



## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** March 23, 2021  
**TO:** Gregg Brelsford, Interim City Manager  
**FROM:** Sonja Marx, Librarian  
**SUBJECT:** Department Report

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### STAFF REPORT

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Thankfully, we have continued to remain open to the public throughout this month. New materials (books and movies) have been made available for checkout. Our Friends of the Library events for "Love Your Library Month" have continued on into March. The drawings for the four gift bags, supplied by the FOL for lucky patrons in each age category, will be announced soon; but until then, patrons can continue to check out books and be entered into the drawings.

We have a new Assistant Librarian. Sarah Fuller started on March 10<sup>th</sup>. We are glad to have her on board and get her trained. The Dillingham City School District recently informed us they will no longer be funding a school librarian at the Dillingham Public Library beginning next school year as per our consortium library agreement. They are planning an onsite literacy area for their student body with a Library/Media Specialist. This will greatly impact us at the Dillingham Public Library as we have heavily relied on this extra staff person all these years. During this FY22 budget process with the city, we are looking at adding an additional part-time library position in order to meet the loss of these services.

The Library Advisory Board has been regularly meeting this year with additional work sessions in progress. They are currently working on revising the 5-year plan for the library. Seats A & C are currently open and Seat F will need to be re-appointed for the new school year.

#### **Library Stat report February 23<sup>rd</sup> - March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021:**

**Patron Visits: 219 Computer Use: 37 Wireless Use: 183 Story Hour: 0**  
**Other Visits (including Classes): 31 Museum Use: 0 Movies Shown: 0**  
**AWE Station Use: 0 Volunteer Hours Logged: 2**

**Library Advisory Board work session set for Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 at 5:30 pm in the library**

**Library Advisory Board regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 5:30 pm.**