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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AGENDA
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 PM

MEETING PARTICIPATION INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT THE END OF THE AGENDA

CIVIC CENTER MEETING HALL
WILLIAM M. MENDENHALL COMMUNITY ROOM
1016 S. LIVERMORE AVENUE

Lainie Pascall, Chair
Nancy Olavarrieta, Vice Chair
Deborah L Halford, Board Member
Jason G Hibono, Board Member
Richard K Hunt, Board Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Deborah Halford, Board Member
Jason Hibono, Board Member
Richard Hunt, Board Member
Nancy Olavarrieta, Vice Chair
Lainie Pascall, Chair

2. OPEN FORUM

- In conformance with the Brown Act, no action can occur on items presented during Open Forum.
- To provide public comment, please submit a speaker card. When your name is called, walk to the lectern to address the Library Board of Trustees.
- Comments are limited to a maximum of 3 minutes per person, per item. The Chair may reduce the amount of time based on the number of persons wishing to speak.
- Open Forum will conclude after 30 minutes; however, if there are additional speakers, Open Forum will reconvene after Matters for Consideration.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items are considered routine and are acted upon by the Library Board of Trustees with a single action. Members of the audience wishing to provide public input must submit a speaker card.

3.1 Approval of Draft Minutes - August 28, 2025, Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

Recommendation:
Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees approve the draft minutes.
Attachments:
1. Draft Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes - August 28, 2025

4. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

4.1 Report on the 2025 Summer Learning Program

Recommendation:
Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees receive the report.
Staff Report
Attachments:
1. 2025 Summer Reading Program Report

4.2 Review of "Five Ways Public Libraries Go Far Beyond Books" article by Abby Carlson, Research and Program Consultant, Urban Libraries Council

Recommendation:
Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees review and discuss the article.
Staff Report
Attachments:

1. Five Ways Public Libraries Go Far Beyond Books Article

4.3 Budgeting 2.0 for Teens Program Report

Recommendation:
Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees receive the report.
Staff Report
Attachments:
1. Teen Budget 2.0 Program Presentation

4.4 Report related to ongoing Library statistics for the month of August 2025

Recommendation:
Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees receive the report and provide any necessary feedback.
Staff Report
Attachments:
1. August 2025 Statistics
2. Highlighted Statistics - August - 5-Year Comparison

4.5 Report related to ongoing Library activities for the month of August 2025

Recommendation:
Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees receive the report and provide any necessary feedback.
Staff Report
Attachments:
1. August 2025 Programs

5. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND MATTERS INITIATED BY LIBRARY DIRECTOR AND BOARD MEMBERS

6. ADJOURNMENT

To a regular Library Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday, October 23, 2025 at 7:00 PM, William M. Mendenhall Community Room, Civic Center Meeting Hall, 1016 S. Livermore Avenue.

7. HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BOARD MEETING

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Submission of Comments During the Meeting:

Speakers are limited to a maximum of 3 minutes per person. To submit a comment, you must complete a speaker card for each item. Speaker cards are available in the Civic Center Meeting Hall lobby. Indicate on the card the item number you wish to comment on and submit the card directly to the liaison prior to the start of the item. You should be aware that the Board is prohibited by State law from taking action on any items that are not listed on the agenda. However, if your item requires action, the Board may place it on a future agenda or direct staff to work with you and/or report to the Board on the issue.

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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES
AUGUST 28, 2025

REGULAR MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting of the Library Board of Trustees was called to order by Chair Lainie Pascall at 7:00 p.m., held in person at 1016 S. Livermore Avenue.

ROLL CALL - Present: Chair Lainie Pascall, Vice Chair Nancy Olavarrieta, Board Member Deborah Halford, and Board Member Richard Hunt.

Board Member Jason Hibono was absent.

STAFF PRESENT – Assistant Library Director Nathan Brumley, Supervising Librarian Emily Lowell, Supervising Librarian Yeng Xiong, Librarian II Tierney Alvarado, and Management Analyst I Leng Kutil.

2. OPEN FORUM

Chair Pascall opened public comment.

Jacob F. provided public comment.

There were no other speakers, and the public comment period was closed.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

3.1 Approval of Draft Minutes – February 27, 2025, Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

Recommendation: Staff recommended the Library Board of Trustees approve the draft minutes.

ON THE MOTION OF BOARD MEMBER HUNT, SECONDED BY CHAIR PASCALL, AND CARRIED ON A 2-0 VOTE (WITH BOARD MEMBER OLAVARRIETA INELIGIBLE TO VOTE DUE TO ABSENCE, AND BOARD MEMBERS HALFORD AND HIBONO NOT HAVING BEEN APPOINTED AT THE TIME OF THE MEETING), THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVED THE MINUTES.

3.2 Approval of Draft Minutes – June 26, 2025, Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

Recommendation: Staff recommended the Library Board of Trustees approve the draft minutes.

ON THE MOTION OF CHAIR PASCALL, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR OLAVARRIETA, AND CARRIED ON A 4-0 VOTE (WITH BOARD MEMBER HIBONO ABSENT), THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVED THE MINUTES.

4. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

4.1 Presentation on the Library's New "Be a Kid Librarian" Pilot Program

Recommendation: Staff recommended the Library Board of Trustees receive the presentation.

Librarian II Alvarado gave the presentation.

Chair Pascall opened the public comment.

Jacob F. provided public comment.

There were no other speakers, and the public comment period was closed.

4.2 Presentation on the Experience of Interns at the Library during the Livermore Teen Academy

Recommendation: Staff recommended the Library Board of Trustees receive the report.

Assistant Library Director Brumley gave the report.

Chair Pascall opened the public comment period.

There were no speakers, and the public comment period was closed.

4.3 Presentation on the Addition of an Adult International Languages Collection

Recommendation: Staff recommended the Library Board of Trustees receive the report.

Supervising Librarian Lowell gave the report.

Chair Pascall opened the public comment period.

There were no speakers, and the public comment period was closed.

4.4 Report related to ongoing Library Statistics for the months of June and July 2025

Recommendation: Staff recommended the Library Board of Trustees receive and provide any necessary feedback.

Assistant Library Director Brumley gave the report.

Chair Pascall opened the public comment period.

There were no speakers, and the public comment period was closed.

4.5 Report related to ongoing Library activities for the months of June and July 2025

Recommendation: Staff recommended the Library Board of Trustees receive the report and provide any necessary feedback

Assistant Library Director Brumley gave the report.

Chair Pascall opened the public comment period.

Jacob F. provided a public comment.

There were no other speakers, and the public comment period was closed.

5. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND MATTERS INITIATED BY LIBRARY DIRECTOR AND BOARD MEMBERS

Chair Pascall said that she was glad the door to the Springtown Branch is now operable and Easy Access is available again.

Vice Chair Olavarrieta said that she attended the raffle for Summer Reading and thought it went well. She expressed appreciation that there was an additional raffle for attendees of the event which increased the opportunity for participants to win something.

Vice Chair Olavarrieta shared about libraries recovering from fire damage to bring attention to the furniture that libraries are including that are parent friendly.

6. ADJOURNMENT - at 7:54 p.m. to a Library Board of Trustees regular meeting on Thursday, September 25, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., William M. Mendenhall Community Room, Civic Center Meeting Hall, 1016 S. Livermore Avenue.

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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES STAFF REPORT ITEM NO. 4.1

DATE: September 25, 2025

TO: Chairperson and Members of the Library Board of Trustees

FROM: Anwan Baker, Library Director

SUBJECT: Report on the 2025 Summer Learning Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees receive the report.

DECISION TYPE

Not Applicable

SUMMARY

The Summer Learning Program at the Livermore Public Library has been a long-standing tradition in this community. Starting May 27, 2025, and running through August 6, 2025, the Library encouraged participants to read, learn, and explore. "Level Up at Your Library" was the theme of this year's program. The program culminated in a special Summer Learning City Council Awards Night, where Independent Readers who met the goal of reading for 10 hours or more over the summer were invited to meet the Mayor and City Council Members at a televised event on September 8, 2025.

DISCUSSION

The report includes participation statistics in the reading games divided by age groups, programming information and attendance numbers, outreach efforts, comparisons to previous summer reading years, and more. Of particular note is the exceeding of the Library's Community Reading Goal of 5 million minutes. The community read over 6.3 million minutes this summer, which is very impressive when it is taken into account that the Future Reader group is not included in this number. 2025's Summer Learning Program participation total was largely flat compared to last year, with a drop of only about 1%. Since last year's program participation set the all-time record for Livermore, this is a great success.

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2025 Summer Reading Program Report

Prepared by: Nathan Brumley
Assistant Library Services Director

LIVERMORE PUBLIC LIBRARY
SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAM 2025

LEVEL UP AT YOUR LIBRARY

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2025 Summer Learning Program Report

CITY OF LIVERMORE
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LIVERMORE PUBLIC LIBRARY

SUMMARY

The Livermore Public Library's 2025 Summer Reading Program was held from May 27 through August 6. Four (4) incentive-based reading programs were offered and targeted different audiences including future readers, independent readers, teens, and adults. This year's theme was "Level Up at Your Library".

Librarians and staff attended school assemblies, classrooms, and on-campus events to promote the Independent Reader program this year, reaching over 5,580 students.

Beanstack was used this year as the system tracking summer reading progress. The Library offered the same reading game rules for independent readers, teens, and adults this year, which was to track the amount of time they spent reading. Future readers counted the number of books they read with others.

The Friends of the Livermore Public Library funded most of the prizes for all ages. Papa Murphy's Take n' Bake Pizza, Chick-fil-a, LARPD, Panda Express, In-n-Out, Quest Science Center, Open Heart Kitchen, Livermore Filipino-American Organization, and Livermore Disc Golf Club made in-kind donations.

The Library challenged the community to read 5 million minutes together. The total time read during the Summer Learning Program across all games by the end of the program was 6,387,261 minutes (128% of the Library's goal). Future readers logged 61,089 books read during the program.

Library staff was assisted by seventy seven (79) Young Adult Volunteers who provided six hundred and ninety one (691) hours of volunteer assistance in order to make these reading programs possible.



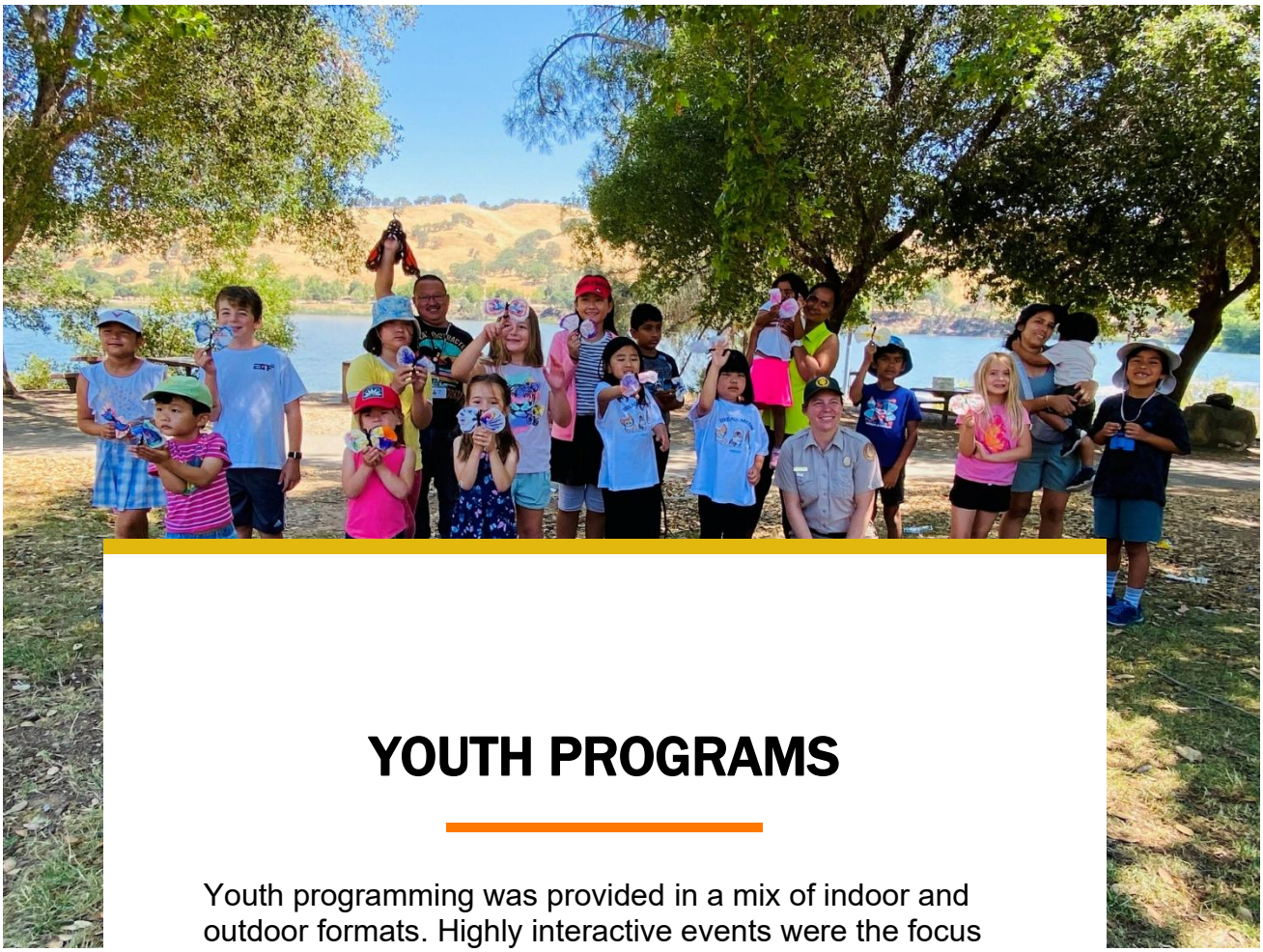
STATISTICS

Future Readers Program
Number of registered participants: 1095; Finishers: 488
Participation was up by 7% and finishers were up by 9%.
Registration prize: One free book of child's choice.
Prize 1 (10 points logged): Beach Ball
Finishing prize (30 points logged): Reading ribbon, raffle ticket, and Bubbles
Bonus tickets to enter the raffle were earned for each increment of 18 points logged above the finishing number of 30. The bonus raffle tickets were capped at 174 points.

Children's Independent Reader Program
Number of registered participants: 2,091; Finishers: 1132
Participation was down by 17% and finishers were down by 2%.
Registration prize: One free book of child's choice.
Prize 1 (10 points logged): Choice of Papa Murphy's Pizza, Chick-fil-A dessert, Panda Express Cub Meal, In-n-Out Burger or LARPD Swim Pass
Finishing prize (30 points logged): Gold reading medal, name on the wall, raffle ticket, invitation to Meet the Mayor and City Council at a special city council meeting
Bonus tickets to enter the raffle were earned for each increment of 18 points logged above the finishing number. The bonus raffle tickets were capped at 174 points.

Teen Summer Reading Program
Participants: 652; Finishers: 348
Participation was up by 11% and finishers were up by 13%.
Registration prize: One free book of teen's choice
Prize 1 (10 points logged): Deck of Cards or Pop Sockets
Finishing prize (30 points logged): Journal or Rubik's Cube
Bonus tickets to enter the raffle were earned for each increment of 18 pionts logged above the finishing number. The bonus raffle tickets were capped at 174 points.

Adult Summer Reading Program
Participants: 1,725; Finishers: 833
Participation was up by 14% and finishers were up by 18%.
Registration prize: One free book voucher from the Friends of the Library Book store
Prize 1 (10 points logged): One raffle ticket
Finishing prize (30 points logged): One raffle ticket
Bonus tickets to enter the raffle were earned for each increment of 18 points logged above the finishing number. The bonus raffle tickets were capped at 174 points.

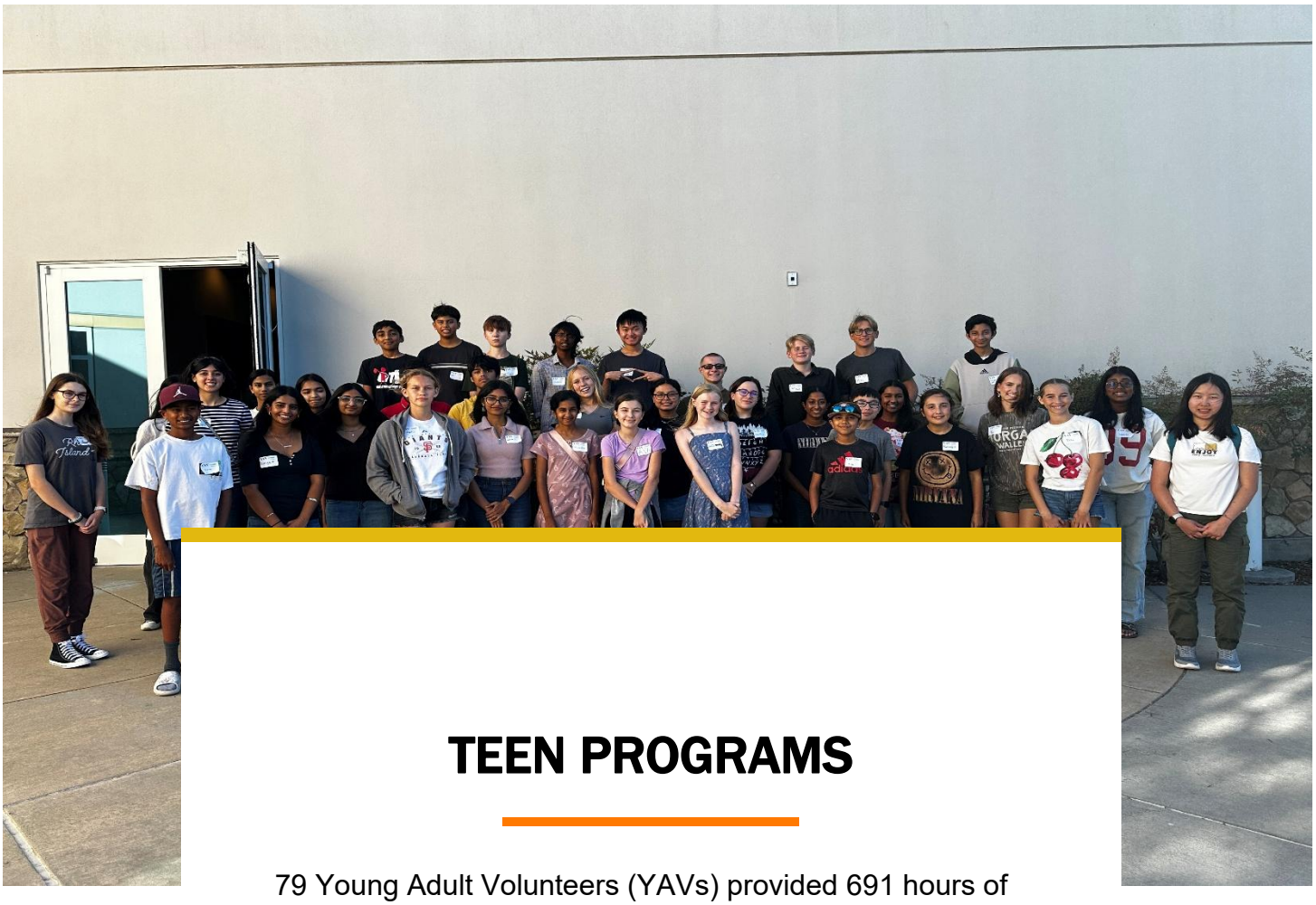


YOUTH PROGRAMS

Youth programming was provided in a mix of indoor and outdoor formats. Highly interactive events were the focus for Youth Services. The theme this year was “Level Up”. There were many partnerships between the Library and other organizations. We primarily partnered with Livermore Area Recreation and Parks District, and the East Bay Regional Parks District.

241 Youth programs were held in 2025.

- Total attendance = 16,084



TEEN PROGRAMS

79 Young Adult Volunteers (YAVs) provided 691 hours of volunteer assistance to staff to make programming over the summer possible. The YAV program is a great opportunity for young people to be introduced to the expectations of the work environment.

Teen programming was available in-person and via passive formats this year. Interactive and social experiences were the focus for the in-person offerings, while passive programming included an activity that could be enjoyed at participants' own convenience.

37 Teen programs were held in 2025.

- Total attendance = 750

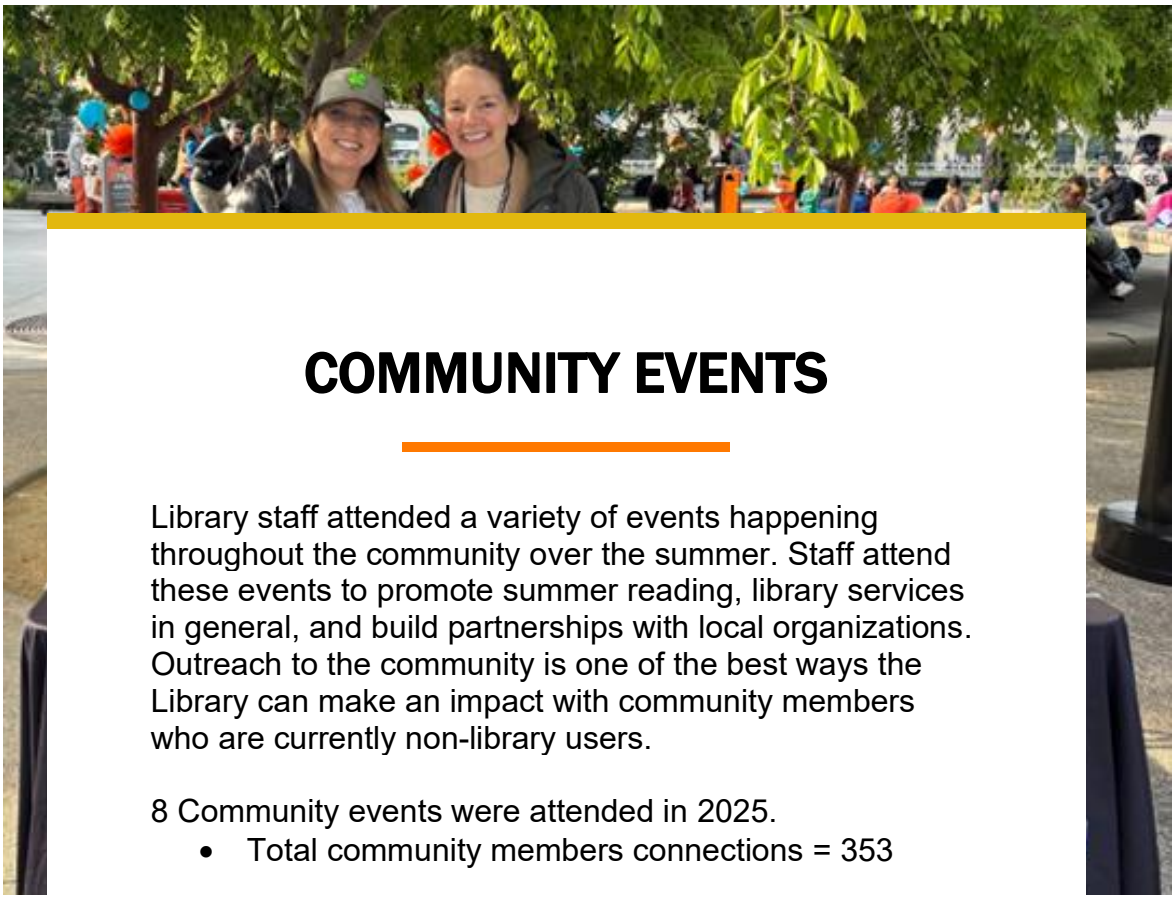


ADULT PROGRAMS

Adult programming was provided with a mix of educational, cultural, and support services. Popular series, such as Jazz in July returned again this year, and new Authors and Arts speakers presented.

152 Programs aimed at adults were held in 2025.

- Total attendance = 1,550



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Library staff attended a variety of events happening throughout the community over the summer. Staff attend these events to promote summer reading, library services in general, and build partnerships with local organizations. Outreach to the community is one of the best ways the Library can make an impact with community members who are currently non-library users.

8 Community events were attended in 2025.

- Total community members connections = 353

Juneteenth Celebration at the Bankhead Plaza 6/21/25
Connected with: 153 community members

Altamont Creek Outreach 6/19/25
Connected with: 65 community members

Library Day at Arbor Vista 6/25/25
Connected with: 6 community members

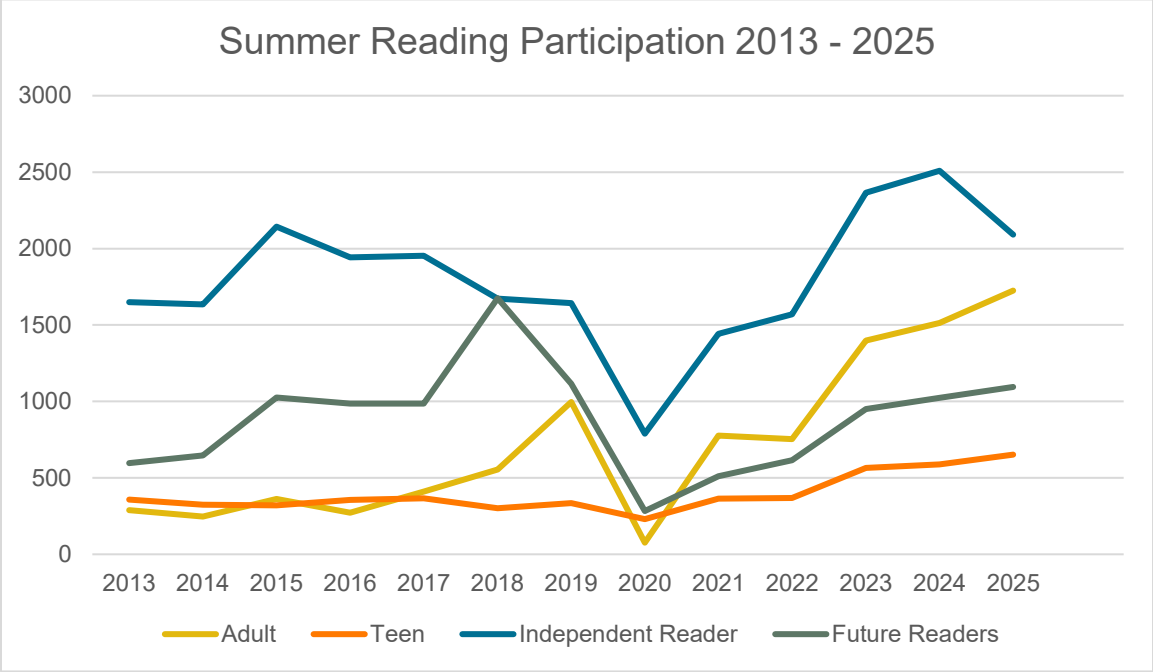
Library Day at Arbor Vista 7/16/25
Connected with: 6 community members

National Night Out 8/05/25
Connected with: 80 community members

Library Day at Arbor Vista 8/18/25 & 8/20/25
Connected with: 34 community members

Vineyard Resource Center 8/27/25
Connected with: 9 community members

SUMMER READING PARTICIPATION TRENDS



2025
Adults: 1,725
Teens: 652
Independent Readers: 2,091
Future Readers: 1,095
TOTAL: 5563

2024
Adults: 1,513
Teens: 589
Independent Readers: 2,509
Future Readers: 1,024
TOTAL: 5,635

2023
Adults: 1,398
Teens: 566
Independent Readers: 2,365
Pre-Readers: 951
TOTAL: 5,280

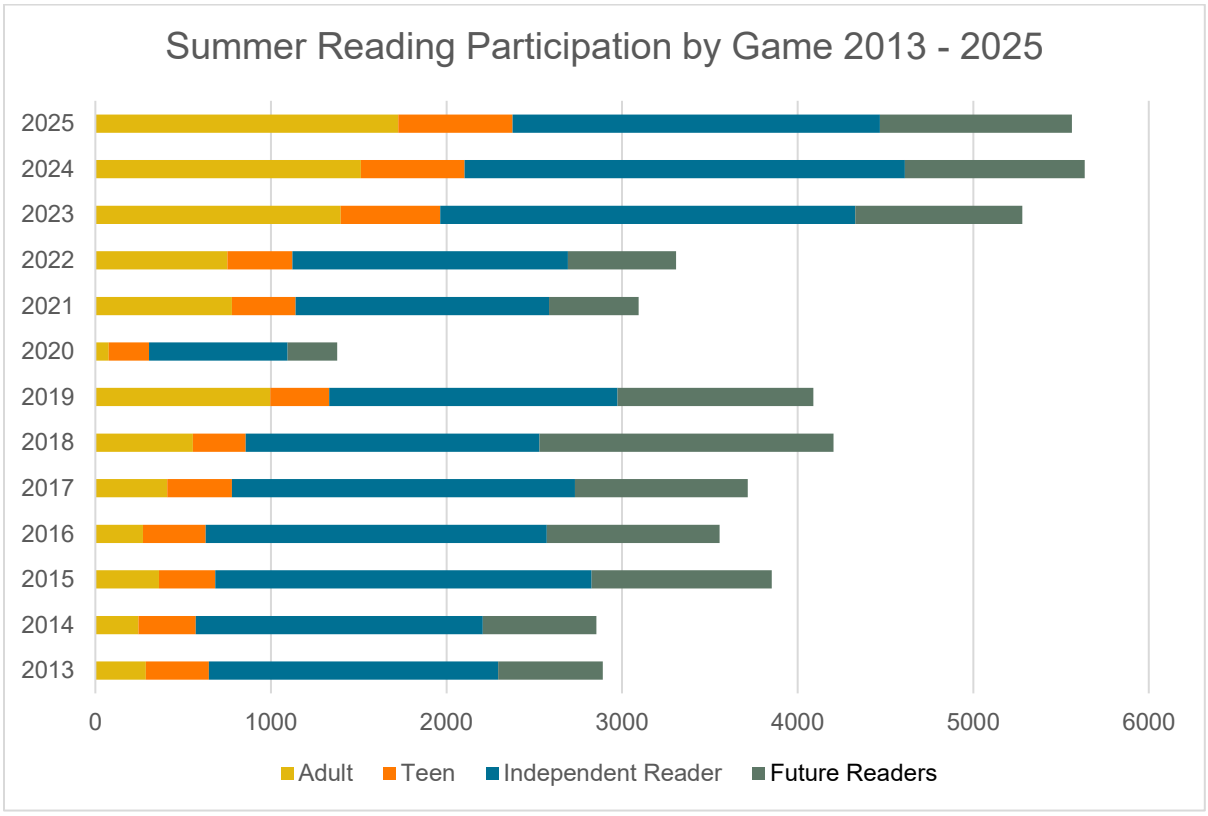
2022
Adults: 753
Teens: 369
Independent Readers: 1,570
Pre-Readers: 616
TOTAL: 3,308

2021
Adults: 777
Teens: 364
Independent Readers: 1,443
Pre-Readers: 511
TOTAL: 3,095

2020
Adults: 76
Teens: 230
Independent Readers: 789
Pre-Readers: 283
TOTAL: 1,378

2019
Adults: 997
Teens: 334
Independent Readers: 1,643
Pre-Readers: 1,115
TOTAL: 4,089

2018
Adults: 555
Teens: 302
Independent Readers: 1,672
Pre-Readers: 1,675
TOTAL: 4,204


Summer Reading Participation by Game 2013 - 2025
2025
2024
2023
2022
2021
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2000
3000
4000
5000
6000
Adult
Teen
Independent Reader
Future Readers


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CITY COUNCIL SUMMER READING AWARDS NIGHT

On September 8, 2025, at 6 p.m. Independent Readers who finished the Summer Reading goal of over 30 points logged over the summer were invited to meet the Mayor and City Council Members at a very special City Council Meeting. 440 Super Readers and their friends and families attended this year. Readers had their name announced as they entered the chambers, and moved along the line of City Council Members to be congratulated and encouraged to continue their reading. Family members arrived from all over the tri-valley area to support their Super Readers. Afterwards, attendees posed in front of the Council Chambers for pictures to cap off the overwhelmingly positive event.

This special awards night is a City of Livermore tradition that has been going on for over 30 years. The parents of many of the children spoke to staff about the days when they came through Summer Reading Awards Night when they were children.

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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES STAFF REPORT ITEM NO. 4.2

DATE: September 25, 2025

TO: Chairperson and Members of the Library Board of Trustees

FROM: Anwan Baker, Library Director

SUBJECT: Review of "Five Ways Public Libraries Go Far Beyond Books" article by Abby Carlson, Research and Program Consultant, Urban Libraries Council

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees review and discuss the article.

DECISION TYPE

Not Applicable

SUMMARY

On March 4, the Urban Libraries Council hosted a virtual town hall on the critical roles public libraries play in our communities. A big theme to come out of this discussion were the ways in which Libraries engage with their communities beyond books. The Urban Libraries Council invited leaders with experience engaging with local, state and federal government policymakers and discussed ways for libraries to stay connected with government officials, best practices for partnering with community organizations and how to tell the library's impact story. The article for discussion was derived from this town hall by Abby Carlson, Research and Program Consultant, Urban Libraries Council.

DISCUSSION

The five major themes that came out of this town hall were:

- The role of the public library spans far beyond books.
- Libraries should have a seat at the table for community policy- and decision-making.
- Partnerships between public libraries and local government are vital to the health of our communities.
- Libraries should tell the story of how they are serving the community beyond books.
- Libraries must reimagine their role in the future and transform themselves internally.

One way to approach the discussion of the article would be to walk through each of these in turn, and the

examples within. Staff would be interested in having Board Members share their thoughts on the examples provided, and/or offer any other input they have.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Five Ways Public Libraries Go Far Beyond Books Article

Prepared by: Nathan Brumley
Assistant Library Services Director

Five Ways Public Libraries Go Far Beyond Books

Written by Abby Carlson, Research and Program Consultant, Urban Libraries Council

On March 4, the Urban Libraries Council hosted a virtual town hall on the critical roles public libraries play in our communities. No longer reserved for hushed tones and quiet spaces, libraries have morphed into vibrant and colorful places for gathering, learning and innovation. We welcomed leaders with experience engaging with local, state and federal government policymakers to discuss ways for libraries to stay connected with government officials, best practices for partnering with community organizations and how to tell the library's impact story.

You can watch the town hall below and keep reading for five takeaways from the event.

Urban Libraries Council | A Town Hall on the Critical Role of Libraries | March 4, 2024

1. The role of the public library spans far beyond books.

Public libraries bring people together and are rewriting common assumptions of what people think a library does. They serve a trusted public common for social innovation and civic engagement. They partner with community organizations to address issues such as food access and job training. Furthermore, they also work with local government to be a reliable resource and space during a crisis, like extreme weather emergencies.

"The community is the library, and the library is the community," said Kelvin Watson, Executive Director of the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District. "We're the anchor for many more things than books." He shared that in his district, 17 libraries have a hydroponic garden program to address the negative impacts of being in a food desert. The program teaches people of all ages how to grow healthy food without the need for soil, whether it is at home or at the library.

Libraries are increasingly important for social well-being, civic engagement and building trust in public institutions. Libraries look different now to serve this purpose, as many buildings are designed to include accessible community rooms to be a public gathering space. This extends to how libraries are staffed, too.

Deputy Director for Library Services at the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Cyndee Landrum said this is an opportunity to leverage not just a librarian's traditional area of training like locating books and referencing information, but also their expertise as facilitators and one-on-one communicators.

2. Libraries should have a seat at the table for community policy- and decision-making.

Library leaders should be proactive in ensuring the library is a part of community conversations and initiatives. As a public institution and critical civic infrastructure, the library's perspective is instrumental in shaping how community problems are approached and solutions are addressed.

"The library space is very expansive. And where we find ourselves, we need to think about as our space and places."

KELVIN WATSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LAS VEGAS-CLARK COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

When ULC's Immediate Past Board Chair Karl Dean was mayor of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County from 2007 to 2015, he applied this thinking to the Limitless Libraries program. This initiative worked to break down the wall between schools and libraries to support literacy goals and instill a love of reading among school-age children and teens. The public libraries in his city found that by working with public school libraries they could ensure students had access to any book in the library system within a couple of days of requesting it. The program was a huge success and implemented widely across libraries in Nashville.

3. Partnerships between public libraries and local government are vital to the health of our communities.

The key to libraries working well with local governments is to recognize that elected officials are helpful partners. An important part of that relationship to for libraries to be intentional about keeping local officials engaged and informed. Library leaders should make it clear to government decision makers that their expertise goes far beyond what may be traditionally considered. The public library's ability to educate and inform around subjects such as emerging

technology, privacy issues or intellectual freedom can be harnessed by local officials to make informed and beneficial decisions for the community.

This relationship can be mutually beneficial. Public libraries offer a safe and accessible space for elected officials to meet with their constituencies, so the community can gather and learn about local government initiatives. Libraries also have direct contact with residents daily, offering a unique insight into the issues the community is facing. This relationship with the public can inform local officials in their decision-making and / or encourage them to be a supportive resource for libraries to address these issues.

During the town hall, Karl Dean recalled the many ways the Nashville Public Library played a role in advancing government services during his tenure as mayor. The library was integral in helping people sign up for the Affordable Care Act; it offered services to help newcomers through the immigration process; and it provided job information and access to computers during the Great Recession.

Fostering this relationship between libraries and elected officials is especially important during an election year. Libraries support civic health, build community trust, allow elected officials to stay informed about their constituencies, and enhance interconnections between citizens and government.

“So much of what we see on the TV screen is just politicians yelling back and forth,” said Brooks Rainwater, president and CEO of ULC. “But libraries play a different role, and it’s to bring people together.”

4. Libraries should tell the story of how they are serving the community beyond books.

As local governments face rising costs and fluctuating tax revenues, securing funding for public libraries may often come down to being a persuasive storyteller. The library story must be told in a way that resonates with decision makers and makes clear how integral it is to the community.

During the town hall, speakers offered some strategies to better tell the story about the library’s impact in the community. One idea was to connect the dots about what the library does to other important social issues impacting the community.

"The work [a city does] with the homeless, with education, with immigration, with preserving intellectual freedom goes on seven days a week and our budgets really cannot be cut. They need to be actually enhanced," said Karl Dean about the issues influencing local budgets.

In telling this impact story, the library should utilize influential validators like community organization leaders and other library champions in local government to underline just how necessary continued support is.

Sharing a library's success and impact is not just regulated to budget season. Through continuous communication and collaboration, libraries can make it clear that they are natural allies to government officials and their interests are aligned.

Kelvin Watson shared an instance of utilizing partnerships wisely to benefit the library and the community. Libraries in his district recognized a need from the community to have social workers at locations but knew that hiring social workers directly would impact the library's budget. Instead, the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District chose partnered with other county agencies to bring in these needed services. This helped the library's bottom line and demonstrated its ability to partner with local government to help meet a community need.

5. Libraries must reimagine their role in the future and transform themselves internally.

Many recent concerns around the future of libraries focus on the challenges that AI and intellectual freedom pose, but the act of ensuring that libraries continue to thrive often comes down to making people feel welcome and being a trusted space.

To do this, libraries must "reimagine [their] role in the future. Reimagine how [they're] going to address big challenges out in the world that we're seeing in our community," said Cyndee Landrum.

A consistent theme that also arose in addressing this was how libraries can transform from the inside out by rethinking how they function and operate. This includes addressing internal operations, policies, impact on staff and grant-making. "For us to transform our services, we have to transform ourselves internally," said Kelvin Watson.

Read more about libraries can transform lives and strengthen their communities in this blog post from ULC President and CEO Brooks Rainwater.



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https://www.urbanlibraries.org/blog/five-ways-public-libraries-go-far-beyond-books

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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES STAFF REPORT ITEM NO. 4.3

DATE: September 25, 2025

TO: Chairperson and Members of the Library Board of Trustees

FROM: Anwan Baker, Library Director

SUBJECT: Budgeting 2.0 for Teens Program Report

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees receive the report.

DECISION TYPE

Not Applicable

SUMMARY

On Monday, September 15, 2025, teens ages 11-18 were invited to register to learn budgeting skills presented by Financial Beginnings. Financial Beginnings is a non-profit that provides educational programs that incorporate all aspects of personal finance to give individuals the foundation they need to make informed financial decisions.

DISCUSSION

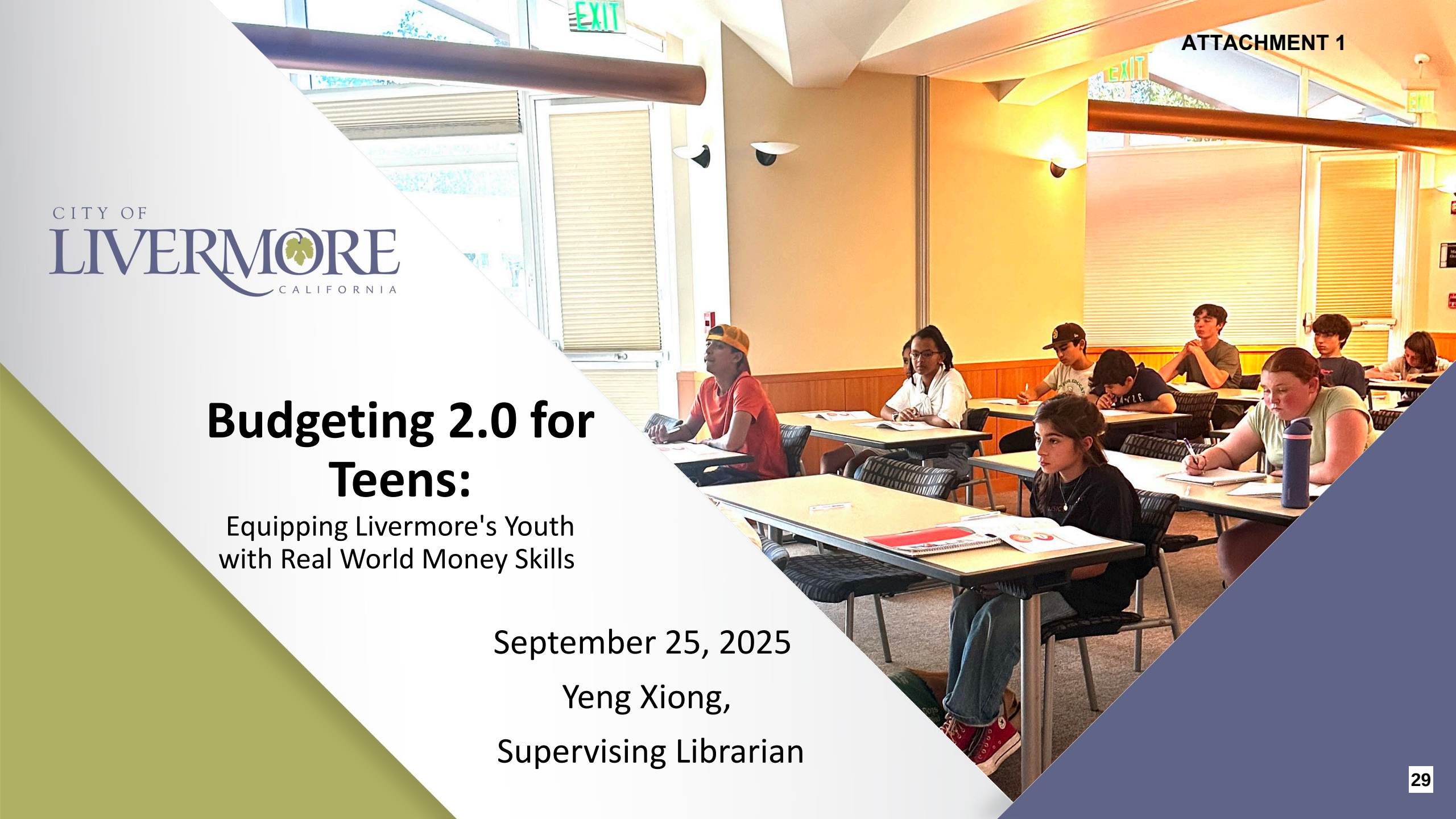
After the success of this budgeting workshop, Library Youth Services staff are considering offering additional financial education programming to children and teens. Financial Beginnings has been a great partner in offering Financial Education programming to the public of all ages. The organization provides resources for children, teens, and adults, including booklets for each lesson. Students who attended the workshop expressed an interest in learning how to buy a home and invest in stocks. Staff welcome any suggestions on future financial classes from the Library Board of Trustees.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Teen Budget 2.0 Program Presentation

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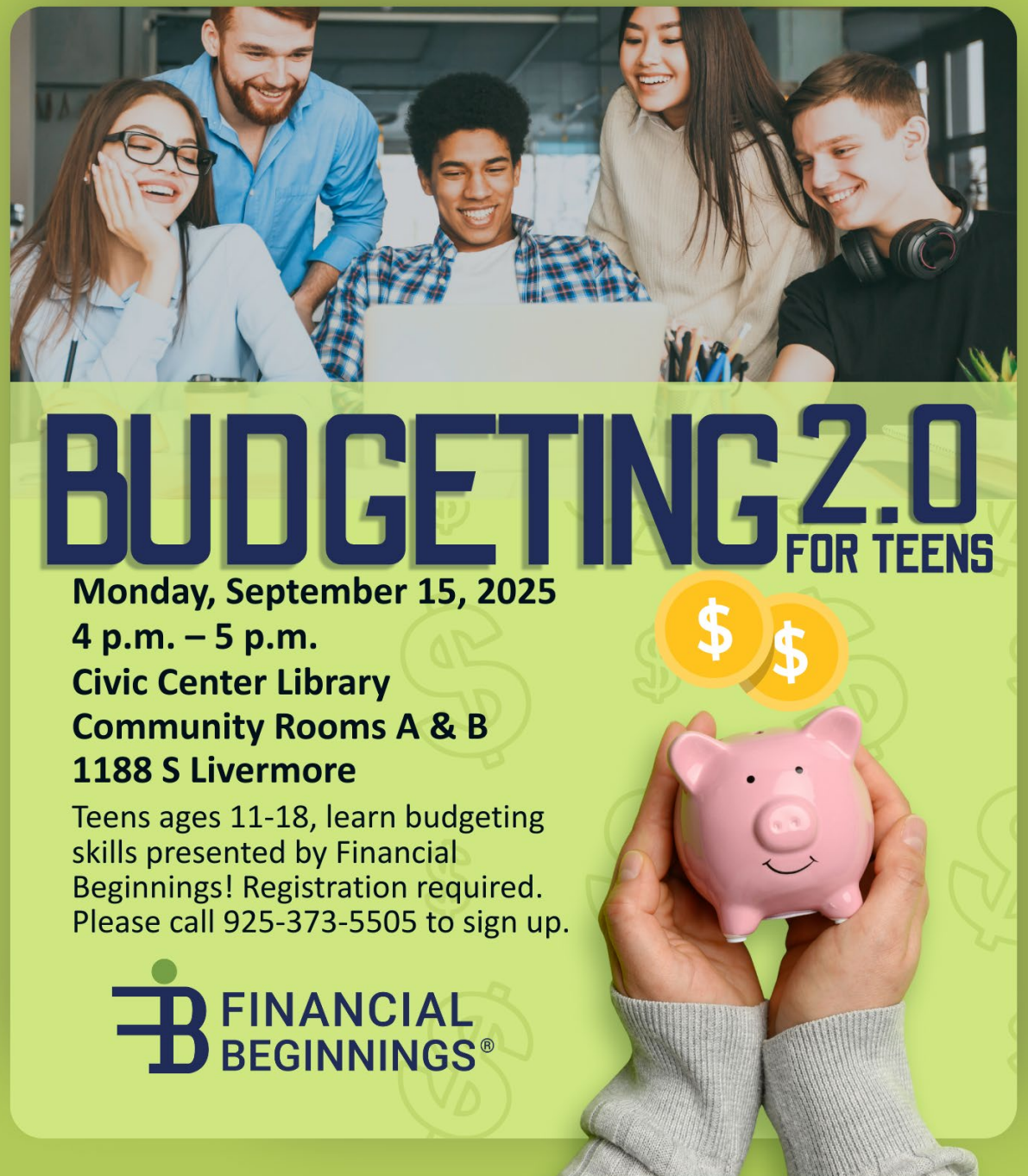
Budgeting 2.0 for Teens:

Equipping Livermore's Youth with Real World Money Skills

September 25, 2025

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Supervising Librarian



Building Financial Confidence Early

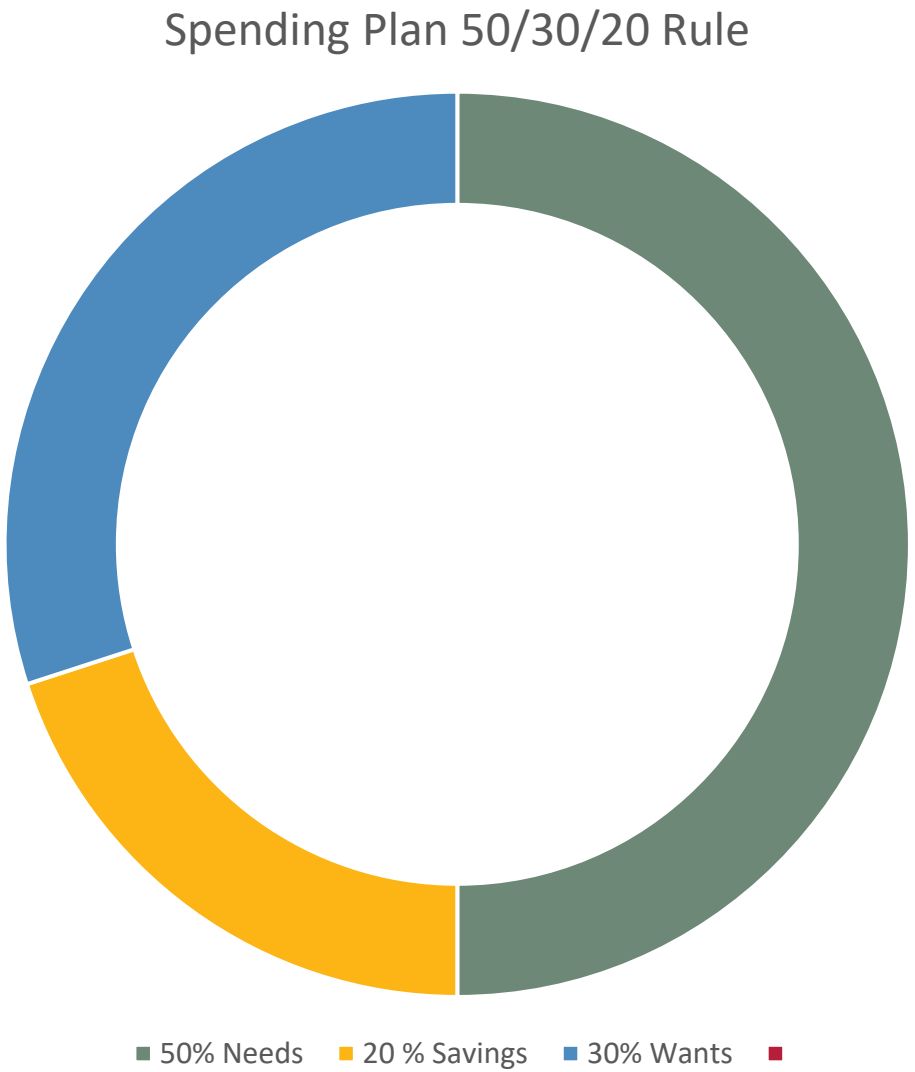
- Life readiness
  - Skills not taught in schools
- Financial Literacy
  - Foundation for adulthood
- Community Impact
  - Empowered youth = stronger Livermore

Program At a Glance

- Intended for ages 11-18
- Format
  - Interactive workshop
  - Use of strategy workbook
- Key Concepts
  - Budget Tracking
  - Budget Optimizing
  - Managing the Unexpected



Key Learning Outcomes



- **Budget Tracking**
  - Learn how to develop a budget tracking system that's right for you
- **Budget Optimizing**
  - Learn strategies to decrease expenses and increase income
- **Managing the Unexpected**
  - Understand how to manage unexpected windfalls and expenses

Teen Testimonials

- *I can save money by making coffee at home rather than go to Starbucks every day*
- *I can save money by packing a lunch from home rather than buying lunch*

Community Impact

- Number of teens
  - Total participated: 18
  - Age range from 11 – 16, with 12 years old being the largest age group

Looking Ahead



- Assess demand for reoccurring financial literacy classes
  - Investments/stocks
  - Buying a home
- Consider offering other financial workshops in Spring 2026
- Consider offering to additional age groups other than teens
- This program is supported by the Citywide Strategic Plan
  - Goal 7: Facilitate youth engagement opportunities
    - Objective 3: Enhance existing and explore new opportunities for youth engagement

Your Feedback is Valuable

Library Board of Trustees' feedback is welcome at this time.

Thank You

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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES STAFF REPORT ITEM NO. 4.4

DATE: September 25, 2025

TO: Chairperson and Members of the Library Board of Trustees

FROM: Anwan Baker, Library Director

SUBJECT: Report related to ongoing Library statistics for the month of August 2025

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees receive the report and provide any necessary feedback.

DECISION TYPE

Not Applicable

SUMMARY

Prior to each Library Board of Trustees meeting, Board Members and the public will receive Library statistics that cover the previous month within the agenda packet. Board Members are asked to review this information and are welcome to provide feedback on this information during the meeting. This month's agenda packet contains data for the month of August 2025.

DISCUSSION

Library Staff provides key statistics to the Library Board of Trustees and public each month to highlight and give a brief overview of the utilization of our locations, resources, and materials. The Library welcomes any feedback or discussion related to the provided statistical data for the previous month(s).

ATTACHMENTS

1. August 2025 Statistics
2. Highlighted Statistics - August - 5-Year Comparison

Prepared by: Leng Kutil
Management Analyst I

August 2025 Monthly Report								
TOTAL LIBRARY SYSTEM	**MONTH CURR**	**PREV MONTH**	**% CHANGE**	**MONTH PREV. YR**	**% CHANGE**	**YEAR TO DATE**	**PREV YR TO DATE**	**% CHANGE**
TOTAL COLLECTION USE	81985	95823	-14.44%	86825	-5.57%	177808	182065	-2.34%
PHYSICAL ITEM CIRCULATION	62272	71731	-13.19%	62591	-0.51%	134003	133747	0.19%
ELECTRONIC CONTENT USE	19713	24092	-18.18%	24234	-18.66%	43805	48318	-9.34%
REGISTRATION	1732	528	228.03%	1575	9.97%	2260	2133	5.95%
INFORMATION SERVICES								
DIRECTIONAL	3010	3461	-13.03%	2873	4.77%	6471	6232	3.84%
REFERENCE	1430	1822	-21.51%	2682	-46.68%	3252	5527	-41.16%
TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE	872	964	-9.54%	943	-7.53%	1836	1871	-1.87%
DOOR COUNT	30422	33087	-8.05%	29772	2.18%	63509	62941	0.90%
WEBSITE VISITS	23911	21104	13.30%	18931	26.31%	45015	39393	14.27%
RESERVE MATERIALS								
REQUESTED	5599	5585	0.25%	5744	-2.52%	11184	10960	2.04%
FILLED	4699	4790	-1.90%	4710	-0.23%	9489	8984	5.62%
INTERLIBRARY LOAN								
TO OTHER LIB.	735	740	-0.68%	718	2.37%	1475	1421	3.80%
FROM OTHER LIB.	787	651	20.89%	637	23.55%	1438	1280	12.34%
PUBLIC COMPUTER ACCESS								
# OF COMPUTER USERS	4339	4894	-11.34%	4067	6.69%	9233	9599	-3.81%
PROGRAMS								
CHILDREN'S	60	111	-45.95%	84	-28.57%	171	193	-11.40%
ATTENDANCE	3189	6044	-47.24%	4886	-34.73%	9233	11740	-21.35%
ADULT	48	58	-17.24%	43	11.63%	106	89	19.10%
ATTENDANCE	346	952	-63.66%	583	-40.65%	1298	1362	-4.70%
TOTAL PROGRAMS	108	169	-36.09%	127	-14.96%	277	282	-1.77%
TOTAL ATTENDANCE	3535	6996	-49.47%	5469	-35.36%	10531	13102	-19.62%
GROUPS								
# OF GROUPS	1	2	-50.00%	2	-50.00%	3	3	0.00%
ATTENDANCE	32	50	-36.00%	10	220.00%	82	31	164.52%
MEETING ROOM USE								
MEETINGS	783	801	-2.25%	796	-1.63%	1584	1543	2.66%

SERVICES								
# OF SERVICES	97	110	-11.82%	81	19.75%	207	165	25.45%
TOTAL SERVED	155	222	-30.18%	121	28.10%	377	286	31.82%
EVENTS								
# OF EVENTS	4	1	300.00%	1	300.00%	5	1	400.00%
TOTAL CONTACTED	123	6	1950.00%	102	20.59%	129	102	26.47%
VOLUNTEER HOURS								
LIBRARY	92.5	64.5	43.41%	36.5	153.42%	157	61.5	155.28%
YAV'S	93.5	633.58	-85.24%	81.5	14.72%	727.08	483.25	50.46%
FRIENDS	370	386	-4.15%	380	-2.63%	756	720	5.00%
LITERACY	473	490.5	-3.57%	397	19.14%	963.5	905	6.46%
OTHER	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
TOTAL VOLUNTEER HRS.	1029	1574.58	-34.65%	895	14.97%	2603.58	2169.75	19.99%

TECHNICAL SERVICES	MONTH CURR	PREV MONTH	% CHANGE	MONTH PREV YR.	% CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE	PREV YR. TO DATE	% CHANGE
NEW MATERIALS REC'D								
BOOKS	653	584	11.82%	606	7.76%	1237	1354	-8.64%
AUDIO	6	38	-84.21%	0	0.00%	44	2	2100.00%
VIDEO	34	72	-52.78%	59	-42.37%	106	129	-17.83%
GAMES	20	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	20	23	-13.04%
REALIA	43	0	0.00%	10	330.00%	43	48	-10.42%
PERIODICALS	326	316	3.16%	316	3.16%	642	631	1.74%
CC	305	294	3.74%	299	2.01%	599	591	1.35%
RN	9	12	-25.00%	7	28.57%	21	19	10.53%
SP	12	10	20.00%	10	20.00%	22	21	4.76%
ONLINE RESOURCES	70	115	-39.13%	227	-69.16%	185	264	-29.92%
DONATIONS	290	268	8.21%	324	-10.49%	558	656	-14.94%
TOTAL	1442	1393	3.52%	1542	-6.49%	2835	3107	-8.75%
ITEMS PROCESSED								
BOOKS	822	1401	-41.33%	1269	-35.22%	2223	2465	-9.82%
AUDIO	14	93	-84.95%	4	250.00%	107	16	568.75%
VIDEO	51	119	-57.14%	65	-21.54%	170	155	9.68%
GAMES	22	0	0.00%	1	2100.00%	22	25	-12.00%
REALIA	42	18	133.33%	18	133.33%	60	56	7.14%
PERIODICALS	326	316	3.16%	316	3.16%	642	631	1.74%
CC	305	294	3.74%	299	2.01%	599	591	1.35%
RN	9	12	-25.00%	7	28.57%	21	19	10.53%
SP	12	10	20.00%	10	20.00%	22	21	4.76%
ONLINE RESOURCES	100	171	-41.52%	266	-62.41%	271	315	-13.97%
TOTAL	1377	2118	-34.99%	1939	-28.98%	3495	3663	-4.59%
COLLECTION HOLDINGS	**CURR. TOTAL**							
ADULT FICTION	39764							
ADULT NONFICTION	37121							
YOUTH FICTION	67715							
YOUTH NONFICTION	20366							
TEEN FICTION	5872							
TEEN NON-FICTION	454							
REFERENCE	1859							
INTL LANGUAGE	1638							
SPANISH LANGUAGE	5580							
AUDIO MATERIALS	4184							
VIDEO MATERIALS	10326							
MICROFILM	3076							
LIBRARY OF THINGS	561							
GAMES	377							

PERIODICAL ITEMS	2685							
EBOOKS	14469							
ONLINE RESOURCES	359							
INTERLIBRARY LOAN	10							
BOOK CLUB KITS	0							
MISC (Call # Not in SCAT Table)	7							
TOTAL HOLDINGS	216423							
PERIODICAL SUBSCRIPTIONS	204							

CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY	MONTH CURR	PREV MONTH	% CHANGE	MONTH PREV YR.	% CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE	PREV YR. TO DATE	% CHANGE
CIRCULATION	59158	68535	-13.68%	60168	-1.68%	127693	128480	-0.61%
REGISTRATION	1720	508	238.58%	1543	11.47%	2228	2070	7.63%
INFORMATION SERVICES								
DIRECTIONAL	2764	2931	-5.70%	2520	9.68%	5695	5358	6.29%
REFERENCE	1327	1637	-18.94%	2472	-46.32%	2964	4940	-40.00%
TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE	843	904	-6.75%	887	-4.96%	1747	1706	2.40%
DOOR COUNT	26310	26821	-1.91%	25387	3.64%	53131	51642	2.88%
RESERVE MATERIALS								
REQUESTED	781	881	-11.35%	1008	-22.52%	1662	1832	-9.28%
FILLED	3460	3481	-0.60%	3457	0.09%	6941	6550	5.97%
PUBLIC COMPUTER ACCESS								
# OF COMPUTER USERS	3631	4115	-11.76%	3821	-4.97%	7746	8102	-4.39%
INTERLIBRARY LOAN								
TO OTHER LIB.	735	740	-0.68%	718	2.37%	1475	1421	3.80%
FROM OTHER LIB.	787	651	20.89%	637	23.55%	1438	1280	12.34%
PROGRAMS								
CHILDREN'S	30	53	-43.40%	43	-30.23%	83	96	-13.54%
ATTENDANCE	1738	3354	-48.18%	2456	-29.23%	5092	5779	-11.89%
ADULT	39	47	-17.02%	35	11.43%	86	71	21.13%
ATTENDANCE	280	851	-67.10%	525	-46.67%	1131	1232	-8.20%
TOTAL PROGRAMS	69	100	-31.00%	78	-11.54%	169	167	1.20%
TOTAL ATTENDANCE	2018	4205	-52.01%	2981	-32.30%	6223	7011	-11.24%
GROUPS								
# OF GROUPS	1	1	0.00%	2	-50.00%	2	2	0.00%
ATTENDANCE	32	32	0.00%	10	220.00%	64	10	540.00%
MEETING ROOM USE								
MEETINGS	783	801	-2.25%	796	-1.63%	1584	1543	2.66%
SERVICES								
# OF SERVICES	93	91	2.20%	76	22.37%	184	142	29.58%
TOTAL SERVED	129	125	3.20%	76	69.74%	254	142	78.87%
EVENTS								

# OF EVENTS	4	1	300.00%	1	300.00%	5	1	400.00%
TOTAL CONTACTED	123	6	1950.00%	102	20.59%	129	102	26.47%
VOLUNTEER HOURS								
LIBRARY	48.5	49	-1.02%	18	169.44%	97.5	37	163.51%
YAV'S	67.5	410	-83.54%	41.25	63.64%	477.5	203.25	134.93%
FRIENDS	370	386	-4.15%	380	-2.63%	756	720	5.00%
LITERACY	467	483	-3.31%	391	19.44%	950	889	6.86%
OTHER	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
TOTAL VOLUNTEER HRS.	953	1328	-28.24%	830.25	14.78%	2281	1849.25	23.35%

SPRINGTOWN	MONTH CURR	PREV MONTH	% CHANGE	MONTH PREV YR.	% CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE	PREV YR. TO DATE	% CHANGE
CIRCULATION	330	498	-33.73%	287	14.98%	828	671	23.40%
REGISTRATION	4	5	-20.00%	10	-60.00%	9	19	-52.63%
INFORMATION SERVICES								
DIRECTIONAL	83	199	-58.29%	114	-27.19%	282	250	12.80%
REFERENCE	53	108	-50.93%	79	-32.91%	161	163	-1.23%
TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE	12	27	-55.56%	23	-47.83%	39	50	-22.00%
DOOR COUNT	1175	1391	-15.53%	876	34.13%	2566	1864	37.66%
RESERVE MATERIALS								
REQUESTED	43	76	-43.42%	49	-12.24%	119	117	1.71%
FILLED	561	611	-8.18%	605	-7.27%	1172	1177	-0.42%
INTERLIBRARY LOAN								
TO OTHER LIB.	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
FROM OTHER LIB.	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
PUBLIC COMPUTER ACCESS								
# OF COMPUTER USERS	19	42	-54.76%	18	5.56%	61	45	35.56%
PROGRAMS								
CHILDREN'S	10	24	-58.33%	11	-9.09%	34	21	61.90%
ATTENDANCE	333	984	-66.16%	531	-37.29%	1317	914	44.09%
ADULT	4	5	-20.00%	3	33.33%	9	8	12.50%
ATTENDANCE	23	20	15.00%	12	91.67%	43	29	48.28%
TOTAL PROGRAMS	14	29	-51.72%	14	0.00%	43	29	48.28%
TOTAL ATTENDANCE	356	1004	-64.54%	543	-34.44%	1360	943	44.22%
GROUPS								
# OF GROUPS	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
ATTENDANCE	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
MEETING ROOM USE								
MEETINGS	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
SERVICES								
#OF SERVICES	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
TOTAL SERVED	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
EVENTS								
# OF EVENTS	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%

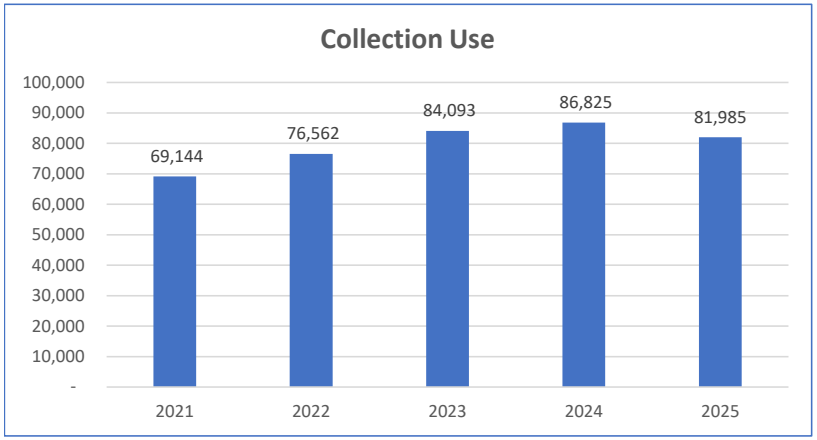
TOTAL CONTACTED	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
VOLUNTEER HOURS								
LIBRARY	1	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1	0	0.00%
YAV'S	4	31	-87.10%	13	-69.23%	35	52.5	-33.33%
FRIENDS	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
LITERACY	6	7.5	-20.00%	6	0.00%	13.5	16	-15.63%
OTHER	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
TOTAL VOLUNTEER HRS.	11	38.5	-71.43%	19	-42.11%	49.5	68.5	-27.74%

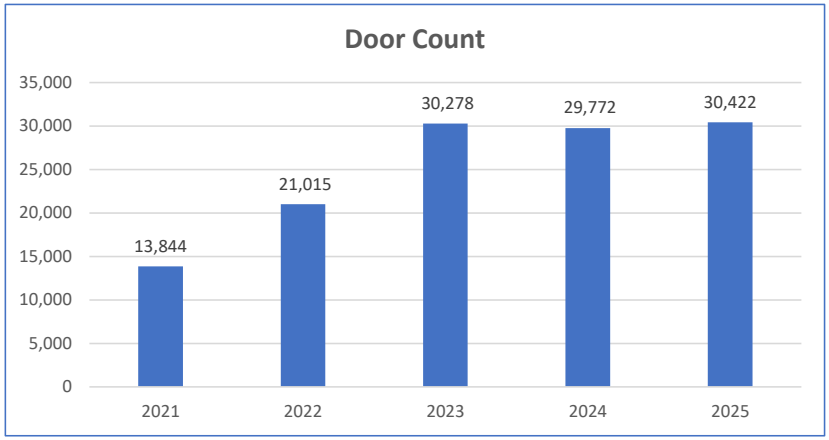
RINCON	MONTH CURR	PREV MONTH	% CHANGE	MONTH PREV YR.	% CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE	PREV YR. TO DATE	% CHANGE
CIRCULATION	712	801	-11.11%	888	-19.82%	1513	2049	-26.16%
REGISTRATION	8	15	-46.67%	22	-63.64%	23	44	-47.73%
INFORMATION SERVICES								
DIRECTIONAL	163	331	-50.76%	239	-31.80%	494	624	-20.83%
REFERENCE	50	77	-35.06%	131	-61.83%	127	424	-70.05%
TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE	17	33	-48.48%	33	-48.48%	50	115	-56.52%
DOOR COUNT	2937	4875	-39.75%	3509	-16.30%	7812	9435	-17.20%
RESERVE MATERIALS								
REQUESTED	115	100	15.00%	128	-10.16%	215	183	17.49%
FILLED	678	698	-2.87%	648	4.63%	1376	1257	9.47%
INTERLIBRARY LOAN								
TO OTHER LIB.	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
FROM OTHER LIB.	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
PUBLIC COMPUTER ACCESS								
# OF COMPUTER USERS	689	737	-6.51%	228	202.19%	1426	1452	-1.79%
PROGRAMS								
CHILDREN'S	20	34	-41.18%	30	-33.33%	54	76	-28.95%
ATTENDANCE	1118	1706	-34.47%	1899	-41.13%	2824	5047	-44.05%
ADULT	5	6	-16.67%	5	0.00%	11	10	10.00%
ATTENDANCE	43	81	-46.91%	46	-6.52%	124	101	22.77%
TOTAL PROGRAMS	25	40	-37.50%	35	-28.57%	65	86	-24.42%
TOTAL ATTENDANCE	1161	1787	-35.03%	1945	-40.31%	2948	5148	-42.74%
GROUPS								
# OF GROUPS	0	1	-100.00%	0	0.00%	1	1	0.00%
ATTENDANCE	0	18	-100.00%	0	0.00%	18	21	-14.29%
MEETING ROOM USE								
MEETINGS	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
SERVICES								
# OF SERVICES	4	19	-78.95%	5	-20.00%	23	23	0.00%
TOTAL SERVED	26	97	-73.20%	45	-42.22%	123	144	-14.58%
EVENTS								

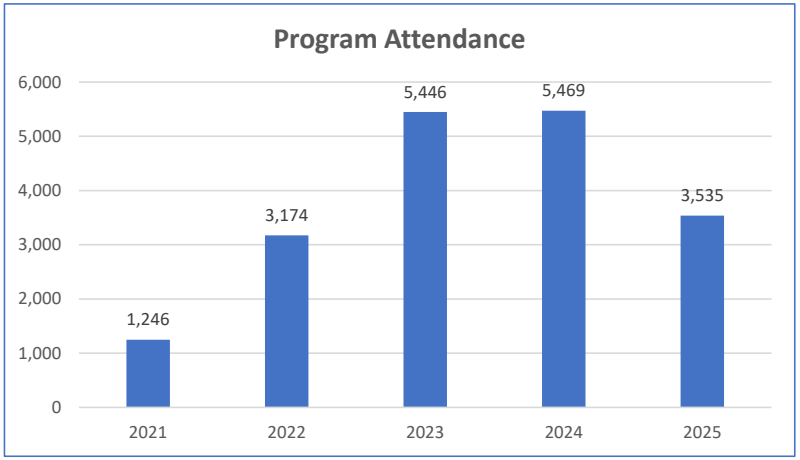
# OF EVENTS	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
TOTAL CONTACTED	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
VOLUNTEER HOURS								
LIBRARY	43	15.5	177.42%	18.5	132.43%	58.5	24.5	138.78%
YAV'S	22	192.58	-88.58%	27.25	-19.27%	214.58	227.5	-5.68%
FRIENDS	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
LITERACY	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
OTHER	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
TOTAL VOLUNTEER HRS.	65	208.08	-68.76%	45.75	42.08%	273.08	252	8.37%

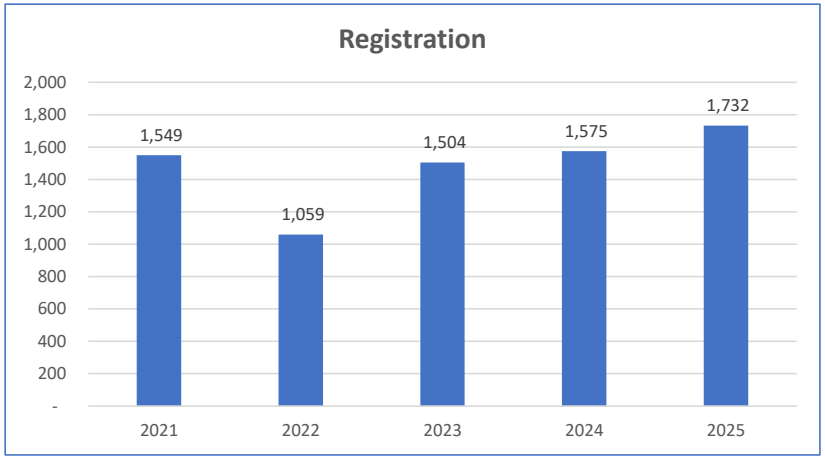
DIGITAL LIBRARY	MONTH CURR	PREV MONTH	% CHANGE	MONTH PREV YR.	% CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE	PREV YR. TO DATE	% CHANGE
CIRCULATION - LIBRARY CATALOG (PHYSICAL ITEMS)	2072	1897	9.23%	1248	66.03%	3969	2547	55.83%
CIRCULATION - DOWNLOADABLE COLLECTION	9725	10742	-9.47%	10054	-3.27%	20467	20097	1.84%
OVERDRIVE	9725	10742	-9.47%	10054	-3.27%	20467	20097	1.84%
ENKI	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
ELECTRONIC INFORMATION	9988	13350	-25.18%	14180	-29.56%	23338	28221	-17.30%
DISCOVER & GO	57	54	5.56%	65	-12.31%	111	138	-19.57%
RB DIGITAL	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
KANOPY	1345	1552	-13.34%	1177	14.27%	2897	2475	17.05%
INFORMATION DATABASES	8586	11744	-26.89%	12938	-33.64%	20330	25608	-20.61%
CATALOG SEARCHES	188231	202658	-7.12%	265992	-29.23%	390889	527865	-25.95%
WEBSITE VISITS	23,911	21104	13.30%	18931	26.31%	45015	39393	14.27%
RESERVE MATERIALS								
REQUESTED	4660	4528	2.92%	4559	2.22%	9188	8828	4.08%

MONTH OF AUGUST 2025
5-YEAR COMPARISON (2021 - 2025)









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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES STAFF REPORT ITEM NO. 4.5

DATE: September 25, 2025

TO: Chairperson and Members of the Library Board of Trustees

FROM: Anwan Baker, Library Director

SUBJECT: Report related to ongoing Library activities for the month of August 2025

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees receive the report and provide any necessary feedback.

DECISION TYPE

Not Applicable

SUMMARY

Prior to each Library Board of Trustees meeting, Board Members and the public will receive a list of key activities and programs that occurred within the last month(s) within the agenda packet. Board Members are asked to review this information prior to the meeting and are welcome to provide feedback on this information during the meeting. This month's agenda packet contains data for the month of August 2025.

DISCUSSION

Library staff provides the key activity data to the Library Board and public each month to highlight and give a brief overview of the ongoing operations and efforts being undertaken by staff. The Livermore Public Library seeks to provide a diverse suite of services, programs, and resources to enhance the lives of our community, and welcomes any feedback or discussion related to our existing offerings or potential new offerings.

ATTACHMENTS

1. August 2025 Programs

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Management Analyst I

Livermore Public Library Programs
AUGUST 2025

PROGRAMS (LIVE - IN PERSON)	Intended Audience	# of Programs	Attendance
Sing and Learn Babies	Children	3	230
Music and Movement	Children	12	1093
Música y Movimiento en Español	Children	3	100
Storytime Stay & Play	Children	18	646
Storytime in the Park	Children	3	228
Sign Language: Stories and Songs	Children	1	42
Yoga Storytime	Children	2	92
Bedtime Storytime	Children	1	14
Tween Maker Madness	Children	1	38
Homeschool Gathering	Children	1	60
Summer Science at Del Valle Regional Park: Fish Printing	Children	1	24
Design Your Own Puzzle Craft	Children	1	56
Nature Storytime with LARPD at Sycamore Grove Park	Children	1	37
PokéSWAP	Children	1	75
Lunches at the Library	Children Teens	6	250
Chess Club	Teens	1	35
Young Adult Volunteer Appreciation Party	Teens	1	37
Affordable Homeownership Program Workshop	Adults	1	8
Uncorking Sycamore Grove's Wine History	Adults	1	18
Armchair Travelers: Historic Sites Along the Blue Ridge Parkway	Adults	1	43
Library Speakers Consortium - Online Author Talk with Casey McQuiston	Adults	1	14
Veterans Affairs Medical Outreach Team Visit	Adults	1	5
"Stroller Strides" with FIT4MOM	Adults	1	34
Book Clubs: Good Reads Book Club; *Wild Dark Shore* by Charlotte McConaghy	Adults	1	10
Book Clubs: Thursday Classic Mystery Book Club; *Red Harvest* and *The Maltese Falcon* by Dashiell Hammett	Adults	1	12
English Conversation Group	Adults	35	144

Volunteer Meet-Up	Adults	1	25
Disc Golf 101	All Ages	1	17
Summer Learning Program Prize Drawing	All Ages	1	64
Total Live Programs		**103**	**3451**

PROGRAMS (HYBRID)	**Intended Audience**	**# of Programs**	**Attendance**
Book Clubs: We're Talkin' Books! Club; *The Lost Americans* by Christopher Bollen	Adults	1	9
Book Clubs: History Book Club; *The California Trail: An Epic with Many Heroes* by George R. Stewart	Adults	1	7
Writers Meetup	Adults	1	9
Spanish Language Conversation Group	Adults	1	8
Total Hybrid Programs		**4**	**33**

PROGRAMS (ASYNCHRONOUS)	**Intended Audience**	**# of New Programs**	**Unique Views/Uses During Month**
DIY Board Game Take & Make Craft	Children	1	51
Total Asynchronous Programs		**1**	**51**

OUTREACH EVENTS (LIVE VIA ZOOM/IN PERSON)	**Intended Audience**	**# of Programs**	**Attendance**
Arbor Vista	Seniors	2	34
National Night Out	All Ages	1	80
Vineyard 2.0	Adults	1	9
Total Outreach Events		**4**	**123**