

Library Services Update

November 2025 to January 2026

Library Advisory Board

February 24, 2026



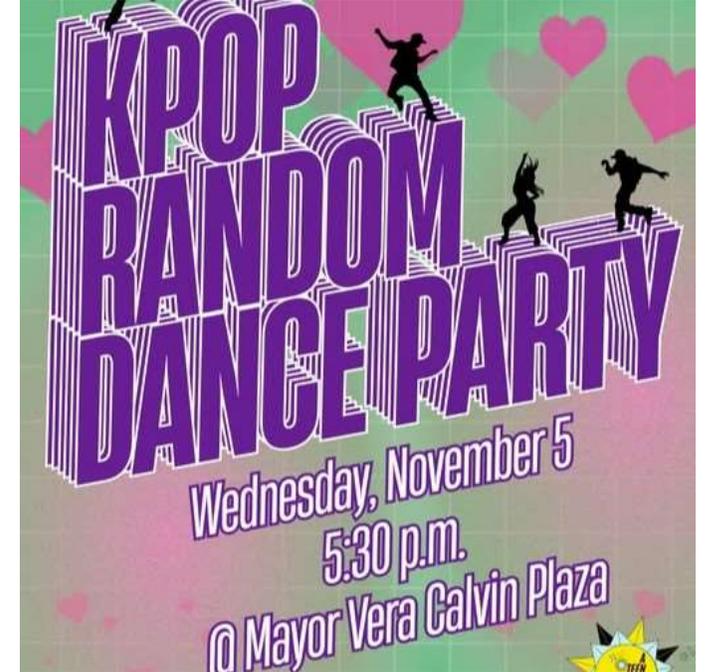
Program Highlights



Children's Art Day: 130
(3 sessions)



Jigsaw Puzzle Contest: 24



K-Pop Random Dance Party
@ the Plaza: 75

Program Highlights



Dog Man and Friends Crafts:
50



Pop-Up Play & Learn
Workshop: 113 (3 sessions)



All About Birds with Cleburne
State Park: 18

Program Highlights



Stories & Snacks: 59
(2 sessions)

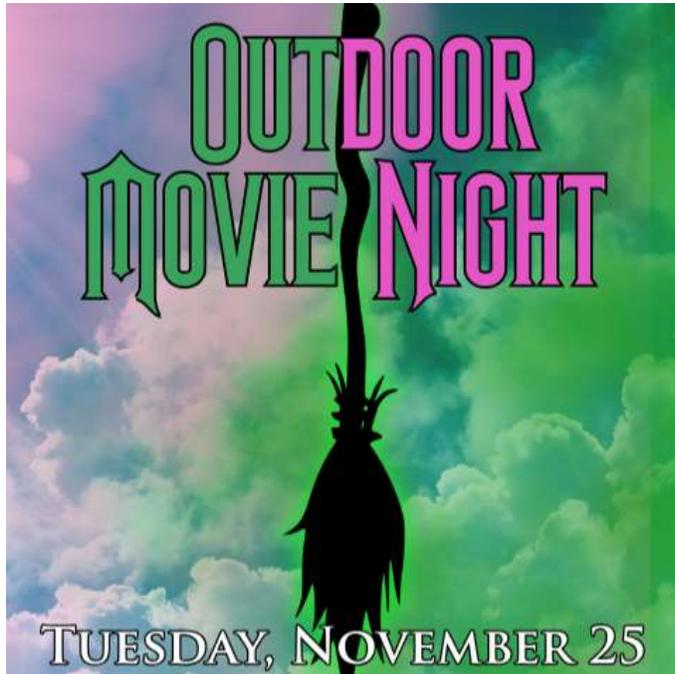


Stranger Things Escape
Room: 22



Gilmore Girls Trivia Night @
Grumps Burgers: 100

Program Highlights



Outdoor Movie Night: 75

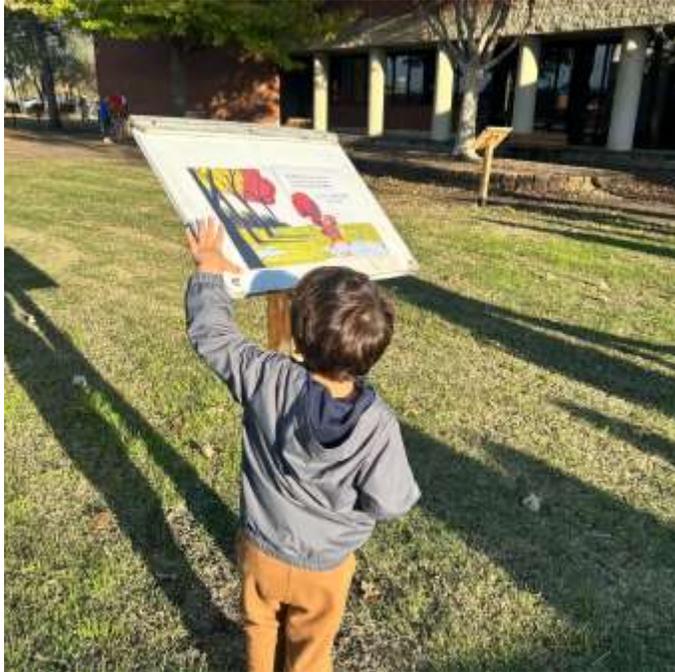


Teen DIY Advent Calendar: 25



Teen Lounge: 106
(10 sessions)

Program Highlights



Storywalk® in the Library
Garden: 35



Christmas @ the Library: 650



Sock Snowman Craft: 28

Program Highlights



Baby Holiday Sensory
Storytime: 119



Oh Snap! Cookies & Cocoa:
37



Reindeer Rave: 99 (held
offsite)

Program Highlights



Mirror, Mirror: Good Vibes
Only: 20



New Year's Eve Mystery: 38



Active Adventures: 33

Program Highlights



Read with Indy: 78
(6 sessions)



Mommy & Me Yoga: 32



Hibernation Program with
the Texas Master Naturalists:

22

Program Highlights



**CORE VALUE:
COLLABORATION**



Teen Snack Attack: 13



Beaded Snowflake Craft: 19
(rescheduled due to
weather)



Great Giveback: 450

Storytimes



Average attendance

Baby: 36
Toddler: 59
Preschool: 35
Evening: 22
Saturday: 37
Inclusive: 3



Community Events & Outreach



Senior Center Fall Festival



Auberge Apartments
Crestmoor Park Apartments



Burleson Friends Festival

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Avir at Burleson



Elk Creek Senior Living

Senior Outreach Summary:

Avir at Burleson
Elk Creek Senior Living
Mustang Creek Estates
Residence at Alsbury
Wilshire by Abby

31 seniors signed up for
library cards

673 items delivered from
November to January

City of Burleson 2025 Employee of the Year

Wendy joined the library in December 2022 as a Youth Services Librarian. She was nominated for her leadership, initiative and commitment to supporting local youth.

Wendy's empathy and service-focused approach reflect the highest standards of our organization. She was honored at the January 5, 2026 city council meeting.



**CORE VALUE:
EMPATHY**



Feel Good Friday

The library was featured in the November 28 City e-newsletter for a new initiative with Harvest House.

Staff set up a community coat swap to help neighbors in need stay warm.



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This season, the Burleson Public Library is turning generosity into warmth through a unique partnership with Harvest House.

From now through December 6, the library is hosting a community coat swap — a simple “take a coat, leave a coat” setup to help neighbors in need stay warm this winter.

New or gently used coats of all sizes are welcome, and anyone who needs one is invited to stop by and take what they need — no questions asked. The coat rack is located just outside the front entrance of the Burleson Public Library for easy access.

It's a small gesture with a big impact, and just one more way Burleson continues to show up for one another. Thank you to everyone helping spread warmth and kindness across our community.

2025 Achievement of Excellence in Libraries Award

This prestigious award is given to libraries by the Texas Municipal Library Directors Association (TMLDA), an affiliate of the Texas Municipal League. The award recognizes excellence in ten key service areas, including community outreach, literacy support, workforce development, and innovative programming.

The award reflects the library's work in areas such as literacy support through Summer Reading, Storytimes, VOX Books, and reading challenges; digital inclusion through public computers, Wi-Fi hotspots, mobile printing, and one-on-one technology assistance; workforce development through job search support, online tutoring, and business research tools; and community outreach through the Reading Rover, inclusive programming, cultural celebrations, and partnerships with schools, city departments, and local organizations.

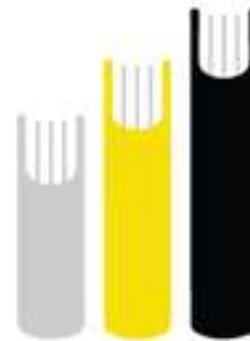


Dollar General Literacy Foundation: Grant Submitted

Library staff submitted a \$1,500 grant application to Dollar General in support of the library's Summer Reading Club.

If awarded, the grant will provide additional resources and enhancements for children's programming during the summer reading season.

Award notifications will be sent out in May.



DOLLAR GENERAL
LITERACY
FOUNDATION

MetroShare Libraries: Staff Development

Staff from Burleson and 10 other libraries in the MetroShare Libraries consortium attended training January 12th and 13th.

Training was hosted at the new Saginaw Public Library and included basic & intermediate circulation, cataloging and reports.



New Children's Program: Kid Librarian

This year we started a new program where children can apply to be our featured Kid Librarian each month.

Our Kid Librarian for January was Maggie.

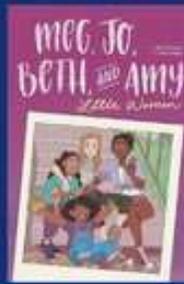
KID LIBRARIAN

FEATURING

MAGGIE



MAGGIE'S PICKS



ABOUT MAGGIE



FAVORITE LIBRARY ACTIVITY

-CHILDREN'S ART DAY



FAVORITE BOOK CHARACTER

-MEG (LITTLE WOMEN)



FAVORITE ANIMAL

-SPOTTED SEAL



DREAM JOB

-VETERINARIAN OR
PALEONTOLOGIST



FAVORITE FOOD

-CHEESE PIZZA AND
COTTON CANDY GRAPES

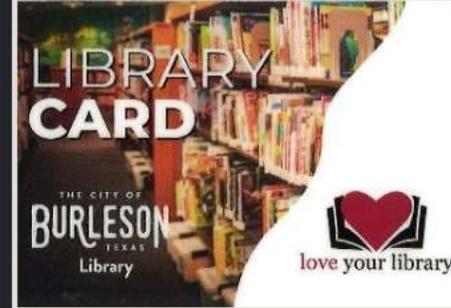
INTERESTED IN BEING THE NEXT KID LIBRARIAN?
APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT CHILDREN'S
LIBRARY PROGRAMS.

YTD totals
through
Jan



94,622

digital downloads +10%

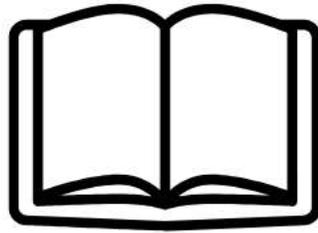


2,875

cards issued -3%

14,581

Wi-Fi sessions +31%

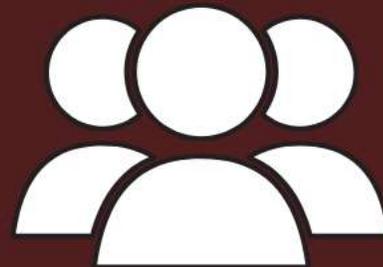


231,305

physical items checked out -3%

218,083

visitors +4%



29,358

attended programs +5%

Questions/Comments

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