

Library Services Update

February – May 2025

Library Advisory Board

June 24, 2025



Program Highlights



Supa-Awesome Craft Day:
21



Film Appetit: 21



Top fan

Amber St Romain

Thank you for helping our snake 🐍 stuffies and penguins 🐧 feel better! ❤️
Our girls had a blast 🌟



Stuffie Vet Clinic: 148

Program Highlights



Katelyn Gutierrez

It was so much fun!! Can't wait for the next class!



Liz Wallace Barnes

Always enjoy a chance to interact with my granddaughter. Looking forward to the next one

Mommy & Me Yoga: 24



Valentine's Day Scavenger
Hunt: 56

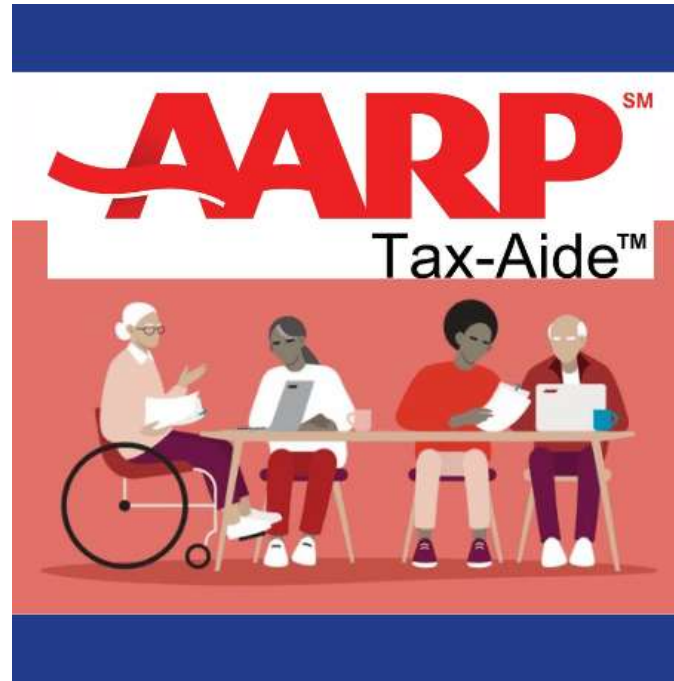


Black History Month Mini
Museum: 24

Program Highlights



Project Prom: 50



AARP Tax-Aide: 502



Parachute Playtime: 76



Local Life Magazine · [Follow](#)

Such a wonderful initiative! 🙌👏 Teens can find the perfect prom outfit for FREE at Project Prom on Feb 22 —huge thanks to the donors making this possible! 💙



Program Highlights



Bandi Potter

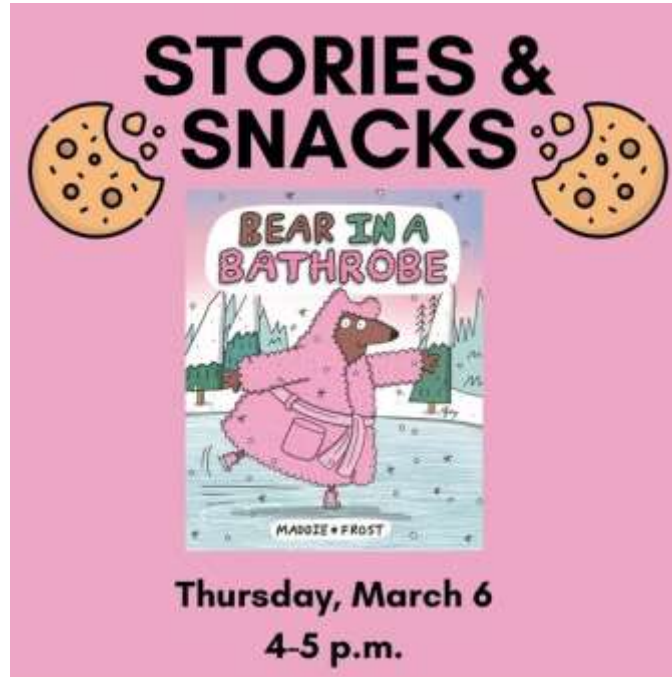
We (Sally's Angels) had a great time! Thank y'all for hosting and braving the wind!



Shannon Lopez

How fun is this... 🐝

Adult Spelling Bee: 60



Stories & Snacks: 25



Pi Day Pi-K: 102

Program Highlights



Teen Camp Inspired Foods:
22



Nature Walk at Coyote Loop
Trail: 24



Local Life Magazine
What a fun and creative way for kids to get crafty! 🌱
Don't miss out on this hands-on activity! 🎉



Seed Mosaic Craft: 50

Program Highlights



Kristin Sirois Hensley

Our son loved this hopefully yall can do it again! 🥰

Grocery Store Dramatic Play:
38



Craft Supply Swap: 163



Teen DIY Easter Eggs: 10

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Kerr Middle School Art Show:
31



Storywalk® and Craft: 33



Mad Scientist Party: 29

Program Highlights



Play and Learn Workshops:
61



Zine Night: 11



Jigsaw Puzzle Contest: 22

Program Highlights



Tough Texas Lawns: 21



DIY Sprinkler Repair: 34



Pat Worrell

How exciting to have these gifted musicians in BURLESON !!! 🐾



Cliburn Adopt-A-Competitor:
64



Top fan

Mary Slaney

This was a very informative session. Thank you for hosting.



Human Trafficking
Awareness: 26

Storytimes



Average weekly attendance



Baby: 37
Toddler: 60
Preschool: 38
Evening: 19
Saturday: 21



Inclusive Storytime: 8 (May)

Community Events & Outreach



CityFest



Burleson Chamber of
Commerce Business
Showcase



Centennial Park Ribbon
Cutting

Community Events & Outreach



STEAM Middle School Big Art
Day



Light Up the Night
(Center for ASD)



Laundromat Outreach

Community Events & Outreach



Robert Joseph Park Outreach



Trash Bash



Bunny Daze

Community Events & Outreach



Outreach at Mariposa Senior
Living

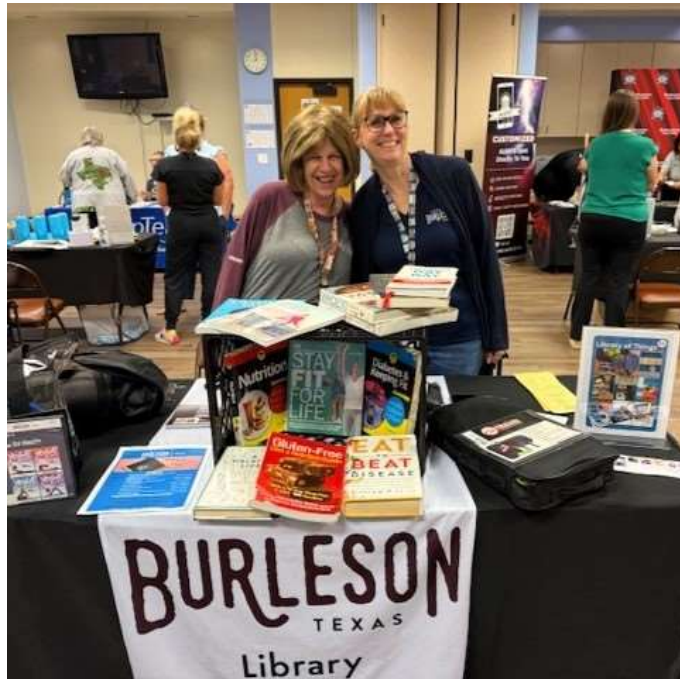


Kerr Middle School Game
Night



Career Day at Clinkscale
Elementary

Community Events & Outreach



Senior Center Health
Resource Fair



Cinco de Mayo



Mother's Day Outing

City of Burleson 2025 Strategic Plan



The library's record-breaking attendance was featured in the City of Burleson 2025 Strategic Plan, alongside increases in circulation, active cardholders and program attendance.

Non-traditional items were also featured as part of the #morethanbooks messaging campaign.

Library Recognized at City Council



Friends of the Library Craft Fair

The Friends of the Library held a Craft Fair on March 8 and raised a total of \$1,050 for Summer Reading Club.

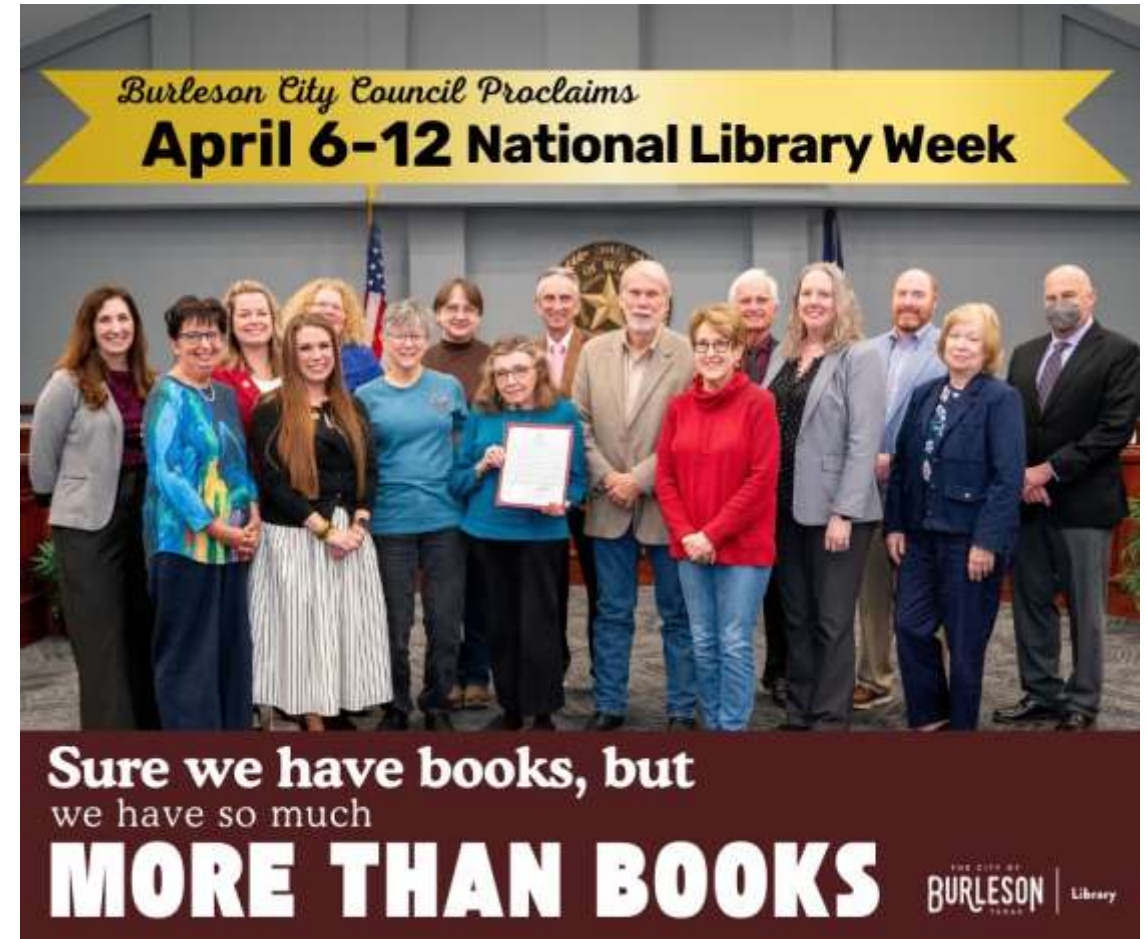
The Friends will use those funds to sponsor programs for adults, teens and children this summer. They will also provide reading incentives and prizes for all ages.



National Library Week (April 6-12)

City Council proclaimed April 6-12 as National Library Week in Burleson.

Millions of people visit libraries every week — why? Because libraries offer something for everyone. From Storytime and creative programs for kids to tech help for seniors and endless resources for lifelong learners, libraries help connect the dots on every part of life's journey. Whether you're exploring a new hobby, diving into your family history, or planning your next big project, the library is here to help.



Every Kid Healthy™ Week (April 21-25)

Every Kid Healthy™ Week is an annual celebration of health and wellness achievements. Each day shines a spotlight on the actions families are taking to improve the health and wellness of their kids. It also highlights the link between nutrition, physical activity, mental health and learning – because healthy kids are better prepared to learn and thrive.

Johnson County Hunger Coalition and Cook Children's visited the library and distributed kits to Storytime families.



Employee of the Quarter: Wendy Lastovica-Alvey



Wendy joined the City in December 2022, and currently serves as the Youth Services Librarian in the Burleson Public Library. She was nominated for her extraordinary work with Project Prom, a program designed to help teens access formalwear for prom at no cost. Wendy collected and sorted donations, spent hours cleaning and repairing the clothing, and transformed a meeting room into a boutique-like space complete with music and décor to give teens a special shopping experience.

Beyond this, Wendy noticed local youth needed access to hygiene items and quietly created a resource cart where they can discreetly take what they need, no questions asked. Additionally, she stayed after hours with a patron who was locked out of their vehicle, offering comfort and security until help arrived. Wendy's empathy and initiative are a reflection of her ongoing commitment to serve with heart.

Wendy was recognized at the May 5, 2025 City Council meeting.

2025 Summer at the Library Grant



The library is a proud recipient of a \$2,000 grant from HEB and the Texas Library Association. This grant expands the library's Summer Reading Club by providing additional funds for summer programs and reading incentives.

Summer Reading Club is sponsored by the Friends of the Library and this grant will supplement those efforts. Staff used the funds to purchase additional materials and snacks for programs, along with more bingo prize baskets.

YTD
Totals
thru May



89,494
digital downloads +17%



3,007
cards issued +11%

11,428

Wi-Fi sessions +14%



234,613
physical items checked out +0.5%

211,550
visitors +8%



27,785
attended programs +13%

Questions/Comments

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