### LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT OF ACTIVITIES TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

12/17/2022 to 02/15/2023

#### **LIBRARY EVENTS & STAFF ACTIVITIES**

- 11/17/2022 01/03/2023 The library hosted the art exhibit "Prize Photography from the Utah State Fair" presented by the Traveling Exhibit Program of the Utah Division of Arts and Museums.
- 12/22/2022 The library hosted the weekly "Yoga for Service" class for Seniors in the Bowcutt Room.
- 12/23/2022, 12/30/2022, 01/06/2023, 01/13/2023, 01/20/2023, 01/27/2023, 02/03/2023, 02/10/2023 The library hosted the weekly meeting of the Highschool Heroes Dungeons & Dragons Club.
- 12/27/2022, 01/31/2023 The library hosted the monthly meeting of the Wasatch Coin & History Club.
- 12/26/2022 The library was closed in observance of Christmas Day.
- 01/02/2023 The library was closed in observance of New Year's Day.
- 01/03/2023 02/10/2023 The library hosted an exhibition of quilts presented by the Heber Valley Quilters.
- 01/06/2023, 01/20/2023, 02/03/2023 The library hosted the regular meeting of the Wasatch Arts Council.
- 01/13/2023 The library hosted a Red Cross Blood Drive. Statistics: Presenting Donors: 28. Deferrals: 2. First Time Donors: 2. Number of Whole Blood Pints Collected: 22. Number of Power Red Donations Collected: 4. Number of Total Pints Collected: 30 Total Pints helped save up to 90 lives!
- 01/16/2023 The library was closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
- 01/17/2023 The library hosted a meeting of the Lake Creek Book Club.
- 01/19/2023 Assistant Library Director Angela Edwards conducted face-to-face book discussions for the Wasatch County Senior Book Club at the Senior Center (10 AM) and the Library Book Club in the Library (6 PM).
- 02/03/2023 Library Assistant Director Angela Edwards hosted the "Bystander Intervention Training" for all library staff conducted by staff from *Peace House*.
- 02/03/2023 Library Staff Member Alice DeFriez conducted the program "Paint Party" for tweens.
- 02/09/2023 The library hosted the first "Ready to Learn" early childhood education class.
- ONGOING PROGRAMS: Monday: Books & Babies, and Afterschool "Crafternoon" Programs & Lego Club.
  Tuesday: Preschool Storytimes, Homeschool Stories, Try Something Tuesdays, and Hora del Cuento. Wednesday:
  Preschool Storytime, After School Chess Club, and publication of "Wasatch Wednesdays" on Facebook. Fourth
  Friday: Family Movie Night.

#### **OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

- 12/19/2022, 01/23/2023 The library hosted the monthly meeting of the Youth Wasatch Latino Coalition.
- 12/20/2022, 01/20/2023, 02/14/2023 I attended a meeting of the Wasatch Latino Coalition hosted at the library.
- 12/27/2022, 01/13/2023 I delivered donated books to the Wasatch County Health Department clinic.
- 01/18/2023 I met with counselors from Latino Behavioral Health Services to discuss a possible collaboration to host a series of meetings for Spanish-speaking families.
- 01/19/2023 The library hosted in the Computer Lab a testing session for the Wasatch County Sheriff's Office.
- 01/20/2023 I met with training coordinators from United Way of Utah County to finalize a collaboration to host a series of parenting classes at the library emphasizing the development of pre-reading skills (emergent literacy).
- 02/06/2023 The library hosted a meeting of the Service Dog Training group.

- 02/15/2023 The library hosted the first support group class of "Charlas en la Cocina" presented by Latino Behavioral Health Services.
- ONGOING OUTREACH: Library staff member Sherrie Mortensen visited the Deer Mountain Apartments during
  the Summit County Bookmobile service to Hideout and to deliver snack packs to children provided by the Heber
  Food Bank (Thursdays) & library staff member Vicki Burtcher and Shauna Spencer delivered library materials to
  homebound residents as part of the OASIS program (Mondays).

## TRAINING & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

- 01/17/2023 I watched the recorded meeting of the Utah Library Directors group.
- 01/18/2023 I attended the webinar "How Libraries Can Help Non-Profits in Your Community Thrive" by People Connect Institute.
- 01/18/2023 I attended the webinar "Standards for Utah's Public Libraries: 2023 Library Recertification Process."
- 01/30/2023 Amber Koecher, Library Board Chair, and I conducted and "New Library Trustee Orientation" for Luke Searle County Council Member and Library Trustee.
- 02/08/2023 I attended the Incident Management training for the county's elected and appointed officials organized by Wasatch County Emergency Management.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES**

- 01/17/2023, 01/31/2023, 02/14/2023 (I made a presentation for Managers about the *Crossroads* exhibition) I attended the Wasatch County Department Head meeting.
- 01/04/2023, 01/18/2023, 02/01/2023, 02/15/2023 I attended the Wasatch County Council meeting.
- 01/06/2023 I attended the Hideout Town Council meeting online.
- 01/20/2023 The regular Library Board meeting was canceled.
- 01/30/2023 I attended the "Connecting Utah Workshop" at the Heber City Public Safety Building regarding broadband plans for Wasatch County.
- 01/31/2023 Sent to Mountainland Association of Governments a letter of support on behalf of Wasatch County's grant application for developing a broadband plan.
- 02/02/2023 Mitzi Nelson (Library Trustee), Michael Moulton (Heber Valley Heritage Foundation), Danny Goode (Community Member), Angela Edwards (Assistant Library Director), and I met to continue planning for the *Crossroads* Exhibit.
- 02/07/2023 Library Assistant Director Angela Edwards and I met with Danny Hill to discuss a possible grant-funded collaboration to bring musical performances at the Library and Senior Center in 2023.
- 02/10/2023 Library Assistant Director Angela Edwards and I met with Beth Lawrence to finalize the logistics of the grant-funded collaboration to present a "Music for Seniors" class at the library in 2023.
- 02/13/2023 Mitzi Nelson (Library Trustee), Angela Edwards (Assistant Library Director), and I met staff and scholars from Utah Humanities to discuss the local component of the *Crossroads* exhibition.

# **PICTURES OF LIBRARY USE**

KIDS CHILLING (12/16/2022)



MOM & DAUGHTER CONNECTING (12/23/2022)



AFTERSCHOOL FUN (02/13/2023)





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January 31, 2023

Nancy O'Toole Mountainland Association of Governments 586 E 800 N Orem, UT 84097 notoole@mountainland.org 435-671-1453

Re: Utah Broadband Grant

Dear Nancy,

Thank you for working on this grant application on behalf of Wasatch County. The Wasatch County Library fully supports the County's General Plan that guides all aspects of development including transportation, economic development, trails, rural preservation, land use, and public facilities. However, we do not have a broadband plan. If awarded, Wasatch County will use grant funds to add the broadband element to the General Plan.

We have many residents in the county with limited access to broadband and rely on the library's equipment to connect to the Internet and conduct their business. By adopting a broadband plan, we will establish priorities and better target limited resources for expanding robust Internet access for residents of the County.

Sincerely

Juan Tomás Lee, Library Director

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