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RED OAK PUBLIC LIBRARY

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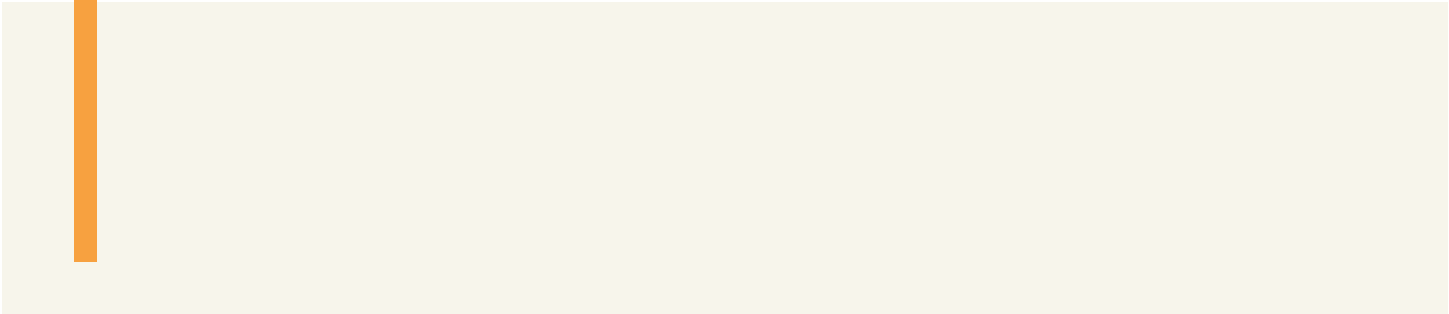
Fiscal Year 2021-2022



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LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR



Red Oak Community,

This year included a full return to Library services, and I am so grateful for our supportive community here in Red Oak. We saw record crowds at Library events, including our new Movies in the Park, a fantastic partnership with the Red Oak Parks and Recreation Department. The Summer Reading Club was a huge hit with happy children and parents buzzing about exciting programs and events.

The community of Red Oak is growing and the Library is growing as well! Opening in Spring of 2023, the new Red Oak Library will be located in the renovated Red Oak Government Center. The Library will expand from 950 to 5,000 square feet and will include warm and inviting spaces for Red Oak youth, from toddlers to young adults. In addition, there will be more space for laptops, public computers and study areas.

Join us in 2023 for a new era in Library services for the community of Red Oak. As always, thank you for your continued support of the Red Oak Public Library.

Logan Ragsdale | Library Director



LIBRARY SERVICES

In November and December 2021, the Library was available for appointment-only services. Full services returned in April 2022.

Circulation exploded as the Library reopened to the public. The most popular collection is Adult Fiction with Children's Easy Fiction following close behind.

PROGRAMMING & OUTREACH

- The Red Oak Book Club returned to in-person meetings after a two-year hiatus. The group was excited to reconvene and talk about their favorite subject - books!
- The Library participated in the annual Red Oak Christmas parade, an annual highlight for families in the community. Library Board Members joined staff and storytime children and parents in the parade. The holiday celebration continued with a movie and craft table.
- Touch-a-Truck - The Library partnered with the Parks and Recreation Department to host a wildly popular Touch-a-Truck event. Children loved exploring all of the different vehicles while learning more about the Library.
- Library staff took part in the annual Founder's Day parade and festival. The Director marched in the parade while the Library Friends raised funds for the new facility and staff managed crafts for kids at a festival booth.





SUMMER READING

Summer Reading 2022 was a huge success as families attended special events including a Science Pirate Show, a new but popular event, magic show, movie showings and a yearly favorite, the Creature Teacher, where animals from around the world met program attendees. Children enjoyed learning, reading and engaging with books and the Library.

Red Oak Public Library celebrated the end of summer with two celebrations. Staff distributed raffle prizes, backpacks and free books to children.



FY2022 STATISTICS



14,936

Physical
Circulation



4,868

Electronic
Circulation



87

Library
Programs



3,455

Program
Attendance



8,710

Library
Visits