

# BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

## Branch - Newfield Month Year – July 2024

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Service Statistics	Number of new library cards: <b>18</b> Number of visitors: <b>3082</b>	Number of questions answered: <b>530</b> Reference: <b>97</b> Technical: <b>75</b> Other: <b>358</b>																																													
Collection Statistics	Collection Size: <b>37,525</b> Total Added: <b>558</b>																																														
Circulation Statistics	Total Circ: <b>1986</b> In-house: <b>1152</b>																																														
Public Internet Usage	Users for the month: <b>517</b> Total Wifi connections: <b>72</b>																																														
Room Usage	Room: Bookings, Attendance <b>35                      232</b>																																														
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Other Services	Digital Navigator: <b>2</b> Notary: <b>4</b> Passport: <b>N/A</b>
Outreach	Date, Event, Approx. # of people reached <b>N/A</b>
Staff Development	<b>N/A</b>

Music Together classes have ended for the summer. We ended with a beach themed music class which was well received. Patrons have been asking if class will resume in the fall and unfortunately, we do not know at this time. We were fortunate enough to provide the program through partnership with the Dunbar Family Resource Center. They currently are without a program coordinator, but we are looking into other options.

Little Readers Storytime is continuing to draw new patrons. The Raphola YMCA summer camp has been regularly visiting the library multiple times a day, several times a week. We are their "literary block" and the campers truly make use of the Children's room and its collection.

Our self-directed programs in the teen room, Board Games, specifically Game Day, and coloring sheets have maintained strong participation since summer began; with most days having at least 7-10 teens in the teen room.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop of our self-care mini series for summer reading, adult patrons learn about the benefits of crystals and how to incorporate them into their living spaces. Patrons also assembled their own terrarium using small plants, soil, and small assorted crystal chips.

There has been an uptake in homelessness in the area causing concerns for local businesses in the community. Parents and families have been complaining to business owners about walking through people sleeping, and having all their belongings on the ground blocking entranceways and walkways. We have had the same issue here at the library. After speaking with the library's social worker, and the YMCA program director, we were able to contact Operation Hope, and the police department (with their own social worker) to come out to speak with them and try to get them some help.

