



Kegoayah Kozga Library

DATE: July 8, 2021
TO: W. Glenn Steckman III, City Manager
FROM: Marguerite La Riviere, Library Director

SUBJECT: FY2021 Third and Fourth 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 (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.

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

The Kegoayah Kozga Public Library worked with Nome Eskimo Community to submit the FY2022 grant. The grant was submitted and awarded for FY22.

FY22 Public Library Assistance Grant (\$7,000):

The Library Director prepared and submitted the FY22 Public Library Assistance Grant. The grant was awarded for FY22.

Alaska Digital Library Continues to be Available during Library Closure:

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 1,500 digital check outs of digital books or audiobooks by Nome patrons.

Library Events and Programming:

Virtual Preschool Story Hour:

The Kegoayah Kozga Public Library partnered with the Norton Sound Early Childhood Coalition to present a virtual story hour during their Virtual Baby Shower event. We were so happy that so many of our young patrons and their families attended this event. We missed our young patrons and this was the perfect opportunity to see our youngest patrons again.

Virtual Visit with Master Sewer Lydia Apatiki:

The Kegoayah Kozga Public Library partnered with Kawerak, Inc. and the Nome Arts Council to present a Zoom program about Lydia Apatiki's curriculum book which includes patterns for sewing a traditional game ball, doll and bird skin parka.

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, March, April, May and June via "No Contact Curbside Pick-Up" from the library parking lot or in bad weather from the library front porch. Since the pandemic began, we have distributed over 1,400 craft kits to youth in our community.

Bering Sea Lions Club Donation:

The Bering Sea Lions Club generously donated \$2,500 to the library to purchase books for youth. The library purchased several copies of books from the Battle of the Books titles which is created each year by Alaska School Librarians. We were so happy to distribute these books to youth in our curbside craft kits. We received many compliments from our youth patrons about the free books. This was a very successful partnership and we are immensely grateful to the Bering Sea Lions Club for assisting us to get books into the hands of youth so they can start to create or enhance their own home library.

Deputy Public Information Officer:

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

Kegoayah Kozga Public Library Opening: The Kegoayah Kozga Public Library opened to scheduled foot traffic on July 1, 2021 for 20 hours a week. We will continue to offer curbside delivery for those patrons that continue to prefer curbside delivery.

**The
Kegoayah Kozga Public Library
Would like to invite you to a
*Virtual Preschool
Story Hour*
with**

The Norton Sound Early
Childhood Coalition:

Virtual Baby Shower

THURSDAY, March 11, 2021 at 11:00 AM

To receive the Zoom Link please email

jbloodgood@nomealaska.org

By WEDNESDAY, March 10, 2021 at 4:00 PM

First 10 families to register will receive a free children's book

Meet LYDIA APATIKI

Master Sewer from St. Lawrence Island



Lydia Apatiki of Gambell wants to share and preserve knowledge of traditional sewing techniques and language from St. Lawrence Island.

The result is a curriculum with patterns for sewing a traditional game ball, doll, and birdskin parka.

Join us to meet Lydia and learn the story of this project! Preview the curriculum booklet and videos at www.lydiaapatiki.com.



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21 • 7PM

Zoom link: www.tinyurl.com/Apatiki21

Or join by phone: 1-253-215-8782

Meeting ID: 822 5076 9139

Passcode: 12345

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