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**James Kennedy Public Library
Report to the Mayor and City Council
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Highlights from the Librarian's Report to the Board of Trustees for February 2025 are:

- 7,546 items were checked out. This is a 1.9% decrease from February 2024. Fiscal year to date, circulation is down 3.3%
- 25 library cards were issued to new patrons. Fiscal year to date, 213 new library cards have been issued.
- 77 programs were offered in person, virtually, remotely, and as activity kits. 2,484 people engaged with these activities.
- Four public access computers and three children's computers were available and were used for 242 hours and 413 sessions. Year to date computers were used for 1,701 hours and 3,440 sessions.
- WiFi Use: 870 sessions, 786 visits, and 272 unique users. Year to date WiFi use included 2,214 sessions, 1,987 visits, and 556 unique users.
- There were 4,280 library visits.

Upcoming Events:

Enclosed please find a copy of the March events schedule, as well as a preliminary schedule of events planned for April. Some of the programs scheduled include our first Drop in and Create inclusive event, a STEAMfest open house with eight different family friendly activities, and a wildflower hike at New Wine Park led by a Dubuque County Conservation Naturalist. We are also planning special events for National Library Week (April 6-12) and Drop Everything and Read month (April). The Build-a-basket event is off to a great start and the spring Burrito Breakfast fundraiser to kick off National Library week is scheduled for April 5.

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