

An Outreach Vehicle for Sandy and Hoodland Libraries

A presentation by Library Staff
for the Economic Development
Advisory Board

Why an outreach vehicle?

- Sandy and Hoodland have a larger service area population than a number of LINCC Libraries, but have a lower % of library users and checkouts because of our significant square mileage.
- Libraries are once again getting bookmobiles on the road
 - Lake Oswego, Molalla, and Estacada all have bookmobiles
- Bring Library Services to where people are
 - Retirement homes and Senior Centers
 - Daycares, preschools, schools and parks
 - Community stops
 - Boring, Orient, Sandy, Rhododendron, Government Camp

How an outreach vehicle will be utilized

Digital Equity

- Teach computer classes
 - Started basic computer and basic Internet classes in April 2022, Microsoft Word in February 2023 and Google Drive on October 2023.
 - 122 people have signed up
- Make computers, printing services, and Internet available
 - FY2023 - 6,531 computer sessions and 780 library users utilized our mobile printing service, over 29,000 pages printed

Youth Services

- Storytime
 - Go to Daycares and Preschools
- STEM and literacy activities
 - Schools
 - Vista Apartments and Pioneer Mobile Home Court

Plus

Did we mention
checking out
library materials?

Impacts of outreach vehicle in our community

- Increase # of library cardholders and regular library users
- Increase # of computer sessions/computer class participation
- Increase kids early literacy activities
 - Storytimes
 - 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten
- Increase kids and teens STEM learning activities
 - Vista Apartments & Pioneer Mobile Home Park
 - Schools

What you can do to help

- Write a letter of support from your organization
- Consider where/when would be good to park the vehicle
 - Fill out our survey when it is available (soon!)
- Talk about opportunities with your friends and neighbors
- Assist with Fundraising efforts