

July 15, 2026, Bayard Public Library Council Report

Bayard Public Library has been selected to participate in the New MexiCorps Digital Navigators Program and is currently recruiting for a temporary, paid Digital Navigator position. The position is paid directly through the NM Department of Workforce Solutions and is a training program. We will get a \$4,000 stipend to support the program. The Digital Navigator will provide technology assistance, digital literacy instruction, and support with online applications while also assisting with library operations, helping bridge the digital divide and expand access to essential services for Bayard and surrounding communities. The Digital Navigator will be allocated 900 hours at \$18.67 that must be completed within a 9-month period.

Regular Saturday Library hours are being eliminated due to low usage when we do not have programs. We will only open on Saturdays for scheduled programs upon request of partner organizations or for Library Staff led scheduled programs.

We will be tabling at Cobre Summer Fest on Saturday, July 25 from 9 am – 1 pm. We will be taking our 20x10 branded canopy, a small selection of books to check out as well as some free books. We will also be signing up families for library cards and have coloring sheets and bookmarks with the National Summer Reading theme, “Unearth a Story” which is an archeological and dinosaur theme. Children and adults are welcome to participate in the activity.

Upcoming Programs

Tuesday, July 21, 2 – 4 pm, Learn to weave on your own Loom, by SW Women's Fiber Arts Collective, capped at 24 participants for 6 years and up

Saturday, August 1, 12 – 2 pm, Plant Propagation Gardening Workshop - by Frontier Food Hub, led by Ralph and Marie Carter