

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Burroughs/Technical Services Oct. 2022 Monthly Report

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Service Statistics	Number of active cards: 12,432
Collection Statistics	Total collection number: 565,163
	In House use: 1,358

Highlights

For the month of October

Technical Services staff continues to work on the magazine project, shifting in the stacks, preparing materials for Beardsley Branch and work on backlog of library materials.

I attended the following meetings via ZOOM and in person: Federal Government Documents, 3 days conference (ZOOM); Met with Conn. State Library Government Documents Coordinator. (ZOOM); CT Libraries & Partners for Digital Equity program with ALA Executive Directory Tracie Hall, Hartford Public Library (in person); SCSU ILS Dept. Curriculum Committee, monthly meeting (internship, Government Documents, new courses); Baker & Taylor monthly meeting on new features and update on the cyber attack; Bibliomation Circulation meeting for

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Bibliomation libraries who work the Circulation desk; Yankee Courier (supplement library materials delivery service) update on service problems and concerns; ALA EMERT Nomination Committee meeting

Outreach Committee:

The Outreach Committee ended its summer participation at the Farmer's Market the first week in Oct. We were able to talk to a lot of residents about our services and to meet a lot of community organizations.

We attended MIRA Resource Fair that was held at City Hall Annex.

The Digital Navigator Pilot Program launched at Bridgeport Public Library Oct. 1, 2022. In Conn. There is such a need for all residents to have the ability to afford internet services and to have devices that will help them in securing a job, obtaining health care and ability to reach out to family members. In Bridgeport many are not able to do such, there is a digital divide in certain population and that divide is widening daily. Many libraries in Conn. And across the nation have implemented various programs to address this divide. Bridgeport library realize that there is a need among the people they service to provide resources that will help with what they need; besides one-on-one, a device to practice on for a couple of months, free of charge. Over 140 residents have signed up for this program. Each branch has someone on staff who is part of the Digital Navigator program. The staff works around their duties and schedule residents for a least a 1hour session for how many sessions the residents desired. This program will run until the end of June 2023

Total number of items added 736; total number withdrawn 1,136

Branch name, total collection count (added/withdrawn)

Black Rock 46,576 (74/421) Burroughs 326,376 (241/597);

East Side 48,336 (91/6); Newfield 35,853 (93/73);

North 108,022 (237/39)