




Kegoayah Kozga Library

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TO: W. Glenn Steckman III, City Manager
FROM: Marguerite La Riviere, Library Director 
SUBJECT: FY2022 Third Quarter Report

Grant Duties for Other Departments by Library Director:

In addition to writing and maintaining the grants for the library, the Library Director was tasked by the Finance Director and the City Manager with the following grants:

DHSS COVID-19 Community Funding 2021 grant (up to \$171,049.82):

Prepared and submitted grant to support community COVID-19 activities and received reimbursable award of up to \$171,049.82 for the Community of Nome. Supporting grant management and received an extension to spend funds through June 30, 2022.

DHSS COVID-19 Community Healthy and Equitable Communities Funding 2022 grant (\$68,549.87):

Prepared and submitted grant to support community COVID-19 activities and healthy communities equitable funding. The grant was awarded and is a reimbursement grant and all receipts must be submitted by June 30, 2024.

IMLS Grant with Nome Eskimo Community (\$10,000):

The Kegoayah Kozga Public Library worked with Nome Eskimo Community to submit the FY22 grant and report on the FY21 grant. The grant was submitted and awarded for FY22 and the funds were received in January of 2022 for this important youth focused grant.

Alaska State Library ARPA Easy Grant (\$5,977):

The Library Director prepared and submitted the ARPA grant and was awarded \$5,977 for allowable costs to help the library provide services due to the difficulty of the COVID-19 pandemic. Purchases under the grant terms include purchasing additional library materials including items for the youth craft kits, books for the collection including the digital collection and book carts to help with curbside delivery of materials.

Alaska Digital Library Continues to be Available during Library Closures:

Registered library patrons may receive a username and password from the library staff and have access to digital books and audiobooks through this online program for their reading and listening pleasure. Since January of 2020, there have been over 3,000 digital check outs of digital books or audiobooks by Nome patrons.

Library Events and Programming:

Leap into Science Program Delivered via Zoom: The Franklin Institute Science Museum provided for free to the library three unique STEM literacy curricula. Leap into Science integrates open ended science activities with children's books and is designed to be delivered to children ages 3-10 and their families in accessible and familiar settings such as libraries. Participants were provided with free activity kits provided by the Franklin Institute Science Museum. The Institute also provided to the library free children's books to read to the participants and all activity supplies needed for the curriculum.

Iditarod Programming with Martin Buser:

The library welcomed past Iditarod Champion Martin Buser as he told stories about his Iditarod race adventures and talked about his book *Dog Man: Chronicles of an Iditarod Champion*. Martin Buser has been a speaker during Iditarod at the library for over 15 years.

Curbside Youth Programming:

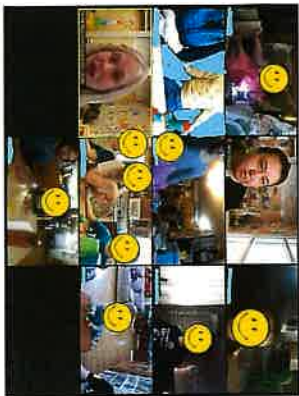
A very important program provided by the Kegoayah Kozga Public Library is youth programming. The library continued to use COVID-19 safety protocols to safely distribute the youth craft kits in February and March "No Contact Curbside Pick-Up" from the library foyer. During our normal open hours, patrons can request pick-up from the building foyer. Since the pandemic began, we have distributed over 2,000 craft kits to youth in our community.

Deputy Public Information Officer:

The Library Director continued to be tasked with Deputy Public Information Officer duties relating to the Unified Command in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Kegoayah Kozga Public Library Public Walk-in Scheduled Hours:

The Kegoayah Kozga Public Library opened to scheduled foot traffic on July 1, 2021 for 20 hours a week and have had closures briefly during the fall when the COVID-19 active case counts were very high in Nome. When we are required to close, we continue to offer curbside delivery for all patrons and we offer curbside delivery while open to those patrons that continue to prefer curbside delivery.



Leap Into Science Zoom



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Martin Buser: Meet & Greet