

# Library Director's Report

## December 2024

**Did you know?** The Cornelius Library hosts ODHS STEP once a month in order reach as many patrons as possible that may need their services?

### Total Checkouts

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2022-23	10,558	11,434	9,671	10,321	9,780	9,375	11,382	9,398	10,373	8,939	9,627	9,756	120,614
2023-24*	10,495	11,293	9,473	9,687	9,579	9,865	10,639	9,311	10,520	9,726	10,096	9,664	120,348
2024-25	10,268	9,862	8,958	9,648	9,778								48,514
% change	-2.2%	-12.7%	-5.4%	-0.4%	2.1%								-59.7%

### E-book only Checkouts

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2022-23	2,190	2,288	1,634	2,201	2,244	2,178	2,469	1,986	2,159	1,977	2,063	1,979	25,368
2023-24*	2,320	2,401	2,115	2,229	2,078	2,241	2,555	2,287	2,491	2,513	2,408	2,325	27,963
2024-25	2,754	2,590	2,355	2,387	2,650								12,736
% change	18.7%	7.9%	11.3%	7.1%	27.5%								-54.5%

### Public Computer and Wi-Fi Sessions

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2022-23	1,431	1,793	1,350	1,158	1,248	1,146	1,402	1,366	1,651	1,751	2,054	1,657	18,007
2023-24*	1,551	1,568	1,248	1,664	1,541	1,426	1,189	2,376	3,471	3,145	2,729	2,222	24,400
2024-25	2,159	2,404	2,228	2,761	2,877								12,429
% change	32.9%	53.3%	78.5%	65.9%	86.7%								-49.1%

### Visits

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2022-23	6,978	7,797	6,688	6,175	5,334	5,419	6,018	5,485	6,478	6,745	7,101	8,179	78,397
2023-24*	7,870	8,336	7,747	6,067	6,061	6,163	5,542	6,285	8,267	7,282	7,464	7,540	84,624
2024-25	7,223	7,438	6,496	7,572	6,388								35,117
% change	-8.22%	-10.8%	-16.1%	24.8%	5.4%								-58.5%

### WiFi Hotspot Checkouts

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2023-24	n/a	n/a	n/a	123	24	28	24	26	34	26	32	35	352
2024-25	21	19	20	25	61								146
% change	n/a	n/a	n/a	-79.7	154.2%								-58.5%

\*From Feb – Aug 2024, library operations were significantly impacted by construction that closed study rooms and a leak that reduce access to the collections.

## WCCLS Activities

- WCCLS funding and governance study is moving forward, held a productive joint session with policy group and the executive board in late October.

## Library Activities

### Youth Services

- Pumpkin Slime using a pump was a big hit with 40 participants!
- Dinosaur and Princess Tea Party was very well received with 75 attendees! Participants enjoyed a story, games, activities, and snacks, which Sam, a member of our Foundation Board beautifully arranged.

### Adult Services

- Annual, Day of the Dead Celebration, in partnership with PCC – STEM, OCDC PODER, and Tierra Agua (a community cultural group that promotes Mesoamerican dances and culture) was held on Nov. 1 with various STEM activities for all ages. We had 119 attendees.
- Adults crafted bell arrangements from soda cans.
- Estate Planning presentation was held with 12 adult participants. All participants appreciated the content presented and looking forward to another session with the same presenter.
- Chromebooks are circulating very well and have been used for nearly **921 hours** in November!

### Public Access

- One of our library aides, Sol Michea-Vargas, resigned to focus on school and other obligations. Will hire to fill gaps left by the vacancies we have.

### Outreach and Volunteer Services

- In November 2024, volunteers contributed **934 hours** to the library.
- On 11/1/24, Outreach engaged 102 attendees of the Forest Grove School District Migrant Liaison's Día de los Muertos celebration.
- The library collaborated on a Teen Game Night with Adelante Chicas and had 26 attendees.
- The library hosted two meetings of Centro Cultural's First Tech Challenge team in the Drake Learning Center, providing supervised access to makerspace tools to about 18 program participants.
- Publicity has been diligently working to update the copy and images on the library's pages on the new city website.

### Administration

- There are several positions open for the Library Board if anyone would like to join!
- Library was closed 3 days in November: 11/11 for Veteran's Day; 11/28 & 11/29 for Thanksgiving

Photos



Day of the Dead Celebration – Altar created by OCDC PODER



STEM Button Station



Day of the Dead - Traditional Dances by TierraAgua



Day of the Dead - Jewelry Making Station



Adelante Chicas Teen Game Night



November Displays- Marie Curie Birthday



National Novel Writing Month



173<sup>rd</sup> year Anniversary of Moby Dick



STEM: Pumpkin Slime for Tweens



Princess and Dinosaurs Tea Party



Centro's First Tech Challenge Team



Adults Program: Soda Can Winter Bells