

**DATE:** October 2, 2025

**TO:** Library Board, Pima County Public Library  
Pima County Board of Supervisors  
Pima County Administration  
Friends of the Pima County Public Library, Board of Directors  
Friends of the Arivaca Library, Board of Directors  
Friends of the Esmond Station Library, Board of Directors  
Friends of the Kirk-Bear Canyon Library, Board of Directors  
Friends of the Oro Valley Public Library, Board of Directors  
Friends of the Pima-Green Valley Library, Board of Directors  
Pima Library Foundation, Board of Directors

**FROM:** Tess Mayer  
County Librarian

**SUBJECT: Director' Report – September 2025**

County Librarian Mayer has truly appreciated the warm and welcoming reception to Pima County Public Library on the part of Library staff and many others in the community. It has been a joy to get to know some of her colleagues a little better and learn about the current state of the Library.

The Deputy Directors scheduled four regional meetings designed to facilitate opportunities for staff around the County to participate in meet-and-greets with County Librarian Mayer. The first of these took place at Valencia Branch and Mayer looks forward to the others in October. Mayer will also be meeting with each of the managers individually as well as visiting branches to get to know staff and the communities they serve. Mayer visited Valencia, Quincie Douglas, Sam Lena-South Tucson, Woods Memorial, and Oro Valley this month. She also participated in a meeting with Main-based staff.

County Librarian Mayer had the opportunity to attend some special events and celebrations this month, including a special storytime visit from Supervisor Cano to the Valencia Branch storytime offered by Children's Librarian Thania. The children and their adults enjoyed the bubbles, activities, stories, and songs. On September 12, local seniors attended the El Grito ceremony and celebration at the El Pueblo Activity Center and Senior Center. Library community engagement staff partnered with El Pueblo/City of Tucson staff on the event, providing the support to expand the event from past iterations, and staffed a table onsite. Guests enjoyed a wonderful children's mariachi performance, dancing and lunch. Library staff produced a beautiful event in honor of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Quincie Douglas Branch. Activities included a talk by Mrs. Doreen Davis, daughter of Quincie Douglas and founder of L.I.F.T.S., a history talk, a dance performance, a health fair, snow cones, and cake!

County Librarian Mayer participated in four conversations with representatives from local media, as well as attended the County's New Hire Passport Orientation which took place over two days at the end of the month. Mayer was excited to attend her first ever meeting of the Board of Directors of the Friends of Pima County Library and was impressed by the size and scale of the Friends' operation.

**Donations: FY2025/2026**

Deposit Date	RECEIVED FROM	AMOUNT	PURPOSE	In Memory of
7/10/25	Friends Of The Pima County Public Library	70,000.00		
7/15/25	Friends of the Kirk Bear Canyon Library	2,500.00	3rd Quarter Donation	
8/5/25	Pamela S Olson	10.01	Systemwide Donation	
8/8/25	Gail M Rourke	30.00	In Memory of Laurie Smith	In Memory of Laurie Smith
8/14/25	Friends Of The Oro Valley Public Library, Inc	8,143.87	April 2025 Donation	
8/14/25	Friends Of The Oro Valley Public Library, Inc	6,009.16	May 2025 Donation	
8/14/25	Friends Of The Oro Valley Public Library, Inc	16,842.04	Donation - Spring Book and Jewelry Sale	
9/3/25	Estate of Edward H. Robb	20,749.14	Donation - final distribution	
9/9/25	Jennifer J. Stewart	150.00	Children's books for the Miller-Golf Links Library	Victoria "Vicki" Detwiler
9/11/25	Ibrahim A Hassan	8.00	Systemwide Donation	
9/17/25	Friends Of The Oro Valley Public Library, Inc	5,760.36	June 2025 Donation	
9/17/25	Friends Of The Oro Valley Public Library, Inc	6,768.10	July 2025 Donation	
9/17/25	Friends Of The Oro Valley Public Library, Inc	7,855.65	August 2025 Donation	
	FY26 Cash/Check/EFT donations:	\$144,826.33		
	FY26 Net PayPal donations:	\$51.46		
	<b>FY26 TOTAL donations as of 8/27/2025:</b>	<b>\$144,877.79</b>		