

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

BLACK ROCK BRANCH

November 2023 Monthly Report

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| Service Statistics | New library cards: TOTAL 50 (23 A, 0 YA, 27 J) Number of visitors: 1,421 Number of online database sessions: n/a | Questions answered: 309 (116 Ref, 122 Other, 71 Technical Assistance) Number of interlibrary loans (in/out): 265/326 |
| Collection Statistics | Adult: 16556 (26 added) Teen: 1968 (1 added) Children: 16126 (95 added) | A&V materials: 8269 (1 added) Magazines & Newspapers: 621 (40 added) Hotspots: 30 (0 added) TOTAL: 43607 (163 added and 526 withdrawn) |
| Circulation Statistics | Adult: 460 plus 17 in-house use Teen: 34 plus 3 in-house use Children: 582 plus 134 in-house use | A&V materials: 415 plus 3 in-house use Magazines & Newspapers: 30 plus 0 in-house use Hot spots: 7 Cultural passes: 2 TOTALS 1530 plus 157 in-house use |
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| <p>Programming Milestones TOTALS: Programs: 16 Attendance: 22 children/24 adults Room use: 3 Attendance: 33 (approx)</p> | <p>In-house programs: Ongoing Programming: 4 Notary appt's: 6 adults 4 Weekly Craft: 14 Children/8 Adults 5 Story Times: 8 Child/6 Adults 0 Genealogy 1:1's: # 0 5 Computer 1:1's: 7 adults 1 Adult Group Computer Class: 1 adult 1 Adult Book club: 1 adult 1 Adult Craft Group: 1 1 Adult Game Club: 0 3 Teen Crafts: 0 One-Off Programming: Mohegan Tribe Presentation: 7 Adults Outreach Events and Activities: Bryant Class Visit, 3rd Grade: 42 Children/ 5 Adults (approx)</p> | |
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Highlights

Adult Services

Collections - Weeding and purchasing continues.

Programs

We recently started hosting computer group classes for adults. We are working out how to best coordinate the computer 1:1's we offer with our new group classes; one format sometimes is better for a patron's needs than the other and we want to smoothly transition them from one to the other when appropriate.

Outreach and Networking- No adult outreach this month

Concerns:

We do struggle to get patrons to attend our programs, but we are not et concerned about this as we only started programming about 2 months ago. We are taking notes on what patrons are looking for as well, to consider in the new year.

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Collections

Weeding has slowed; our emphasis now is on updating our collections. This includes replacing the many older nonfiction titles we own, as well as completing popular series collections which lack volumes for any reason.

Programs

Our Teen programs are still struggling as we get no attendance, but our children's programs remain generally robust. Our story times are very small; in the new year we plan to reach out to local daycares/nurseries for preschool class trips, and I want to start creating some sort of email list specifically for our pre-k teacher and parent crowd.

Outreach and Networking

We were finally able to have our visit with Bryant School. Trina and I toured, made crafts, and told stories with 42-ish 3rd graders and their chaperones. The kids must have very much enjoyed themselves as their teacher told me they could not stop talking about us after they left!

Concerns:

No major concerns for this month.

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