

# BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

## North Branch November 2022 Monthly Report

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Service Statistics	<p>New library cards: 45 (35 A, 1 YA, 9 J)          Number of visitors: 2,194          Number of online database sessions: n/a</p>	<p>Questions answered: 5,010          (2,579 Ref, 2,257 Other, 174 Technical Assistance)          Number of interlibrary loans (in/out): 180/465</p>
Collection Statistics	<p>Adult: 49,140 (36 added in November)          Teen: 4,701 (5 added in November)          Children: 38,010 (170 added in November)</p>	<p>A&amp;V materials: 13,916 (29 added in November)          Magazines &amp; Newspapers: 1,648 (85 added in November)          TOTAL: 107,415 (325 added and 211 withdrawn in November)</p>
Circulation Statistics	<p>Adult: 1,242 plus 169 inhouse use          Teen: 78 plus 30 inhouse use          Children: 1,307 plus 570 inhouse use          Hotspots: 27</p>	<p>A&amp;V materials: 413 plus 1 inhouse use          Magazines &amp; Newspapers: 42 plus 9 inhouse use          TOTAL 3,109 (40.46% of total BPL circ) plus 779 inhouse use.          GRAND TOTAL: 3,888</p>
Public Internet Usage	<p>Users for the month: 471          WIFI use: 1,105</p>	

<p>Programming Milestones          TOTALS:          95 programs          Attendance:          913          4 Room use:          Attendance:          36          GRAND TOTAL:          949</p>	<p>Inhouse programs:          25 Digital Navigator interactions: 50          1 Intro to Mindfulness: 4          1 First T Home Buyers: 35          4 Vaccination clinics: 84          2 Little Bears Storytime: 50          1 Monthly study room use: 67          13 Notary appt's: 29          3 Explorers Club: 10          4 LITT Mixed Chess: 12          1 Thanksgiving family craft: 12          3 Team STEAM: 36          2 Forest Bathing: 5</p>	<p>5 Mahjonnig: 28          1 AARP Safe Drive: 7          1 Lawyers in Lib's: 11          1 Recovery Network: 6          2 St A Class V: 48          2 JW Class V: 45          4 Yoga: 28</p>	<p>Virtual programs:          4 Mindfulness: 24          1 Adult Book Discussion: 15          1 Tellebration: 7          Outreach:          1 Watermark Book Discussion: 15          1 Virtual Set the Stage: 10          Other:          11 COVID testing (Attendance estimated): 275</p>
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Staff Development, meetings other than the usual, etc.

Bina: Caldecott Committee work  
Paula: Winthrop School Governance Council

## Highlights

"When I was young, we couldn't afford much. But, my library card was my key to the world."

—John Goodman

November was a good month. Progress was made on several housekeeping projects such as relabeling worn call numbers on the picture books (Debbie Stanley was instrumental in making this happen), weeding and shifting to make more room for foreign language materials, and shelving the backlog of returns (especially circ staff). Monika Anton was and is extra busy juggling Digital Navigator and Notary Public appointments. Giving thanks for being able to celebrate holidays by gathering with others was a big part of the Branch displays for November.

Programs live, remote, inside and outside did well (see the list!). Central High student Iris Rivera has started a weekly Team STEAM Club that is growing in popularity. For ages 5-11, kids learn engineering principles with hands-on building projects using cardboard pieces and connectors. Our regular programs did well, although we plan more and varied outreach to attract more kids to our Chess program and Explorer's Club.

Bina has been busy evaluating picture books for the upcoming Caldecott awards. She writes that there are so many great ones, it will be hard to decide!

There has not been any noticeable solar project activity since the panel delivery in September. The outside landscaping work is almost finished. Inappropriate use of the less public parking areas remains a concern. The cold weather has helped with this problem.

Looking forward to an active December!