

# Donald W Reynolds Community Center & Library

October 2021

## Statistical Report

Attendance monthly total ----- 3,423

*We were open 26 days this month.*

Attendance daily average ----- 132

Circulation monthly (physical units)----- 4,199

Circulation average daily ----- 161

Computer usage total ----- 409

Computer users average daily----- 16

Computer usage average time----- 36 min

Computer guest passes----- 171

Computer guest passes average daily----- 6

New Library card holders----- 95

Materials donated ----- 1,415

( 100 put in collection )

## Statistics

**Attendance:** The attendance is slowly getting back to “normal.” The attendance that is counted is for those coming through the gates, with an adjustment for those who only attend events in the community center.

**Revenue :** \$2467.13 for October. The room revenue was \$700.00 with payments for a bday party, a meeting for the Oklahomans for Responsible Water group, and Texoma Board of Realtors training. OU Resource training was held in October and the payment for that will be reflected in November’s revenue report, \$1725.00.

Revenue breakdown: \$270 in copies, \$95 in faxes, \$573 in fines, \$280 in lost items, \$63 in replacement cards, \$150 in out-of-county memberships, \$24 in laminating, \$21 in donations, & \$290 from the public printer/copier coin-op. The café revenue is separate and that was over \$350 for the month.

There was a variety of community events this month: Chess sessions on Saturdays, a city ward meeting, City Work Zone Safety trainings for city employees, a Bryan County Federation of Democratic Women meeting, Blood Drive, Oklahoma Community Cares Rental Assistance Event, and more.

## What’s Happened

- 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 **525** for the month with an average of **25** meals per day.

-The library hosted court-ordered mediations, literacy sessions, and GED classes in the computer lab through the Ardmore Adult Ed. Center.

## Community Engagement/FOL

- The library has been extended as an evening food site through through May 2022. 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, Fridays 4-5.
- The library has received a Health Literacy grant and began health/fitness related projects in September. Sarah Hoffman had **25** participants for 4 weeks of Yoga & Zumba classes with yoga being the more popular program. The first Self Defense class was held on Saturday, Oct. 30, taught by Amy Hervey Cook, and had **2** attendees. Diabetes LEAD classes will be in November and will be taught by Tommie James from the local OSU Extension office as well as another Self Defense class on Thursday evening, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>.
- The library programs for non-school-aged children started back up in August along with a new "Baby Lap Sit" program. The lap sit had several families attend two programs with eight children and the story time had two programs with eight kids attending. The Lego Club (Tuesdays at 3:30), The Lounge for Teens (Wednesdays at 3:30/4:00), and After School Program (Thursdays at 3:30) were in the library's Story Room. Attendance is as follows: After School four sessions with 25 kids, the Lounge four sessions with 9 teens, and Lego Club four sessions with 49 kids. Lego Club is by far the favorite program this fall! These programs meet from September to April when Durant Public Schools is in session. Special holiday programs are done for all kiddos for Christmas and Spring Break and take place in the library's theater. The next special programming will be over Christmas break.

## Projects

- The library applied for ARPA grant funds from the ODL in September. We were eligible for just over \$20,000 and were awarded just over \$23,000 in mid-October. The grant funds are to help respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and the impacts of the pandemic on our community.
- Texoma Lawn & Garden filled the planters at the library's main entrance. The three planters have fall plants and will be maintained throughout the year. Two more planters will be added to the west entrance in the spring.
- The library was approved to move on to the engineering for the Library Park and it began in August. This project is being funded by the Pendleton donation. The contract for engineering is ready to be implemented with the theorem company and Shane Knight. Mr. Knight will also help the library get an awning to go over the drive thru window.
- The library will house the Covid relief grant program, Utility Billing Assistance Program, to help City of Durant utility customers with their bills. This program will help citizens needing help with their water bills for the next two years.

## Library Promotion

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

Donald W Reynolds & Donald W Reynolds Friends of the Library- FACEBOOK FOR PHOTOS AND INFORMATION

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

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