

# Donald W Reynolds Community Center & Library

November 2021

## Statistical Report

Attendance monthly total ----- 3,354

*We were open 23 days this month.*

Attendance daily average ----- 145

Circulation monthly (physical units)----- 3,848

Circulation average daily ----- 167

Computer usage total ----- 419

Computer users average daily----- 18

Computer usage average time----- 39 min

Computer guest passes----- 167

Computer guest passes average daily----- 5

New Library card holders----- 78

Materials donated ----- 962

( 78 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 :** \$3506.30 for November. The room revenue was \$2225.00 with payments for two bday parties, a meeting for Centric HH, and OU Resource training held in October.

Revenue breakdown: \$338 in copies, \$78 in faxes, \$435 in fines, \$51 in replacement cards, \$50 in out-of-county memberships, \$9 in laminating, \$12 in donations, & \$308 from the public printer/copier coin-op. The café revenue is separate and that was over \$182.50 for the month.

There was a variety of community events this month: Chess sessions on Saturdays, a city ward meeting, City Job Fair, a Bryan County Federation of Democratic Women meeting, Blood Drives, Blue Zones meeting, Bryan County Sheriff’s Dept OSBI Training, 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 **295** for the month with an average of **16** 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 Community Center manager is helping with two community projects, Toys for Tots sign ups and Salvation Army Holiday Food Basket sign ups. Families stop in to sign up for the programs and are referred from the UBAP.
- The library has received a Health Literacy grant and began health/fitness related projects in September. In November there was a LEAD Diabetes Education program with four classes and a total of **19** attendees. There was one Zumba class with **2** attendees and a Self Defense class with **4** attendees. There will be Tai Chi classes and another Self Defense class in December. Yoga, Zumba, Tai Chi, and Healthy Cooking Classes will begin in January.
- The library programs for non-school-aged children started back up in August along with a new "Baby Lap Sit" program. There are two programs on Fridays, the Baby Lap Sit at 9:30am and Story Time at 10:00am. School-aged children have Lego Club (Tuesdays at 3:30), The Lounge for Teens (Wednesdays at 3:30/4:00), and After School Program (Thursdays at 3:30) in the library's Story Room. Attendance is as follows: After School two sessions with 11 kids, the Lounge two sessions with 4 teens, and Lego Club four sessions with 51 kids. Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, and school being out the whole week, there were no school-aged kids' programs that week. Lego Club is by far the favorite program! 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, movies and activities the Dec. 20-22.

## 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.
- 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)

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

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