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Cochise County Library District

"Public programs...personal service"

Minutes of the **October 18, 2023** meeting of
The Cochise County Library District Citizen Liaison Council

The meeting came to order at 1:01 pm, at the Cochise County Library District in Bisbee.

Members and guests present: Cinda Combs (Bisbee's Copper Queen Library); Diane Hildebrandt (Huachuca City Library); Abraham Villarreal (Douglas Public Library); Jennifer Davis (Cochise County Library District)

Absent: Benson Public Library, Sierra Vista Public Library, Tombstone City Library, Willcox's Elsie S. Hogan Community Library

Attendance was very light due to a conflict with the Arizona Library Association annual conference. There was no quorum, so minutes of the April meeting were not approved.

Member reports:

Douglas Public Library: Abe Villarreal shared updates provided by Margaret White, the City Librarian.

Highlights included continued collaboration with Cochise College to provide tutoring help at the public library, continued progress on the library's garden patio, a \$2,500 grant from the Legacy Foundation to continue the library's "Healthy Choices @ Your Library" project, Hispanic Heritage Month programming, and much more.

See attached narrative for details.

Sierra Vista Public Library: Karly Scarbrough was not able to attend the meeting due to AzLA, but provided a brief update from library staff: the book kiosk at the Sierra Vista Mall has been very successful, so the library is preparing to add a kiosk in the PX on Fort Huachuca.

Willcox's Elsie S. Hogan Community Library: Michelle Leyvas was not able to attend the meeting but shared updates from the library.

Willcox had a great turnout for summer reading, with as many as 28 attendees at some Thursday programs and 51 people in the audience for an appearance by James the Juggler. The library also hosted successful field trips to Reid Park Zoo, the Desert Museum, and the International Wildlife Museum.

The library received a \$10,000 Libraries Transforming Communities grant from ALA, and sought parent input about how to use the funds. The library will be creating a dedicated space for children on the autism spectrum.

The library's new Storywalk was completed over the summer.

See attached report for more detail.

Huachuca City Library: Diane Hildebrandt (from the Friends of HCPL) provided updates from the Friends of the library, and Abe Villarreal shared library updates prepared by Stephanie Fulton, who was unable to attend.

From the Friends of the Library:

The Friends were happy to install a new Free Book box in Whetstone, provided by the Friends of the Library District. The Friends of HCL have been hosting and maintaining a book box in Whetstone for several years.

The Christmas in July raffle was a big success, and upcoming events include the Creepy Candy Cruise in lower Huachuca City, a citywide yard sale event on November 4, and the annual Polar Express event in December. Polar Express will include goodie bags for kids, courtesy of the Friends of HCL.

The Friends are still working toward official 501c3 nonprofit status. They are also planning to paint the book sale Conex, and have purchased flags to raise the visibility of the book sale.

From the library:

Updates from the library include the addition of a geocache in the library, a successful summer reading program, and the addition of library services at the Huachuca City Community Center. The library has also received a number of grants including an LSTA grant for Storywalks, a grant to continue lending hotspots, and an AZ Rural Health grant to start a diaper bank for Huachuca City families.

Stephanie did a presentation about library services for the Spectrum of Childhood Health & Wellness Coalition, and highlighted the ways Cochise County Libraries work together as well as all the services they offer beyond providing books.

See the attached report for more good news from HC.

Bisbee's Copper Queen Library: Cinda Combs shared news and highlights from Bisbee.

The Copper Queen Library has been very busy and has lots of great programs coming up. Cinda brought several flyers to share (attached), along with updates provided by Jason Macoviak.

The library has received a number of grants to provide resources on tough topics, provide Health & Wellness Caring Kits for community members in need, and expand the Library of Things to include Birding Backpacks and additional sporting equipment.

There was some discussion about liability concerns related to lending items through the Library of Things.

The library worked to install a Freedom to Read mural sponsored by the Artemizia Foundation, with help from several community partners. The library also created an entry for the BRATS parade on Saturday, October 28.

Library staff have attended a number of conferences and trainings recently, and Library Manager Jason Macoviak presented at the Association of Rural and Small Libraries conference in September.

The Main Library has added a wonderful new mural by Bill Mead, and the city is working on improvements to the building. The Copper Queen Library Annex is celebrating its fifth anniversary, and has introduced a commemorative copper library card in honor of the occasion.

Upcoming projects include a History of the Copper Queen Library book, an interactive art station at the Annex in memory of Mary Jane Bank, and a digital studio for patrons.

See the attached report for more info.

Director's Report:

Amadee Ricketts was not able to attend, so Jennifer Davis shared updates from the Library District. See attached report.

Call to the public: No members of the public attended.

For the good of the order: On behalf of Douglas, Abe mentioned that the library is thinking about ways to serve high school students from various kinds of schools, and reach out to English language learners.

The next official meeting date will be Wednesday, April 17, 2023.

The group discussed amending the CLC bylaws to allow more flexibility in setting meeting dates to avoid conflicts like the one that kept attendance low at this meeting. Bylaws changes must be proposed at one meeting and approved at the next, so the Council may hold a virtual meeting to move this proposal forward.

Meeting adjourned at 1:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amadee Ricketts (based on meeting notes provided by Jennifer Davis and handouts provided by the CLC members)

Here is the September narrative: *Douglas*

Library

- DPL staff applied to NASA's "Moon Tree" program to obtain and plant a Douglas fir tree grown from one of approximately 2,000 seeds that journeyed around the moon as part of Artemis 1's space flight. The program is part of a NASA/USDA Forest Service STEM partnership.
- Met with Amy Pressler, Cochise College Career Services Coordinator / Academic Advising & Career Services to explore a continued partnership between CC and DPL to provide student literacy, math, and ELL tutors on a drop-in and scheduled basis at the library.
- Met with Nicole Luna, Borderlands Restoration Network BECY Program, for a debrief on the BECY work crew's July patio project and to discuss possibilities for next summer's project.
- Work began on compiling the FY22/23 Library Statistical Report for the Arizona State Library and Public Records office.
- Planning began for distribution of solar eclipse glasses and accompanying safety information for safe viewing of the October 14 annular eclipse.
- DPL staff hosted staff from the Huachuca City Public Library for a walk-through tour and informational session on DPL's StoryWalk Project.
- DPL is providing direct and/or instructional research support for the 100th Anniversary of the Cochise County Fair and the 60th Anniversary of Cochise College by using digitized issues of the Douglas Daily Dispatch and the Douglas International to identify and retrieve relevant historical newspaper articles. Similar support was previously offered for research on the Douglas Municipal Golf Course and the Fimbres Apache kidnapping.
- The Cochise County Health & Social Services network invited DPL to participate in a survey to demonstrate network impact, identify opportunities for development, and explore continued cooperative opportunities between DPL and CCHSS.
- Library Specialist II Diana Manquero traveled to Sierra Vista on Tuesday, September 12, to accept a \$2,500 grant award from the Legacy Foundation in support of the library's "Healthy Choices @ Your Library" nutritional education program which, among other activities, provides healthy after-school snack bags to Douglas students (distribution averages 450 bags/month).
- In the two short months of DPL's partnership with Cochise Chess to sponsor a bi-weekly all-ages bilingual Chess Club, participation has grown to 60 players.
- Planning began for Halloween programming throughout October (all-ages costume party set for October 20) and for observance of "Banned Books Week" (October 1 – 7), which celebrates all Americans' freedom to read.
- Continued programming for Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15 – October 15) featured a presentation by La Casa de la Cultura to DPL staff members on the history and construction of "Día de los Muertos" altars and a plan to design and construct a Frida Kahlo ofrenda at the library to accompany and extend September's Kahlo arts, crafts, and selfie projects.
- In September, a total of 4,101 patrons visited the library and borrowed 1,563 items, including 88 mobile hotspots; 123 new titles were added to the collections; 211 patrons attended 14 programs produced by DPL staff; 495 items were borrowed and loaned through interlibrary loan; and meeting rooms were reserved 34 times.
- DPL's total Facebook post reach for September was 4,607 with post engagement of 1,328.
- Representatives from Rep. Raul Grijalva's office visited on September 21 to meet with and assist constituents in DPL's Small Conference Room.
- The Arizona Department of Water Resources' remote office connection at DPL continues to assist residents seeking to complete an Active Management Area (AMA) application before the March 1, 2024 deadline.

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Scarbrough, Karly <scarbroughk@cochise.edu>
To: Abe Villarreal <villarreala@cochise.edu>

Wed, Oct 18, 2023 at 11:08 AM

Hi Abe,

I'm sorry I won't be able to attend this meeting, but I wanted to send in my (very) short report for the SV Public Library.

Emily Duchon said the only update is they are getting ready to install another book kiosk on Ft. Huachuca in the PX. I believe the one in the mall has been really successful! Let me know if you have any questions. Thank you!

Karly

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WX

October 18, 2023

The library had a great turnout for Summer Reading. The most we had at the Summer Reading program on Thursday's was 28. We had 51 at the James the Juggler presentation. The Zoo, Desert Museum, and International Wildlife Museum field trips we had 35 to 45 at each one which included WASA.

We received the ALA Libraries Transforming Communities Grant for \$10,000. There was a community meeting to discuss with the parents and community about what we wanted to accomplish with the money.

We will be making a room specifically for autistic children. The parents would like to have this to take their children in as to not disturb the other patrons. We will have sensory wall panels, sensory toys, books, kinetic sand, coloring books, playdough, etc.

The Storywalk was completed at the beginning of July. We have bilingual books as well as just English as the bilingual books are harder to find. The company we have for books has the bilingual books but are limited. I have ordered bilingual books that I found on Amazon they are limited too, but I have enough to last for a while.

Huachuca City Library – Citizens Liaison Meeting October 2023.

Hi everyone! First let me apologize since I am not here but at the annual conference in Phoenix (no doubt melting in the heat).

We are busy as usual here in Huachuca City. Lots of things have been happening since our last meeting in April.

We have partnered with a local group to host a Geocache in the library.

Long time staff member Jann Frampton retired, and we miss her, but we have two new super staff members.

We had a successful Summer Reading Program with lots of fun STEAM activities. Our Summer Splash camp was full-on during the summer. It was super busy for the staff as the school district only provided breakfast and lunch for the kids for 3 weeks and the library staff did the shopping and stuffing of food bags for the other 5 weeks.

We started library services down at our Community Center one day a week thanks to a 2022 LSTA grant.

Some other grants we received, LSTA for a Storywalk in both of our parks, an LSTA hotspot lending program grant, Arizona Community Foundation grant for the Storywalk, a Legacy Foundation grant for a new water fountain with bottle filler for our park, and an AZ Rural Health grant to have a Diaper Bank for children up to 6 years old till May of next year.

Currently working with the Community Foodbank in Tucson to provide an afterschool snack program at the library.

Stephanie did a presentation on Libraries Are More Than Just Books to the Spectrum of Childhood Health & Wellness Coalition. It talked about how libraries can be the heart of the community and how to connect with community partners, and of course all the wonderful things that are available at libraries across Cochise County.

Speaking of community partners – we continue to host the following at the library or our Activity Center (formerly the Senior Center) which is located next to the library.

Healthy Huachuca once a month, Chiricahua Wellness Outreach once a month, Chiricahua Mobile Clinic every week, SEACAP once a month, Lending Shed once a month (they provide adult incontinence supplies and lend out medical equipment). We host a monthly game night, social hours 2 days a week, a sewing social once a month and we just participated in a BingoPalooza with centers all over Arizona and Utah.

We have a Spotlight on Speakers program once a month and upcoming events in the next two month are the Creepy Candy Cruise, an Arts & Craft Show and Town Wide Yard Sale, Town Thanksgiving Meal, Stuff the Bus, Polar Express/Tree Lighting/Santa in the Library, a Holiday parade and then a Holiday Gift Basket Program where we give families in need and low income seniors toys and the makings of a holiday meal. All our programs are run through donations that I receive from the community and with the help of our Super Duper Friends of the Library group (except Diane who is reading this out loud LOL).

The End!

GRANTS

\$4000 – University of Arizona Rural Health

“Tough Topics” - Resources for difficult or potentially controversial topics, including (but not limited to) : Abortion, Alcohol Abuse, Anxiety, Cutting/Self Harm, Depression, Gender Identity, Domestic Violence, Rape & Sexual Assault, Sexual Orientation, & Substance Abuse.

Health & Wellness Caring Kits for Bisbee’s at-risk & homeless community. Kits contain : winter gloves, hat & scarf, personal health & hygiene products, list of local resources, journal & pen.

Expansion of outdoor recreational library of things to include Birding Backpacks (binoculars, bird guides, local birding sites, etc.), more sports equipment to use in Bisbee’s City Parks, etc.

PROGRAMMING UPDATES

Inside Out Photo Mural celebrating the **Freedom To Read** – Sponsored by Artemizia Foundation of Bisbee. Over the summer, the Copper Queen Library invited the youth of the community to participate in this project by taking their portrait holding their favorite books. The project celebrates our freedom to read and highlights early literacy, and the power that a love of reading imbues in all who read unhindered. The temporary art installation will be wheat-pasted along Freeport McMoRan’s wall by the underpass along Bisbee Road as you approach the traffic circle. Participating organizations include Rotary, BUSD, Artemizia, City of Bisbee and Freeport.

Check out the page on Inside Out : <https://www.insideoutproject.net/en/explore/group-action/freedom-to-read>

About Inside Out : The Inside Out Project is a platform that helps communities around the world to stand up for what they believe in and spark global change locally. Group Leaders create their Actions by displaying large-scale black and white portraits of members from their community in public spaces. Together, they create a work of public art! Over the past decade, more than 500,000 people spanning across 152 countries and territories have participated in the Inside Out Project. Thanks to participants' donations, the project has reached all the continents, with over 2,500 actions created. Actions have revolved around a range of topics: diversity, community, feminism, racism, climate change, education, children’s rights, and art are just a few of them. Posters are displayed in outdoor spaces that are visible to the public. These Group Action installations are documented and shared online.

BRATS Parade : Saturday, October 28, 2023 @ 4 PM, Main Street

The Copper Queen Library is building a BRAT (Bisbee Rolling Art Transport) for the upcoming parade. The CQL’s Open Art Studio led by Gretchen Hill has been building a “Book” Brat, which will roll down Main Street during the annual parade.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

The Library Manager attended the Association of Rural and Small Libraries in Wichita, Kansas in September. He presented the Copper Queen Library’s National Medal Story with the Institute of Museum and Library Services out of Washington D.C. The Copper Queen Library was nominated again this year (by U.S. Representative Raul Grijalva) and staff filed the necessary paperwork to complete the nomination process. Finalists will be named in the Spring of 2024. Fingers crossed!

The Library Services Coordinator will be attending the Arizona Library Association’s Conference from October 25-27 in Prescott, Arizona.

The Early Literacy Coordinator attended an Arizona State Library sponsored workshop, *Story Time Is Your Time to Shine*, which was designed to engage and empower youth librarians.

OTHER NEWS

Bill Mead Mural – Funds from the Laurie Kintzelle Art Fund were used to create a mural in the elevator entrance, located on the first floor, by the bookstore. Like the pages of a children's book, the mural is meant to inspire creativity and tell its own story, capturing the hearts and minds of everyone that enters the library that way.

Library Building – The Library Manager is working to have downspout gutters installed on the back of the building. He has also met with structural engineers to discuss exterior cracking on the balcony decks and arches. The installation of the library's new HVAC system has been delayed since July. No word on when work will commence.

New copper library card to celebrate the CQ Library Annex's five-year anniversary! Alison is also designing a special library card for children.

Vestaboard – Smart message display board which will greet patrons with rotating literary quotes, library programs and more. Purchased with a grant from Freeport McMoRan.

FUTURE PROJECTS

The History of the Copper Queen Library book project – led by local historian Charles Bethea.

Interactive art station at the Annex for Mary Jane Banks' Memorial – working with local artist Ed Rosko.

AV Recording Studio and Digi Lab – potential LSTA Grant with the Arizona State Library

Patrons can reserve the space to record their own podcasts, oral histories, etc.

Patrons can also reserve the space to create videos using our green screen, as well to facilitate zoom calls, etc.

Equipment would also be available for patrons to scan old photos, as well as convert VHS to digital files.

HELP KEEP BISBEE BEAUTIFUL & CLEAN

The Bisbee Bloomers have partnered with the Copper Queen Library to offer free checkouts of pick-up/grabber tools so that patrons and citizens of Bisbee can help keep our community clean and beautiful.

Want to organize a community clean-up day?
Check out a bunch!

Want to clean up your yard or your neighbor's yard?
Check out just one!

Let's keep Bisbee the beautiful place that it is.



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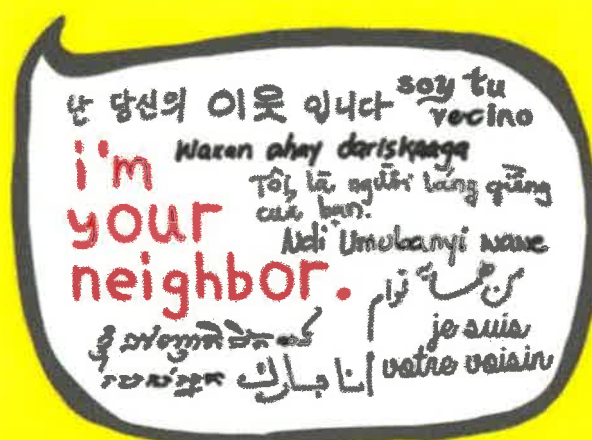
IN UPPER VISTA PARK IN WARREN



Thanks to the support of *Welcoming America*, the Copper Queen Library is proud to present our **Bienvenida e integración/Welcoming & Belonging StoryWalk®** featuring the bilingual children's book, *Nieve en la Junglo / Snow in the Jungle*, written by Ariane Hofmann-Maniyar.

The *Welcoming Library* offers a unique opportunity for Bisbee families to explore the experiences of immigrant families and their new generations. Check out the other books in the collection at both the Annex in San Jose and the Main Library in Old Bisbee.

Welcoming America is striving to build a stronger America by leading a movement of inclusive communities becoming more prosperous by ensuring everyone belongs, including immigrants.



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COPPER QUEEN LIBRARY PRESENTS

3-SENTENCE HORROR STORY COMMUNITY SHOWCASE OCTOBER 2023



The Copper Queen Library's 3-Sentence Horror Story Community Showcase is back this October for Chapter 3.

The challenge? Create a spine-chilling horror tale with just three sentences.

Submit your story at copperqueenlibrary.com, or drop it off at the front desk. Submitted stories will be displayed all month long at the CQL and online.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

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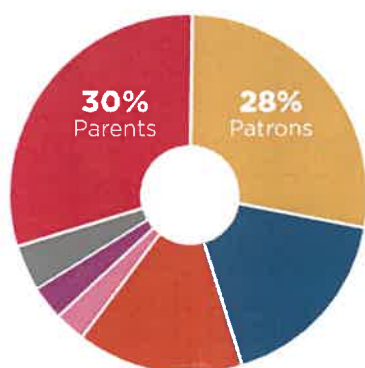
CENSORSHIP

BY THE NUMBERS

In 2022, the American Library Association tracked the highest number of attempted book bans since ALA began compiling data about censorship in libraries more than 20 years ago; 2,571 unique titles were challenged last year, up from 1,858 in 2021. [Learn more at ala.org/bbooks](https://ala.org/bbooks)



WHO INITIATES CHALLENGES?



17% Political/religious groups

15% Board/administration

3% Librarians/teachers

3% Elected officials

4% Other

(Includes non-custodial relatives, nonresidents, community members without library cards, etc.)

Statistics based on 1,207 cases with known initiators.

WHERE DO CHALLENGES TAKE PLACE?



48%

Public libraries



41%

School libraries



10%

Schools



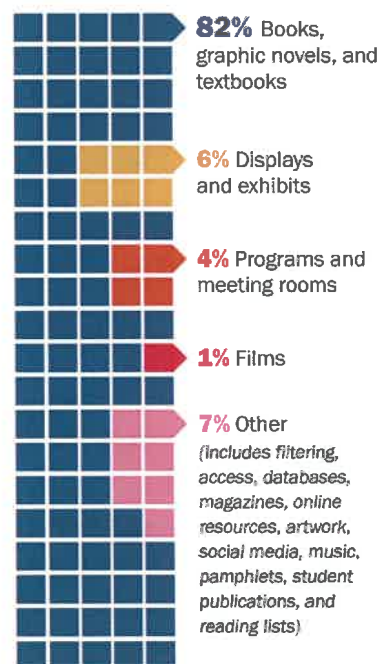
1%

Higher education libraries and other institutions

Statistics based on 1,264 cases with known locations.

BOOKS AND BEYOND

ALA's Office for Intellectual Freedom tracked **1,269 challenges** in 2022. Here's the breakdown:



82% Books, graphic novels, and textbooks

6% Displays and exhibits

4% Programs and meeting rooms

1% Films

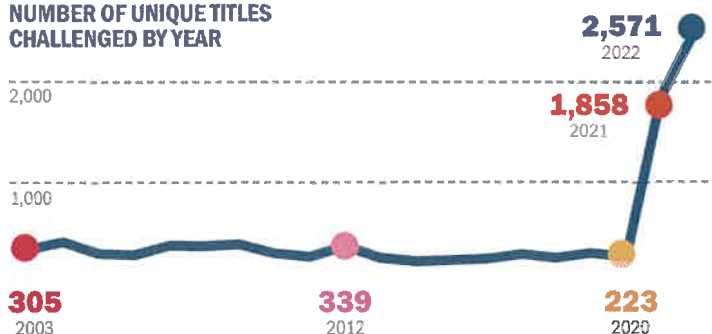
7% Other

(includes filtering, access, databases, magazines, online resources, artwork, social media, music, pamphlets, student publications, and reading lists)

CENSORSHIP ON THE RISE

The unparalleled number of reported book challenges in 2022 nearly doubled the number reported in 2021. The number of unique titles targeted marked a 38% increase over 2021.

NUMBER OF UNIQUE TITLES CHALLENGED BY YEAR



CENSORSHIP
STATISTICS
COMPILED BY:



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INSIDE OUT: FREEDOM TO READ



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Freedom to Read is a community-led Inside Out Action with the mission to Build Community, Inspire Curiosity, Share Ideas, Bridge Gaps, Embrace Knowledge, and Enrich Lives. The Copper Queen Library invites the youth of the community to participate in this project by having their portrait taken holding their favorite book. We hope to inspire and empower the Bisbee community to celebrate and activate young readers by seeing themselves and their children honoring their love of reading.

Alison Williams is the Group Action Leader. For more info, email: awilliams@bisbeeaz.gov

PHOTOGRAPHY DATES:



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THURSDAY, JULY 20, 11:30 AM—1:30 PM
FRIDAY, JULY 21, 12—4:30 PM

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TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2—6:30 PM



TOUGH TOPICS

EVERYTHING YOU WANT TO KNOW, BUT REALLY DON'T WANT TO ASK

This guide is intended to connect you to resources that we hope will help when you face difficult issues in your life. Remember that librarians are committed to helping you find the information you need while protecting your privacy, but we also understand that you might not want to discuss the issue with a staff member.

Please use the call numbers below to locate books in our nonfiction collection.

ABORTION : 362.198

ABUSE : 362.8

ADDICTION : 616.86

ALCOHOL : 362.2

ALZHEIMERS : 616.831

ANXIETY : 616.85

BANKRUPTCY : 346.73

BIPOLAR DISORDER : 616.89

BODY IMAGE : 306.46

CANCER : 616.994

DEPRESSION : 616.8527

DIVORCE : 306.89

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE : 362.8

DRUGS : 362.29 & 616.86

EATING DISORDERS : 616.8526

GRIEF & DEATH : 155.9

LGBTQ+ : 306.76

PREGNANCY : 618.2

PTSD : 616.8521

RACISM : 305.8

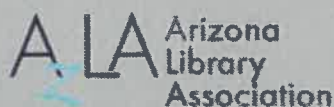
RAPE : 362.88

SELF ESTEEM : 155.2

SEX : 306.7

SUICIDE : 362.28

This new collection is made possible through a grant from the University of Arizona's
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Library District Updates for the Citizen Liaison Council, October 2023

The last several months have been busy and good for the Library District. We recently welcomed a new branch manager in Sunsites, and are excited to be almost fully staffed.

In the most recent fiscal year, which ended June 30, circulation continued recovering from the COVID lows of FY2020-21:

	FY2022-23	FY2021-22	FY2020-21	FY2019-20	FY2018-19
Countywide physical circulation	472,792	427,339	251,215	450,583	595,986
Countywide digital circulation	85,465	74,404	68,616	48,082	33,035
Rural library physical circulation	46,376	37,474	30,303	39,490	52,470
Rural library digital circulation	4,451	4,187	6,318	4,459	2,132

Demand for digital materials (ebooks and digital audiobooks) continues to rise, and the Library District has made a significant investment in these collections over the last five years. Sierra Vista Public Library also purchases many titles for the countywide digital collections, even after adding a new platform (Hoopla) for Sierra Vista card holders. Benson, Tombstone, and other libraries also contribute to the digital collections.

While circulation of traditional materials is still below pre-COVID levels, it bounced back dramatically in FY2021-22, and grew another 10% in FY2022-23.

This year, Library District staff are working with staff at the rural branch locations to freshen up collections and improve labeling and shelf arrangement.

Finally, the Friends of the Library District are excited to sponsor a countywide 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program starting this fall. 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is a fun, flexible reading program that encourages parents and caregivers to read with their young children. When families reach the 1,000-book goal, they can choose a t-shirt or tote bag provided by the Friends.



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Respectfully submitted, Amadee Ricketts

COCHISE COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

472,792

Physical items circulated countywide

ANNUAL HIGHLIGHTS 2022-23



151,916

Children's items checked
out countywide

85,465

Digital checkouts

47,195

Items transferred
between libraries

BUSY BRANCHES

The rural branch libraries in Bowie, Elfrida, Portal, Sunizona, and Sunsites hosted 15,477 visits from the public and 18,951 computer and wifi sessions from July 2022 through June 2023.

The branches hosted 1,242 people at library events during the year, and District and branch patrons checked 46,376 physical items and 4,541 digital titles.



LOOKING FORWARD



In the months ahead, library staff are excited to launch a countywide 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program in partnership with the Friends of the Cochise County Library District.

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which encourages parents and caregivers to read with their young children. Kids who reach the 1,000-book goal will receive a t-shirt or tote bag courtesy of the Friends.