the library. We celebrated Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving, and Native American Heritage Month with many great books on displays – highlighting titles for cozy autumn nights.
- **PROGRAMMING:** We held three computer classes taught by Andre, with six attendees. The topics were: Introduction to Typing; Take a Photo with Your Smartphone and a class on online shopping.
- **PROGRAMMING:** On November 1st, we held our Halloween event, which included storytime with a special craft and a library scavenger hunt, completed by spinning a prize wheel for candy and prizes. The event turned out well. Many happy patrons attended; many still in their Halloween costumes.
- **TECH:** Brian Remigio arranged for the new copier replacement, which was installed last month.
- **TECH:** We've been working closely with Brian and his team to replace several PC towers and get them running in the adult PC area. In addition, we are awaiting updated scanner wands that are compatible with the library app, and we are also discussing acquiring Adobe Creative Cloud software for podcast editing in Podcast Studios.
- **COLLECTION:** Due to BPL's book distributor shutdown, the collection has suffered from a lack of new titles. With a new distributor in place, we hope that new books will arrive in the upcoming weeks– just in time for the holidays.
- **STAFF RELATED:** Under the guidance of the Branch Manager, Jada created new library card designs incorporating the new branding elements. The proposal was sent to the library administration.
- **STAFF RELATED:** Starting in November, in addition to our afternoon security guard Nathan, we have a morning guard, Kevin, who covers 3.5 hours each morning. The guard not only makes frequent rounds inside and outside, but also interacts with patrons when needed, which makes the library staff's job much smoother.
- **BUILDING RELATED:** Beardsley has received the newly purchased tables for the community room and the cabinet for the print release station. The furniture has been greatly appreciated by both patrons and library staff.
- **BUILDING RELATED:** David Otero has been proactively working on getting quotes to have the building's carpet cleaned, so that the building looks presentable and as great as it did on the day we opened.
- **BUILDING RELATED:** We were able to order a new traditional bike rack to have it placed in place of the box-type lockers. We can't wait to have it installed.
- **BEARDSLEY:** We have partnered with Replenish Project Inc. and are one of their drop-off locations for the Christmas Coat, Food, and Toy Drive. We've seen many patrons generously donating items to help those less fortunate this holiday season.

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Respectfully submitted,

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