

# Donald W Reynolds Community Center & Library

## March 2021

Library is open w/limited access, services, & hours

### Statistical Report

Attendance monthly total -----	<i>only 8 computers open &amp; up to 50 in library to check out</i> -----	4,515
	<i>We were only 27 days this month.</i>	
Attendance daily average -----		167
Circulation monthly (physical units)-----		4,058
Circulation average daily -----		150
Computer usage total -----		378
Computer users average daily-----		14
Computer usage average time-----		32 min
Computer guest passes-----		214
Computer guest passes average daily-----		8
New Library card holders-----		89
Materials donated -----		1899
	( 76 put in collection )	

### Interesting Statistics

**Attendance:** We have one entrance open, the west one, and are only allowing a limited amount of people in the library during the day. We have gone back to our normal hours to M-FR 9:00am to 8:00pm and SA 9:00am to 5:00pm. There are 8 computers open still and we've not had anyone who needed to wait to use a computer. The community center saw several events in March, including a wedding. Patrons must check in at the west desk to gain entrance into the library and all the tables and chairs are available for patrons who need to work on laptops or use the wifi.

Areas are sanitized after use.

The statistics do not include the traffic at the drive thru window. Many are requesting copies, faxing, and scanning to email through the window as well as picking up request/hold items.

**Revenue:** \$2,559.30 for March. There were 3 paying events in the community center this month; a Medicare meeting, training, and a wedding representing \$475 of the month's revenue. \$468 in copies, \$123 in faxes, \$500 in fines, \$258 in lost items, \$66 in replacement cards, \$25 in out-of-county memberships, and \$542 from the coin op (copies & prints).

### What's Happened

-The library continued handing out the "take away" program bags in March. There were **77** bags given out to Early Childhood patrons (ages 2-4) & **141** bags to School-Aged patrons (ages 5-12). This makes over **200** young patrons served in the month of March.

- The "Very Hungry Reader" food program resumed evening meals and snacks (M-F from 4:00pm to 6:00pm, ending on Fridays at 5:00 due to going back to regular hours) w/a total of **698** for the month with an average of **26** meals per day.

-The new Fire Chief held an orientation with his staff one evening in March in the library's theater.

-The library hosted court ordered mediations, literacy sessions, GED classes in the computer lab through the Ardmore Adult Ed. Center, blood drives, local sports sign ups for kids, & AARP tax aid program days.

## Community Engagement/FOL

- The new local group, Durant OK Kids Baseball, used the library for kids' baseball sign ups this month.
- The AARP Tax Aid crew is preparing taxes for the public on Tuesdays and Thursdays through mid-April. They will work through the end of the month to prepare and file the taxes but won't take any new returns after April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The library has been extended as an evening food site through 5/31/21. These meals and snacks are provided by the Oklahoma Food Bank program and are a part of the library's "Very Hungry Reader" program. The meals are picked up in the drive thru and are available from 4:00-6:00pm weekdays, sans Fridays as we now close at 5:00pm.
- The community comes together to help feed the AARP Tax crew lunch on Tuesdays and Thursdays through tax season. Different businesses and individuals sign up for days to bring lunch to the ladies as they work from 10:00am until at least 5:00pm. Others have donated towards drinks and snacks for the ladies as well.

## Projects

- The city's IT dept is working to help get a new phone system with the plan to install in April using State Aid funding. IT will replace the laptops in the theater & meeting room as these laptops are used by groups renting these rooms and the current computers are not working at full capacity (they are almost 10 years old.) The library's State Aid funds were delayed until early March. This year has seen a slight increase in State Aid funding.
- The library's contractor, Mid Plains Construction, and roofer, Affordable Construction, came down at the end of February to look at the damaged ceiling from the roof leaks. They will worked to figure out where the roof was leaking and made some repairs on roof top HVAC units to see if that will help the leaking. show up in the next few months.
- The library parking lot was updated with new striping and painting in March. We will also add a heavy duty, outdoor trash can to the SW corner of the building (by the picnic table), and get the carpet cleaned in the theater with state aid funds. The carpet will be cleaned in May, after the tax program is done. There will be new book shelf wrap installed on the main entrance covered walk way in April as well. A big flower bed cleanup will also occur in April.
- The library hopes to help with the covid relief grant program to help City of Durant utility customers with their bills. This program will help citizens needing help with their water bills for two years.
- The city installed a new kiosk for water bill payment inside the library, in the circulation area outside the computer lab entrance. The library will also be able to take water bill payments through the drive thru window later in the year as an awning is being put up over the drive thru window and drop box in April/May.

## Library Promotion

Library Website – [www.donaldwreynolds.okpls.org](http://www.donaldwreynolds.okpls.org)

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<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/rlwpubliclibrary>

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