



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023
5:00 P.M.
SIERRA VIEW LIBRARY
4001 S Virginia St, Reno, NV 89502

Library Trustees

Frank Perez, Chair
Lea Moser, Trustee
Al Rogers, Trustee
Gianna Jacks, Trustee
Ann Silver, Trustee

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Public Comment. Public comments are welcomed during the Public Comment period at the beginning of the meeting for all matters, whether listed on the agenda or not. Additionally, public comment specific to the action item being considered will be heard during individual action items on the agenda. Public Comment is limited to three (3) minutes per person. Persons may not allocate unused time to other speakers. During the "Public Comment" items, anyone may speak pertaining to any matter either on or off the agenda. Anyone wishing to provide live public comment may do so in person, or by teleconference by logging onto the Zoom webinar by accessing the above link. To provide public comment via Zoom, log into the meeting at the above link and utilize the "Raise Hand" feature during any public comment period. Additionally, persons are invited to submit comments in writing by emailing L J Burton at



LJBurton@washoecounty.gov. The County will make reasonable efforts to send all email comments received by 4:00 p.m. on the business day before the meeting to the Trustees prior to the meeting.

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Possible Changes to Agenda and Timing. The Library Board of Trustees may take agenda items out of order, may consider two or more items in combination, may remove one or more items from the agenda, or delay discussion on an item. Items scheduled to be heard at a specific time will be heard no earlier than the stated time but may be heard later.

Posting of Agenda. Pursuant to NRS 241.020(4)(b), the agenda for the Trustees’ meeting has been posted at the following locations: Washoe County Courthouse, Washoe County Administration building, Downtown Reno Library, Incline Village Library, North Valleys Library, Northwest Reno Library, Sierra View Library, South Valleys Library, Spanish Springs Library, and Sparks Library. Further, in compliance with NRS 241.010, this notice has been posted on the official website for the Washoe County Library System at www.washoecountylibrary.us and at <https://notice.nv.gov>.

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The Board of Trustees may take action only on the items below that are preceded by the words “For Possible Action.” The Board will not take action on any other items.

- 0) Salute to the Flag
- 1) Roll Call [Non-Action Item]
- 2) Public Comment – Three Minute Time Limit Per Person [Non-Action Item]
No discussion or action by the Board may be taken upon any matter raised under this public comment section until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda.
- 3) Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a) Approval of Minutes from the Library Board Meeting of September 20, 2023 [For Possible Action]
- 4) Old Business [Non-Action Item]
None
- 5) New Business
 -) *PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL FRIENDS OF LIBRARIES WEEK: Presented by Washoe County Commissioner Garcia [Non-Action Item]*
 - a) *Library Board Trustee Introductions [Non-Action Item]*
 - b) *Election of Vice-Chair for Library Board of Trustees for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 [For Possible Action]*
 - c) *Review and Possible Revision of Library Board of Trustee Bylaws [For Possible Action]*
 - d) *Presentation and Discussion: Washoe County Library Annual Report by Library Director Jeff Scott [Non-Action Item]*
- 6) Reports
 - a) Library Director Update by Director Jeff Scott [Non-Action Item]
 - b) Introduction of new Assistant Library Director Stacy McKenzie [Non-Action Item]
 - c) Sierra View Library Presentation by Branch Manager Sarah Jaeck [Non-Action Item]
 - d) Marketing and Communication (MARCOM) Team Presentation by Development Officer Jamie Hemingway [Non-Action Item]
- 7) Staff Announcements [Non-Action Item]
No discussion or action may be taken upon any matter raised under this comment section until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda.
- 8) Board Comment [Non-Action Item] – Limited to Announcements, Strategic Plan Activity, Updates or Issues Proposed for Future Agendas and/or Workshops
- 9) Adjournment



**LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023
5:00 P.M.
NORTHWEST RENO LIBRARY
2325 Robb Dr, Reno NV 89523**

The Board met in regular session in hybrid format via Zoom and in person.

Vice Chair Perez assumed the gavel in Chair Ghilieri's absence, calling the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

1) ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Board Members Present:	Board Members Absent:
Frank Perez, Vice Chair	Amy Ghilieri, Chair
Lea Moser, Trustee	
Al Rogers, Trustee	

County Staff Present:
Jeff Scott, Library Director
Herb Kaplan, Deputy District Attorney

2) PUBLIC COMMENT

The following people spoke in support of DQST, inclusive events, and inclusive books:

- William Puchert
- Derek Wilson
- Dr. Greta DeJong
- Dr. James McSpadden

The following people spoke against the library's DQST, events, and books:

- Valerie Fianaca (who also recited the Pledge of Allegiance)
- Bruce Parks
- Janet Butcher
- Reva Crump
- Nichelle Hull
- Alan Munson
- Fred Myer
- Victoria Myer



3) **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Bruce Parks Spoke regarding June LBOT Minutes. Felt minutes were not accurate regarding the tabling of an item.

Reva Crump spoke regarding financial and statistical information not being included in meetings.

4) **OLD BUSINESS: None**

5) **NEW BUSINESS: None**

6) **Reports:**

a. Northwest Reno Library Report

- i. Librarian Carla Trounson Spoke about the history of the Northwest Reno Library Holocaust Collection and the recent American Library Association Exhibition Americans and the Holocaust.

b. Youth Services and Library Events Report

- i. Librarians Judy Hansen and Youth Services and Library Events Manager Beate Weinert spoke regarding the 2023 Washoe County Library Summer Reading Program All Together Now. Went over strategic planning initiatives, programs, events, and Summer Reading Statistics.
- ii. Trustee Rogers inquired on how Trustees can help librarians succeed. Beate Weinert replied that getting the word out about the great library programs help tremendously.
- iii. Praise from Trustee Moser and Vice Chair Perez to the library staff.

7) **Staff Announcements: None**

8) **Board Comment:**

Trustee Moser commented on the Friends of Washoe County Library upcoming Booksale October 14-22. Connected RTC public transportation to library branches. Having a library fun run fundraiser.

9) **Adjournment:** Vice Chair Perez Adjourned the meeting at 7:32 pm.

Frank Perez, Chair

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Frank Perez was born and raised in Northern Nevada. A product of public schools, he attended college at Western Nevada College and the University of Nevada, Reno. He graduated from the University of Nevada in 2016 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science. Involved in local politics, Frank served under the Chairman of the Assembly Government Affairs Committee, Assemblyman Edgar Flores, during the 79th and 80th Nevada Legislative Sessions. Presently, Frank serves on the Board of Directors for Community Health Alliance and for Pinecrest Academy of Northern Nevada, and is a committee member for the Washoe County School District's School Naming Committee. Mr. Perez believes that everyone in our community should have access to high quality libraries.

Frank lives in Reno with his wife Lorena and son Mariano. His first term on the library board ends June 30, 2025.

Gianna Jacks, Trustee

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Gianna Jacks was appointed September 2023. Throughout her life she has worked on a variety of government boards and committees as well as community volunteer activities. Gianna worked in real estate for 18 years and was in the United States Navy Reserves for eight years. Gianna is originally from Southern California in the San Fernando Valley, and has explored under the ocean from San Diego to Ventura as a PADI Master Dive Instructor. She's a former Regional Toastmaster Champion and owned a coffee food truck before moving to Incline Village then Carson City and Reno, and has been a Nevadan ever since. Gianna and her husband own a local tax and business consulting company. Gianna's hobbies include reading books, hugging trees, and hiding the TV remote from their three home-schooled children.

Her first term ends June 30, 2027.

Lea Moser, Trustee

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Lea is a fifth-generation Sparks, Nevada. She is also an alumna of Sparks High School and a two-time alumna of the University of Nevada, Reno. She has an MPH from UNR in Health Policy and Health Administration and a BA in Political Science and Philosophy. Lea served two years as a City Year/AmeriCorps member — an education based nonprofit/AmeriCorps organization that serves under-resourced schools in Boston and in San Jose. She is also a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer in which she served a little over two years volunteering in Botswana, Africa, as an HIV/AIDS life skills volunteer. Lea currently works full-time as an epidemiologist with the CDC Foundation, working in conjunction with the Office of State Epidemiology.

Lea Moser's first term on the library board ends June 30, 2026.

Al Rogers, Trustee

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For over 30 years Al Rogers worked in local government and education, where he gained an exceptional perspective about the community he has served and invested his time and talent on behalf of the citizens of Northern Nevada. As a leader, mentor, and volunteer, Al has acquired the contacts and background that solidify his position to serve on the Washoe County Library Board of Trustees.

From the day he started his career at Bishop Manogue Catholic High School, to his local government career with the City of Reno and Washoe County that culminated as director in the Executive Office of the County Manager with Washoe County, Al has taken on some of the greatest responsibilities that one could tackle in a public service lifetime — directing diverse programs that included parks and recreation, citizen and community engagement, legislative relations, government affairs, emergency management, county strategic planning, and budget and county commissioner support.

Al's list of professional accomplishments is as long as the list of accolades that he has received for his volunteerism, and he is proud to have previously served on the Washoe County Regional Animal Services Advisory Board. When time allows, Al and his wife Roberta enjoy golf, his family life, as well working on home improvement projects and traveling the world. His first term ends June 30, 2024.

Ann Silver, Trustee

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Ann Silver was born and raised in New York and found her way to Northern Nevada following graduation from Cornell University and Notre Dame Law School. She started her career working for Indian Legal Services in Carson City.

Following several years as Executive Director of Nevada's Department of Employment & Training, she returned to New York City where she served as Sr. VP of Human Resources & Labor Relations before being promoted to the role of General Manager of Radio City Music Hall. She then moved on to lead Human Resources & Labor Relations for Compass Group, one of the largest food service and restaurant operators in the country.

In 2005, Ann returned to Nevada, led several non-profits including Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northern Nevada, and in 2016, became the first female to serve as CEO of the Reno + Sparks Chamber of Commerce in 98 years. The organization has grown to represent 2,200 businesses and non-profits that employ over 120,000 Washoe County residents.

Ann lives in Reno and spends free time reading, walking, and reading even more. Her first term on the Library Board ends June 30, 2026.

Washoe County Library Board of Trustees

Bylaws

The Board of Trustees of the Washoe County Library System, pursuant to the authority vested by Nevada Revised Statutes 379.025, hereby establishes the following bylaws:

I. Purpose

The Washoe County Library Board of Trustees shall, consistent with provisions of applicable state and federal law, exercise the powers and duties granted pursuant to NRS 379.025. The Board shall endeavor to administer and manage the resources of the Washoe County Library System in a manner consistent with the public trust, the Library Mission Statement, and the Library Vision Statement.

II. Organization and Membership

A. The name of the organization shall be “The Board of Trustees of the Washoe County Library System”

B. Membership:

1. The Board of Trustees will be comprised of five (5) members.
2. Trustees will be appointed by the Washoe County Board of Commissioners.
3. Trustees will meet the minimum requirements as determined by the Washoe County Board of Commissioners.
4. Trustees will [be appointed to](#) serve a 4-year term, as provided in NRS 379.020.
5. Trustees will be eligible [to be appointed](#) for no more than two full [consecutive](#) four-year terms. Any appointment for the remainder of a term of less than 2 years will not count toward this limitation. In the event a Trustee’s term expires, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee until such time a replacement is appointed pursuant to NRS 379.020(1). Notwithstanding the term limitation set forth herein, nothing in this provision shall be construed to prohibit the reappointment of a trustee for additional terms to be served after a break of one term of non-service prior to re-appointment.
6. Resignation: If any Trustee resigns at any time, written notice must be provided to the Board of Trustees Chair and the Library Director. Any such resignation shall take effect at the date of receipt of such notice or at any later date specified therein. Unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.
7. Removal: The board of county commissioners may remove any trustee who fails, without cause, to attend three successive meetings of the trustees.

C. Trustees are public officers as defined in NRS 281.005(1) and NRS 281A.160(1). Accordingly, Trustees are subject to the Ethics in Government Provisions codified in NRS 281A.010 et. seq. Trustees shall comply with the Code of Ethical Standards of NRS 281A.400 et. seq.

D. Duties of a Trustee:

1. Regularly attend meetings and actively participate in such meetings and actions;
2. Review meeting materials prior to each meeting;
3. Be attentive to the needs and concerns of library patrons, volunteers, library staff, library administration, county staff, county commissioners and the general public;
4. Set policies governing the operation of the library system as appropriate;
5. Hire and evaluate the job performance of the Library Director;
6. Work with the Director, library staff, community members, and political leaders to plan for the future of the library system;
7. Acknowledge the annual budget for the library system, and monitor expenditures;
8. Monitor and evaluate library effectiveness; and
9. Advocate for the Washoe County Library System within the community and political organizations, as appropriate

III. Officers

A. Chair

1. Selection:
 - a. The Chair will be elected by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees who are present at the meeting.
 - b. The term will be for one-year at the pleasure of the Board of Trustees.
 - c. Elections shall be held at the regular Board of Trustees meeting each June.
2. Duties. The chair shall:
 - a. Preside at all meetings of the Board of Trustees;
 - b. Execute all documents and actions authorized by the Board of Trustees;
 - c. Call special meetings as warranted;
 - d. Appoint committees;
 - e. Serve as an ex-officio non-voting member of all committees;

- f. Work with the Library Director and staff;
- g. Review agendas and assist in scheduling meetings;
- h. Add or remove items on each meeting agenda;
- i. Draft correspondence as directed by the Board of Trustees; and
- j. Perform all duties associated with the office.

B. Vice-Chair

1. Selection

- a. The Vice-Chair will be elected by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees who are present at the meeting.
- b. The term will be for one year, at the pleasure of the Board of Trustees.
- c. Elections shall be held at the regular Board of Trustees meeting each June.
- d. In the event the Vice-Chair must assume the duties of Chair for the one-year term because the Chair is no longer able to serve in that capacity, an election for a new Vice-Chair will be held at the next meeting following the succession.

2. Duties. The Vice-Chair shall:

- a. In the event of the absence or disability of the Chair, or of a vacancy in the office, the Vice-Chair shall assume and perform all duties associated with that office. In the event of an absence or short-term disability of the Chair, the Vice-Chair shall assume the duties of the Chair for the period of his/her absence or disability. In the event the Chair is permanently vacated, the Vice-Chair shall assume the office of the Chair for the remainder of the vacated term.

IV. Meetings

A. Regular meetings: The Board of Trustees will normally meet monthly, on the third Wednesday of each month. The time of the meetings will be set at the discretion of the Chair of the Board of trustees. The Chair shall have the authority to cancel a regularly scheduled meeting in the event it is determined, after consultation with the Library Director, that there is insufficient business to come before the Board or that other good cause exists to cancel the meeting.

B. Meeting locations: When possible, the Board of Trustees will normally hold regular meetings on a rotational basis at Washoe County Library locations. A calendar of possible meeting locations will be provided annually to the Board of Trustees. Meetings may be held virtually at the Chair's discretion pursuant to the requirements of NRS Chapter 241.

- C. Nevada Open Meeting Law: All meetings of the Board are subject to the provisions of state and federal open meeting laws and shall be conducted in accordance with the applicable laws. The Library Director shall be responsible for ensuring the proper public notice is made for each meeting of the Board. Trustees should endeavor to refrain from discussing agenda items or actions by the Board outside of public meetings in groups that may constitute a quorum.
- D. Agendas: The Director shall ensure the preparation of the agenda for each Board meeting and the compliance with the applicable open meetings laws as set forth in NRS Chapter 241. An item may be placed on the agenda at the request of any Trustee or by written request by any individual to the Director 15 days prior to the scheduled meeting. However, whether and/or when the item is actually placed on the agenda remains in the discretion of the Chair.
- E. Pertinent Materials: The Director shall ensure that notices and ~~informational~~supporting –materials pertinent to any agenda item for any Board meeting shall be ~~distributed~~made available to Trustees, Board legal counsel, and the public in anyone with a written request of notification on file with the Board no later than 9 a.m. of the third working day before the meeting to ensure adequate time for review. In addition, pertinent materials shall also be posted on the Board of Trustees web site ~~no later than 9 a.m. of the third working day before a scheduled meeting.~~in accordance with the requirements set forth in the applicable open meeting laws (NRS Chapter 241). 241.020-section 3
- F. Quorum: A ~~minimum of three Trustees~~simple majority of the membership of the Board of Trustees must be present to have a quorum. If a vacancy occurs in the membership of the Board, the necessary quorum and number of votes necessary to take action on a matter is reduced as though the voting membership does not include the vacancy. A majority vote of those present at the meeting is required on any action items on the agenda for said action to be of any legal effect.
- G. The Director, or his duly appointed representative, shall attend each meeting of the Board.
- H. Special meetings: Special meetings of the Board of Trustees may be called by the Chair or upon the written request of any two Trustees.

- I. Order of Business: To the extent possible, the order of business at any regularly scheduled meeting of the Board shall be:

- Call to order
- Roll call
- Public comment
- Review/approval of minutes
- Old business
- New business
- Presentations
- Reports
- ~~Public comment~~
- Board comment
- Staff Announcements
- Adjournment

- ~~J.~~ J. Where consistent with state law, and not otherwise provided in these Rules of Procedure, the Washoe County Library Board of Trustees may refer to the principles of the most recent edition of Robert’s Rules of Order for guidance in conducting its meetings.

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- K. Committees: Committees shall be created as needed by the Chair, shall have a specific purpose, shall report regularly as to progress in completing their charge, shall be subject to annual review as needed, and shall automatically dissolve upon the completion of their charge.

- L. Annual Bylaws Review: The ~~By~~bylaws herein can be revised as needed by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees. Any proposed revisions must be placed on an agenda and addressed in a public meeting in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. The ~~By~~bylaws shall be reviewed and approved at least once every calendar year annually; ~~at the regular June meeting of the Board of Trustees, or as soon thereafter in the event reasonable grounds exist so that the Bylaws cannot be reviewed during the June meeting.~~

DATED this ~~1st~~19th day of July 202330

~~WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES~~

~~_____~~ Amy Ghilieri

~~_____~~ Frank Perez

~~_____~~ Anne Medaille ~~Al~~ Rogers

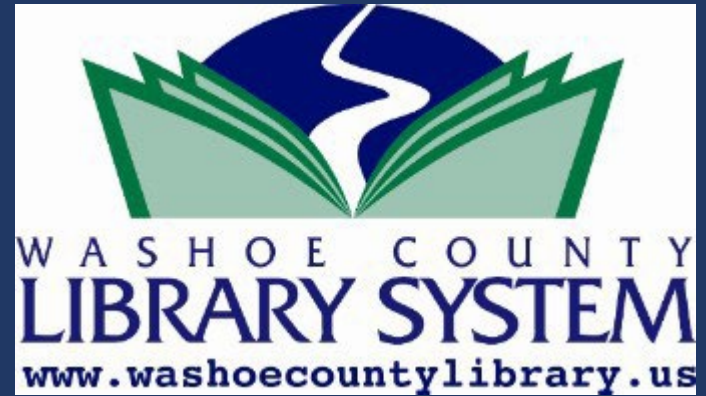
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~~Gianna Jacks~~
~~Ann Silver~~

These bylaws were presented to the Board on ~~June~~ July 1921, 2023 and were adopted.

~~Amy Ghilieri~~ Frank Perez, Chair



Washoe County Library System Annual Report 2023 Year 2



Stimulate Imagination

- Sun Valley Book Kiosk
- Cold Springs Book Kiosk
- Book Budget increase by \$400,000
- Need \$325,000 to make 10% of total budget
- Bookmobile services begin November
- Baby's First Library Card Launched



Stimulate Imagination

- Sun Valley Teen Center Book Vending Machine in operation since May 2023
- Cold Springs Book Kiosk damaged, replaced with Autolend to be installed in November





On the Shelf book recommendations from Washoe County librarian

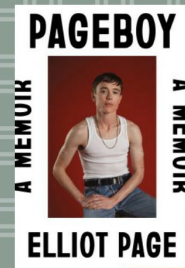
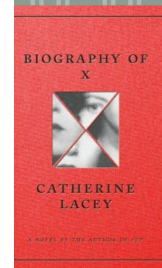
Mondays at
10:42 am, 8:42 am,
and 3:48 pm

KUNR

Listen. Connect. Discover.

THIS WEEK:

Book News with Library Director Jeff Scott



CHECK OUT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY
WASHOE COUNTY



Stimulate Imagination

- KUNR On the Shelf/On The Kids Shelf (airs four times a week)
- KOLO Book Club (monthly)
- KOLO Library Updates (monthly)
- DEIB Washoe County Book Club (quarterly)

Welcoming Spaces

- Renovation of Sierra View Library
- Staff Training
- Lit Fiber to Gerlach
- Hot Spot/Chromebook project for Pyramid Lake Paiute and Reno Sparks Indian Colony
- ADA Restrooms for Downtown Reno Library





Welcoming Spaces

- Sierra View Library Reopens!
 - New Flooring
 - New Entrance
 - New Furniture Fixture and Equipment

Q4: On a scale of 1 (low) to 5 (high),
how likely are you to recommend Washoe County as a place to work?

4.4	4.1
Library	Washoe County

Q5: On a scale of 1 (low) to 5 (high),
how likely are you to recommend your department as a place to work?

4.4	3.9
Library	Washoe County

Q6: On a scale of 1 (not likely) to 5 (very likely),
do you see yourself working at Washoe County in 5 years?

4.1	4.0
Library	Washoe County

Q7: If you see yourself working at Washoe County for the next 5+ years,
select up to 3 reasons:

	Library	Washoe County
<5 to Retire	21%	15.9%
PERS	14%	26.5%
Career growth	14%	25.4%
Passionate	65%	46.4%
Pay / Benefits	45%	32.6%
Qual Pub Serv	64%	38.4%
Flex / Hybrid	17%	39.4%
Salary	24%	29.5%
Benefits	23%	30.5%
Prof Dev	6%	7.8%

Welcoming Spaces

BEST PLACES TO WORK SURVEY
RESULTS

Welcoming Spaces

- Gerlach Library now has 1GBPS Internet thanks to an E-rate project partnership with Washoe County, Washoe County School District, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Bureau of Land Management and the Governor's Office.
- Project began in Nixon January 2023 and completed July 18, 2023



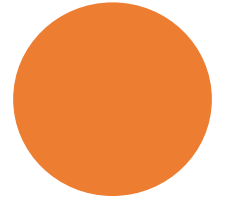
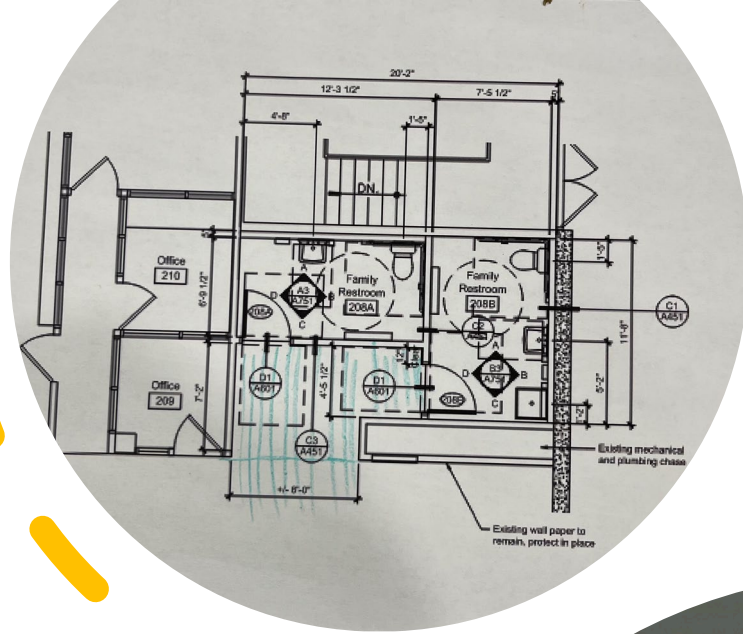
Welcoming Spaces

- Hot Spot Project providing internet services to Pyramid Lake Paiute and Reno Sparks Indian Colony:
- Sutcliffe Community Center
- Wadsworth Community Center
- Pyramid Library (Nixon)
- Hungry Valley Library and Community Center
- Smart Bus wireless internet
- 15 Chromebooks with accessories at each location



Welcoming Spaces

- ADA Family Restrooms at Downtown Reno Library (2)
- Elevator repair planned soon



School Support

- Tutoring
- After School Support
- Dolly Parton Imagination Library
- Baby's First Library Card
- 120,000 more checkouts of children's materials in one year a 20% increase.





School Support

Baby's First Library Card project launched in June with Renown Health



Workforce Development

- ACT Work Ready Communities
 - Telsa Adopted Program
 - Support coming from state
- Northern Nevada Literacy Council Partnership
- Legal Kiosks
- Zoom Rooms



Workforce Development

- Zoom Rooms now available at all library locations
- Four-person meeting rooms and phonebooth style spaces for virtual workforce

Lifelong Learning

- Senior Fairs
- Technology Classes
- Book a Librarian
- Homebound Services



Celebrate our Diverse Community

- Cultural Awareness Programming
- Book Displays/Programming
- DEI Strategic Plan





Celebrate Diversity

- Drag Story Hour at Downtown Reno, North Valleys, and Sparks Libraries had heavy attendance and a great deal of support.



Americans and The Holocaust

- American Library Association Americans and the Holocaust traveling exhibition hosted by 50 libraries across the United States.
- Washoe County Library was one of 250 applications and the only library in Nevada hosting the exhibition.



Celebrate Diversity

- Will begin work on increased partnerships with a focus on access for monolingual Spanish Speakers.
- Categories for initial DEI plans:
 - Monolingual Spanish Speakers
 - African American
 - Asian American
 - Indigenous
 - LGBTQ
 - Americans with Disabilities
 - Seniors
 - Veterans
 - Houseless

Support the Library

- Tax Initiative
- SuperPAC



Washoe County Expansion Tax History

- Question Number WC-1
- Washoe County Library Question
- Shall the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County be allowed to levy an ad valorem tax in the amount of up to \$0.02 per \$100 assessed valuation for a period of 30 years to raise approximately \$1,120,000 in fiscal year 1995-1996 and thereafter the amount generated by a levy of up to \$0.02 per \$100 assessed valuation against the then applicable assessed value of property in the County for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, equipping, operating and maintaining library facilities for the county?
- Passed in 1994. Up for renewal in 2024 General Election (November 5, 2024).
- It has raised on average \$3 million for the past 30 years or around \$90 million.

Washoe County Expansion Tax History

- Funding has provided support for four new libraries:
 - New Northwest Reno Library
 - New South Valleys Library
 - New Incline Village Library
 - New Spanish Springs Library
- Allowed Washoe County Library to weather the economic storm of the Great Recession from 2008-2016
- Created opportunities to match projects with private and county funds on library improvements
 - Renovated North Valleys Library
 - Renovated Downtown Reno Library
 - Renovated Northwest Reno Library
 - Renovated Sparks Library
 - Renovated Sierra View Library

Statistics

- Population Served 501,634
- Number of Patrons: 239,832
- Walk-in Business: 686,037
- Number of Books/Material: 365,930
- Number of Checkouts: 2.4 Million
- Number of Computer Users: 85,549
- Number of Wi-Fi Users: 199,245
- Reference Questions: 63,527
- Total Events: 3,625
- Total Attendance: 46,614
- Public Service Hours: 20,266
- Total Budget: \$16.6 Million



Financials



- \$16.6 million budget
- \$1.4 million budget for books
- \$90,000 annual Friends of Washoe County Library
- \$442,917 Gift Fund Balance

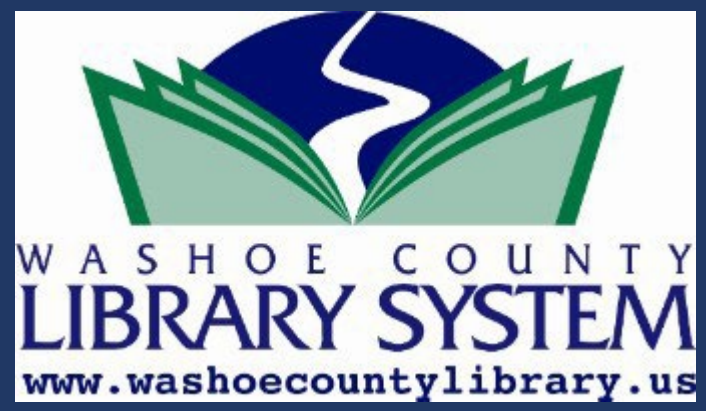


Future Goals

- DEI Strategic Plans
- Tax Renewal
- Spanish Springs Renovation
- South Valleys Renovation
- Bookmobile Routes
- Book Kiosks
- Best Places for Working Parents Program
- New Reno Elevator
- Senior Center Library Renovation
- New North Valleys Library



Thank You!



Library Director Update October 10, 2023

National Friends of Libraries Week

https://www.ala.org/united/events_conferences/folweek

October 15-21 is National Friends of Libraries Week.

We hope you take this opportunity to support Friends of Washoe County Library. Established in 1980, this all-volunteer organization raises funds for the library system through membership dues, donations, and periodic book sales.

Become a member or donate online now, or shop the Friends' Amazon store. You can also attend this month's book sale, held in the Reno Town Mall, next-door to the Sierra View Library.

National Friends of Libraries Week is coordinated by United for Libraries, a division of the American Library Association, which supports those who govern, promote, advocate, and fundraise for libraries.

Library Board Appointments

Gianna Jacks and Ann Silver were appointed as our new Library Trustees. Bios and headshots are up on the trustee website. <https://www.washoecountylibrary.us/about/board.php>

Eclipse Glasses

We have glasses to give away for Saturday's eclipse. Everyone has done a wonderful job getting ready for this event and planning programs: <https://catalog.washoecountylibrary.us/steam/eclipse>

Banned Books Week

We had a great community response for our Freedom to Read/Banned Books Week program. The Library displays were inventive and with impact. Dr. McSpadden, UNR History Professor, wrote an article for us that demonstrates the similarities of book banners of today to the Nazis of the past. https://www.washoecountylibrary.us/newsletter/articles/banned_books.php

I had an interview on KKOH as well:

https://www.washoecountylibrary.us/_files/audio/kkoh_interview.mp3

And we had a great spot for our On the Shelf highlighting the need to have the freedom to read.

<https://catalog.washoecountylibrary.us/ots/bannedbooks2023>

Spanish Springs and South Valleys Library Improvements Funding

We have a chance to get additional ARPA funding for improvements to South Valleys and Spanish Springs Libraries. We have proposed a \$150,000 package, \$75,000 to each library, for improved furniture, fixtures, and equipment to assist our public. This proposal will go to the BCC for approval in November.

Nevada Library Association Conference

Nevada Library Association Conference for 2023:

Libraries Work

Staying Connected · Sharing Ideas · Shaping the Future

Monday - Tuesday, November 6 & 7, 2023

Carson City, Nevada

Brewery Arts Center

449 W. King Street

Carson City, NV 89703

Guest speakers have been announced and include Mark Batson Baril, Executive Director of the Neighborhood Mediation Center, who will facilitate a de-escalation workshop on Monday and Simon & Schuster children's author Apryl Stott speaking at Tuesday's lunch.

Special event - NLA's 75th Anniversary Celebration Concert with Margot Cilker & An American Forrest, Monday, 11/6 at 7:30. Ticket is included for any registered attendees.

The deadline for program proposals is 10/13. I hear they've had a great response with submissions and hope to work everyone in.

Nominations for NLA Awards are due by 10/26. The awards include Librarian/Trustee of the Year and the Dorothy McAlinden Award (for outstanding library service by someone who is not a professional librarian). Submit a nomination and recognize an outstanding colleague here: <https://nevadalibraries.org/Awards>

Exhibitors will include Cherry Lake Publishing, Bound to Stay Bound Books, our kiosk vendor International Library Services, UNR Press, High Desert Microimaging, Spacesaver Intermountain, Lifeliqe, Capstone Publishing, and the University of North Texas

Complete conference info available here: <https://nevadalibraries.org/Conference>

Lion King Promotion

We are partnering with Disney to help promote The Lion King coming to Reno in November. There will be posters and bookmarks along with a raffle to win free tickets to the show!

Downtown Reno Library ADA Restroom nearly complete

Downtown Reno Library bathroom is near completion. Afterward, work will begin on repairing the elevator. Thank you everyone for your patience as this project is completed.

Library Bookmobile

Library shelving has been installed. Waiting on the library ramp and wrap.



Spanish Springs Library Hotspot Project Completed

A big thank you to Jana and Brenda for setting up this project. This is a \$20,000 e-rate project to provide internet access at the Pyramid Lake Paiute and Reno-Sparks Indian Colony community centers. We are now serving with Smart Bus wireless internet and Chromebooks with accessories at each location:

Suteliffe Community Center

Wadsworth Community Center

Pyramid Library (Nixon)

Hungry Valley Library and Community Center





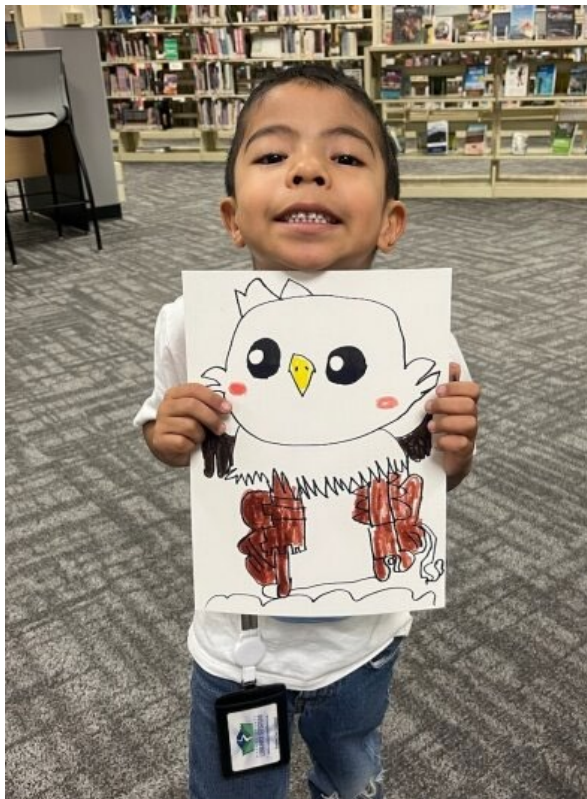
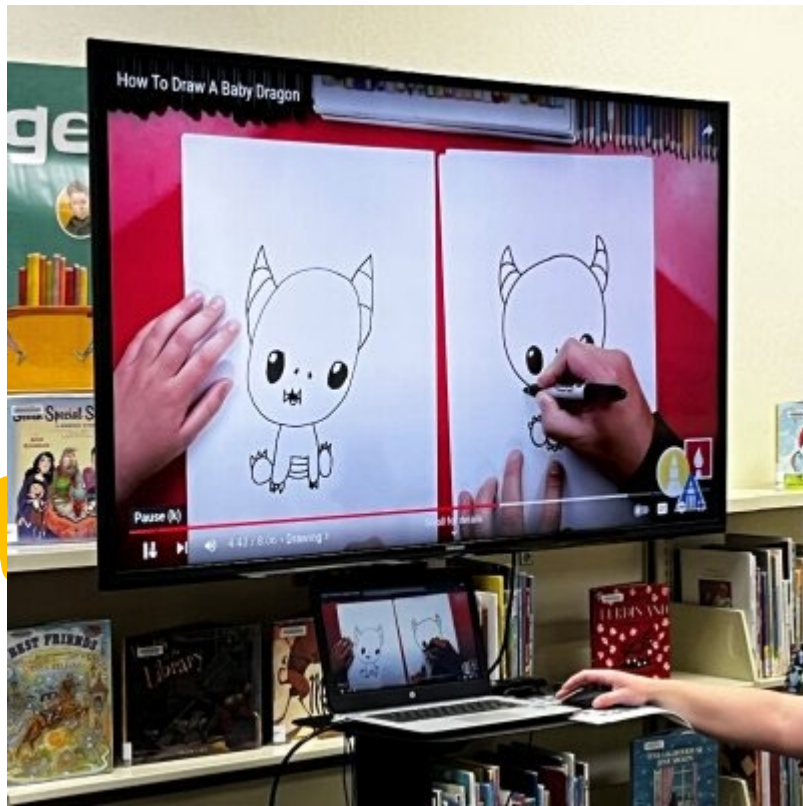
Stacy McKenzie, Assistant Library Director

Stacy McKenzie has over 30 years of library experience serving a variety of communities including academic, public, special, and institutional settings. From shelving in the stacks at Texas Tech University as a student assistant to serving as Director of Library Services for Lubbock, Texas, Stacy believes in library access for all and works toward making sure public libraries are viewed as an essential part of a thriving community. She has served as chair of the Colorado Library Association Conference as well as Regional Chair for the Texas association of Libraries. Her education varies from agricultural studies to theater and fine arts, and she considers herself a lifelong learner who will always enjoy research and study of new topics. When Stacy is not promoting libraries, ensuring patron access/privacy, or supporting library staff, Stacy enjoys gardening, scuba diving, and tending to her many pets to achieve a good work/life balance.



Sierra View Library
Update
October 18, 2023

Mythical Creature Drawing Camp



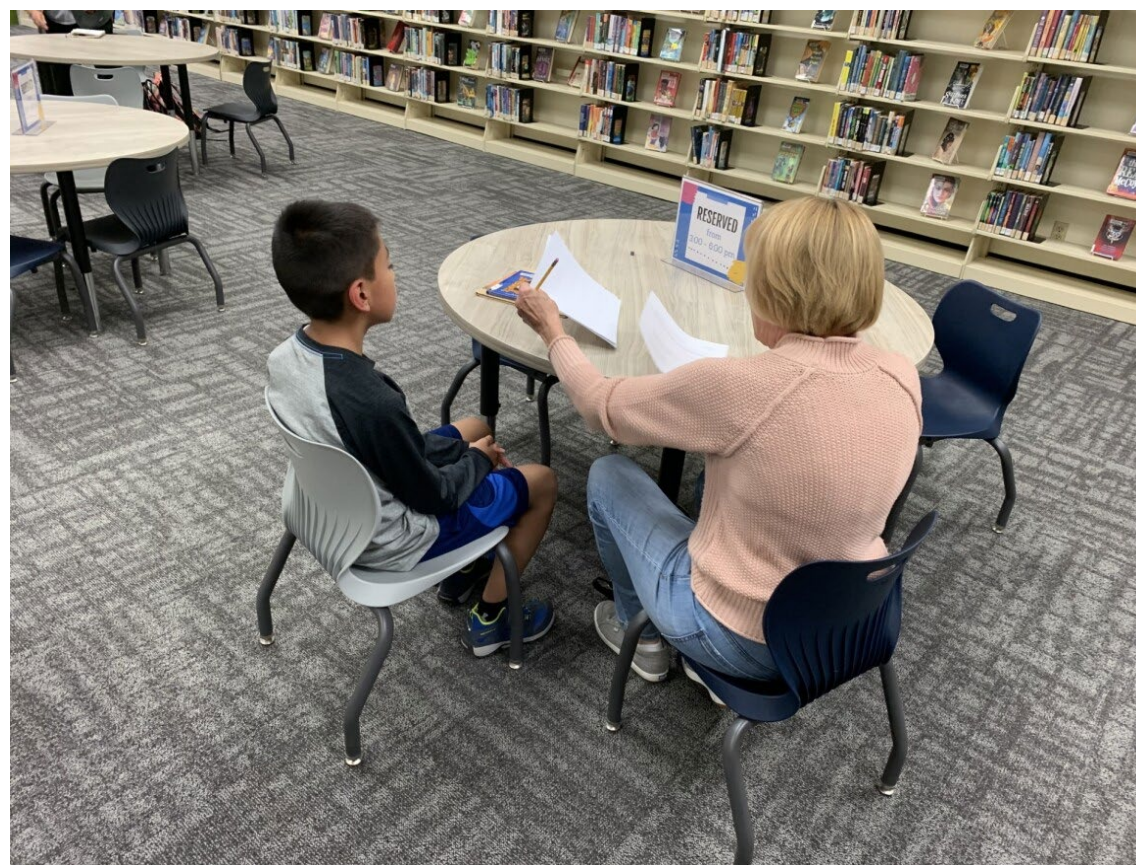
Kindergarten Camp



Pirate Camp



Homework Help



Displays-Artown



Displays-Hispanic Heritage & Read a Romance



Displays- Disability Pride





MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS (MARCOM) TEAM REPORT

PRESENTATION FOR WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OCTOBER 18, 2023

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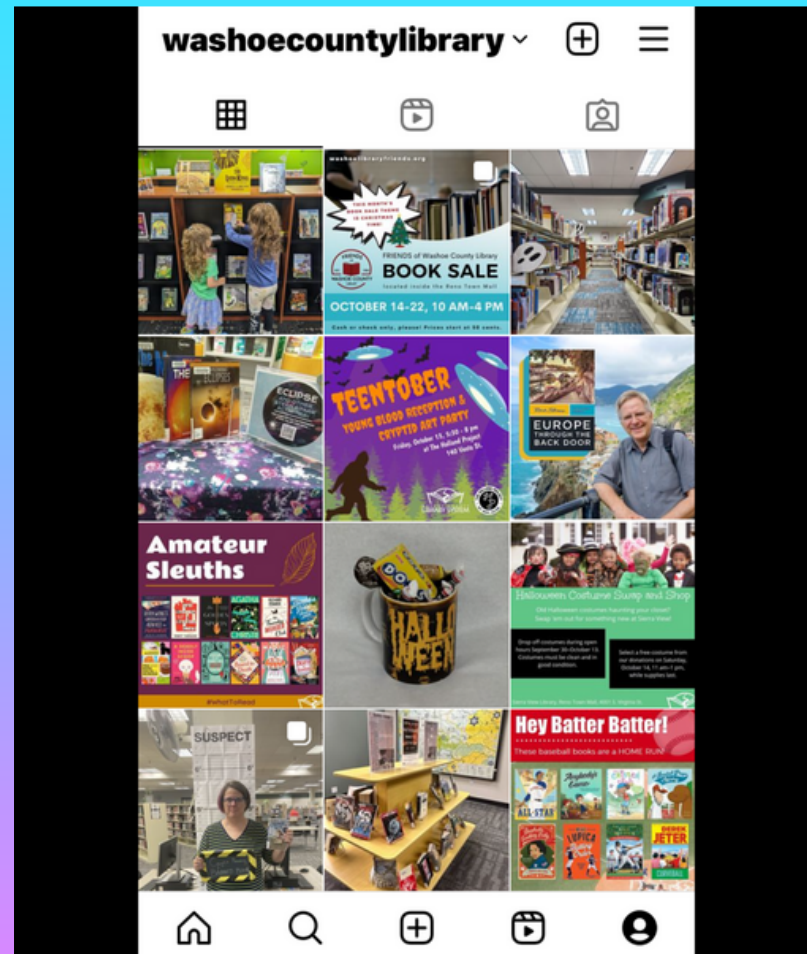
We're so excited to be back in action at the [#SierraViewLibrary](#)! Keep an eye out for Sarah, the Branch Manager, appearing on [@KTVN 2 News](#) later with more details about the newly renovated branch.



MARCOM'S MISSION



To provide clear, concise, professional marketing and cohesive branding for the library system; and improve library recognition, create trust, build financial value, and inspire both internal and external customers.





MARCOM

IS A TEAM EFFORT

CURRENT MEMBERS

Admin and Clerical – Jamie, John, Tim, Cece

Downtown Reno – Emily

Incline Village – Amanda, Russell

North Valleys – Carly

Northwest Reno – Jessica

Sierra View – Samantha, Laurie

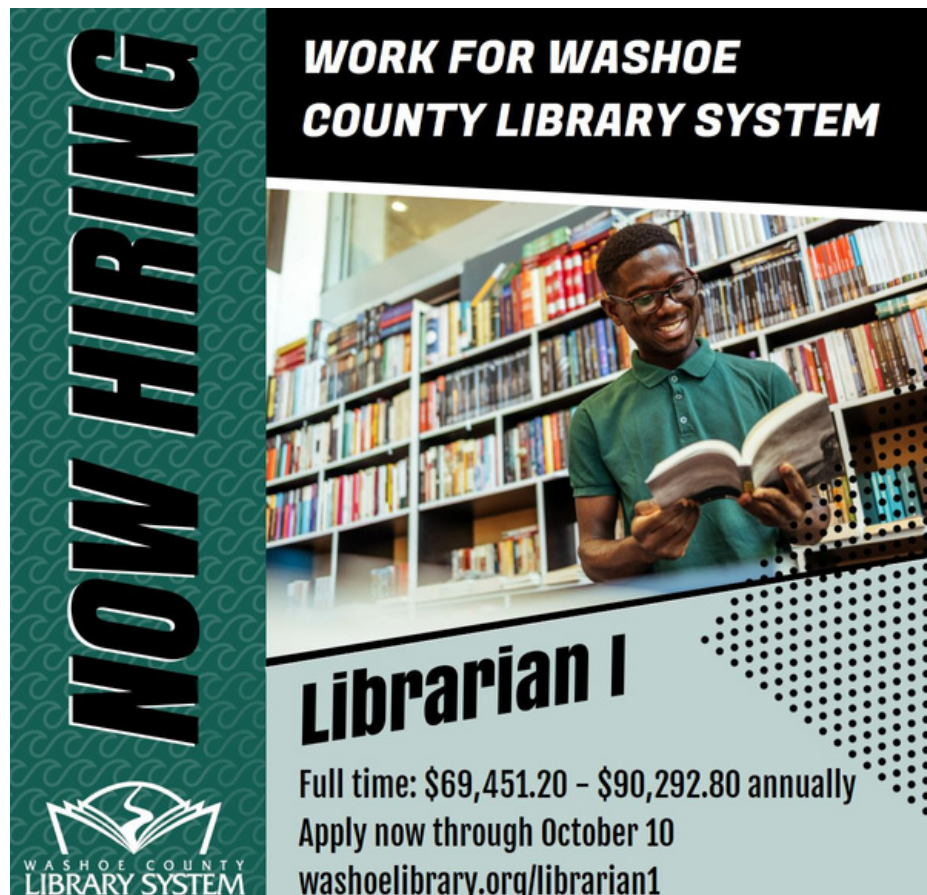
South Valleys – Jen

Spanish Springs – Aurora

Sparks – Jacqueline



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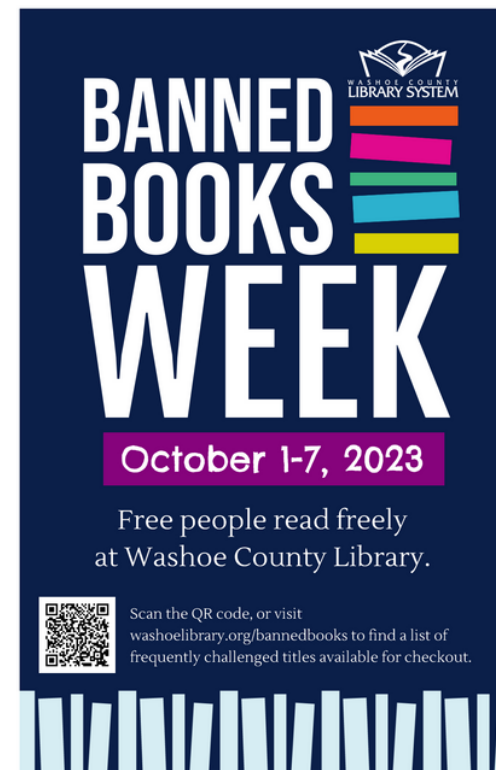
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WORK FOR WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

Librarian I

Full time: \$69,451.20 - \$90,292.80 annually
Apply now through October 10
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WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM



BANNED BOOKS WEEK

October 1-7, 2023

Free people read freely at Washoe County Library.

Scan the QR code, or visit washoelibrary.org/bannedbooks to find a list of frequently challenged titles available for checkout.

- Library signage
- Event marketing
- Social media
- Video production and post-production
- Media reach
- Explorer quarterly events & resources guide
- System graphics, branding, and marketing
- WCLS Style Guide

Library Director Jeff Scott recently joined News Talk 780 KOH's Daniela Sonnino to talk about #BannedBooksWeek. You can listen to the interview at the link below.



BANNED BOOKS WEEK

LET FREEDOM READ

OCTOBER 1-7, 2023

youtube.com
KKOH Interview with Jeff Scott



BINGO BINGO

Senior Bingo!

Sierra View Library
Tuesdays, 11:30 am



FALL BREAK KIDS CAFE

Monday 10/2 - Friday 10/6
All children 2-18 eat lunch free!

Downtown Reno Library • 11-11:30 am
North Valleys Library • 11:30 am-noon
Sparks Library • 12:15-12:45 pm

For more information visit fbnn.org/kidscafe

Washoe County Library
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It's #TeenTober, and that means we're celebrating library services to teens all month long! Click the link for more info about free resources and fun events just for teens.
<https://washoelife.washoecounty.gov/library-system/washoe-county-library-celebrates-teentober-2/>



#TeenTober

TEENtober
What will you discover at the library?
www.ala.org/teentober

October 1-31, 2023
washoelibrary.org/teentober2023

CURRENT PROJECTS



LIBRARY ON THE GO BOOKMOBILE

Vibrant van wrap for our new grant-funded mobile library designed by John, our Internet Librarian.



UPDATED LIBRARY CARD DESIGN

John created our first new card since the early 90s.

CURRENT PROJECTS ●●●

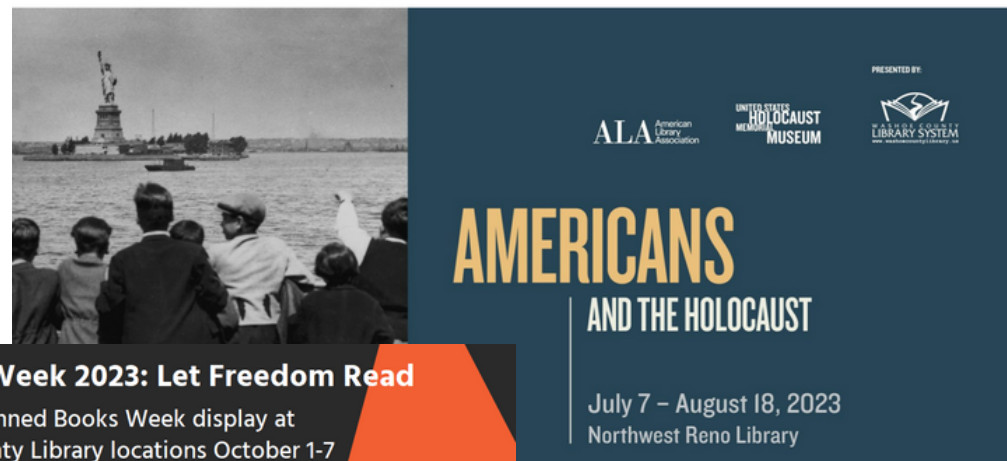
SUN VALLEY KIOSK DESIGN



NEW LIBRARY BAGS



HAPPENINGS AT THE LIBRARY



TEEN SPACES SURVEY

WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY TEEN SPACES SURVEY

Washoe County Library System is committed to providing welcoming spaces for teens in our community. Please answer this survey to help us better understand what kind of spaces and services you would like to see at your library. Thank you for taking our survey. We appreciate your time!

How did you hear about this survey?

How old are you?

Who are you filling this form out for?

What would make you want to come to the library more often? Check all that apply.

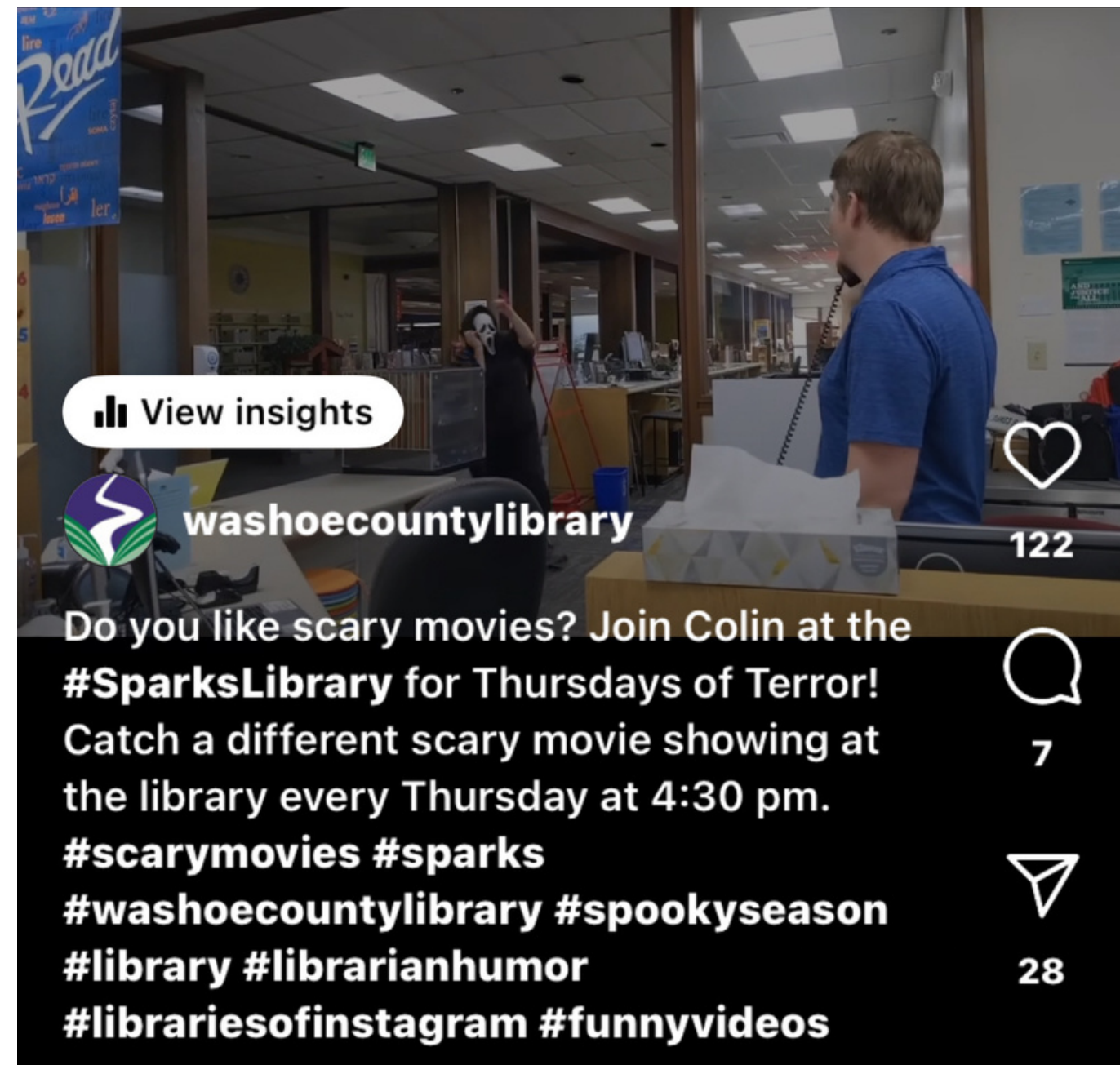
Indicate your interest in visiting a Washoe County Library branch with 1 being not interested and 10 being very interested.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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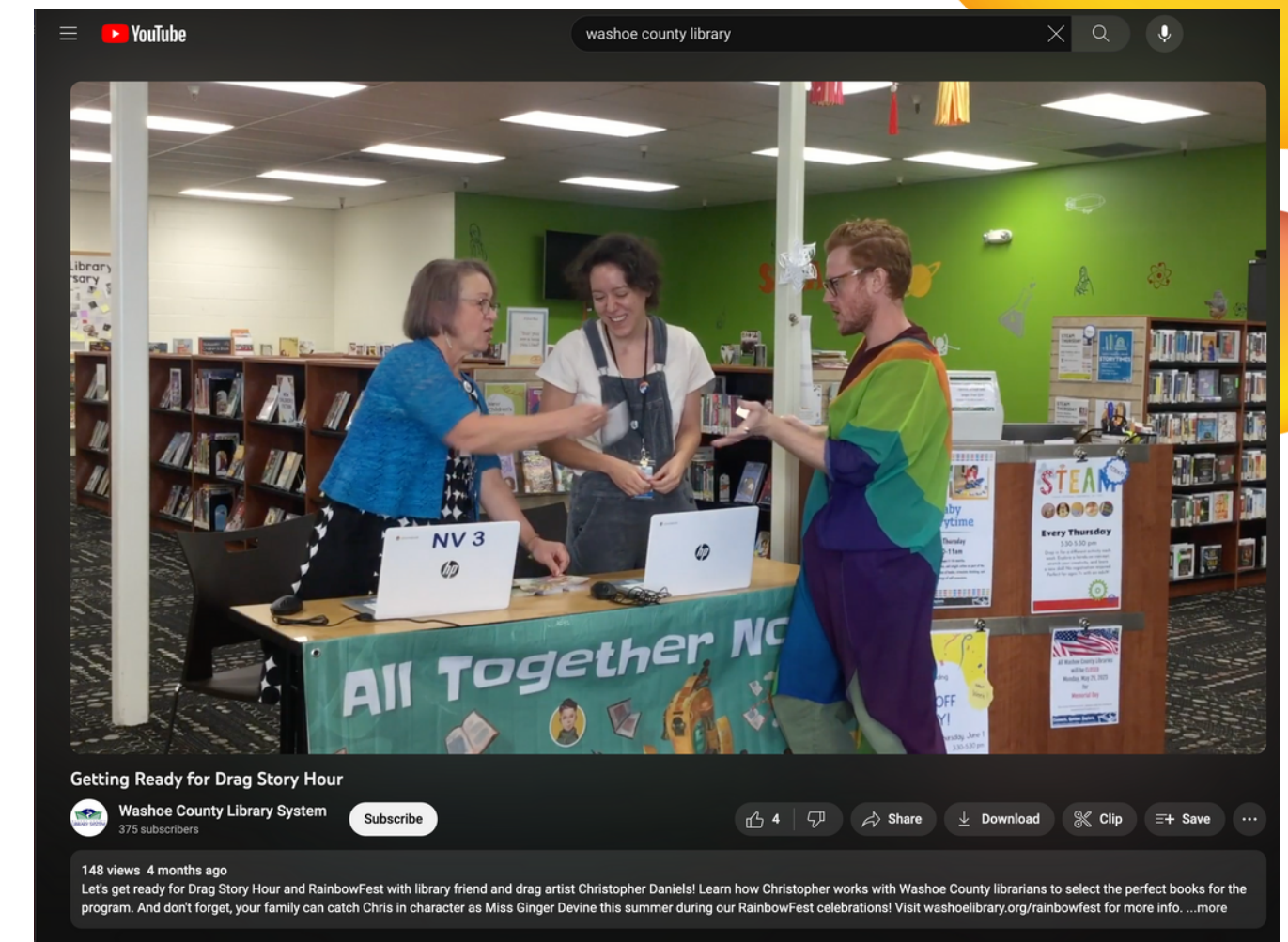
What is the best way for us to let you know about the library? (Check all that apply.)

Other:

NEW PROJECTS



VIDEO PRODUCTION



EXPLORER



MEET THE TEAM

Incline Village – Russell

North Valleys – Carly

Northwest Reno – Jessica

Sierra View – Laurie, Samantha

South Valleys – Teree

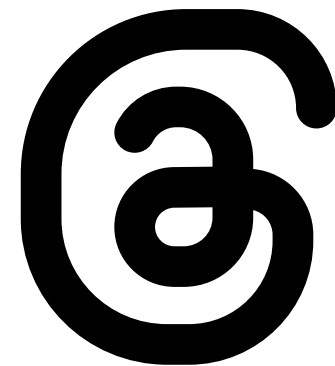
Sparks – Rachel

Project Manager – Jamie

[WASHOELIBRARY.ORG/EXPLORER](https://washoelibrary.org/explorer)

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