

Kegoayah Kozga Library

DATE:

October 17, 2024

TO:

Brooks Chandler, City Manager

FROM:

Marguerite La Riviere, Library Director

SUBJECT: FY2025 First Quarter Report

FY25 Public Library Assistance Grant (\$7,000 total in 2 parts):

The Library Director prepared and submitted the FY25 Public Library Assistance Grant and the grant was awarded in two parts this year. We received \$1,829 this year initially. Last week, we were offered an additional \$5,171 to make the full award \$7,000 which is the amount we have been receiving the last 5 years. I am in the process of processing this additional grant paperwork and I expect to report having received the full \$7,000 in my next quarterly report.

Alaska State Library Continuing Education Grant (\$1,250):

The Library Director applied for a Continuing Education grant to fulfill the Library Director's requirement to obtain Continuing Education under the Public Library Assistance grant. The Library Director received confirmation that the reimbursement grant is accepted. The Library Director will use the grant to attend the Association of Tribal Libraries Archives and Museums ("ATALM") in November.

OWL Public Internet Assistance Grant from the Alaska State Library (\$3,328.73):

The Library Director applied for the Public Internet Assistance Grant and the grant was awarded in the amount of \$3,328.73 and the funds have been received.

Rasmuson Foundation Grant (\$15,000):

The Library Director continues to purchase library materials under this grant. Library staff, library patrons and library partners have offered their book suggestions for purchases under this \$15,000 grant to the Kegoayah Kozga Public Library for Non-Fiction and Early Reader Collection Refresh and Display Updates. All the book displays have been purchased. The library is wrapping up the final book purchases and a final report will be submitted in November. Our patrons are very happy with the new acquisitions and both adults and youth have been

enjoying reading these books in the library. As part of the new books purchased, the CAMP Department at the hospital suggested about 20 new cookbook titles which we purchased and used in our cooking lesson partnership with the hospital. The library is very grateful to the Rasmuson Foundation for their support for the Kegoayah Kozga Public Library.

Library Programming:

From July 1st 2024 to September 30th 2024, we had 445 kids and 298 adults attend our library programing. With a grand total of 743 patron visits to our programming.

These programs included weekly story hours and weekly older youth craft hour during the summer reading program. We were happy to have the National Park Service partner with us and join us to offer a special library scavenger hunt during one of our craft days. At the end of the summer, we offered prizes to each young patron that met their reading goals. Each youth could also pick a free new book generously funded by the Bering Sea Lions Club. We also offered special Summer Reading Craft Days to the Outdoors Club youth group sponsored by Nome Eskimo Community.

At the request of the library patrons, we also offered a Special Duplo Story hour. We also partnered with the CAMP department to offer a cooking class series which was a great adult program. We also partnered with the CAMP Department and the WIC Department to offer a Family Fun Fair. We were invited by story hour parents to attend the CAMP department sponsored Tiny Tots Parent Group to provide information about early literacy.

Library Schedule:

The Kegoayah Kozga Public Library continues to be open their scheduled 40 hours a week as follows:

Monday through Thursday 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. Closed Sundays and Holidays



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