
DATE: December 4th, 2025

TO: Library Board, Pima County Public Library
Pima County Board of Supervisors
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Friends of the Pima County Public Library, Board of Directors
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Friends of the Esmond Station Library, Board of Directors
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Friends of the Oro Valley Public Library, Board of Directors
Pima Library Foundation, Board of Directors

FROM: Em DeMeester-Lane
Deputy Library Director

SUBJECT: Public Services Report –

Hours and staffing have been the big subjects of this month's work in Public Services. I had opportunities to meet with managers twice to talk about staffing needs and do a deeper dive with them on about restoring hours and getting them the right kind of staff to expand the excellent services our branches deliver each day. My hope is that these more intentional conversations and data-driven look at the community's needs will help us navigate any challenges collaboratively. I've also been meeting with staff stakeholders like the Staff Learning Team to talk more about our new Training and Education Coordinator position and how that position will collaborate with their team to streamline staff training and professional development opportunities. As we wrap up 2025, I'm very excited for what it's store for Public Services in 2026 as we continue to chart a hopeful direction with staffing.

Library Services Manager – Paulina Aguirre-Clinch

This month, my work included a range of administrative, supervisory, and hiring responsibilities.

I attended regularly scheduled meetings for Public Library Services Managers and Branch Managers, as well as one-on-one meetings with the managers I supervise. I also participated in final planning meetings related to Abbett's temporary closure for new carpet and furniture (their last day open to the public will be November 19th), and Mission's upcoming reopening in 2026.

We also had our second meeting to select the top three candidates for the Richard Elias-Mission Library public art project. Our next step will be interviewing the finalists to choose the selected artist. It will probably take about a year and a half to get the final art piece at the library once the artist is selected.

As a hiring manager, I checked in on the interview process for the Community Engagement Manager at Woods Memorial Library and participated in the interview for the Librarian I at El Rio Library. I also served on the interview panel for the Community Engagement Manager position at Valencia Library.

On the administrative side, I completed the first draft of the revised and updated transfer procedures for library staff. It was a productive month.

Library Services Manager – Paula Maez

I have been providing one on one check-ins with all my branch managers (Southwest, Quincy-Douglas, Bear Canyon, Valencia, and Nanini) this month and have helped at some of the branches to connect with community members but staff at the branches as well. I also have been present to support branch managers during a variety of public services manager meetings and meetings regarding hours and library access systemwide.

Time has also been spent working closely with Human Resources for the Community Engagement Manager position that should be completed within the next week or so. I have also worked closely with the Bear Canyon, Nanini, and Valencia Branch manager in starting the process to fill vacant positions at their libraries.

Lastly, I have been working closely with the Intermittent Task Force committee preparing for future meetings with Page Supervisors and completing general logistical tasks for them.

Library Services Manager – Linde Furman

The primary focus of the last couple months for me has been evaluating safety and security throughout our system and our current processes. I have been meeting with John Stuckey, our Pima County VetSec guard liaison and Pima County Security Manager. Together, John and I will be doing a large amount of work to streamline safety initiatives across Pima County Public Library locations. John will focus a lot of energy on conducting site assessments for all 27 locations, as well as conducting safety trainings for all locations, in 2026.

I am working very hard on revamping our entire follow-up guidelines system, previously known as suspension guidelines. Final edits of the new product are being made after an extensive review and feedback process and then the document will head to our county legal department for review. Training for all in-charge staff will begin next year and are in-development. A small team of library staff, including myself, Library Services Manager, Paulina Aguirre-Clinch, and Branch Managers Caitlin Burns and Hassael Cazesuz, are developing and will lead the trainings.

I have also worked to partner with local organization Coyote Taskforce so that we can offer Mental Health First Aid training for library staff. The first all-day training will be held in December. I will be looking to add another training next year.

Eckstrom-Columbus Library is thriving. I am proud of the staff working so hard at this location. I have made several recent visits to see them. I had the luxury of spending time with them at their recent Halloween potluck. Branch Manager Perri Pyle planned

Halloween trivia, and we had lots of creepy treats! The location is now well-staffed, and I see staff morale increasing at each visit I make.

Library Services Manager – Vicki Lázaro

I have been providing in-person and Teams video check-ins with the Managers of Murphy-Wilmot, W. Anne Gibson-Esmond Station, Dusenberry-River, Santa Rosa and Flowing Wells Libraries. I helped with desk coverage as needed at Santa Rosa and Golf Links libraries.

Supported the organization by attending and/or participating in multiple meetings with Branch Managers to discuss increased hours access to branches for 2026. I also was a panel advisor for the Prep for Promotion event we had for staff. I also attended virtually or in-person at the Library Advisory Board Meeting, PRIDE Affinity Team, Intermittent Task Force, REFORMA, Nuestras Raices and Public Service Managers Meetings. In addition, I assisted the Human Resources office as the Hiring Manager for the Murphy Wilmot Librarian position, Murphy-Wilmot Librarian 2 position, and Part-time and Full-Time LTA positions. I also supported branches by facilitating staff testing for the Multilingual Pay benefit.

I celebrated our staff by attending a retirement party for a staff person at Murphy Wilmot Library, a birthday potluck for Santa Rosa staff and the Celebratory Tea for Anne Gibson at the W. Anne Gibson-Edmond Station Library.

District 1 – Supervisor Rex Scott, Chair

Dusenberry-River Library – Starling Stone

This month at the Dusenberry-River Branch was filled with creativity, learning, and strong community engagement. We were proud to host the Living River of Words: Youth Arts and Science exhibit, which transformed our meeting room into a celebration of youth poetry, artwork, and reflections on the Santa Cruz River basin. Families continued to enjoy our ongoing youth offerings, with Storytime and Read to a Dog remaining two of our most beloved programs.

Our tween programming was especially lively. The Tween RPG Club continued alternating between Dungeons & Dragons sessions and simple, rules-light one-shots, which helped welcome new players while keeping long-time participants excited.

On November 18, we held a special author event with Kim Bussing, writer of The Princess Swap series. The afternoon included a popular book talk, a take-home “wish jar” craft, and edible wand treats made from decorated pretzel sticks. Participants were thrilled to receive free copies of Princess Swap books, adding to the excitement of the day.

Teens and tweens also took part in the launch of our new Library Influencer Program. Youth demonstrating positive library behavior earned gold stars, which they are using to vote on the theme for the end-of-semester celebration. So far, pizza and a movie are in the lead. The program has been a strong success, encouraging positive interactions while helping staff connect more closely with our young patrons.

Adult programming remained robust as well. Our presentation on Practical Privacy and Safety on the Internet drew a highly engaged audience, with attendees eager to learn more about protecting their personal information. The Master Gardener lecture series continued with a session on planting spring wildflowers, inspiring participants to take notes and begin planning for a colorful spring bloom.

Overall, this month reflected a vibrant mix of educational opportunities, creative expression, and community-building across all age groups.

District 2 – Supervisor Matt Heinz

Eckstrom-Columbus Library – Perri Pyle

Columbus has been bustling with learners this month! Literacy Connects is wrapping up English language, Computer Basics, and GED (en español) classes that all reached full capacity. Our Crafternoon kids made slime, painted jars, and learned to tie-dye. In addition to our regular Baby and Toddler Storytimes, a special Saturday storytime featuring bunnies drew a larger-than-ever audience of our youngest patrons! Adults participated in book club, yoga classes, and artsy afternoons, while our staff were able to attend outreach events for the seed library, Many Nations, and staff learning. On display we have the beautiful artwork of local artist Chunyan He, and our seed librarians are growing seedlings to lend a visual component to our “now sowing” seed offerings. With the closure of nearby encampments and parks and the uncertainty of federal funding programs, we have seen an uptick in patrons with high needs visiting the branch in search of resources and community. Staff have risen to the opportunity to provide resources for housing, food, and clothing to meet those needs and assist our community as much as possible in these difficult times.

Quincie Douglas Library – Lois Miller

We’ve had a busy November so far at Quincie Douglas Library. In addition to our ongoing programs such as Toddler Storytime, Job Help, and Bilingual Storytime, we’ve had some exciting new programs.

Sarah T Dubbs has continued with her very popular writer in residence individual consultations, and she also led a workshop called “Writing Romance” which was well attended. Attendees said they learned a lot about writing through the consultations and the workshop.

Presenter Emy led a “Decoupage a Trinket Box” workshop, in which participants were able to decorate a wooden box of different sizes, using colorful paper and glue. Martha Underwood led a watercolor painting workshop for adults—those who were there said it was relaxing and therapeutic to engage in a painting workshop.

Additional programs included “Grateful for Gardening Storytime” with Ana V, which she taught on our beautiful patio, and a fun filled Fall Crafternoon led by children’s librarians Brie C and Marisa G.

Seed Library members Karina and Kasiah have grown beautiful kale, arugula, beets and more in our patio garden. Staff and patrons have enjoyed taking the produce home to make salads and other healthy dishes.

Sam Lena–South Tucson Library – Lu Guerrero

In November, the library hosted Meet the Neighbors, presented by the AZ-Sonora Desert Museum. Museum staff presented attendees to a few of the museum's animal residents. The library's tabling partners visited to provide access to community resources. VoteRiders assisted people with acquiring identification cards. Similarly, the Homeless Resource Navigator was available to connect customers with critical resources, including eviction prevention, access to a mobile phone and food. The library also serves as the collection development and maintenance center for PCPL's Seed Library. This month, staff conducted an inventory of the system's seed supplies for the 2026 warm season. The inventory is meant to identify gaps in the collection to restock for the upcoming sowing season.

Santa Rosa Library – Briana Turner

In November, the Santa Rosa Library celebrated Native American Heritage Month with a display featuring books by Indigenous authors and a QR code that directed patrons to a website identifying the Indigenous lands they inhabit. Our after-school children continued to fill the library for our Snack Time program—an offering warmly appreciated by families, with one child happily declaring, “I like the snacks and the library, but mostly the library!”

This month also included a popular plant-based temporary tattoo activity where children selected from a wide range of stencil designs; even staff joined in, with the Branch Manager proudly sporting a dinosaur tattoo on her wrist. Children's Library Associate Elma and Library Page Madison delighted families with an engaging Elephant and Piggie puppet-show storytime.

As the weather grows cooler, we're seeing an increase in adult visitors who, while spending time in the library, have received drop-in tech help from staff and enjoyed craft-based programs such as Craft Circle and Exploring Core Values through vision-board making.

District 3 – Supervisor Jen Allen

Caviglia-Arivaca Library – Jodi Ohlson

The snowbirds have been returning, and everything is a bit more exciting with them back in town and at the library. Our Ofrenda for Día de los Muertos was full of pictures and memories, with a beautiful trail of paper orange marigolds lining a path from the front door to our altar. A bunch of volunteers with the Humanitarian Aid groups were so moved by the display that they donated to our Friends group!

Our Teen Advisory Board (TAB) tie-dyed their new TAB shirts, and now they are Arivaca appropriate.

On the first Saturday of the month library staff participated in providing 'Sidewalk Talks' for the community, alongside Arivaca Human Resource volunteers. This month we also partnered with the Arivaca Community Center, San Fernando Elementary, and the Sopori/Amado Teen Center for a variety of fall oriented programs. We have also started giving Velvet Mesquite Tree's away thanks to our new partnership with the Tucson Community Foodbank. November is the perfect month to plant them.

Flowing Wells Library – Angie Grischkowsky

November was a great month at the Flowing Wells Library.

Patron comment of the month: one of our after-school kids told us, “I like how you guys have Spanish books. Really cool.” We love seeing our Spanish language books check out, and in fact our regular Spanish language display is the first thing our patrons see when they walk through the door!

All our regularly scheduled events continue to do well, although our Read to a Dog sessions are now one day a week instead of two after Coco's loss. We still love to see celebrity dogs Merlin and Winston each time they are here, and our young readers love to see them too! This month wrapped up the fall quarter of Beginning and Intermediate-level English Language Classes and GED Help in English from Literacy Connects, and we are looking forward to winter quarter starting in January.

Special events we hosted this month included Acrylic Painting Made Easy for adults, Chess Fundamentals, Shrinky Dinks, and 5 Resilience Skills for tweens and teens, and a Music and Movement program for families and kids under 5.

As we look forward to the end of the year, we are thankful for our colleagues and our community who make our days bright and our service possible.

Woods Memorial Library – Chinyere Olumba

There is no place like the library...This month at Woods Memorial we are a ball of sunshine during the fall equinox and winter solstice for our patrons with programming! This month at Woods Memorial we are celebrating Indigenous People month with book displays.

In continuation with programming, Woods Memorial showed the movie, *The Boy with the Cuckoo-Clock Heart* on *Saturday* November 1st. The youth patrons were able to participate in the Snacktivities program with activities such as drawing, board games, video games, painting, and technology robots. At Wood patrons were able to participate in the *Maker's Mayhem program*, where they were able to create marble stain mugs with nail polish, 3D puzzling, and Perler beads. On November 10th patrons were able to hear a talk on PCOA, November 17th. The Master Gardener talk, and November 14th Narcan Training.

In collaboration with *Literacy Connects*, we offer *Literacy Connects English Language* classes from 10am-12noon. As well as *Literacy Connects* GED Math preparation on Tuesdays from 5-6:45 pm, the Homeless Resources Navigator on the 4th Wednesday and the Homeless I.D. Project on the third Thursdays.

Patrons continue to participate with the ongoing programs in November with Read to a Dog on Wednesdays and Saturdays, and the *Amphi Pantera* Food Truck program on November 24th.

District 4 – Supervisor Steve Christy

W. Anne Gibson-Esmond Station – Mary McKinney

The annual Costume Parade allowed Mike Wazowski & Sully, Thing 1 & Thing 2, milk & cookies, Minnie Mouse, Superman, Spiderman, and many others to visit the library to enjoy stories, songs, and activities.

Seasonal reading takes on a Candy Land theme for adults this year, and the kickoff event on November 6 invited them to check out an array of titles, play some games, make some crafts, enjoy refreshments, and pick up their reading tracker for the winter.

Friends of the Anne Gibson-Esmond Station Library hosted a big book sale on November 15 that welcomed about 200 people, none of whom left empty-handed, and on November 17 Friends held a special event to honor Anne Gibson for her contributions to the community.

Joyner-Green Valley Library – Heather Tyndall

A highlight of November's adult programming at the Joyner-Green Valley Library was a very informative presentation, "Don't Get Tricked: Scam Prevention for Everyone." It was presented by members of the Green Valley Sheriff's Auxiliary Volunteers (GVSAV) Scam Squad. Fifty-five attendees received a comprehensive Scam Prevention Handbook created by the Pima County Sheriff's Department Financial Crimes & Fraud Unit with the assistance of the GVSAV Scam Squad. The presentation covered numerous types of scams and how to recognize them. In addition, participants learned about the various technology tools used by scammers.

Additional highlights include a program by library presenter Dr. Alexandra Porter, "Guide to Gut Health," a toe-tapping performance by the Bountiful Bluegrass & Roots band, a presentation sponsored by the Santa Cruz Valley Historical Society titled, "Buffalo Soldiers in Bonita Canyon," and this month's Tucson Museum of Art Docent talk on the very popular subject of "The Harlem Renaissance: The Awakening of Black Pride Through the Arts."

Lastly, a word of congratulations and gratitude to the members of the Joyner-Green Valley Library community who donate blood here. The library hosted its fifth and final blood drive of the year, our *twelfth* since July 2023! A whopping 378 units of blood have been collected, making the Joyner-Green Valley Library an American Red Cross Premier Partner!

Kirk-Bear Canyon Library – Hassael Cazesuz

November ushered in the start of the holiday season, and what better treat than a full plate of engaging programs for all ages? For children and families, we continued our popular bilingual storytimes with Spanish Bilingual Storytime on November 13 and Japanese Bilingual Storytime on November 20, and we were thrilled to launch our new *Babytime* on November 25—a lap-sit storytime for our littlest patrons that combines short, engaging stories, songs, and a stay-and-play session for babies 0–18 months. Young artists also enjoyed *Draw Kawaii Fruits & Veggies* and stepped back in time with *Dino-rigami*, both of which brought creativity and high energy to the branch.

For teens, our Teen Advisory Board met on November 20, offering opportunities for leadership, community service, and program planning, while our *Wicked Watch Party* drew enthusiastic participation—attendees had a truly *wicked good time* with snacks, crafts, and singing along.

For adults, we hosted two well-received programs: a Master Gardeners presentation on Spring Wildflowers and an Art Talk exploring Paul Gauguin's work in the South Pacific. For all ages, our Saturday *Cozy Crafters* sessions continued to attract steady interest, providing a welcoming space for fiber-arts lovers of all skill levels.

This month also marked an exciting expansion of our gallery space, featuring the work of Tucson-born mixed-media artist Julia Jai Miller, whose sculptural book arts explore themes of motherhood, family, and social issues and have been exhibited nationally and internationally.

We extend our sincere appreciation to the Friends of the Kirk-Bear Canyon Library for their generous support of our programming this month.

Miller-Golf Links Library – Anna Lawrence

In the month of November, the Miller-Golf Links library was excited to hold several fun, new events! In addition to our weekly Toddler and Family Storytimes, children were treated to Sonoran Storytime with the University of Arizona Cooper Center where they were able to “meet” desert animals that play a role in the growth of a saguaro starting from a seed. Attendance was also high last Saturday when Mini Miracles came and we all got to meet Apollo, the mini horse, and learn what it was like to be a pony express rider many years ago.

Tweens and teens had their weekly Wednesday hangouts and were also excited with our intern-lead program of making their own Punk Patches using several crafting techniques. All the participants had a great time, and some said they would love to do this project again! Golf Links held our first Chess Tournament after the beginning of Chess Club only a few months ago. With the continuing success of the program, we anticipate more tournaments and a growing number of participants.

Adult programs this month included a talk about Dementia Prevention and Healthy Aging where Dr. Porter spoke about daily practices that affect that aging process to decrease the risk of dementia. The Voracious Readers book club read this month is *Quietly Hostile*, a collection of essays by Samantha Irby.

Our Meeting Room use this month included several HOAs, a Bible Study group, Sisters of Another Color, Old Tucson Women's Club, Homeschoolers of East Tucson, Girl Scouts, Southern Arizona Education Council, and Tucson N Trak, a model train group.

Murphy-Wilmot Library – Kathy Konecny

Murphy-Wilmot is leaning into reading and literacy with our Reading Badge Program. Children of all ages are encouraged to read books from ten genres ranging from humor to historical fiction to graphic novels. Once they read a book in that genre, they earn a badge. Children have been very excited to participate, and we anticipate more participation as the word gets out.

There was a marked increase in reference questions on social services in November. Customers asked for basic assistance daily. Where can I get food? Do you have hygiene products? How do I file for unemployment? Where can I find shelter? Fortunately, resources compiled by the library's Vulnerable Resources Team, our Job Help staff, and the compassion and professionalism of our team allowed us to provide a supportive and encouraging environment for these customers.

District 5 – Supervisor Andrés Cano

El Rio Library- Morgen Daniels

To celebrate Indigenous Heritage Month, El Rio Library staff created 3 displays featuring materials by Indigenous creators ranging from cookbooks to romance novels to multi-lingual picture books in our children's, teen, and adult sections to encourage patrons to #ReadNative. Patrons have especially been enjoying Indigenous-authored cookbooks and nonfiction, and our Many Nations bookmarks are flying off the display!

On November 6, we hosted a special guest Storytime event by the Pima County Conservation Lands & Resources Department. An environmental educator presented a charming nature-themed read-aloud all about insects and spiders and their tiny world around us to 22 enthusiastic attendees of all ages. The program included interactive, hands-on STEM components that delighted our young participants, such an insect identification activity!

As we are entering the holiday season which can, despite its festivity, be quite lonely for folks, the El Rio Library team set up a grab-and-go affirmation station on November 14 to provide a boost of kindness and gratitude to our patrons in the weeks leading up to Thanksgiving. This program was originally developed by the Synapse Mental Health team and sent out to branches for Mental Health Awareness Month, but we thought it is a perfect way to show the library cares all year round!

Himmel Park Library – Closed for Renovation

Joel D. Valdez Main Library – Christine Russell & Betsy Langley

The Joel D Valdez Main Library team continues to wow with their reference skills. Our Reference staff answered 449 questions this month, including 124 letters from incarcerated individuals. Our favorite thank-you of the month: "Thank you so very much for all the resources that you have provided below. I've already perused info about many of the sources online and find them to be soooo very helpful already!!! I plan to pursue more of the resources as soon as I can make some time to do so..."

Tween Crafternoon continues to be well-attended, with an average of 10 participants this month, and there has been a good response to the rotating activity of the week plus the activities that are always available via an art cart. We have also received positive feedback from the Teen team because there is a place for the younger kids to go, when they're too young to be in the 101 Space.

As we progress further into the school year, we're seeing more tweens and teens using the 101 Space. We've been able to purchase many new supplies so that we're able to offer a diverse selection of activities for the youth. Most notable is our new "Sensory

Station,” complete with various light projectors, kinetic sand, clay and Playdoh, retro water toys, colorful fidget toys, and more.

We have also created displays for different age groups honoring Indigenous Heritage Month, which showcases contemporary Native American artists and offers a curated selection of books about the Native American experience.

Our Space was held only once this month due to the holidays, but our patrons had a great time playing bingo and making origami bookmarks while building community with library staff and each other. This month we welcomed several new community resources partners visiting the library in our lobby to help support our patrons. A Veterans Support Specialist from Community Medical Services joined the El Rio Behavioral Health Peer Support Team for Thanksgiving week this month, and Pima County Health Department are back to give out Health Care Kits and resources most Tuesday mornings.

Martha Cooper Library-Tara Foxx-Lupo

Martha Cooper Library is feeling our popularity this November, with multiple requests to visit schools in the area for various outreach events. From elementary schools hosting fall Parent Nights, to special information sessions for refugee parents, our staff visited our partners and provided information and library resources at several community sites. Outreach is a great way to connect those community members to the library who may not be coming into our spaces, and our team had lots of opportunities to create those connections this month.

As we head into the holidays our Teen librarian is offering more opportunities to create and learn about 3D printing technologies at another of our well-attended workshops. There are also options for those whose creativity is more along the arts spectrum to come in and have fun at our Crafts and Laughs program. For those who are more interested in connection through socialization, our Quest role playing program is finishing its most recent campaign this November, with a dedicated group of Tweens who have become regular participants.

Our Teen Advisory Board (TAB) hosted its second event this month, a Teen Art Invitational. Teens were able to submit and have their art displayed for viewing by the community during a Saturday in November. Any type of art piece was welcome, whether a traditional painting, a digital piece or something three dimensional, our Teen librarian helped to facilitate the event and support our TAB members in their first ever art focused event. Not only were our TAB members instrumental in planning, most of them were also featured artists during the event.

Creativity is not exclusive to the youth community at Martha Cooper library. This month for our adult users we began offering a six-week Mixed Media Collage program, taught by Jeanine Colini. Jeanine's enthusiasm and positive attitude are always a gift to have in the library space. This is reflected in the feedback we get from those who attend her programs. Adults who signed up were especially pleased to have this extended six-week option to explore their creative sides through collage.

Richard Elías-Mission Library – Closed for Renovation

Southwest Library – Alexis Ellsworth-Kopkowski

We continue to see a steady flow of new library card signups. With an increased need in the community for information especially regarding food, we have been able to provide our patrons with information regarding food banks and resources available throughout the greater Tucson area. Our pop-up seed library was very successful with our patrons. We have checked out all our seeds except for two varieties. Our patrons are already looking forward to the spring when we will have more seeds for checkout. On November 21st we will be hosting a family program, *Animal Homes* taught by a community partner from the Pima County Environmental Education program. We have also had successful displays with checkouts for Thanksgiving, National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo), Native American heritage month, picture book month, and a non-fiction display for know-vember.

Valencia Library – Ivonne Ramirez

Valencia Library staff gave two outstanding presentations at the Arizona Library Association annual conference held in Tucson at the end of October. The presentation topics were Bookmobile and mobile services, presented by Sam, Wade, and Diane from the Readrunners mobile library unit, and our children's librarian Ms. Thania along with three community members, Fausto, Becky, and Daniel presented on the Community collaboration model based on the Peace Garden Storytime. Both presentations were well-received by librarians, library administration, and library staff throughout the state of Arizona. Feedback reports indicated "Presenters were so great. Thank you for all the hard work" and "All of the presenters are pillars in their community, and it is easy to see why. Amazing work!"

Back at the branch, adult programming continues to grow with our community. The Fiber Arts group, which now meets twice a month has earned a few more participants, growing into an intergenerational group of artists and new hobbyists.

Our homework help instructor, Mr. Brandon, has been busy with youth coming by after school in both Quincie Douglas Library and Valencia Library. He is looking forward to developing a game-based code club for the group in the coming new year.

Activities funded by Friends Groups

Friends of the Pima County Public Library

Murphy-Wilmot Library- Beginning Sewing, storytime supplies, Code Club supplies, Lego Club supplies

El Río Library – Rodeo Reads

Joyner-Green Valley Library – Guidance for Gut Health with Dr. Alexandra Porter, Family Storytime, Arts and Crafts for Adults

Santa Rosa Library – Yoga Storytime, Exploring Core Values, Plant Based Tattoos, Craft supplies

Flowing Wells Library – Acrylic Painting Made Easy; Chess Fundamentals for Teens and Tweens; Music and Movement

Friends of the Kirk-Bear Canyon Library- Dino-rigami (11/6), Draw Kawaii Fruits & Veggies! (11/12), Wicked Watch Party (11/13), Art Talk: Paul Gauguin (11/21), Teen Advisory Board (11/20), Babytime! (11/25)

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FROM: Em DeMeester-Lane
Deputy Library Director

SUBJECT: Circulation and Activity Measures: October 2025

	Oct-25	Oct-24	Percent Change
Circulation and Visits			
Circulation - Physical	164,247	182,012	-2%
Circulation - Digital	315,793	271,767	16%
Gate Count	274,313	291,595	-6%
Website Visits	542,080	502,272	8%
Active Cardholders **	179,053	*	#VALUE!
Total Cardholders **	314,249	*	#VALUE!
Percent Active Cardholders	57%	#VALUE!	#VALUE!
Virtual Reference Services			
Chat Service - Number of Chats	612	661	-7%
Research Questions	325	343	-5%
Phone	1,510	1,686	-10%
Mail	125	239	-48%
Programming			
Early Childhood Literacy Program Attendance	6,529	5,872	11%
Adult Literacy Program Attendance	2,960	2,861	3%
Workforce Development Program Attendance	941	670	40%
*Savannah not working 10/2024			
Savannah is a collaborative analysis tool that helps users collect, organize, and visualize information			

Library Advisory Board Activity Report
October 2025

BRANCH	Physical Circulation	Computer Use	Gate Count	Number of Programs	Program Attendance	Attendance at Outreach Events and School Visits	Number of People Using Meeting and Study Rooms
Bookmobile / Books by Mail	823	0	243	0	0	311	0
Caviglia-Arivaca	430	49	599	19	197	208	70
Dewhirst-Catalina	1,707	202	3,895	27	66	0	0
Dusenberry-River	10,190	929	7,458	37	479	0	555
Eckstrom-Columbus	5,034	3,772	17,613	48	638	0	1,126
El Rio	1,753	379	1,714	6	48	0	0
Flowing Wells	3,030	1,411	5,068	72	729	430	408
Frank De La Cruz-El Pueblo	167	137	1,530	0	0	71	0
Himmel Park	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Joel D Valdez Main	4,802	5,058	38,331	38	541	423	761
Joyner-Green Valley	8,315	1,023	9,323	41	645	167	637
Kirk-Bear Canyon	7,602	579	8,988	32	506	58	930
Martha Cooper	7,510	1,681	18,417	65	923	313	1,710
Miller-Golf Links	12,288	1,624	11,367	23	426	60	713
Murphy-Wilmot	14,055	3,554	15,851	76	2,050	750	2,409
Nanini	14,232	1,603	12,653	61	1,796	0	294
Oro Valley	18,814	1,388	33,228	66	1,318	84	7,740
Quincie Douglas	3,563	1,772	9,459	80	1,208	1,440	898
Richard Elias-Mission							
Sahuarita	5,911	1,223	8,926	58	840	100	1,851
Salazar-Ajo	1,463	323	3,416	72	496	0	151
Sam Lena-South Tucson	652	1,165	4,375	13	89	60	54
Santa Rosa	522	774	11,699	23	365	67	484
Southwest	1,843	467	4,739	1	17	27	0
Valencia	4,232	2,691	9,613	71	897	163	1,238
W. Anne Gibson-Esmond Station	8,030	558	8,336	23	422	0	878
Wheeler Taft Abbett	12,240	1,813	14,918	68	1,123	40	1,491
Woods Memorial	9,543	3,824	12,554	37	376	750	573
Web Renewal	5,496	0		0	0	0	0
Adult Services	0	0		36	1,471	220	0
Youth Services	0	0		0	0	5,805	0
TOTALS OCT 2025	164,247	37,999	274,313	1,093	17,666	11,547	24,971
TOTALS OCT 2024	182,012	27,831	291,595	1,159	14,759	2,939	29,465
Percentage Change	-10%	37%	-6%	-6%	20%	293%	-15%

*Mission and Himmel Branches closed in October 2025