



San Antonio Public Library Director's Report August 2016

SummerFest 2016 at Central Library

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE



Library Sending Letters to School Principals for Start of School Year

In an effort to promote a Library card as an essential need for back-to-school list of supplies, a letter will be sent out to area principals from the Library Director. Approximately 400 letters will be sent the week of August 15 to public and charter schools across the San Antonio area. The letter also highlights key resources the Library offers including Live Homework Help, Wi-Fi and after-school programs.



Meeting with Bexar County Regarding Interlocal Agreement

The Library scheduled a meeting for Thursday, August 4, 2016 with Bexar County to discuss the Interlocal Agreement for Library Services. Specially, the discussion will focus the materials expenditure report provided by BiblioTech in order to confirm the County's intent for FY2016 regarding digital materials spending. Ramiro Salazar and Dale McNeill will represent the City of San Antonio.



Passing of John Igo, Igo Branch Library Namesake

It is with great sadness that the Library shares the news of the passing of Mr. John Igo, namesake for the Igo Branch Library (District 8). Mr. Igo was a beloved and cherished member of our Library family. He presented at the Igo Branch Library many times through the years to share with the community his knowledge and love of writing and the arts. The John Igo Branch Library opened in 2007, on ranch land originally owned by the Igo family. Mr. Igo's legacy as an English teacher, author, playwright, and director will continue to live on through the services the library provides to our entire community. Library Administration and Library Staff at the Igo Branch Library paid tribute to Mr. Igo at the Igo Branch Library.



Leadership Change at the Briscoe Western Art Museum

Tom Livesay, Executive Director of the Briscoe Western Art Museum (210 W Market St.) will retire on September 9, 2016. Tom has served as Executive Director since 2014. The Briscoe Museum is expected to conduct a national search and Larry Fischer, currently Chief Financial Officer, will serve as Interim Director. The City, through the Library, is in the early years of a forty (40) year lease of the Herzberg Building in which the Briscoe Western Art Museum resides. Additionally, the Library operates the Kampmann Library Portal, a 900 sq ft public library outlet within the Museum. Library Director Ramiro Salazar will meet with the Interim Director once he assumes his post to continue to strengthen the Library's partnership with the Briscoe.



Councilwoman Viگران to join in celebration of McCreless Branch Library 50th Anniversary

On August 21, 2016, the San Antonio Public Library will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the McCreless Branch Library with day-long festivities. The celebration will begin at 10 a.m. with a formal program. Councilman Viگران has confirmed her attendance and is expected to deliver remarks. Formal invitations have been distributed to Mayor and Council, City Manager's Office and other stakeholders.



Library Meeting with Assistant City Archaeologist

Dale McNeill, Assistant Library Director for Public Services, and Ruth Chiego, Public Service Administrator for the Central Library, met with Matthew Elverson, Assistant City Archaeologist, to exchange information regarding the Library and City Archaeologist in the Office of Historic Preservation. Topics included work being done by the City Archaeologist and ways that the Library could support the Office with space, exhibit opportunities, and programming opportunities. Open dialogue between the Library and the City Archaeologist will continue.

MARKETING



The Marketing team is preparing for events and campaigns for the fall to include back-to-school, Hispanic Heritage Month, Young Pegasus, Teen Arts Fest, Learn at SAPL hotspot lending and the promotion of the Library's role in voting. Staff also provided promotion and event support for SummerFest at Central Library and continues to work with Digital Services and ITSD to make the next wave of improvements to the new mysapl.org website. We have started the first installation of Digital Library wallpaper replacements to include Central Library, Haven for Hope, and Office of the City Clerk.

In addition, the team is preparing for McCreless Branch Library's 50th Anniversary Celebration. The SAPL Street Team has been busy with several back-to-school outreach events for Council offices and community organizations. The Street Team markets the Library at these events, provides promotional information and materials; as well as responds to questions and interacts with the community.



The Marketing team continues to engage community awareness strategies for Potranco Branch Library and the Schaefer Branch Library.

Social Media statistics for the month:

1. Facebook: 12,070 page likes
2. Twitter: 3,427 followers
3. Pinterest: 63 followers
4. Instagram: 1,207 followers
5. Youtube: 137 subscribers

DIGITAL SERVICES



On July 19, in conjunction with ITSD's Web Design Team, Digital Services brought online the new Library website at mysapl.org and refreshed the look of the online catalog to match the new layout. In addition other third party web services (such as subscription databases, the OverDrive web site) were updated to reflect the Library's new logo.

Also on July 19, Digital Services switched the current "Ask a Librarian" service to the new 2.0 platform. The new platform allows the Library to manage incoming questions in a more efficient manner both for patrons and for library staff.



On July 21, working with both Innovative Interfaces and the City ITSD department, Digital Services was able to successfully move the Library's ILS – Millennium – to a new server. The new server not only replaces the older hardware, but provides new options to increase server resiliency in the event of major hardware failure.



On August 9, Sarah Carolan, Rolf Laun and Andrea Silva attended training with ITSD's Web Design team so that they could take over many of the day to day updates on the new web site.



Also on August 9, Sarah Carolan and Rolf Laun attended training for OpenDNS; a part of the hot-spot lending program. OpenDNS allows the library to ensure that patrons connecting to the internet via the library hot spots are able to do so safely.

LITTLE READ WAGON



Every Child Ready to Read Workshops for Parents

Cresencia Huff made another visit to the Bexar County Adult Detention Center to share early literacy information with incarcerated fathers as part of the PaTCh (Pappas and Their Children) program. The fathers practiced reading books aloud to each other and made an eight page book from one sheet of paper.



Services to Teen Parents

Corinne Sanchez and Elizabeth Huber offered several early literacy workshops at Seton Home. Mothers made gel writing boards, felt books, and sensory bottles to use with their children. Because most of the residents do not have school in the summer, the early literacy workshops and activities are even more appreciated.



Outreach Story Time Programs

The Little Read Wagon team was busy offering three kinds of story time programs this month. Pop-Up story time programs were presented at the following City parks: McAllister, Woodlawn, Hardberger, Heritage Duck Pond, and Cathedral Rock. The team also visited Palo Alto and Palo Alto Terrace parks, but there were no families at either location. Families who participated in pop-up story time were very excited and asked if the programs were offered regularly. Participants were invited to visit the library and come to SummerFest.

The team also visited the following WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) nutrition clinics: Buena Vista, Zarzamora, Marbach, Pecan Valley, and Popping. Families at the clinics have been very responsive to story time and the opportunity to participate in Summer Reading. Coordinating the visits with the free lunch service at each site has been very effective.

Regular monthly story time visits were offered at Seton Home and Nurturing Hearts. Ms. Huber also made a special one-time visit to Little Village Learning Center.



Play & Learn

The Play & Learn programs at South Side Lions Park, Walker Ranch Park, and Landa Branch Library ended on July 19, 21, and 22. Representatives from Early Childhood Intervention were available at both Park locations. At South Side Lions Park the representative was able to help parents of three children complete the Ages and Stages questionnaire. The questionnaire is designed to be completed by a parent or caregiver to show developmental progress. A different questionnaire is used for every two-three month age increment. At Walker Ranch Park the representative provided general child development information and made developmental screening appointments.



Workshops for Early Childhood Practitioners

The new workshop for early childhood practitioners is under development and will be presented to the first group on August 23. The theme for 2016-17 is "Reading from the Heart." The workshop will be offered seven times in the coming school year and several dozen teachers are already registered.



Community Events

This month was also busy with community events. Ms. Lazarin offered information at the Avance Health Fair where families brought their children to get physicals for school and also visited several information tables.

Three fifths of the Little Read Wagon team assisted with SummerFest at the Central Library.

Little Read Wagon had an information table and activity at the last Movies by Moonlight at Travis Park, rescheduled due to rain from July 26 to August 2. Children were invited to make paper lanterns to carry with them to the showing of *Aladdin*.

Ms. Lazarin, Ms. Huber and Jasmin Salinas (Landa) represented the Library at the DoSeum Back to School Bash, where they led families in making bubble tools and experimenting with bubble making. Participants were encouraged to take part in the Mayor's Summer Reading Club.



Programming for Families at Branches

Clair Larkin has been offering much-needed assistance at the Igo Branch Library. Ms. Larkin has spent every Thursday morning this summer at the branch to offer Baby Time and Toddler Time programs. The programs are so heavily attended that tickets are required. To conclude the season, Ms. Sanchez joined Ms. Larkin and the two offered a miniature Play & Learn after the final Toddler Time on July 28.

Former Little Read Wagon team mate, Xelena Gonzalez, created *All Around Us*, a StoryWalk® project in collaboration with artist Adriana Garcia. The StoryWalk®, sponsored by a grant from the National Association of Latino Arts and Cultures, was displayed at the Mission Branch Library on August 6. In anticipation of the StoryWalk®, Ms. Huber and Ms. Sanchez assisted Ms. Gonzalez with a special toddler time. Children engaged in garden and shape activities related to the story.

CHILDREN'S (SYSTEM-WIDE)



SummerFest returned to the Central Library on Saturday, July 30 with a crowd of over 500 children and their parents enjoying a variety of activities. Face painters, balloon artists and two rousing drum circles provided the highlights of the festivities. Los Inocentes, a San Antonio based musical group, also performed. Other activities included a watermelon hats, speckled frogs, bird feeders, sand play and a collaborative mural. Cookies and apple slices were provided by the locally-headquartered Whataburger chain. While parents commented that they were pleased to see the healthy option, the children seemed to favor the cookies hands down.

Many thanks to the Friends and Foundation for their financial support of SummerFest and to Veronica Anderson, Volunteer Services, for recruiting and deploying a contingent of much needed volunteers. The day would not have been a success without the many members of the children's staff system-wide who not only worked the event but were involved in the pre-festival preparations.

While SummerFest marked the conclusion of summer programming for children, the Summer Reading Club continues throughout August. Current registration for SRC stands at just over 25,000. Final numbers of children registering and completing the SRC will be provided September.

TEENS (SYSTEM-WIDE)



Off-Site Service

In an exciting collaboration, Teen Outreach Specialist (TOS) Adam Tutor built a bond with City Teen Ambassador Reianna Fernandez, known by her stage name Simply Rayne. Fernandez is a San Antonio based R&B/Pop teen musician who has built a name for herself as a far-reaching musician, as well as a civil servant, representing teens as a part of DREAM SA, a city-based initiative. Working together with Tutor, her family, and several teen friends, Fernandez took the lead on creating a workshop that taught teens how to “Make Your Own Music Video”. Utilizing iPads of Central Library and the resources at the various branches, Fernandez and company led the entire activity with an iPad app, and executed start to finish gracefully and patiently, adapting to smaller and larger groups of teens as necessary. The interaction produced great camaraderie between the hosts and the teens, and excited them in the creation of a video that they will have at their disposal for the future.

TOS Adam Tutor continued his relationship with the Sonny Melendrez Community Center, an affiliate of Parks and Recreation. This organization serves often socio-economically disadvantaged students on the Westside, and partnered with Teen Services through field trips to Central, where they engaged with all aspects of the Teen Library and over 20 students were registered for library cards. Also, Tutor hosted teen programming twice during this reporting period, with highly successful turnouts and participation in a “Thank You Timmy” Teen Time, where students made thank you cards that will be sent to Duncan, and then played in a Spurs vs. Spurs basketball scrimmage. The group also benefited from the “Make Your Own Music Video” with the Teen Ambassador.



Teen Arts Fest

J.D Elizondo (Library Assistant, Teen Library @ Central) has been planning the Teen Arts Fest, which will take place on September 17 at the Central Library. During the reporting period, J.D. met with staff from Say Sí, ArtPace, the Southwest School of Art, Fresh Ink, the San Antonio Museum of Art, the San Antonio Music Academy, the Tobin Center Organization, The AM Project, Project Worth, and local artists Alex Rubio and Allison Valdivia. J.D. was aided by Teen Arts Fest committee members Georgina Salinas (Librarian I, McCreless Library), Adolph Lopez (Library Assistant, Central Reference), Jennifer Martinez (Library Assistant, Bazan Library), and Hondo Aguilar (Library Assistant, Central Reference).



Teen Summer Reading Program

The Teen Summer Reading Program wrapped up on July 30. Teens had fun at the library during the summer, with a chance to win a prize by reading books and/or attending teen library activities. SummerFest on July 30 at the Central Library included a party for teens in the Teen Library. Teens played video games, made buttons, ate pizza, and enjoyed music from a DJ during the party. Several Teen Summer Reading winners will be awarded a prize in the beginning of August. Thanks to the SAPLF for the prizes!



System-wide Support

Teen Outreach Specialist Adam Tutor has led teen summer programs at Las Palmas Branch Library and Johnston Branch Library on a weekly basis. TOS Adam Tutor facilitated Teen Time at Las Palmas with high turnouts thanks to the partnership with the YWCA, next door to the branch. Activities for the reporting period included a lively debate during the RNC/DNC season, activating students’ civic responsibilities, and sessions with the Teen Ambassador.

TOS Adam Tutor led several successful Teen Times at Johnston, seeing participation increase through exciting events such as the official Summer Water Party, featuring food crafts and dancing, as well as a water balloon version of “Capture the Flag”. Students also joined up with the Teen Ambassador to engage in making their own music videos.

CENTRAL LIBRARY

CHILDREN'S



Children's Programming

Summer programming wrapped up in August, and Central Children's staff made sure the last programs at Central Library, Collins Garden and Memorial branch libraries were especially engaging and celebratory. Librarians Julia Pouliot and Robin Alcorta, Assistant Manager Shannon Seglin and Manager Kate Simpson brought their innovative approaches to *Family Fun*, *Kids Time* and *Pop Up* programs with explorations of *Go Green* themes using a variety of mediums. Investigating frogs involved a short video from the San Diego Zoo, a slide show featuring exotic frogs around the world, sensory play with green slime, and artistic expression with markers and oil pastels. A recycling theme focused on using a variety of recycled materials to make monsters and robots. Programs also featured themes popular with older children such as Minecraft and spies, and involved engineering challenges and puzzles. The end of programming celebrations were full of fun activities like green themed animal crafts, playdough, STEM-based bubble fun using handmade bubble wands and free play with a plethora of green animal puppets. Ms. Seglin's *Toddler Time* went out with a bang this month when she highlighted the Summer Olympic Games with the *Toddler Olympics*! This greatly anticipated event involved a Toddler Parade of Nations around the Children's Floor, complete with child-sized paper flags of the world waved by toddler athletes, a paper Olympic torch held by parade leader Ms. Seglin, and a cheering audience of Central Library staff members from a variety of departments. The parade concluded with feats of strength using foam props and sports balls, making for many cute posts on the Library's Facebook page.



Special Events & Displays:

One of the highlights for Manager Kate Simpson this month was working with Ms. Seglin and Library Assistant Mary Elizabeth Fernandez to produce another installment of their puppet show series. *The Three Little Pigs* tale was dramatized in extremely silly fashion by these three team members, to the delight of the families and staff in attendance.

The culmination of all the *Go Green* summer fun this year was the blow out celebration, *SummerFest*. Much of the family activities at the big summer party took place in the Children's Department, with Central Children's staff participating in the fun throughout the Library. Families from all over the city were entertained by face painting, balloon animals, a variety of crafts, and interactive musical experiences. Staff received rave reviews of the festivities!

Ms. Alcorta quickly jumped on the *Pokémon Go* frenzy to highlight the Juvenile Collection with her *Gotta Read Them All* Pokémon book display adjacent to the PokéStop on the 3rd Floor. Ever since the display went up, patrons playing the game have been snapping up the graphic novels.

Ms. Alcorta and Ms. Pouliot took advantage of another opportunity to increase visibility of the Juvenile Collection with their display of children's cookbooks and healthy eating literature in conjunction with the *Truckin' Tomato Indoor Farmers Market* at the Central Library in August.



Outreach & Tours:

Now an annual tradition, the Central Children's Department hosted visits from three *SAISD Kinder Camps* in August. Children entering Kindergarten at Bowden, Pershing and Washington Elementary Schools came on three different weeks for tours of the Central Library. They enjoyed story times, art activities, book exploration and Summer Reading Club completion ceremonies led by Ms. Simpson and Ms. Alcorta. Ms. Alcorta and Ms. Seglin attended the San Antonio Museum of Art (SAMA) *Multisensory Tour* this month, as part of a continued effort of the Central Children's Department to investigate programming innovations. This second visit by Central Children's staff led to the plan for SAMA staff to soon visit the

Central Library for an understanding of how Children's Librarians connect families to the art and architecture at the Library.

Central Children's Department Librarians continued the regular story time visits to Temple Beth El Summer Camp, Madison Square Child Development Center, Green Acres Child Care Center and Central Christian Church Childcare Center as well.



Professional Development:

Central Children's staff sought new opportunities for professional development this month. Ms. Seglin served on an interview panel for the Schaefer Library, gaining valuable supervisory experience.

Ms. Alcorta benefited from the *Personal Branding* training session, in which she learned the networking skills that can bolster her career path.

Ms. Pouliot was selected for the COSA scholarship to the *Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México San Antonio Spanish Program*. Her language skills development will greatly enhance the service for Spanish speaking families at Central.

TEENS



Mondays with JD Elizondo (Library Assistant): JD continued with Eclectic Electric programming during the reporting period. The ever-popular recording studio in the Teen Library is attracting more new teens, each with different musical styles. To accommodate this influx, J.D. is segmenting the recording time on Mondays so that everyone will have a chance to perform and record. In addition, JD and few of the teens are dividing the studio into virtual and performance sides so that bands that want to rehearse can do so at the same time the studio is being used for recording.



Tuesdays with Ciana Flores (Library Assistant PT): During the reporting period, Ciana hosted Science & Tech Tuesdays, during which teens designed 3D models to print and printed models found online.



Wednesdays with Kathleen Fordyce (Librarian II): On Wednesdays, teens pick their favorite video or board game and engage in friendly competition with their peers. During the reporting period, teens have enjoyed playing the WiiU and PS4 games, as well as board games like Chess, Jenga and Apples to Apples. One teen suggested having a slime day. Teens got scientific and used borax, water, glue, and liquid starch to experiment making slimy, stretchy, gooey concoctions.



Thursdays with Regina Almanza (Library Assistant): Summer Thursdays have seen teens suggest and plan programs, and experiment and learn new ways of creating and making, all within an environment of peer-to-peer encouragement and positivity. Teens continued the Japanese July theme making a non-Japanese cookie, the French macaron, piping the batter as the Japanese lucky cat and emojis trying it with a cherry blossom jam. They also made octopus spaghetti, a cute and easy food craft. Teens also used perler beads to create adorable items. For the last Japanese July event, teens made traditional Japanese foods: mochi and dorayaki. For the second time in summer, due to the steady popularity of Pokémon Go, teens participated in a Pokémon themed event, an event inspired by this summer's previous Pokémon program where teens decorated t-shirts and made poffins. This time teens created Pokéball pizzas using biscuit dough, cheese, pepperoni and black olives. They also made buttons, candy sushi, plushies and ping pong Pokéballs. Teens had a moment of "panda"monium, making Chinese dumplings and watching panda movies. Teens also turned a gummy bear into a panda. After covering gummy bears in white chocolate, teens used milk chocolate to "paint" arms, legs, ears and a face. Teens also hand-sewed felt and used pillow stuffing to create red and regular panda plushies. After most craft and cooking nights, teens request video game systems to play on the MondoPad and engage

in some friendly competition. Pictures from this and other system-wide teen programs can be found at <http://www.flickr.com/210teenlibrary> and also <http://www.instagram.com/210teenlibrary>.

REFERENCE



The Summer of Ford film series came to an end on an extremely positive note. Films shown to almost 200 patrons during this reporting period include *Patriot Games*, *The Fugitive*, *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull* and *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*. After the last showing, many patrons came up to the hosts afterwards and wanted to discuss the films further and also compliment the team on the quality of movies that they had selected.



On July 23, the Reference Team hosted a Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle event to compliment the Go Green theme of the Summer Reading Program. Area groups were invited to participate in what will be the first of the library's annual Green Fair. Attendees were able to learn about living green as the library hosted a recycling truck and a household item donation drive. Patrons could shred up to five boxes of materials (the shredding service reported they shredded almost 5,000 lbs of paper during the event), the VIA Classroom on Wheels came by and many city organizations set up tables and dedicated the afternoon to talking to attendees about making their lives a little more green. Response from the attendees and groups was positive and many have already confirmed their attendance at next year's fair. Approximately 220 people attended the Green Fair.



On August 9, the Reference Team presented the program "Henna/Mehndi: Experience Unique Art on Your Hand." Over 50 attendees had the pleasure of having artistic henna artwork placed on their hand.



The Reference Team also participated in the building wide SummerFest program on July 31. The team hosted adult coloring and a whiteboard discussion prompt that allowed patrons to write down their favorite read of the summer.



Reference's ongoing programs continued in this reporting period and found their usual successes. These programs included Library Digital Help, Technology Questions Answered, Foro Abierto, the Science Fiction Book Group, Brain Games, the monthly Ukulele Club and Brighten Your Day: Adult Coloring. Central Library's partnership with Support Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) was expanded during the summer months to three days a week to now include a presence on Wednesdays, in addition to Monday and Tuesday. Reference team members also provided support to the Marketing team to help staff several outreach and back to school events.

TEXANA/GENEALOGY



Texana Librarian Deborah Countess presented the genealogy class "Finding Female Ancestors" at Great Northwest Branch Library on July 29. The focus of the presentation was on developing strategies to help trace back a person's maternal genealogy line.



On July 30, Ms. Countess introduced the world of family history research to a local realtor group. "Genealogy for the Beginner: Getting Started" covered what to look for and where to find information to help locate ancestors.



The Texana Team also received a lovely compliment from a patron during the reporting period that read: “Thanks so much for sending me a copy of the death certificate for my friend...I don't know that his mother or brother back in Missouri ever heard what happened to him... I very much appreciate that you were able to help. Thanks.”

Ashlee Chavez, also the Central Library Reference Manager, is acting as the Interim Texana Manager, while the recruitment search for a new manager is ongoing.

BRANCH LOCATIONS

BAZAN



Bazan hosted information sessions for Affordable Care Act enrollees who experienced life changes and needed to adjust their coverage. The assistance was provided by a certified healthcare navigator from the Daughters of Charity of San Antonio.



The Bazan branch was a recipient of a Silver and Black Foundation 2016 Summer Team Up Challenge grant received through the Library Foundation. The grant allowed for the purchase of media equipment and media training and instruction to teens through NowCast SA. The equipment will be used for ongoing teen programming at Bazan, especially programs with media-related components.



Children’s Librarian Hope Sonnen continued to register children in the Summer Reading Program, exceeding the previous year’s totals. Ms. Sonnen participated in the SummerFest event at Central where she reported that everyone had a great time. Ms. Sonnen began planning for fall programs that will consist of Family Fun, LEGO’s and Come & Go Crafts. She will also continue outreach to area elementary school where she plans to host several book clubs.



On July 26, Learn Training Officer Emily Sauer Flores organized a meeting with Bertha Gonzaba, Regional Director of Starbucks San Antonio and South Texas, and David Cohen, Business Engagement Specialist of Workforce Solutions Alamo, to discuss job opportunities available for community members interested in forming part of Starbuck’s team. Ms. Gonzaba discussed team member benefits, including four year scholarships available to study a Bachelor’s Degree online with Arizona State University. As a result of the meeting, Starbucks will be participating in Bazan’s Job Fair on September 12 and will have computer assistants on hand to help patrons navigate the application process.



On August 1, Training Officer Mrs. Sauer Flores and volunteer Daniel Gomez presented at the Literacy Texas annual conference in San Marcos. The presentation, “Reaching ESL Learners: Cultivating English Language Skills and a Love of Learning,” discussed the Learn program and the role of the ESL book club led by Mr. Gomez in SAPL’s adult basic education model. The breakout session was selected by Literacy Texas to be video recorded and will be available on the organization’s website. Mrs. Sauer Flores received a scholarship to attend the conference, which included sessions presented by adult education leaders from across the country.



New Bazan team member, Adult Services Librarian Maria Gonzales, kept a busy training schedule attending several Supervisor Excellence Training sessions including “Performance Management,”

“Recruitment,” and Fiscal Office onboarding and cash register training. Ms. Gonzales also attended her first Adult Services Librarians’ meeting and attended the Johnston Library Spanish Book Club to learn about implementing a Spanish language book club at Bazan.

BROOK HOLLOW



On August 3, Brook Hollow hosted the San Antonio Storytellers Association. The Storytellers have been regular presenters at Brook Hollow for several years, and their programs always attract enthusiastic audiences. Attendees who wish to participate in the fun and tell a story are always welcome to do so.



Brook Hollow staff members continue to entice patrons with a wide range of displays. Currently, patrons can browse displays of feminist literature, speculative fiction, mysteries, and a multimedia selection of diversity-themed items.



Caroline Mossier (Teen Services Librarian II) facilitated weekly Teen Time programs and Teen Library Leadership Council meetings at the branch. The Teen Library Leadership Council planned each Teen Time program and has been working hard to line up programs for the fall. Teens at Teen Time played games, watched movies, and learned new craft-making skills together. Brook Hollow bid goodbye to their awesome Family Services Association intern, who was a great help with the summer rush.

CARVER



Carver Branch celebrated the end of summer with a back to school party that attracted about 200 people. The event was held on July 30th, and was a partnership with the Sister of the Umoja Tribe and the branch. Staff and members of the community donated backpacks and school supplies which were handed out at the event. The branch made use of its patio as well as its meeting room to accommodate the various features of the party, including face painting, dancing, and musical performances.



On August 9th, the Coliseum Neighborhood Association held their monthly meeting at the branch, attracting nearly 30 residents. The August gathering was the first time the group had used the branch to assemble. Normally, they meet at the San Antonio Police Department East Substation. The Branch and the CNA are considering a permanent arrangement.



All kinds of creepy bugs were seen at Carver on July 29, but there was no need to call the exterminator. It was Texas A&M University AgriLife Extension Service entomology presentation, exploring the role insect species in the environment. The program drew an audience of 75 people.



In August, the branch continued its partnership with the San Antonio Food Bank to provide lunches on Tuesday through Friday. “We have served anywhere from 5 – 15 lunches a day,” Children’s Librarian Jodi Miller said.



Ms. Miller’s summertime outreach extended to the Eastside Boys & Girls Club, where she presented story time and craft on July 19.



On August 13th, Branch Manager DL Grant Jr. represented SAPL at the Region 20 Education Service Center’s annual migrants’ family outreach fair, where he introduced dozens of people to library services as well as SAPL’s new logo.

CODY



Tweens showed up on July 18 to compete in Cody's summer annual robot-making contest for *Tween Time*. Sheila Acosta, children's librarian, provided all of the materials for this event. "Some tweens partnered up and outlined their ideas, and some just started building immediately!" reported Ms. Sheila. At the program's conclusion, the tweens displayed their creations proudly, showing them off first to their parents who took lots of pictures. All of the robots were eventually exhibited in the New Book section.



Cody Library and the San Antonio Natural Areas/Parks & Recreation collaborated on July 19 to present a nature program for children on trees and nature. About 12 children attended this registered event, and enjoyed the unique format and presentation. Sheila said that she and Nicole McCleod (Parks) are looking forward to teaming up in the future for more programs.



Cody's singular *summer movie* event on July 20 was well attended by families eager to see the film favorite *Zootopia*.



Approximately 160 patrons attended the special program, *Illusions by Blake*, on July 21 for *Kids Time*. Several children were excited to be selected from the audience to assist the illusionist with some of his magical feats, and Sheila said that many of the attendees expressed their appreciation to the library for providing fun family programs in the summer.



Lego Club on July 22 was well attended by both boys and girls who formed teams in their competition to create unusual animals. Recognition was given to first, second, and third place teams.



On July 23 and 30, several families stopped by for the weekly summer event of *Tabletop Gaming*.



It was a "summer's almost over" party for the tweens who came for *Tween Time* on July 25. Sheila also set up a variety of games/Legos, etc. at several tables. Tweens selected the tables where they wanted to play, and then time was called after about 10 minutes, at which time tweens had to move to another station of games and play for 10 minutes. Tweens enjoyed the variety and interaction at each of the stations.



The Jumping Dragons performed for Cody families on July 26. They demonstrated their skills and versatility with various jump ropes performing their routines to music. Families, both children and adults, also had an opportunity to demonstrate their skills with the jump ropes. Sheila said that families really enjoyed this "fun fitness" program.



Ronald McDonald performed his "take care of books" show for preschoolers and their parents on July 27. Over 120 Cody patrons were on hand for the entertaining story time. Before the show, Sheila reminded parents about signing their children up for the Summer Reading program and redeeming their logs for new books.



Super Hooper Luna entertained about 80 children on July 28 with her spectacular hula hoop routines, both with the LED lights and without. Luna demonstrated simple moves for beginners and provided hoops for all of the children who wanted to try hula hooping. Adults were eager to show off their hula hooping techniques as well, as contests were held for various age groups.



Little Sunshine Childcare visited Cody Library for a special story time on August 2. Sheila read several books to the children and signed up several little ones for the Summer Reading program.



On July 19, teens celebrated one of their favorite fandoms, Pokémon, by sewing Pikachu Plushes, which allowed them to learn various sewing techniques.



During the Pokémon Go Lure Party on July 26, teens made Pokéball cookies, designed their own Pokémon character, made a Pokéball keychain, caught Pokémon by throwing Velcro Pokéballs at Pokémon targets, and searched for Pokémon figures hidden throughout the library.



Teens showed their excitement for the release of *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child* by participating in a *Harry Potter* Trivia Contest on August 2. Teens were sorted into Houses, had the chance to make their own Cauldron Cakes, and competed in Harry Potter trivia.



On August 9, teens showed their excitement for the release of the film *Suicide Squad* by making Cubee figures of all of the movie's main characters.



Librarian Adam Spana continued his monthly outreach to residents of the Adante Senior Living community on July 20, where the book club discussed William Landay's *Defending Jacob*.

On August 10, Cody staff bid farewell to their colleague, library aide Jerica Contreras, who accepted a teaching job with NISD.

COLLINS GARDEN



Back-to-School Backpack Drive/Co-hosted with SA District 5 Councilwoman

Shirley Gonzales: Nearly 900, (door count 875) people, primarily parents & students, visited the Collins Garden Library Saturday, August 13, 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., during the Back-to-School Backpack Drive offering more than 500 backpacks stuffed with school supplies to area families. Library staff prepared & distributed 100 back-to-school themed gift bags, issued 50 new library cards to SAISA students, and entertained students with back-to-school crafts and storytelling as well as trainer Mary Valdez and her Golden Retriever Foxie, a trained therapy dog that helps students learn how to approach a dog and become more comfortable with reading. During the event, community parents and patrons filled out 25 positive EnCORE comment cards thanking the library and council office for co-sponsoring the program, helping and encouraging neighborhood children, and requested the library have the program again next year. "Son may buenos programas para los niños," said SAPL patron Blanca Ortiz. San Antonin Frank Capetitlo praised the staff's teamwork, along with patron Esther Montez who stated, "Very excellent service with friendly, courteous professionalism." Kudos to the entire Collins Garden Library Team, especially, the Circulation staff, who were acknowledged for being very organized, helpful and always greeting patron Miguel Lopez with a warm welcome, attentiveness, and integrity.



Collins Garden Library hosted a bilingual storytelling program, *Curanderiando: Tales of Healing*, with Bilingual Storyteller, Performer & Graphic Designer Carolina Quiroga-Stultz. The interactive

program included a dance performance, herbalist, and anthropologist. Library staff offered crafts for children following the program that was attended by nearly 50 people.



UTHSCSA, in partnership with the branch library, continues its chronic pain study in an effort to address individuals seeking alternatives to medication in dealing with pain stemming from illness or injury. UTHSCSA's pain study addresses the country's Opioid Epidemic.



Collins Garden Library, in partnership with a community poetry group, Voces Cosmicas, presents a series of writing workshops hosted by local poet/educator Fernando Esteban Flores who utilizes the MondoPad during weekly critiques.



Collins Garden Library Circulation Staff, Jessica Salas, Enedina Prater, along with manager Jeannette Davies, made a connection with the pastor at United Grace Church and Community Center across the street from the library and plan to conduct outreach & library card sign-up events in the Fall.



The library hosts "The Golden Girls" weekly crochet club whose members crochet and knit clothing for various children's and hospital charities.



In Teen Services at Collins Garden Library, CEN Teen Services assisted to bring Pokémon Go to neighborhood teens by providing five iPads for participation by six area teens. (Half of these teens had cell phones and the other half did not, but it was important to have this program for teens to be aware of popular virtual games for socialization.)



Healthy Futures of Texas, a city-wide teen outreach program, has partnered with the Collins Garden Library to enable youth to develop self-confidence, social skills, assertiveness, and self-discipline in order to reduce unintended pregnancy & STDs. Teen volunteer Ricardo Gallegos started this month, regular teen volunteer Justine Ruiz and summer library aide Crystal Cruz have worked to prepare the library for Back-to-School by making arts/crafts in the absence of a children's librarian. The Teen program, hosted by library assistant Carlos Loera, is holding steady, averaging 7-10 teens a week making crafts, and exploring and playing new video games such as Pokémon Go.



In Children Services, Librarians from the Central Children's Department hosted a Friday weekly Kids time program, averaging 11 people, along with Come & Go Crafts and Lego Club. Collins Garden Library hosts a Thursday matinee movie series for teens and children averaging an attendance of 35 each week.

CORTEZ



Mayor's Summer Reading Club – Branch Wide/System Wide

The summer reading initiative is winding down at Cortez. The last programs were held during the first week of August. To date, 400 children registered for the summer reading program at Cortez with over 75 finishers. One hundred and two teens registered for the program and 32 turned in prize vouchers for the combined drawing. One hundred and fifty four adults registered at Cortez. Michelle Ricondo, Adult Services at Cortez, served as the committee chair for SAPL's Adult summer reading initiative. Kathy Armbruster, Children's Librarian, participated in the Summerfest activities held at Central on July 30.



Story Time (Kathy Armbruster)

Story Time is now held concurrently with the adult crafting club. These sessions are held on Mondays, from 10 am –noon in the meeting room. The crafting club occupies half of the space and Story Time is in the other half. Three sessions were held during this reporting period with the participation of 17 children and 10 adults. Sessions on “Eating Green”, “Money” and “Exploring the Color Green” were held.



Kids Time (Kathy Armbruster)

Kids Time attendance for the summer sessions has varied for each session. Three sessions were held during the reporting period and included sessions on parts of a plant, money, and all things green! The money session was particularly popular – each child was given \$100 play dollars to divide between 3 envelopes – saving, spending, and donating. They made a spending wall chart to keep track of the funds. Summer Kids Time sessions were scheduled for Tuesdays at 2 p.m. at Cortez. Total attendance for the Kids Time was 24 children and 11 adults.



Tween Time (Kathy Armbruster)

Wednesdays at 4 pm brought together a small but consistent core group of tweens. New tweens attended each week and that was an exciting development over the summer. Summer sessions included a “food challenge” of some kind - “The Cheerios Challenge” – stacking Cheerios cereal on a teammate’s forehead, cheek or nose, “Warheads”- eating this super sour candy without a facial expression and watermelon seed distance spitting (to celebrate National Watermelon Day) were all featured activities. The weekly food challenge was followed by board games, art activities or video games. Three sessions were held during the reporting period with a total attendance of 19 tweens and 1 adult attending.



Teens Program (JoAnn Paredes)

During the time frame of July 17 through August 14, the teen program held 3 meetings with 14 teens attending. Teens have reported that they’ve been busy attending summer programs and preparing for the coming school year so they’ve been unable to make it to the library.



Adult Coloring (Michelle Ricondo)

Adult Coloring @ Cortez continues to be popular. This group met 2 times during the reporting period with 13 adults attending.



Creative Writing Group (Michelle Ricondo)

Two sessions were held during the reporting period with 12 adults attending.



Diabetes Workshop (Clara DeLeon, Health Program Specialist)

A series of 4 workshops, in partnership with COSA-Metropolitan Health District, leading participants to healthier eating habits to lessen the chance of developing diabetes, were held in the Cortez meeting room on consecutive Fridays during the reporting period. Eight participants attended each class.



Getting Crafty Program (JoAnn Paredes)

The crafting group made tin tiles out of aluminum disposable cookie sheets. They had to imprint the design on to the sheet, and then color them with acrylic paints. All the designs came out wonderful! The second project during the reporting period was a cross-stitching project. This will continue through August. Attendance for the three programs was 22.

The group has expressed interest in having a Crochet Class that would meet in addition to the crafting program.



Monster Meet (Madeline Vasquez)

On August 13, 15 monster fans got together to view the sci-fi/horror modern classic, “The Thing”. Monster Meet is a program developed and coordinated by Circulation Attendant Madeline Vasquez who brings her love of the horror genre to the community at Cortez.



Learn@SAPL – (Melody Vega, Lindsay Minarovic, and Michelle Ricondo)

Working together with the Learn Center at Cortez, Michelle helped coordinate a series of Financial Literacy workshops that embrace the “green theme” of summer reading. Family support supervisor Lindsay Minarovic put together a slate of classes for adults. Classes were offered Thursday evenings in July.

Free Art Classes were offered in cooperation with the Learn Center. Artist Ukwanni Warumbe visited Cortez on Wednesdays from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. and encouraged adult painters to relieve stress while painting. Two meetings were held during the reporting period.

ENCINO



Summer success continued at Encino during July and August. Encino’s children’s librarians hosted Naturalist Tom Kinsey on July 19, thanks to a special donation to the Friends of Encino. An enthusiastic crowd of 44 people enjoyed Tom’s explanation of habitats and local critters, and many were surprised to learn how friendly rats can be! Tom’s other critters included snakes, a pigeon, and large insects. Messy Fridays proved to be the most successful children’s program of the summer, with over 50 people attending each week to paint, play in sensory bins, and experiment with color mixing on Encino’s lovely patio. The final Messy Friday was held July 22, and Children’s Librarians Nicki Weaver and Ashley Stubbs are working to incorporate many of the most popular elements into fall programming. Most summer programming came to a close the last week in July, with Read to a Dog and Knight Club continuing through August.



Encino’s Create University, organized by Adult Services Librarian Barbara Kwiatkowski, rounded out the summer session with classes on Healthy Food Fusion and Treasures from the Sea. These courses covered making a quick curry base, creating flexible vegetable dishes, and exploring seashells from around the world. Attendees enjoyed sampling the cuisine and learning about conservative shelling. At the final session on July 25, all 20 Create University attendees joyfully received certificates of completion after an eventful summer. We look forward to a successful opening of the fall sessions with a presentation by a Chinese opera singer in September. An ongoing successful partnership for Encino has been the Fitness in the Park classes held each week in the meeting room. ATS Bellydancing and Boot Camp have doubled in attendance over the summer, and the Martial Arts and Low Impact Circuit Training classes continue to be popular.



Catapult Your Career came to a successful close on July 27, with attendees exploring methods of personal branding and creating a dynamic online presence. Career coach James Beeman led the series during June and July, and his courses resulted in increased circulation of materials covering resumes, cover letters, interviewing, and career advice. The weekly study sessions for CompTIA Networking Certification also wrapped up in July. Special thanks to volunteer David Hess for leading participants through the official CompTIA Networking study guide.



Teens at Encino have truly embraced the library this summer! Encino hosted 4 popular weekly programs just for teens throughout summer. While news of Teen Librarian Matthew Loaiza’s impending departure to the Potranco Library (*Congratulations, Matthew!*) left the group saddened, the teens have become regular and active library users. During the reporting period, the teens enjoyed two more cooking

sessions with Chef Lilla Bernal from the San Antonio Food Bank, continued the regular Gaming Club, made a no-sew blanket, and continued with their artistic endeavors. Members of the Teen Leadership Council have been a tremendous help this summer with children's programming as well as planning and supervising teen activities.

FOREST HILLS



Special guest, Dr. Vincent Di Maio, visited the branch on June 27 to discuss his book, *Morgue: A Life in Death*. Dr. Di Maio was the medical examiner of San Antonio for many years. In his book he discussed the cases that have made him famous, from the exhumation of assassin Lee Harvey Oswald to the shooting of Florida teen Trayvon Martin and several mysterious deaths in between.



Teen volunteer Alexandra Arredondo from the Family Service Association played an integral part in the delivery of services to teens this summer. She assisted with the weekly program for teens and also for children. The staff was very appreciative of her efforts. She enjoyed the work so much that she continued to volunteer after her paid internship was completed!



Children celebrated the end of the Summer Reading Club with a party on July 26. The children and their caregivers were treated to palletas as well as snacks provided Whataburger. Kathleen Brown, Children's Librarian, brought out all of the popular crafts for the summer. Everyone left with an armful of green creations and a balloon!



Branch Manager Mary Naylor is working to revitalize the Forest Hills Friends group. A group meeting will be called in mid-September to share information with the public. The branch hopes to have a group established by the beginning of October.

Patrons must be cleaning out their closets getting ready for the new school year and the The SA Reads donation barrel has benefitted. The barrel was overflowing with donations of children's books by the end of July!

GREAT NORTHWEST



The seniors at Great Northwest Library enjoyed the last two Senior Hula classes instructed by Tina Negrete on July 18 and July 25.



Great Northwest patrons enjoyed soothing sessions of Adult Coloring classes on Wednesday evenings.



Debbie Countess presented the program *Finding Female Ancestors* to a small group of customers who were interested in genealogy on July 29th.



Both the Alicia Trevino Senior Center and the Great Northwest Book group discussed *Dances with Wolves* by Michael Blake and watched the film.



Great Northwest Library had a great and successful summer with children's programs. Several grandparents brought in their visiting grandkids for the programs. The kids were from all over the world and enjoyed the programs quite a bit. The grandparents were very pleased that their library was such a good pick for summer outings. It was also fun to see visiting grandparents coming because the children were excited to show them around "their" library and take them to "their" programs. Good, positive things happened this summer.



Parents said many good things about the branch this summer. Several said that it was so good to see their children actually look forward to being at the library. Some have said that their children ask every day if it was library day. One even demanded that they go to the library program before going to Sea World. It was her birthday and she did not want to miss her library day.



Teen summer programs included the *Yummy and Creative* cooking classes where teens could play with their food. In June teens learned an easy and fun way to make the Mexican dessert bunuelos. Summer programs also included the *No Experience Needed Art* activities for teens. Teens got creative this summer and made zentangle art. Also during the summer every Wednesday afternoon was Teen Video Gaming in the library where teens were welcomed to bring games rated *E* through *Teen*.



The Great Northwest Library, Friends of the Great Northwest Library, and teen volunteers hosted a Super Smash Bros Tournament on July 27 where teens could compete for first and second place. Teen volunteers used Challenge.com to register players for a double elimination tournament and tracked their progress using the websites online bracket system. Teen volunteers created the game rules, stage list for players to abide by, and gave out door prizes to the attendees.



Teen Craft Night was held on August 1st and teens were invited to make snow globes (and dream of cooler weather). A monthly Teen Anime Night was held on August 8th and celebrates love of Anime and Manga. During Anime Night teens got a chance to make Onigiri Japanese rice balls.



The Great Northwest Teen Writer's Guild met on July 18th for their monthly meeting. Teens with an interest in writing meet once a month to create and share their work with other teen writers. The writer's guild and teen volunteers also began preparing skits for the *Enchanted Library* program debuting this fall.



The branch participated in the Family Services Association Youth Summer Internship program. The partnership allows a teen intern to work at the Great Northwest Library for the summer while under the supervision of Teen Services Librarian Stephanie Vazquez. The FSA Intern helped with teen programs, Summer Reading sign-up, children's programs, and other daily tasks.



The volunteers at Great Northwest Library volunteered over 600 hours in June and helped with many library programs and daily tasks. Teen volunteers helped with a variety of things, including producing puppet shows three days a week for the ABC Club and making the props and backgrounds to accomplish this. Teen volunteers also helped with the Kids Time and STEM Challenge programs by being a group leader and helping the kids solve the STEM activity of the day. Teen volunteers also helped the library with summer reading sign up for kids, teens, and adults.



The branch is thankful to the Friends of the Library for the wonderful Volunteer and Staff Appreciation party on August 3. The Friends provided refreshments, prizes, and a great opportunity to thank the many volunteers and staff for their hard work over the summer.



Computer Tutoring is held at the Great Northwest Library. A very knowledgeable volunteer tutor provides basic computer instructions and answers computer and technology related questions.

GUERRA



David Meza with the Daughters of Charity was at the library on July 28 providing information about the Affordable Care Act.



Branch Manager Dexter Katzman presented music and literature outreach programs to the Careplex Adult Day Care Center on July 20 and 27 and August 3 and 10.



Assistant Branch Manager Cristiane Yamada-Lokensgard continued her temporary assignment at the Collins Garden Branch Library.



Adult Services Librarian Stephen Jackson recorded for dial-a-story in Spanish *¿Qué le pasó al león?* (What Happened to the Lion?) by María Granata on July 18. He moderated the Spanish language book club, Club de lectura, on July 28, whose members discussed *La conspiración (Deception Point)* by Dan Brown. On August 5, Stephen debuted a trivia game program at the Willie Cortez Senior Center. He used a prize spinning wheel, provided by the Guerra Friends, to select trivia questions and answers. A dozen of those present participated in the program. On August 12, Stephen represented Guerra Branch and the San Antonio Public Library at the John Jay High School bilingual fair.



Teen Liaison Edward Mayberry held Game-Ra sessions on July 28 and August 4 and 11. The Teens watched *Men in Black II* on July 21 with refreshments supplied by the Friends of the Guerra Library. The teens are gearing up for back to school. Edward is developing targeted outreach plans to involve more teens.



Library Assistant Mary Lou Bleichwehl facilitated the Staff Picks Display and created two slides for the Digital Display.



Library Aide Roxanne Menchaca selected installed a Print to Film display highlighting books that were turned into films.

IGO



The children's summer reading program wound down at the Igo Library. Clair Larkin, Early Literacy Specialist with Little Read Wagon, and Children's Library Assistant Carolyn Bradley assisted with children's programs to offer five weekly early literacy story times, Lego Club, and Kids Time, as well as numerous special summer reading programs. Dinosaur George's two programs on July 18 drew 276 attendees.



In addition to the summer reading programs, Igo also held sessions of a 4-part Learn & Play Chess series for grades K-12 with instruction provided by a local patron. To recap this reporting period at the Igo Library, children's services staff presented 48 programs and served 1,719 children and their caregivers.



Teen Time and Anime Club continued with weekly meetings throughout the summer.



The Military Cyber-professionals Association provided three trainings on coding for teens.



Igo's three book clubs continued to meet throughout the reporting period. The Afternoon Book Club enjoyed a lively conversation regarding *The Friday Night Knitting Club*. The Romance Readers Club discussed *The Madness of Lord Ian McKenzie* and the Mystery Club read *Unnatural Habits*. Igo's PoeTree Club, for adult poets at any level of experience who write in any style, continued to meet through summer on the first and third Mondays of each month.



A partnership with UTSA's Project SHAPE gave minority students living in the 78249 zip code a weekly opportunity through this month for one-on-one counseling concerning AIDS, STDs and substance abuse.



The Elderberries had a very successful Annual Ice Cream Social with 35-40 participants. Brain games, both online and in hard copy, were set up throughout the room. Teen volunteers were also eager and available to help patrons with basic computer questions.



The Elderberries' Hatha Yoga continues to be a huge success. The series goes throughout the month of August. The first opening day had over 16 participants. Igo staff, volunteers, and patrons were deeply saddened to learn of the passing of the library's namesake, John Igo. Mr. Igo, a beloved teacher, poet, playwright and, above all, researcher, died on August 9, 2016, at 5:30pm. He possessed an unquenchable thirst for knowledge, a love of language, and a wit that never failed to make his listeners laugh.

JOHNSTON



Story Time themes included Dragons and Beach. Tweens made electronic devices with the Electronic Snap Circuits kits, and painted designs on canvas tote bags. Kids Time included a Dragon story time, and a magic show with the Great AI.



On Saturday, July 30, Beverly Wrigglesworth assisted with SummerFest. She helped at the Spotted Frog craft table.



Teen Liaison Nicole Garza worked with Teen services specialist Adam Tutor on July 27th to bring music video production to the Johnston community teens. They brought in Youtube music sensation Simply Rayne. Rayne demonstrated to the teens how to make their own music videos.



On August 3rd, Teen Liaison Nicole Garza and 8 teens experimented with crystallization to create homemade geodes. On the 10th, Teen Liaison Nicole Garza facilitated a group of 9 teens interested in demonstrating their skills with playing video games.



Adult Services Librarian Monica Bustillo facilitated the Athena Readers Book Club discussion of *Pretty Girls* by Karen Slaughter on July 20 which was the Johnston selection for the Adult Summer Reading Challenge.



On August 12, Monica hosted an Adult Coloring Program in partnership with Blue Star Coloring.



At their request, Beverly Wrigglesworth assisted at Forest Hills Branch for 2 hours on July 21.



On July 23rd, Johnston Branch Library welcomed their new Library Assistant and Teen Liaison, Cassandra “Nicole” Garza. Nicole is a 10 year SAPL veteran. She has experience as an Aide, Circulation Attendant, and Library Assistant. She has worked at Igo, Cody, Westfall, and Great Northwest SAPL Branches.

LANDA



Summer wrapped up with some fun and engaging projects for Landa Teens. Going Green with newspaper planters and exploring science with tasty homemade ice cream had the teens working “hands-on” creatively and collaboratively. Through the culmination of times spent together, ideas and goals for the program in general were discussed amongst the group and opportunity to form a TLLC was considered with teens expressing sincere interest! Next on their list is getting ready to return to school – and making DIY school supplies and learning handy, practical tips for stress free school life is a greatly anticipated part of it!



The Adult Summer Reading Program at Landa has attracted increased attention from customers this year, no doubt due to the generosity of the Landa Friends who have provided a free book for all finishers. And (ta-da!) Landa’s lucky winner of the absolutely great goody bag was Beverly Mata-Herrera. Needless to say, she was excited to get the phone call about the drawing results.



The Mystery Book Club read the hilarious *Don’t Ever Get Old* by Daniel Friedman in which a retired cop goes after Nazi gold. Reader’s Ink read the official “Read Our Book!” summer reading selection for Landa, *Thyme of Death*. Participants are looking forward to meeting Susan Wittig Albert, the author, when she comes to Landa in late August.



Adult Library Services Librarian Karen Sebesta continues to conduct a monthly outreach book club at The Village at Incarnate Word. She reports that the members enjoyed the August selection so much, they were all exclaiming “I can’t wait to see what we’re going to read next!” The title they were so excited about was Fanny Flagg’s *The All-Girl Filling Station’s Last Reunion*. They were equally enthusiastic about the upcoming September selection, *The Wright Brothers*, by David McCullough.



Karen also goes to The Kenwood Senior Center where she conducts a craft activity in addition to bringing the latest information about library services and happenings. In July, the participants did both an adult coloring project in addition to creating a lady bug craft using craft materials, including old

compact discs. When Karen commented that the group was smaller that day, the members informed her that there was a free movie at Santikos Theatre but that they wanted to stay and do the craft! Karen brought a recording of soft background music and center director Cesar provided a CD player.



Summer Reading programming began to wind down at the end of July. Ms. Jasmin Salinas continued to offer Kid's Time programs based on the color 'green'. The last program of the summer at Landa ended with a fun food themed program where children painted with potatoes and celery and the collaboratively made a paper garden. Baby Time and Toddler Time continued to be a great deal of fun with new counting songs, nursery rhymes, and books each week. Storytime introduced a new finger play that the kids enjoyed about ants marching through a picnic. The fake sneeze was fun as kids shouted out "Achoo!" as loudly as possible. Still, the overall hit of the summer at Landa remained the Lego Club. For the last week of Lego club the family that came the most often was able to pick the challenges for the others to do. The kids could build anything, but if they tackled the challenges they could build a devise to rescue someone from a black hole or a junk yard.



At the end of July and through August, Librarian Jasmin Salinas and Library Assistant Rebekah Corely began a Tween Time for ages 9 to 12 years. The Tween Time began strongly with almost ten kids showing up to make ice cream in a Ziploc. For the next tween program the kids made newspaper planters and got to plant either seeds or small plants to take home. Tween Time will continue twice a month on Tuesdays through the fall.



Also, Ms. Salinas attended a back to school outreach at the DoSeum with Little Read Wagon. Ms. Salinas talked about the library services, encouraged families to finish up with summer reading, and helped the kids to make bubble wands and blow bubbles.

LAS PALMAS



On August 1st, the Friends of the Las Palmas Library and Librarian Samantha Gordano hosted an end of summer celebration for children of all ages. Children and their families decorated reusable bags and loaded them with books and donations from the Friends and partners at Port San Antonio to help them get ready for the new school year.



Children's Librarian Gina Brudi hosted 'The Astonishing Mr. Pitts' who was very engaging and funny. He had several puppet sidekicks and performed magic tricks with volunteers from an audience of 57 people. Thanks to the Friends of the Las Palmas Library for providing funds and other support for this event, especially for the library's youngest customers.



Summer heat is perfect for a paleta story time. Circulation attendant Patricia Perez presented a paleta story time in July, reading "What can you do with a paleta? = ¿Qué puedes hacer con una paleta?" Children talked about the different flavors and colors of paletas. At the end of bilingual story time children enjoyed making their paper paletas, and were surprised with their very own fruit flavored paleta to eat. A total of four bilingual story times were presented.



Teens continued to enjoy playing a variety of video games and board games. They particularly liked battling characters in the Super Mario Smash Brother's Brawl as well as a card game called Sushi Go. Las Palmas Teen Services Librarian Connie Hejl and Teen Outreach Specialist Adam Tutor (from Central) held Teen Time and Game Time programs throughout the month, in coordination with the YWCA.



On Thursday, August 11, 2016, Las Palmas Branch Library in coordination with Metro Health's Project WORTH hosted a video shoot for the DreamSA initiative. DreamSA is a youth development initiative led by Project WORTH that will connect San Antonio youth to opportunities to help them reach their goals and dreams. This initiative will bring together a variety of community based resources and enrichment programs that support the 40 Developmental Assets Framework to strengthen progress across five target areas – Careers, Higher Education, Volunteering, Health and Well-being, and the Arts. Each video filmed will highlight one of the five target areas and will be featured online via YouTube and the DreamSA app to help promote the initiative and encourage teen involvement. The library was the venue for the Higher Education and Volunteering episodes.



The Bilingual and English Citizenship Summer semester classes continued in partnership with Academia América.



On July 20th Reference Attendant Anne Schuette hosted the Adult Book Club, which discussed "Maplecroft: the Broken Dispatches," a novel by Cherie Priest (1st in Broken Dispatches Series).



On the afternoon of August 4th, the library hosted the Metro Health mobile STD testing van in the parking lot. Eighteen people came to make sure that they were safe and healthy and enjoyed free giveaways courtesy of the Metro Health Department.

MAVERICK



Summer reading programming officially ended July 27 at Maverick. However, there were some special programs the last part of July. Dinosaur George had one show with 103 attendees and one show with 93 attendees on July 20. Library Aides, Raina Oster, Laura Lopez and Daniella Toll had another popular "Gerald and Piggie" puppet show and craft on July 23 with 52 attendees. Also, 54 kids and adults braved the rain to come and make their own ice cream sundaes on July 27. Many thanks to the Friends of the Maverick Library who helped finance the ice cream and toppings! As of August 8, 742 kids registered for summer reading and 324 collected their prize book. Ms. Roberts continued to plan for fall programming during the month of August.



Maverick staff was pleased to be able to partner with Metro Health in providing a series of classes entitled Diabetes Self-Management which was well received by our customers.



Maverick staff welcomed six HOA's and the Boy Scouts to our meeting room as well as partnering with the Chronic Illness Support Group. The Maverick staff created and conducted an in-house contest for our customers that included weekly prizes for discounts at our next book sale and a grand prize of a \$50.00 gift card for one lucky person in our final drawing. All of the prizes were, of course, funded by the Friends of the Maverick Branch Library.

McCRELESS



It's been a long hot summer but patrons are enjoying coming in and looking for books and movies while escaping the heat. Children are coming in, all excited to turn in their logs and receive a free book. Some pick a book quickly, others like to take their time and carefully select a favorite title. The McCreless staff encourage the children to take their time, since this enables the kids to see that we do appreciate and support their enjoyment of reading



Teen Liaison Georgina continuous to host summer reading young adult programs. Teenagers engaged in teamwork with various board games and Pokémon Jeopardy to keep the excitement with current Pokémon Go activity.



In addition, Georgina represented the McCreless branch at the local Back to School Health and Resources Fair hosted at Highlands High School on Saturday August 6. Georgina delivered information about the San Antonio Public Library's online databases that are most helpful for students. Highlands High School students, parents, and staff left the San Antonio Public Library table with brochures and bookmarks for Live Homework Help, library hours, and the Learning Express Library. Teens seeking volunteer hours were informed about volunteering at their local library branch and were encouraged to participate in teen programming.



Interim Branch Manager Tina Hudec hosted a lively book club discussion of *The Husband's Secret* by Liane Moriarty and also hosted two Family Movie Times during this period. Tina has been acquiring gently used books for the Little Free Library (LFL) that McCreless is sponsoring. The library is located in the Southtown Gardens Park. The LFL appears to be popular in the area as evidenced by the reciprocal donations of the neighborhood.

MEMORIAL



On July 19th, the branch hosted a "how to train your dog" program. The program was well received by patrons that attended and found the information informative and helpful. New dog owners were very happy to receive some new dog owner tips.



On July 19th, Dinosaur George visited the branch and delighted the children and parents alike with his informative and fun program about dinosaurs. July also brought the end the summer reading programs.



The last of the pain management classes sponsored by UT Health Science Center was held on August 13th. The attendees were very grateful for the all the tips and techniques that were shared by the instructors. A healthy end of the program reception was held for the participants. They enjoyed snacking on a vegetable and fruit tray.



A Solid Waste Department community meeting was held on August 8th. The meeting was well attended by concerned citizens regarding a solid waste department project.



Memorial Teens ended their summer programming with a big party! The end of summer party included a movie, crafts, and pizza. Thanks to Memorial's friends group the highlight of the party was the brand new PS4. Teens got the chance to play new games such as Star Wars Battle Front, and Minecraft. Teens have since been enjoying a weekly gaming program. Memorial Teen volunteers are preparing for the new school year with displays and new ideas for Teen programming.

MISSION



The summer continued to be busy with well attended events. One special event, an Underwater Shadow Puppet Workshop, on August 1, was a big hit. Thirty-one children and their adults had a wonderful time creating shadow puppets and performing for the audience. The program was presented by Eulenspiegel Puppets and sponsored by the Mission Friends group.



Lego Club was a highlight this summer with large numbers each week building themed Lego creations and displaying them in the lobby display case. Another innovative event was the Story Walk Toddler Time, Tween Time and special Saturday event. The program, led by creator Xelena Gonzalez, was based on her Native American Circle of Life book, All Around Us, and enjoyed by all. The Toddler Time event included activity stations from Little Read Wagon, indoors and out, and attracted a large group of regular Mission attendees and new families.



Mission Library teens were creative in low tech and high tech ways during the reporting period. Teens made green mint ice cream, buttons, and perler bead creations in addition to creating a customized guitar hero video game using the Makey Makey circuit board kit.



Teen Librarian Cindy Cruz and Library Aide Christian Saldana visited with the community at Harlandale High School. A backpack giveaway organized by District 3 drew many to the event. It was estimated that 1,200 backpacks were given away. Cindy and Christian provided information on library resources such as Live Homework Help. Ms. Cruz also assisted at the Teen Library's Summerfest celebration.



Mission's partnership this summer with Parks and Recreation FITPASS 2016 health program has been of great benefit; Mission has doubled the attendance of the branch's Yoga and Table Tennis participation for this time period. The World Heritage Department and the Department of Planning and Community Development World Heritage display that started at the beginning of the month finished its open house on July 27. The City Metropolitan Health District mobile unit was at Mission Library on June the July 21st providing services to the community. The Community Garden group had a popular class on herbal medicine and it was well attended.



Adult Librarian, Oscar Gonzalez, was part of an interview panel for Library Aides on July 18th and served as a translator on a Genealogy class at the Mission Library for Spanish speakers on August 13th

PAN AMERICAN



The Pan American Branch Library continued to host popular fitness classes such as Tai Chi Easy and Gentle Stretch Yoga. In fact there had been a noticeable increase in attendance during the

summer due to the Fit Pass Program, which gave participants the chance to win prizes. Both exercise classes are part of the Parks and Recreation “Fitness in the Park” program and are free to the public. On July 23th, the branch hosted a Clean Green program where attendees learned more about Earth friendly cleaning products. The program was a great fit for this year’s Mayor’s Summer Reading Program with a green theme. To wrap up the adult summer reading program, the branch hosted a book discussion on “Prison Ramen: Recipes and Stories from Behind Bars”. Patrons were also given the opportunity to sample some of the recipes from the book.



To celebrate everyone’s success during the Mayor’s Summer Reading Program, the branch hosted an End of Summer Bash, where a variety of activities took place. Kids of all ages got a chance to watch Batman vs. Superman and pick their favorite DC comic character. Children also got a chance to spin the wheel for a great summer prize. Additionally, the teens made bottle cap magnets to use at home or in their lockers at school.



During July and August, Pan American Teens got the chance to participate in a variety of fun and creative activities. Teens were challenged to make a DIY pencil craft out of pencil lead and origami paper. If the pencil was made correctly, it could be sharpened in a pencil sharpener just like any other pencil. Additionally, teens were given the opportunity to make turtle plushies and bottle cap magnets.



Children’s Librarian Gladis Martinez kept a busy schedule at the Pan American Branch during the summer. Children and parents were invited to participate in a variety of activities that included Lego Club, Come and Go Crafts, Toddler Time, and Family Fun. As a special treat, Kids Time in August featured Pete’s Dragon themed activities and crafts. Additionally, the beloved READ dog Foxie visited the branch to teach children how to approach a dog. The children also took turns reading to Foxie. The branch also held a Wii Tween Dance Off where kids got to challenge each other and gain points to win. Finally, Ms. Martinez held a Sensory Storytime specially designed for children with special needs and their parents.



Finally on August 12th, the Pan American Branch staff said good bye and good luck to Library Aide Martha Sanchez, who will be attending college this fall in Austin. Though Martha was only with the branch for a short time, she learned the job quickly and worked well with staff and customers. During her time at Pan American, Martha assisted with children’s programs as well as shelved and organized library materials. We hope to see her again next year.

PARMAN



Children’s Librarian Carrie Vance has partnered with CoderDojo San Antonio to bring coding to Parman patrons who are 9 to 18 years old. In this 8 part series, students with JavaScript experience will build upon their basic skills to ultimately design a personal website using JavaScript, HTML, and CSS functions. Registration filled very quickly.



Parman hosted Jump Start Theatre for an after-hours program. Members of the theatre company staged a performance in the parking lot on a flatbed trailer. About 30 patrons sat on the lawn to enjoy short skits about community. Before the performance, staff members walked the Library trail to the playground offering Pokémon buttons to about 30 Pokémon Go players. The Library has many rare Pokémon’s around it attracting many people to the grounds every day and night. Olaju Art has had an exhibit in the Parman Gallery for the Summer months. Representatives spent an afternoon speaking with patrons about their art and organization.

Teen Time has seen an increase in attendance this summer with up to 28 teens attending. They have enjoyed many activities this summer including wood burning, bottle cap crafts, cooking, gaming, and ping pong.

Summer Reading finishers at Parman had the chance to take a commemorative photo in front of a green screen. The readers look like they are swinging on a vine in the jungle, and the photos were emailed to participants. Several adults also had their pictures taken as they finished Summer Reading. Some families chose to take the photo together showing that grandma and grandchild had both completed Summer Reading!



The Summer session of DIY U continues with many classes including Miniature Dioramas taught by Branch Manager Haley Holmes, a two part Pallet Treasure Box class taught by Assistant Manager Tim Johnson, Simple Tote (sewing) taught by patron Darice Barnes, Blackout Poetry taught by Library Assistant Elissa Vura, Women's Self Defense set up by Senior Circulation Attendant Cara Sifuentes, and Altered Mixed Media Tags taught by Parman Friends president Linda Janney. As the summer session wraps up, staff is planning the fall semester with all new classes.

PRUITT at ROOSEVELT HS



Children's summer programs at Pruitt Library have continued to attract children and families right up to the end of summer break.



The weekly Family Movie event culminated with an outdoor camping theme complete with s'mores, popcorn, and sleeping bags.



The library also hosted a total of eight Family Lego events, and all were filled to capacity. Participants stepped up to the challenge and used their creativity to see which team could build the best castle, dragon, or vehicle.



Tweens and parents attending July's Family Circle Book Club meeting participated in a lively discussion about the popular novel, *The Fourteenth Goldfish*, written by three-time Newbery Honor winner Jennifer L. Holm.



Reading the novel sparked kids' interest in perhaps exploring future careers as scientists. The group is looking forward to reading and discussing next month's Texas Bluebonnet Award selection, *Counting by 7's*, written by Holly Sloan.



Children's Librarian Cynthia Saenz recently attended an outreach event at the Walzem WIC center where she discussed with parents the importance of reading readiness and offered them information about the Baby Time and Toddler Time programs.



Parents were also provided with maps of library locations and information about services and resources available through the San Antonio Public Library system.



Teens participated in library programming throughout the summer.



Teen Chess continued through the last Thursday in July, and teens competed in their own division in Pruitt's summer Chess Tournament.



Teens enjoyed green-themed movies, the last of which was *The Green Hornet*.



The Dungeons & Dragons teen group, whose members come from various areas of the city, are a dedicated group of tabletop gamers led by outstanding teen Dungeon Master Alex. This group met weekly throughout the summer.



Roosevelt High School held Prep Days for the upcoming school year in early August, and excited teens showed up to apply for library cards.



Teen Librarian Rae Downen introduced herself to the incoming freshman, showcased upcoming teen programming, and gave tours of the library.



The TGIF Adult Book Club met to enjoy light refreshments while discussing John Steinbeck's *East of Eden*. This longstanding book group was joined by two first-time visitors. Participants received a copy of next month's book club selection *Ordinary Grace* by William Krueger Kent, and everyone is looking forward to conversations about this book in September.



All seats were full at Special Needs Adult Programming (SNAP) in early August where special needs adults explored seahorses and other creatures from under the sea. Participants enjoyed watching footage of seahorses in their natural habitat, and everyone completed two sea-themed craft projects.



Pruitt hosted 35 chess players at the third and final Chess Tournament of the year. All participants and their families enjoyed a catered lunch sponsored by the Rackspace Foundation. After four rounds of chess, trophies or participation medals were awarded to all participants in four divisions: Children's Beginner, Children's Advanced, Teens and Adults. Chess activities continue to be among the most popular programs at Pruitt.

SAN PEDRO



Children's Librarian Betsy Dalton presented monthly story times to children at Educare Child Care Center (two classes) and Monte Vista Montessori (two classes). Fifteen books were also delivered to each child care class for their use during the month.



The weekly Minecraft Monday provides a venue for budding engineers. Also on Mondays is the growing Baby Time. Kids Time for Kindergarten through 5th grade meets weekly on Wednesdays. Various STEM activities are presented during Kids Time.



Branch Manager Diane Backhus continued presenting Story Time @ the Pool (the San Pedro Springs Pool), reading stories: *The Big Hungry Bear*, *The three little Fish and the big bad Shark*, and the big favorite, *The Wide-Mouthed Frog: a pop up book*. This program is a great way to connect with the local community.



San Pedro Park Branch Library is cultivating a partnership with the SAHA Parkview Apartments. The Adult Services team, Wilson Plunkett and Carmen Roja, provided donated books to the community room and the facility's former library for residents to read. The community room has 4 computers and Wi-Fi for the residents. We are encouraging residents to apply online for a SAPL library card. Staff is working with the Case Manager in their outreach to this community, which is on the other side of San Pedro Park. This high-rise apartment complex is for seniors and disabled residents.

SEMMES



The Semmes Yu-Gi-Oh! Club is still going strong. The club is over 8 years old and continues to have 15-20 attendees at the bi-monthly meetings. Many members of the group also come to the branch's monthly All-Ages Gaming programs.



In order to help with the summer slide, Semmes Branch has been hosting a weekly Dual Language Book Club on Mondays. Book Club participants are local students enrolled in local dual language classes at the elementary schools. Members read a book in Spanish and discuss the book using their Spanish language skills.



NEISD hosted a free lunch program at Semmes during the months of June and July. During July, NEISD staff served 798 lunches. Lunches were provided four days a week. The program was very successful and staff hopes to repeat the program next summer.



Lego Time was held on Tuesday, July 19th. Library Assistant Melody Smith ran the program and had 30 children and parents come and have fun building Lego creations.



Children's Librarians Randi Jones and Kirsten Lorenzen ended a very successful Summer Reading program during the last week of July. As of August 14th, 1,067 children had signed up for the Summer Reading program at Semmes. Children are still turning in their reading logs and picking out their prize books.



Eighty adults signed up for the Summer Reading program at Semmes. Many of them enjoyed reading the Semmes Staff Summer Pick *The Boys in the Boat: nine Americans and their epic quest for gold at the 1936 Olympics* by Daniel Brown.

THOUSAND OAKS



The Summer Reading programs for children ended at the end of July. The Toddler Time and Story Time participants wrapped up the last two weeks of summer with sharks and ice cream programs. Kids Time, Lego Time and Come & Go Crafts also ended the last week of July.



The end of summer celebration for kids, SummerFest, took place at the Central Library this year on July 30. Children's Librarian Leslie Elsasser participated in the celebration and enjoyed seeing a number of Thousand Oaks families at the party.



Kids who joined the Summer Reading Club continue to bring in their completed Reading Logs to receive their free book! They also receive a reading certificate, and they really enjoy adding their names to the wonderful life-size tree that Circulation Attendants Karen Gilsdorf and Jasmine Gonzalez created to go along with the Green theme.



Teens at Thousand Oaks continue to meet and direct their activities each Wednesday evening. July activities included making buttons, video gaming, cooking, and playing board games. The program at the branch has increased teen attendance under the direction of Steven Barrera. Approximately thirty-eight teens participated in the summer reading activities during the months of June and July. This was more than double the number from last summer. Way to go, Steven. Thousand Oaks chose to support the NEISD summer reading initiative by placing titles from the various required and suggested lists in a collection for the summer. Patrons appreciated the availability of titles.



The Northeast Senior Center Book Club met to talk about the latest selection, *Rainwater*, by Sandra Brown, on Tuesday, July 26. The light summer read was just the right amount of romance and action for the group, with many surprises that kept the readers engaged in the story.



Adult Summer Reading at Thousand Oaks totaled 98 adults that signed up. Kyle Jones was the selected winner of the goody bag. The branch is waiting for the results of the Read Our Book Challenge.



Another good book was chosen for the month of July at the Thousand Oaks Library. *Girl Waits with Gun* by Amy Stewart was enjoyed by all. The story begins in 1914 and is about the real-life Kopp Sisters. They make front page news in New Jersey after factory owner Henry Kaufman crashes his car into their buggy. A banana nut bread and sweet tea rounded out the afternoon of another fine discussion at Thousand Oaks.

TOBIN LIBRARY AT OAKWELL



In partnership with Northeast Independent School District, meals were served to more than 120 people as the summer's lunch program came to an end. Free meals were served to children ages 18 and younger. Accompanying adults were able to purchase meals for \$3.25.



Children's Librarian Karen Braeuler hosted several come-and-go crafts during the reporting period, including dragonflies and grasshoppers, wind sock ornaments and paper plate fruit baskets. Some "pop up" coloring activities for children were added on a day to day basis when large numbers of children would get restless. Summer readers continued to sign up and finish. The summer's activities concluded with an end-of-summer celebration that drew 115 children and 80 adults. Activities included a petting zoo with several farm animals, a balloon artist, games, a craft, and healthy snacks.



Tobin Library at Oakwell joined the Pokémon Go craze and hosted an event to take advantage of the fact the library is a gym and the large book sign out front is a Poké Stop where players can gather items. The event was multigenerational, attracting five children, seven teens, and two adults.



Library Assistant Terry Verner held a coloring program for special needs adults. The regular monthly adult coloring and adult craft programs were also held. The Tobin Writers Group met twice and the Whedonists held their monthly meetup to watch and discuss all things Joss Whedon.



Outreach programs were provided at both Stonebrook Manor Retirement Home and the Northeast Senior Center.

WESTFALL



Mayra Elizondo, the DHS family support services specialist assigned to Westfall's Learn Center, represented the library at an event at Wonderland of the Americas Mall. The Home Ownership Fair was held to inform the community of different resources available to them when obtaining a home and different things they will have access to when picking an area to live in.



Learn Center Training Officer Michelle Dangler participated in HEB's annual back to school event at their Fredericksburg Road location.



Friends of Westfall Library held a summer book sale July 16-17, offering many books of all types.



Teen Librarian Megan Stanley has been taking Pokémon Go players on walks around the neighborhood in hopes of capturing rare Pokémon. Westfall Branch Library and the District 1 Councilman's Office next door are both Poké Stops where players can collect Pokéballs and other Poké paraphernalia.



Manager Sherrie Hardin is continuing to conduct outreach at nearby San Antonio Housing Authority sites.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

San Antonio Public Library
Fiscal Year-to-Date Comparisons
July 2016 (83.3% of FY Completed)

Performance Measures	FYTD 16	FYTD 15	% Chg	FY 16 Goal	% of Goal Achieved	FY 16 Status
Total Circulation	6,064,194	6,060,851	0.1%	7,455,000	81.3%	◆
- Physical Circulation	5,115,652	5,289,643	-3.3%	6,395,065	80.0%	◆
- Digital Circulation	948,542	771,208	23.0%	1,059,935	89.5%	✔
Visits	4,417,226	4,520,343	-2.3%	5,493,000	80.4%	◆
Program Attendance	295,766	303,285	-2.5%	350,890	84.3%	✔
- Adult's Program Attendance	53,172	45,421	17.1%	57,000	93.3%	✔
- Teen's Program Attendance	34,044	35,895	-5.2%	43,890	77.6%	⊖
- Children's Program Attendance	208,550	221,969	-6.0%	250,000	83.4%	◆
Hours of Computer/Wi-Fi Use	1,978,399	1,954,844	1.2%	2,410,000	82.1%	✔
Website and App Visits	2,813,511	2,916,826	-3.5%	3,658,000	76.9%	⊖
Bexar County (Outside the City of San Antonio)			Customer Satisfaction*			
% of Circulation	FYTD 16	FYTD 15	2014	2012		
Total Circulation	20.8%	19.7%				
- Physical Circulation	19.7%	18.9%	96%	94%		
- Digital Circulation	26.7%	25.5%				

Goal Status ✔ = On Target ◆ = Monitor ⊖ = Not on Target

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* From the Biennial City of San Antonio Community Survey

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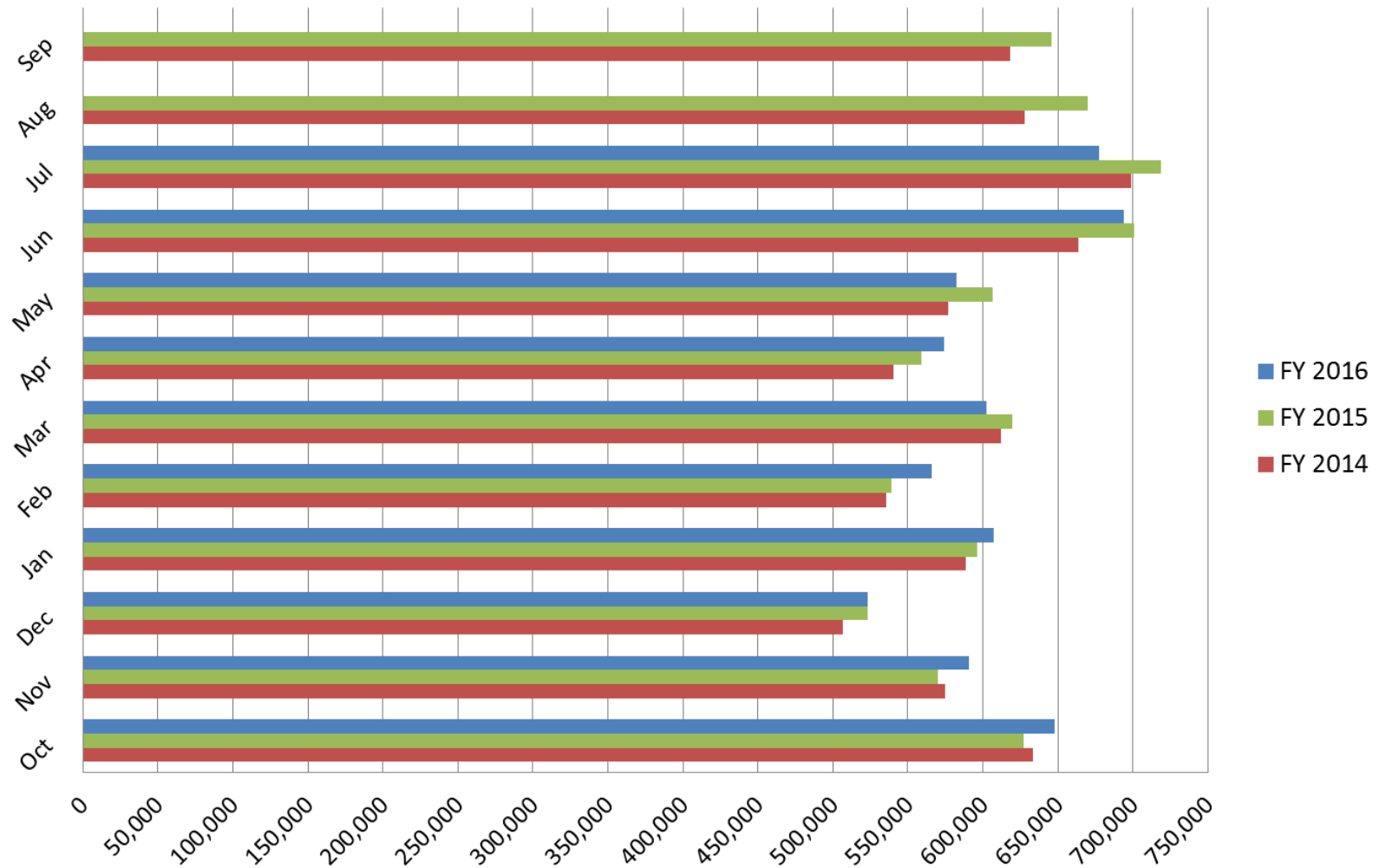
Location	Total Circulation	Visits	Total Programs	Number of Programs			Total Program Attendance	Attendance			Hours of Computer / Wi-Fi Use*	Computers - Hours of Use*	Wi-Fi - Hours of Use
				Adult	Teen	Children's		Adult Programs	Teen Programs	Children's Programs			
Bazan	5,280	9,731	40	22	4	14	307	169	35	103	7,254	2,200	5,198
Brook Hollow	30,126	19,977	48	8	6	34	1,673	76	29	1,568	5,871	1,556	4,356
Carver	5,530	12,092	41	17	3	21	755	395	18	342	6,619	2,560	4,605
Central	33,926	67,090	172	22	57	93	4,313	563	560	3,190	50,911	14,863	35,449
Cody	42,109	23,556	56	6	6	44	2,168	72	18	2,078	7,802	1,799	6,482
Collins Garden	7,218	8,851	23	6	4	13	165	78	23	64	9,659	2,359	8,853
Cortez	6,823	11,711	32	17	4	11	236	120	17	99	5,980	2,031	4,145
Encino	23,762	15,234	102	39	16	47	2,198	542	190	1,466	3,797	540	3,197
Forest Hills	8,209	8,612	27	8	4	15	363	49	13	301	4,188	1,397	2,807
Great Northwest	38,369	23,825	103	50	9	44	2,475	83	70	2,322	6,988	2,151	5,827
Guerra	15,538	13,915	31	5	4	22	762	110	16	636	7,310	2,317	5,520
Igo	33,635	23,191	79	9	16	54	2,086	90	62	1,934	6,856	1,352	5,527
Johnston	13,367	14,167	29	5	4	20	491	36	38	417	6,570	1,768	5,026
Landa	12,876	11,585	34	5	4	25	1,300	54	13	1,233	2,551	815	1,924
Las Palmas	6,357	13,243	39	14	8	17	483	160	91	232	6,552	2,253	4,883
Maverick	29,890	15,865	39	7	4	28	1,664	26	30	1,608	7,213	2,698	5,636
McCreless	14,784	16,505	16	3	3	10	100	30	19	51	6,294	1,853	4,425
Memorial	7,321	10,860	27	8	4	15	325	87	26	212	6,177	2,065	4,874
Mission	15,474	23,548	71	26	16	29	1,364	418	234	712	11,455	3,031	8,515
Pan American	8,372	9,491	41	10	4	27	487	143	21	323	5,538	2,091	4,077
Parman	34,416	29,374	93	33	4	56	1,766	282	78	1,406	5,278	884	5,352
Pruitt	8,307	12,143	71	15	12	44	1,404	160	114	1,130	3,452	1,514	2,234
San Pedro	4,282	7,615	19	2	0	17	233	5	0	228	3,021	760	2,459
Semmes	27,978	22,702	51	3	7	41	1,318	12	45	1,261	7,721	2,434	6,054
Thousand Oaks	13,126	11,416	36	2	14	20	591	22	68	501	4,857	1,337	4,132
Tobin	20,514	15,794	49	13	4	32	963	173	6	784	5,719	1,828	4,004
Westfall	18,594	16,684	41	21	8	12	381	94	37	250	8,508	2,612	5,622
Kampmann Library Portal	N/A	2,124	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	943	N/A	881
Interlibrary Loan Lending	908	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Online/Phone Renewal	84,597	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Digital	105,648	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	677,336	470,901	1,410	376	229	805	30,371	4,049	1,871	24,451	215,086	63,070	162,062

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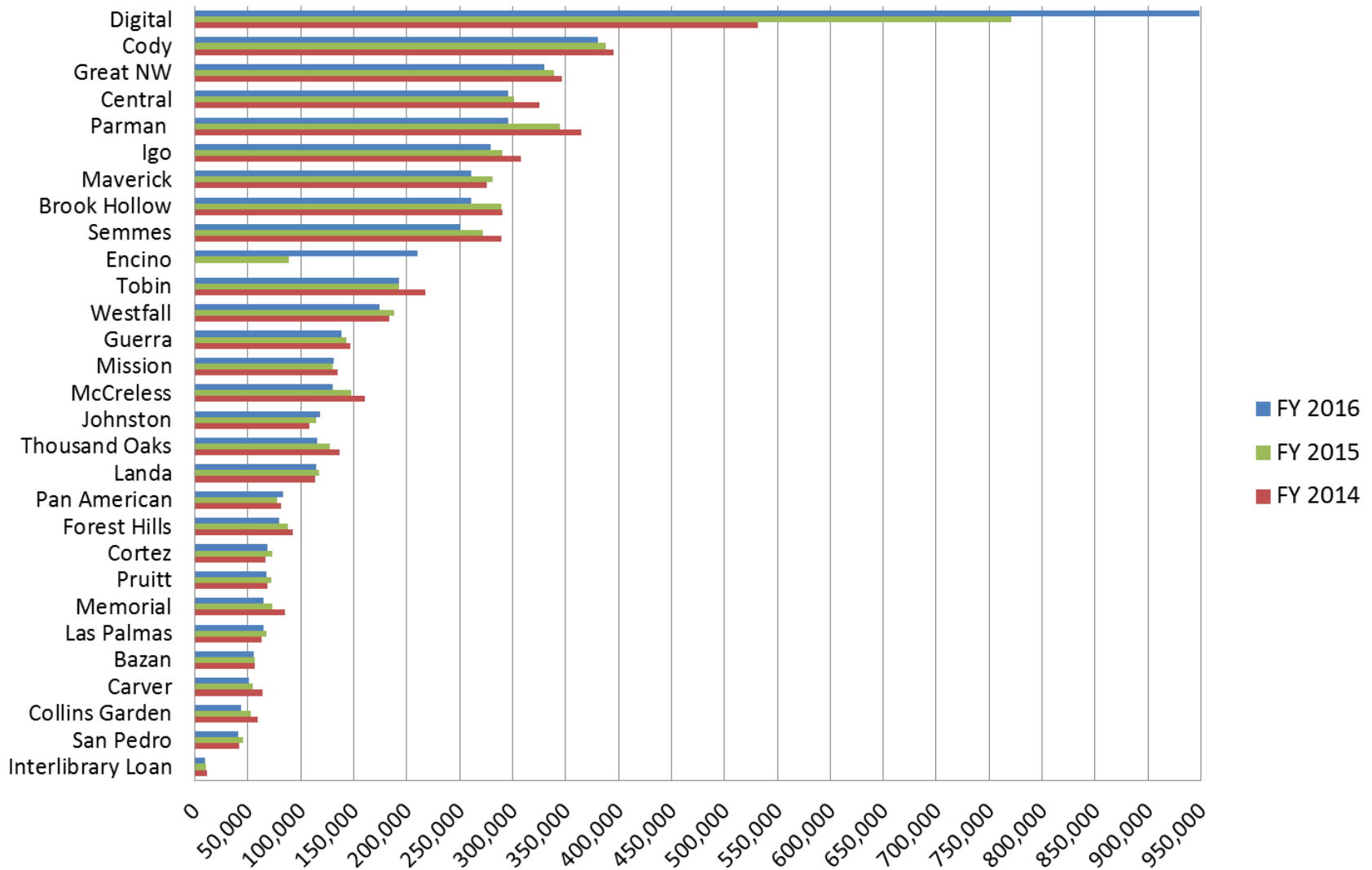
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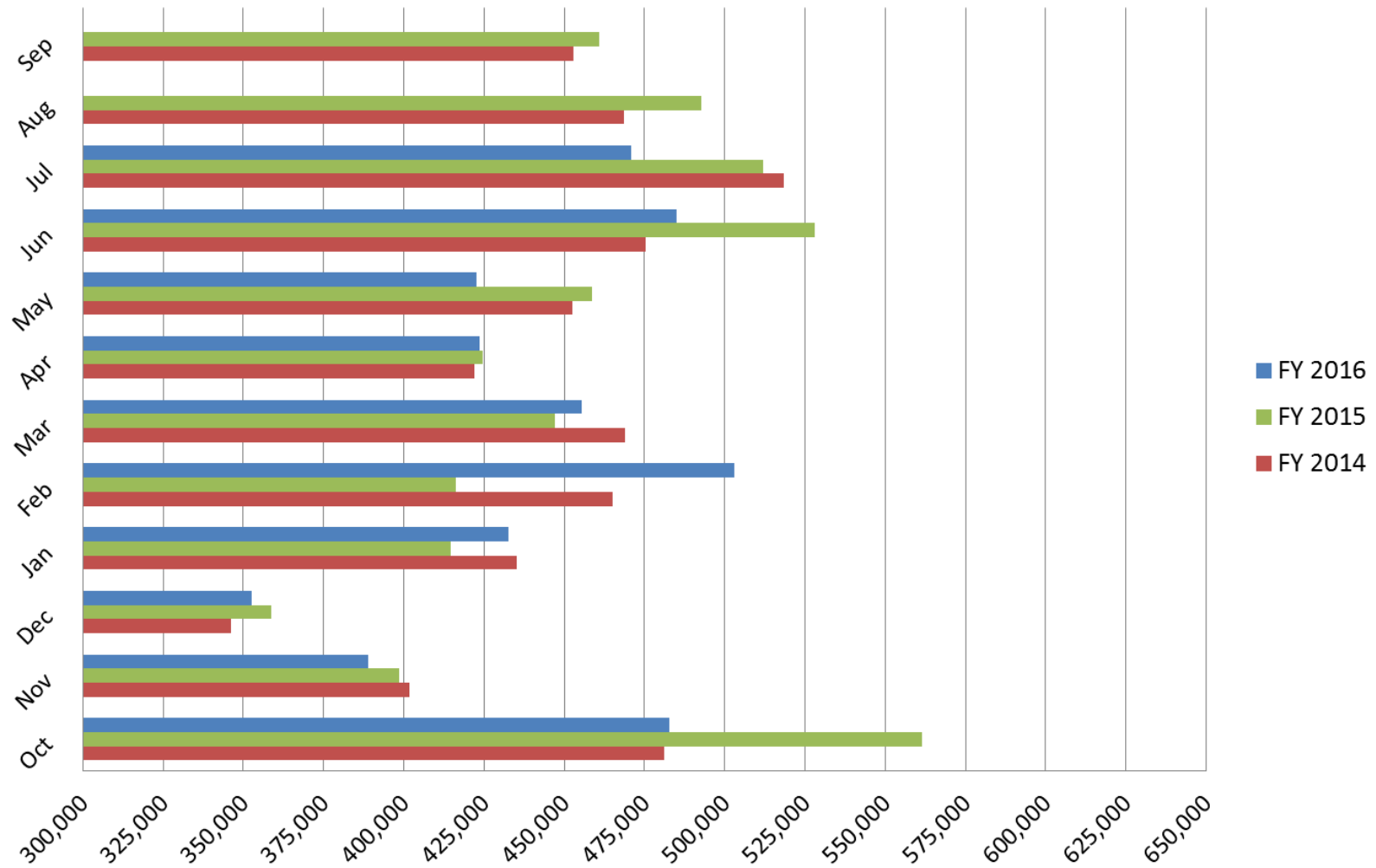
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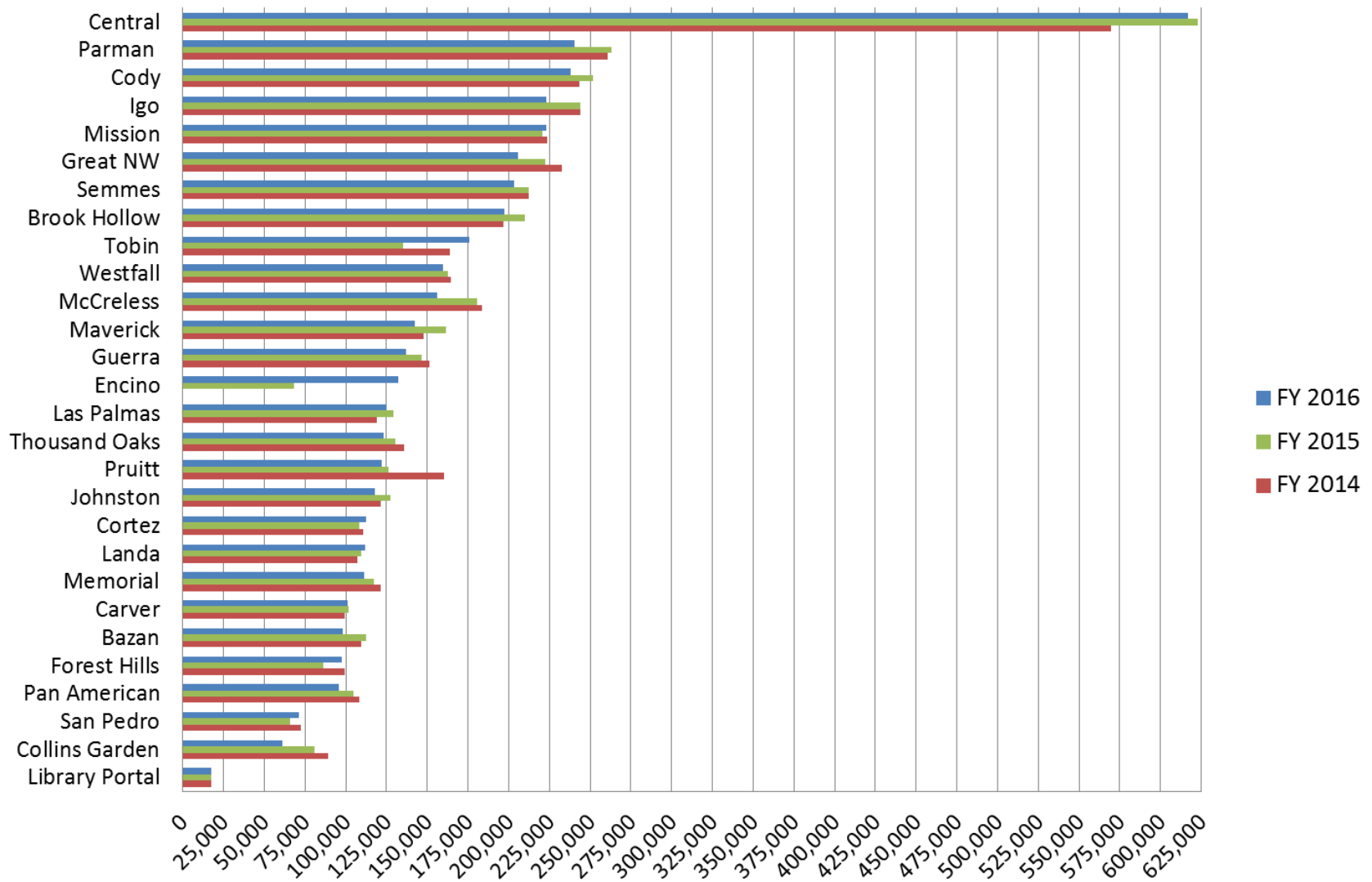
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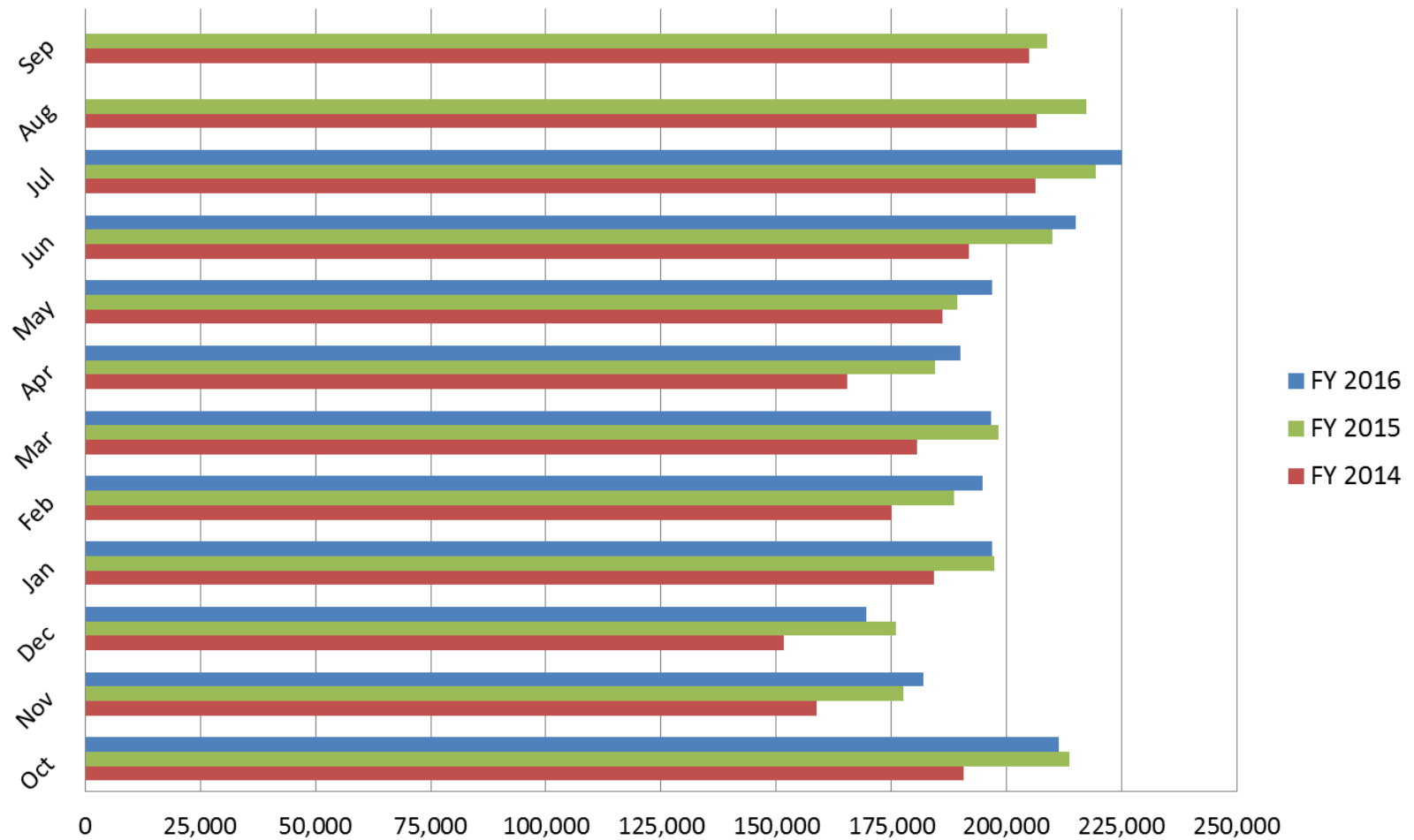
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