

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Branch - Newfield October – 2025

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Service Statistics	Number of new library cards: 28 Number of visitors: 3,199	Number of questions answered: 312 Reference: 62 Technical: 42 Other: 208																																																																		
Collection Statistics	Collection Size: 36,968 Total Added: 72																																																																			
Circulation Statistics	Total Circ: 981 In-house: 81																																																																			
Public Internet Usage	Env. Users for the month: 768 Total WIFI connections: 86																																																																			
Room Usage	Community Room: 2 Conference Room: 11 Study Room: 24 Total Attendance: 150 est.																																																																			
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Outreach	Date, Event, Approx. # of people reached: <i>n/a</i>																																																																			
Staff/Professional Development	<i>10/02 – Policy Committee Meeting; AY</i> <i>10/16 – II’s & III’s Meeting; NE, AY</i> <i>10/22 – CLC Webinar How to deal with ideas not panning out; HP</i> <i>10/29 – Collection Dev. Meeting; NE, AY</i>																																																																			

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Youth Services

October was a lively and engaging month at the library! We celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month with an afternoon game of *Lotería*, a traditional Mexican-style bingo. Italian Heritage Month was also recognized with a special teen event, *Pasta Bingo*. Although attendance was modest, the teens who participated had a wonderful time and enjoyed learning about different types of pasta they hadn't known before. Our *Music Together* classes resumed this month after a brief summer break, and patrons were excited to return. Despite rainy weather on the evening of our Halloween party, we still had a great turnout. Families enjoyed crafts, games, and festive treats, making it a fun and memorable event for all.

Patron Engagement & Programs:

- Music Together
- Teen & Children's Bingo: Lotería, Pasta Bingo in celebration of Hispanic Heritage and Italian Heritage month.
- Annual Halloween Party

Collection Maintenance: Weeding of J and Teen collections continues.

Adult Services

October was a relatively quiet month for circulation. Requests for use of the public meeting room were also lower than usual. Halloween decorations and displays were well-received and enjoyed by visitors. Many neighborhood patrons continue to express surprise that the library has been open for three years, and several have suggested adding clearer signage and improved exterior lighting to increase visibility at night.

Patron Engagement & Programs:

- **Drop-in Tech** Help sessions continue to serve a steady number of patrons each week, reflecting ongoing community interest in one-on-one technology support. (Held Tuesdays at 11am and 4pm)
- **Thrive and Connect Series with Nellie** is a supportive space to build skills and thrive through life's everyday challenges. This month's series topics included
 - Greif & Growth
 - Gratitude & Growth
 - Resource Hour: Ask a Social Worker
 - Support Circle: Caring for the Care Giver

Collection Maintenance: Weeding of the Adult NF, FIC, and PB collection continues.

Community Partnerships

M&T Bank presented a check donation to the Library in support of a new esports program. This contribution reflects M&T's ongoing commitment to community development and youth engagement through innovative learning opportunities. Over the past two years, M&T Bank has partnered with the Newfield Library to provide financial literacy workshops and resources to local residents, helping to strengthen financial knowledge and community connections. The new donation builds on this successful partnership, supporting the library's efforts to expand educational and recreational programs for area youth.

