

Library Report for City Council - August 2019

Circulation was down 8% with the collection 240 items larger than last year.

Friends of the Elgin Library held a literary event on August 11 with local western adventure author Easy Jackson who has written A bad place to die and A season in hell. She has penned Treasure Hunt in Tie Town about McDade as V.J. Rose and is also known as Vickie Rose. The Friends annual potluck planning meeting was August 28 and the Grown Up Game Gala on August 30.

Grants: TSLAC has awarded a Special Projects grant for “Read To Me” which will help parents to prepare their four-year-old children for kindergarden.

The library received a \$500. grant from the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (asrt) National Library Partnership for books about radiological technology, medical imaging, and radiation therapy. They provide a book list to choose from.

Programs: Old Fogey’s Tea was a huge success partly because we had a literary themed ice breaker. Most of the attendees were members of the two adult book clubs the library has with the book discussions lasted much longer than planned.

Categories	Units	Aug. '18	Aug. '19	Fiscal YTD '18	Fiscal YTD '19
Total Circulation		8,252	7,622	83,692	74,178
+ or - Same month previous year	Percent	9%-	8%-		
Additions					
Interlibrary Loans	Each	20	8	178	123
New Patrons	Each	119	113	963	858
Collection					
Items Added	Each	265	255	2,489	2,868
Items Withdrawn	Each	195	126	3,227	3,990
Total Collection	Each	36,951	37,191	36,951	37,191
General Statistics					
Gate Count	Each	4,867	3,965	39,394	43,054
Hours Open	Hours	185	177	1,811	1,815
Library Tours	Each	0	34	1	280
Program Visitors	Each	335	225	4,431	5,591
Public Computer Use	Hours	565	430	5,013	4,170
Patrons using computers	Each	784	723	7,157	6,581
Volunteer Hours	Each	145	149	1,513	1,894
Receipts					
		\$2,123	\$2,087	\$26,131	\$25,979
Civic Center Use					
City	Each	6	4	99	47
Library	Each	22	15	255	249

Public Rental	Each	5	2	44	47
Other - not for profit	Each	1	6	38	65
Total Civic Center Use		34	27	436	408