



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

City of Calexico
Fernando "Nene" Torres Council Chambers
608 Heber Ave.
Calexico, CA 92231

Monday, October 5, 2026
5:00 pm

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Stacy Olguin, Chair
Abril Ayala, Vice-Chair
Roxsanna Pacheco, Trustee
Lila Velarde, Trustee

Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager

COUNCIL MEMBERS

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Adriana Marquez, Council Member
Lisa Tylenda, Council Member
Diana Nuricumbo, Council Member

Benjamin A. Martinez, City Manager

****AGENDA****

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NOTES: (Not to Exceed 3 Minutes) This is the time for the public to address the Library Board of Trustees on any item not appearing on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. The Chair will recognize you and when you come to the microphone, please state your name and place of residence for the record. While members of the public are encouraged to participate, it is unlawful to disturb or delay the Board meeting with personal or slanderous remarks. If the item you wish to comment on is a consent item, please comment now. The Board is prohibited by State law from taking action or discussing items not included on the printed agenda. If the item you wish to comment on is on the public portion of the agenda, we will take your comment when we get to the item on the agenda. Please direct your questions and comments to the Board.

LIBRARY MANAGER'S REPORT

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMENTS

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting on August 3, 2026

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

2. Starting Your New Business Training at Carnegie Technology Center
3. Red Ribbon Week Activities
4. School Visits

5. Public Library Director's Forum on October 21, 2026, in Riverside, CA
6. Halloween Family Night, October 26, 2026
7. Lunch at the Library Grant Opportunity
8. Friends of the Library Report

INFORMATION

Attendance Report

Monthly Statistics Report

New Booklist Available Online <https://calexicolibrary.org/newarrivals>

October Calendar of Activities

Vintage Club Get Together

The High School Game 2026

ADJOURNMENT

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This notice on the agenda is hereby certified to have been posted on or before 6:00 pm on
Wednesday, September 30, 2026

Lizbeth Carbajal

Lizbeth Carbajal, Recording Secretary

6:00 pm / September 30, 2026

Next regular meeting date: November 2, 2026



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 1

DATE: October 5, 2026
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting on August 3, 2026**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees approve Minutes for Regular Meeting on August 3, 2026.

Background:

In accordance with the Library Board of Trustees Bylaws, the Library Manager or a library clerk will keep a proper record of the proceedings.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Attachment(s):

Minutes for Library Board of Trustees for Regular Meeting on August 3, 2026.



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

MEETING OF: Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
DATE OF MEETING: **Monday, August 3, 2026**
PLACE OF MEETING: Fernando "Nene" Torres Council Chambers
608 Heber Ave. Calexico, CA 92231
5:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 5:03 pm by Chairperson Olguin.

ROLL CALL:

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Abril Ayala	Present
Stacy Olguin	Present
Roxsanna Pacheco	Present
Lila Velarde	Absent

STAFF PRESENT: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager and Lizbeth Carbajal, Executive Assistant.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was led by Chairperson Olguin.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: On motion by Chairperson Olguin and seconded by Trustee Pacheco, the agenda was approved as delivered.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No Public Comments.

LIBRARY MANAGER'S REPORT:

- The English classes that were to be offered in the morning at Carnegie Center by Imperial Valley College were cancelled due to low enrollment.
- The library received the final award letter for the Adult Literacy Services program. The award for this upcoming fiscal year will be \$49,386.00.
- Imperial County Department of Child Support Services recognizes August as Child Support Awareness Month and for this reason they will be conducting "Child Support on Wheels". Every Thursday during the month of August a staff member from Child Support services will be at Camarena Library from 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. to answer questions to the public.
- The Sticker Exchange held at the library was a huge success. The event that was originally planned for just one week took place for four weeks. We were happy to learn that some attendants to the Sticker Exchange were visiting the library for the first time.
- The 4th of July Family Night had about 50 children in attendance. This is the first year we hold a Family Night for 4th of July.
- For this upcoming school year, the library will be offering Tutor.com which will be available to patrons 24/7. Brainfuse is the other online tutoring service that will be offered and will also be available 24/7. Advertising for both online tutoring services will begin as we get closer to the first day of school.



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

- The repair of the south wall at the library has been completed. There is still pending the addition of a sidewalk around the library building.
- This is the last week of the Family Summer Reading Program. Awards parties will take place next week. We will not have a Teen awards party this summer due to low participation.
- We held a Meet the Author event on July 13. Ms. Alejandra Najera presented her book, "Sophie and her Friends". There were 14 patrons and 4 reporters in attendance.
- The library will be hosting a Meet the Author event on November 19 featuring Karla Cordero. Ms. Cordero suggested we invite other local authors to be featured at this event.
- We are doing an upgrade to 1KBBK and 500BBJH. Patrons signing up for the program will receive a tote bag with the program's logo.
- Starting September, the library will open to the public at 11:00 a.m. The plan is to go back to opening the library at 10:00 a.m. by the beginning of next year.
- Staff are working on setting up appointments for those patrons interested in ESL classes. Our priority is Calexico residents, but program is open to residents of Imperial Valley. Citizenship courses in English will also be offered at Carnegie Center commencing October 2026.

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMENTS:

Trustee Pacheco shared with the board that she attended the Special Presentations featuring the Calexico Police Department and Calexico Fire Department. She mentioned both presentations had good attendance. Vice-Chair Ayala mentioned she had the opportunity to visit the library with her granddaughter. Chairperson Olguin said she attended several activities: Cinema Day, Cooking with Lizbeth (adults and kids). She was happy to see recurring patrons during the activities. Chairperson Olguin also attended Rincon Literario Book Club and was impressed by how every person shares their views about the book.

CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Approval of Minutes for Special Meeting on June 8, 2026 - On motion by Trustee Pacheco and seconded by Vice-Chair Ayala the minutes were approved as delivered.

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS:

2. Library Programs Statistics FY 2025-26 - Ms. Legaspi presented to the board a copy of the library program statistics for fiscal year 2025 – 2026. The library submits a yearly report to the State of California on every single program offered at CML.
3. Buzz Books Program – The library has been a recipient of the ZIP Books grant for 12 years. For fiscal year 26-27 the State of California did not provide funding for ZIP Books. The library has set aside \$3000 from General Fund to continue providing patrons books on demand. We have called it Buzz Books. Patrons can order a maximum of two books per month. No textbooks.



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4. Integrated Library System – Sierra vs. Polaris - The library has been with Innovative since the year 2000. In 2019 the Calexico School District selected a new vendor for the library integrated system. Back in 2020 the City of Calexico signed a 5-year agreement with Innovative. This agreement expires next year and in the meantime a decision must be made whether to keep Sierra or switch to Polaris. Polaris is more geared towards public libraries whereas Sierra is more for university libraries. Ms. Legaspi said she is waiting for Innovative to provide an estimate of the cost and will bring back the item in a future meeting.
5. Family Summer Reading Program Awards Parties - Ms. Legaspi shared with the board she felt a little disappointed by the low attendance during the Family Summer Reading programs. She shared with the board that it is a lot of hard work to prepare the multipurpose room and the activities for these programs to have just a couple of patrons show up. Awards ceremonies will take place next week.
6. Back to School Activity, August 17 – 21, 2026 – During the first week of school, we are inviting the students to come visit the library and take a picture with the “Kiki Bus”. Students who take a picture will receive a plastic bag with a book, bookmark, pencil and Friends of the Library brochure.
7. Friends of the Library Report - Ms. Chew, Friends of the Library President was present at this meeting and reported to the board that FOL continues to support the library in many areas. FOL sponsored the ice pops for Independence Family Night, the purchase of four banners for Lunch at the Library, the flutophones for the music class and items needed for STEAM class at Carnegie Center. FOL also sponsors the Cooking with Lizbeth class for adults and the summer class for kids.

INFORMATION:

Mrs. Legaspi reviewed the items included under information including attendance report, monthly statistics report, New Booklist available online, and August calendar of activities for Camarena Memorial Library and Carnegie Technology Center. A copy of the flyer for the upcoming Vintage Club Get Together and the flyer for the Child Support Awareness Month is also included for the board's review.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Chairperson Olguin and seconded by Vice-Chair Ayala the meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

Minutes typed by Lizbeth Carbajal

Next special meeting: September 8, 2026



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

Stacy Olguin, Chair

ATTEST:

Lizbeth Carbajal

Lizbeth Carbajal, Recording Secretary



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Item 2

DATE: October 5, 2026
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Starting Your New Business Training at Carnegie Technology Center**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receive information about upcoming Small Business Development Center Training at the Carnegie Technology Center.

Background:

The Small Business Development Center and the library have partnered to provide trainings to entrepreneurs and those who already have a small business at the Carnegie Technology Center. The purpose of their workshops is to help prospective small businesses as well as those who are already established to either begin the journey of setting up a new business or learn various aspects of managing a current business. This time around, the workshop is titled "Starting Your New Business", where attendees will learn what they need to know to successfully start up their own business.

This workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, October 6th from 3:00-5:00 pm. To participate, those interested need to follow this link <https://sdivsbdc.org/eec-event/starting-your-business-a-step-by-step-guide-4/> to reserve their spot in the class. The class will be free of charge.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Attachment(s):

Flyer.



Starting Your Business: A Step by Step Guide - Calexico





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Item 3

DATE: October 5, 2026
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Red Ribbon Week Activities**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receives information about plans to celebrate Red Ribbon Week in October 2026.

Background:

Enrique "Kiki" Camarena was a Drug Enforcement Administration Agent who was tortured and killed in Mexico in 1985. The library was named in his honor to recognize the sacrifice he endured. Today, the Red Ribbon celebration serves as a catalyst to mobilize communities to educate youth and encourage participation in drug prevention activities.

The library staff created activities to raise awareness of the importance of being drug-free. There will be three activities which include creating an acrostic poem, doing a writing prompt and/or doing a drawing or painting activity. The deadline for submission will be October 23rd. We intend to display all entries.

Fiscal Impact:

None

Attachment(s):

Red Ribbon Week Activities Flyer
Acrostic Poem Template
Writing Prompt Template



CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY
invites you to participate in the



RED RIBBON WEEK ACTIVITIES



Deadline for submission - October 23, 2026

You MAY Pick up A template At the LIBRARY!



ACROSTIC POEM

Word: **DRUG FREE**

Write an acrostic poem that tells all of the wonderful things about you and about being drug free.

WRITING PROMPT

I'm Drug FREE for life!

Write reasons why every child should remain drug free for life.

DRAW/PAINT

Be Cool And Stay Drug Free

What does it mean to be drug free for you? Represent those thoughts in a drawing or painting.

Your submission
will be displayed
at the library
from October
26-30

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I am wonderful and drug free!

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Author _____



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Item 4

DATE: October 5, 2026
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **School Visits**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receive information about upcoming elementary school visits during the months of September-December 2026.

Background:

Last year, most elementary schools in Calexico scheduled a library field trip. We were able to provide library cards to all students participating. This year, four elementary schools have showed interest in bringing their students once again so far. One school is also incorporating other grades this year. The library will be providing Student Success Cards to new students. Each class gets an hour on their visit. This visit includes story reading, craft activity and children take a goodie bag with them. For upper grades, students get instruction on digital resources in addition to the craft activity. They also get to visit the *Library Café* and browse through some new book selections to find important information about the books.

We hope this connection entices students and their parents to become library users and lifelong readers. Mains Elementary is the fourth school, but has yet to send dates.

As of now, classes are scheduled as follows:

DATE	SCHOOL	GRADE
September 18 th	Rockwood Elementary	TK & K
September 24 th	Rockwood Elementary	1 st graders
September 25 th	Rockwood Elementary	2 nd graders
October 1 st	Dool Elementary	3 rd graders
October 2 nd	Dool Elementary	5 th grade
October 9 th	Dool Elementary	4 th graders
October 20 th	Dool Elementary	6 th grade
October 22 nd	Dool Elementary	1 st grade
October 23 rd	Dool Elementary	6 th grade
October 27 th	Jefferson Elementary	1 st graders

October 28 th	Jefferson Elementary	2 nd graders
October 29 th	Jefferson Elementary	2 nd graders
November 5 th	Rockwood Elementary	4 th graders
November 6 th	Rockwood Elementary	3 rd graders
November 10 th	Jefferson Elementary	TK & K
November 12 th	Jefferson Elementary	TK & K
November 13 th	Rockwood Elementary	6 th graders

Fiscal Impact:

Cost of printing flyers, books and bags

Attachment(s):

Class Reservation Sheet



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CLASS RESERVATION SHEET

Date _____	School _____
Teacher _____	# of Students _____
Grade _____	Length of Visit _____
Preferred Date _____	Preferred Time _____
Teacher's Email Address _____	

Preferred day for the visit:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Preferred Language:

English	☐	Spanish	☐	Bilingual	☐
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Topic of Instruction: *(i.e. library orientation, how to use the online catalog or digital resources, storytime)*

Comments:

Please submit this class reservation to library@calexico.ca.gov





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Item 5

DATE: October 5, 2026
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Attendance to the Public Library Director's Forum – Pasadena, CA on October 21, 2026**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receive information about Library Manager's attendance at the Public Library Director's Forum in Pasadena, California on October 21, 2026.

Background:

The Public Library Directors Forum is an opportunity for all public library directors in California. It is a full day of leadership training and networking opportunities with other public library directors.

The Public Library Directors Forum is part of the Networking California Library Resources LSTA grant in partnership with the State Library and the Pacific Library Partnership (PLP). The Pacific Library Partnership will be sponsoring the hotel stay the day before and provide breakfast and lunch on the day of the forum.

Fiscal Impact:

Per diem, lunch & dinner for October 20 th	\$35
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Attachment(s):

Invitation Email

Lizeth Legaspi

From: Csl_info <csl_info-bounces@lists.californialibrarylists.org> on behalf of Strege, Reed@CSL via Csl_info <csl_info@lists.californialibrarylists.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2026 1:55 PM
To: csl_info@lists.californialibrarylists.org
Subject: [Csl_info] ONE WEEK LEFT: Please register for the Public Library Directors Forum before 9/2/26!
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

Dear California Public Library Directors,

Registration closes on **Wednesday, September 2 at 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for the Public Library Directors Forum on Wednesday, October 21, 2026, at the Riverside Convention Center!

The Public Library Directors Forum is an opportunity for all public library directors or their designees in California. Please join us for a full day of leadership training and networking with your fellow public library directors. Two working meals, breakfast and lunch, will be provided.

Please use this form to register:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J3FJWP2>

Pending funding availability, Pacific Library Partnership will cover the cost of a hotel room for one night (Tuesday, October 20) for participants who register through the link above before September 2 at 5:00 p.m.

For those who will continue to stay in the Marriot throughout the CLA conference, participants should register directly through the California Library Association's [conference website](#). PLP will not book or reimburse for those nights, but will make an effort to keep your room the same for the duration of the stay (see the Travel Policy about sharing hotel reservation information to keep your same room). PLP's travel reimbursement policy is attached for your reference.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding registration.

We look forward to seeing you in October!

This project is supported in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

Reed Strege | Library Programs Administrator
California State Library | Library Development Services
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Item 6

DATE: October 5, 2026
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Halloween Family Night**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receive dates for upcoming Halloween Family Night at the Library.

Background:

The library offers family night programs at least six (6) times per year in the months of January, March, April, July, September, October and December. Activities include arts & crafts, games, guest readers, snacks and a FREE book for each child (ages 0-12) in attendance. After a family night, children have another book to add to their home library.

Library reaches out to the Friends of the Library and/or the Calexico Unified School District for support to provide the snacks given to children. The Associated Calexico Teachers usually sponsor the March family night and provide funding to purchase one of the craft activities.

Fiscal Impact:

Cost of producing craft activities

Attachment(s):

Halloween Family Night flyer



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JOIN US IF YOU DARE!

HALLOWEEN PARTY

for kids ages
0-12

GAMES. ARTS & CRAFTS. BOOKS. SNACKS.
LOTS OF FUN!

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OCTOBER 26, 2026 -- 5:00-6:30 PM
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RSVP from October 5-23, 2026

AT <https://calexicolibrary.org>





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Item 7

DATE: October 5, 2026
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Lunch at the Library Grant Opportunity**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receive information about the Lunch at the Library Grant Opportunity for Summer 2027.

Background:

For many families, the stability, nutrition, and education provided during the school year end when school lets out for summer. During the summer months, children and teens in low-income families often have reduced or limited access to healthy food. The Lunch at the Library program exists to meet this need while sharing information about other resources available at the library and in the community.

Camarena Memorial Library has successfully created a partnership with the Calexico Unified School District and during the summer of 2024 provided a complete warm meal and a snack to children ages 1-18. After the summer was over, the partnership continued, and the library continues to offer a daily warm meal to students after school up to this date.

Funding provided by the Lunch at the Library Grant allows the library to purchase books, crafts, supplies and pay for staff to offer a daily program during the summer months.

Fiscal Impact:

Revenue Account	Description	Amount
221-50-510-43111-701	Lunch at the Library Grant	\$18,000 (approximately)

Attachment(s):

Email invitation

From: Lunchatthelibrary <lunchatthelibrary-bounces@lists.californialibrarylists.org> on behalf of Villalobos, Kaela@CSL via Lunchatthelibrary <lunchatthelibrary@lists.californialibrarylists.org>
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2026 9:42 AM
To: lunchatthelibrary@lists.californialibrarylists.org
Subject: [Lunchatthelibrary] Reminder: Lunch at the Library Application 2027
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

 Lunch at the Library 2027 Funding Opportunity.

This is a reminder that the **Lunch at the Library** 2027 funding opportunity ends on **Wednesday October 15, 2026**. California public libraries are invited to apply for this state-funded opportunity to help connect local children and teens to summer meals and enrichment programming.

Libraries can participate by serving USDA summer meals at library sites, bringing pop-up library programming to community meal sites, or both.

An information session and series of office hours for applicants will take place in the coming weeks. Details and registration links are included below.

Lunch at the Library Key Dates:

- **Application period:** September 1, 2026 – October 14, 2026
- **Grant period:** February 1, 2027 – January 31, 2028
- **Lunch at the Library programming:** Summer 2027

Lunch at the Library grant funds support program planning, implementation, and evaluation. Grants for returning applicants will be based on summer 2025 outputs and proposals for expansion. Funding for new applicants will be based on anticipated outputs for summer 2027.

Program Funds

Libraries that apply to take part in Lunch at the Library will receive Lunch at the Library funds to support the following summer meals activities:

- **Library Meal Sites:** Jurisdictions serving USDA summer meals and providing enrichment programming at library sites.
- **Pop-Up Libraries at Community Meal Sites:** Jurisdictions bringing pop-up library programming to other community meal sites.

Funds may be used for:

- Summer enrichment programming before, during, or after meal service, including Farm to Summer activities.
- Books to build home libraries which include materials that connect families to summer reading.
- Teen internship or volunteer programs to develop leadership and workforce readiness skills while supporting Lunch at the Library.

- Staff time spent on program planning, implementation, and evaluation.
- Supplies and materials to support a successful Lunch at the Library program.

Information Session and Office Hours

Lunch at the Library 2027 Information Session

This will provide general information about the funding opportunity and how to apply.

- Wednesday, September 2, 2026 from 4:00p.m.-5:00p.m. [Register for the Information Session here.](#)

Lunch at the Library Office Hours

Lunch at the Library team will be available for questions related to the funding opportunity and application. Applicants are welcome to drop in at any point during the times listed.

- Tuesday, September 22, 2026, from 9:00a.m.-10:00a.m. [Register for the Office Hours here.](#)
- Tuesday, October 13, 2026, from 2:00p.m.-3:00p.m. [Register for the Office Hours here.](#)

The [Lunch at the Library application](#) is open. The deadline to apply is Wednesday, October 14, 2026, at 12:00p.m. PST.

For more information about the program and how to apply, visit [Application Information – California State Library](#).

Questions? Contact us at Lunch@library.ca.gov.

Lunch at the Library is a project of the California State Library, supported with funds from the State of California.

Kaela Villalobos | Library Programs Consultant
California State Library | Library Development Services
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Schedule a Meeting

[Sign up for the Library to Library Newsletter for CA Public Libraries.](#)





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Item 8

DATE: October 5, 2026
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Friends of the Library Report**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that a representative of the Friends of the Library bring information to the Library Board of Trustees regarding how they have been assisting the library.

Background:

The Friends of the Library is a volunteer service non-profit group which acts as a liaison between the community and the library. They promote the services of the library to the community.

The Friends of the Library promote public support and use of the library. They also inform members and the public of issues affecting the library.

The Friends of the Library engage in fundraising activities to provide financial assistance to the library's collection and programs. They raise funds for library materials and equipment to augment normal budget resources.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Attachment(s):

None.



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Information

Library Board of Trustees **Attendance Roster 2026**

Trustee	1/5/2026	2/2/2026	3/2/2026	4/13/2026	5/4/2026	6/8/2026	7/7/2026	8/3/2026	9/8/2026	10/5/2026	11/2/2026	12/7/2026	Appointed by:
	Regular meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Special Meeting	Regular meeting	Special Meeting	Special Meeting	Regular Meeting	Special Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	
Abril Ayala	X	X	X	X	X	X	Dark	X	N.Q.				Diana Nurcumbo
Stacy Olguin	X	X	X	A	X	X	Dark	X	N.Q.				Victor Legaspi
Erika D. Castro	X	X	X				Dark						Lisa Tyenda
Roxsanna Pacheco	X	X	X	X	X	X	Dark	X	N.Q.				Adriana Marquez
Lila Velarde				X	X	X	Dark	A	N.Q.				Lisa Tyenda
Karen Yopez	A	X	X	X	X								Lorenzo Calderon

Please use the following:

X = Attended

N.Q. = No Quorum

M.C. = Meeting Cancelled

N.M. = No Meeting Scheduled

Absent

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CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY
MONTHLY REPORT

June 2026

		Library	YTD	Carnegie	YTD
CIRCULATION					
ADULT					
	Books	153	2182		
	Videos, DVDs & CD	0	13		
	Non-book materials (printed matters)	6	88		
	AV (audiobooks & language courses)	0	4		
	Total Adult Circulation	159	2287		
JUVENILE					
	Books	610	5017		
	Videos, DVDs & CD	2	5		
	Non-book materials (printed matters)	102	1017		
	AV (books w/cassette)	0	0		
	Total Juvenile Circulation	714	6039		
ADULT					
	Non-English materials	27	624		
JUVENILE					
	Non-English materials	131	1603		
	Total Non-English Materials	158	2227		
ZIP BOOKS					
	Total Zip Book requests	0	321		
DIGITAL MATERIALS					
	BookFLIX	401	1218		
	Flipster	0	4		
	Hoopla	336	3547		
	Libby	13	465		
	Other				
	Total Digital Materials	750	5234		
	TOTAL CIRCULATION	1781	16108		
DIGITAL RESOURCES					
	Brainfuse HelpNow	9	185		
	Brainfuse VetNow	10	115		
	Mango	15	4694		
	Parent TV	103	2549		
SERRA/ILL					
	ILL requested	0	0		
	ILL loaned	0	0		
QUESTIONS					
	Reference	64	678	19	182
	Information	672	8008	138	2193
	Technology	49	534	50	585
	TOTAL QUESTIONS	785	9220	207	2960
Homework Help (In house)					
	In-house use of materials	694	8075		
	In-house use of equipment	71	302	3	35
	Internet access (CML)	100	1028	32	308
COLLECTION					
ADULT					
	New books	13	423		
	Non-cataloged materials added (PB)	0	0		
	Withdrawals	0	91		
	Non-cataloged materials withdrawn (PB)	0	0		
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's	0	0		
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's withdrawn	0	0		
JUVENILE					
	New books	28	689		
	Non-cataloged materials added (PB)	18	79		
	Withdrawals	1	99		
	Non-cataloged materials withdrawn (PB)	0	1		
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's	0	0		
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's withdrawn	0	0		
REGISTERED INTERNET USERS					
		30	184	0	46
LIBRARY CARDS ISSUED (new & renewal)					
	Adult	31	402	3	108
	Juvenile	33	2538	1	3
	Total hours library open to the public per month	150	1599	72	832
	Entry count	5077	58644		
	Lunch provided at the library	378	4299		
	Snacks provided at the Library	256	1697		
CARNEGIE TECHNOLOGY CENTER					
	Class attendance at CTC			100	1667
	Days CTC is open			18	190
	Entry count			190	1905
	Events/Programs at CTC			26	279
	Wi-Fi users at CTC			115	990

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July 2026

					Library	YTD		Carnegie	YTD
CIRCULATION									
ADULT									
	Books				139	139			
	Videos, DVDs & CD				0	0			
	Non-book materials (printed matters)				2	2			
	AV (audiobooks & language courses)				0	0			
	Total Adult Circulation				139	139			
JUVENILE									
	Books				640	640			
	Videos, DVDs & CD				0	0			
	Non-book materials (printed matters)				119	119			
	AV (books w/cassette)				0	0			
	Total Juvenile Circulation				759	759			
ADULT									
	Non-English materials				45	45			
JUVENILE									
	Non-English materials				234	234			
	Total Non-English Materials				279	279			
ZIP BOOKS									
	Total Zip Book requests				0	0			
DIGITAL MATERIALS									
	BookFLIX				500	500			
	Hoopla				348	348			
	Libby				15	15			
	Other				0	0			
	Total Digital Materials				863	863			
	TOTAL CIRCULATION				2040	2040			
DIGITAL RESOURCES									
	Brainfuse HelpNow				18	18			
	Brainfuse VetNow				12	12			
	Mango				77	77			
	Parent TV				0	0			
SERRA/ILL									
	ILL requested				0	0			
	ILL loaned				0	0			
QUESTIONS									
	Reference				64	64	29	29	
	Information				649	649	202	202	
	Technology				47	47	49	49	
	TOTAL QUESTIONS				760	760			
	Homework Help (In House)				0	0			
	In-house use of materials				853	853			
	In-house use of equipment				45	45	11	11	
	Internet access (CML)				92	92	33	33	
COLLECTION									
ADULT									
	New books								
	Non-cataloged materials added (PB)				7	7			
	Withdrawals				0	0			
	Non-cataloged materials withdrawn (PB)				0	0			
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's				0	0			
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's withdrawn				0	0			
JUVENILE									
	New books				24	24			
	Non-cataloged materials added(PB)				5	5			
	Withdrawals				2	2			
	Non-cataloged materials withdrawn (PB)				0	0			
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's				0	0			
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's withdrawn				0	0			
REGISTERED INTERNET USERS					22	22	1	1	
LIBRARY CARDS ISSUED (new & renewal)									
	Adult				50	50	6	6	
	Juvenile				26	26	0	0	
	Total hours library open to the public per month				158	158	72	72	
	Entry count				4912	4912			
	Lunch provided at the library				336	336			
	Snacks provided at the Library				236	236			
CARNEGIE TECHNOLOGY CENTER									
	Class attendance at CTC				0	0	0	0	
	Days CTC is open				0	0	18	18	
	Entry count				0	0	171	171	
	Events/Programs at CTC				0	0	20	20	
	Wi-Fi users at CTC				0	0	105	105	

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August 2026

				Library	YTD	Carnegie	YTD
CIRCULATION							
ADULT							
	Books			151	290		
	Videos, DVDs & CD			0	0		
	Non-book materials (printed matters)			19	21		
	AV (audiobooks & language courses)			0	0		
	Total Adult Circulation			170	311		
JUVENILE							
	Books			339	979		
	Videos, DVDs & CD			0	0		
	Non-book materials (printed matters)			48	167		
	AV (books w/cassette)			0	0		
	Total Juvenile Circulation			387	1146		
ADULT							
	Non-English materials			49	94		
JUVENILE							
	Non-English materials			122	356		
	Total Non-English Materials			171	450		
BUZZ BOOKS				26	38		
DIGITAL MATERIALS							
	BookFLIX			371	871		
	Hoopla			329	677		
	Libby			13	28		
	Other			0	0		
	Total Digital Materials			713	1576		
	TOTAL CIRCULATION			1467	3521		
DIGITAL RESOURCES							
	Brainfuse HelpNow			266	284		
	Brainfuse VetNow			4	16		
	Mango			48	125		
	Parent TV			315	315		
SERRA/ILL							
	ILL requested			0	0		
	ILL loaned			0	0		
QUESTIONS							
	Reference			53	117	23	52
	Information			531	1180	179	381
	Technology			45	92	51	100
	TOTAL QUESTIONS			629	1389		
	Homework Help (In House)			18	18		
	In-house use of materials			540	1993		
	In-house use of equipment			39	84	5	16
	Internet access (CML)			66	158	19	52
COLLECTION							
ADULT							
	New books			12	19		
	Non-cataloged materials added (PB)			0	0		
	Withdrawals			1	1		
	Non-cataloged materials withdrawn (PB)			0	0		
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's			0	0		
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's withdrawn			0	0		
JUVENILE							
	New books			51	75		
	Non-cataloged materials added(PB)			10	15		
	Withdrawals			4	6		
	Non-cataloged materials withdrawn (PB)			0	0		
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's			0	0		
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's withdrawn			0	0		
REGISTERED INTERNET USERS				11	33	1	2
LIBRARY CARDS ISSUED (new & renewal)							
	Adult			34	84	15	21
	Juvenile			16	42	0	0
	Total hours library open to the public per month			151	309	68	140
	Entry count			4580	9492		
	Lunch provided at the library			366	702		
	Snacks provided at the Library			55	291		
CARNEGIE TECHNOLOGY CENTER							
	Class attendance at CTC					0	0
	Days CTC is open					17	35
	Entry count					126	297
	Events/Programs at CTC					18	38
	Wi-Fi users at CTC					262	367
	ALS Sessions					6	6
	IVC Class Attendance					287	287

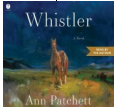
CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY — CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES



OCTOBER 2026

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 <i>Scan me!</i>		You may register your child age 0-12 from October 5-13, for the Halloween Family Night. Visit the library's website!	1  LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 BOARD GAMES PLAY 3:00 PM, AGES 3+ HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES 1ST-6TH CHESS CLUB 3:30 PM, ALL AGES Come and enjoy a cup of coffee with us!	2 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 KIDS BOOK CLUB 3:30 PM, GRADES 4TH-6TH 
5 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH TUTORING @ THE LIBRARY 3:00-6:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 5:00 PM, FERNANDO "NENE" TORRES COUNCIL CHAMBERS—608 Heber Ave	6 SNACK 1:00 PM, AGES 1-18 ARTSy TUESDAY 1:15 PM, GRADES K-6TH HOMEWORK HELP 1:15 PM, GRADES 1ST-6TH LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18	7  10:30 AM, AGES 3-5 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES 1ST-6TH TUTORING @ THE LIBRARY 3:00-6:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH	8 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES 1ST-6TH CHESS CLUB 3:30 PM, ALL AGES	9 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 CINEMA DAY — TOY STORY 5 3:00 PM, ALL AGES 
12  VINTAGE CLUB GET TOGETHER 12:00-2:00 PM LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH TUTORING @ THE LIBRARY 3:00-6:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH  COOKING WITH <i>Lizbeth</i> KIDS EDITION 4:00 PM, AGES 6+	13 SNACK 1:00 PM, AGES 1-18 ARTSy TUESDAY 1:15 PM, GRADES K-6TH HOMEWORK HELP 1:15 PM, GRADES K-6TH LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 BABY TIME 5:30 PM, AGES 0-2 	14  10:30 AM, AGES 3-5 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH TUTORING @ THE LIBRARY 3:00-6:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH COOKING WITH <i>Lizbeth</i> 5:00 PM, ADULTS 18+ 	15 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH CHESS CLUB 3:30 PM, ALL AGES FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT 5:30 PM, (families of adult literacy learners) 	16 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 KIDS BOOK CLUB 3:30 PM, GRADES 4TH-6TH 
19 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH TUTORING @ THE LIBRARY 3:00-6:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH  LET'S READ BOOK CLUB <i>Whistler</i> by Ann Patchett 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	20 SNACK 1:00 PM, AGES 1-18 ARTSy TUESDAY 1:15 PM, GRADES K-6TH HOMEWORK HELP 1:15 PM, GRADES K-6TH LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 FLOOD DISASTER PREPAREDNESS WORKSHOP 5:00 PM, ALL AGES 	21 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH TUTORING @ THE LIBRARY 3:00-6:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH	22 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH CHESS CLUB 3:30 PM, ALL AGES	23 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18  DEADLINE to submit Red Ribbon Week Activities
26 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH LEGO PLAY DAY 3:00 PM, AGES 3+ TUTORING @ THE LIBRARY 3:00-4:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH LIBRARY CLOSES AT 4:00 PM HALLOWEEN FAMILY NIGHT 5:00-6:30 PM, AGES 0-12 	27 SNACK 1:00 PM, AGES 1-18 ARTSy TUESDAY 1:15 PM, GRADES K-6TH HOMEWORK HELP 1:15 PM, GRADES K-6TH LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 BABY TIME 5:30 PM, AGES 0-2 	28  10:30 AM, AGES 3-5 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH TUTORING @ THE LIBRARY 3:00-6:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH RINCON LITERARIO BOOK CLUB <i>La Vida Desastrosa de Esme Cahill</i> by Marie Bostwick 5:30 PM, AGES 18+ 	29 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18 HOMEWORK HELP 3:00 PM, GRADES K-6TH CHESS CLUB 3:30 PM, ALL AGES	30 LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY 2:30 PM, AGES 1-18

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			1 LET'S TALK CONVERSATION GROUP 5:30 PM, AGES 18+
5 U.S. CITIZENSHIP PREPARATION CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	6 STARTING YOUR OWN BUSINESS WORKSHOP by SBDC 3:00-5:00 PM COMPUTER CLASS 4:30 PM ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	7 ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	8 ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+ VOCABULARY BINGO 5:30 PM, AGES 16+
12 U.S. CITIZENSHIP PREPARATION CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	13 COMPUTER CLASS 4:30 PM ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	14 ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	15 ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+ LET'S TALK CONVERSATION GROUP 5:30 PM, AGES 18+
19 U.S. CITIZENSHIP PREPARATION CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	20 COMPUTER CLASS 4:30 PM ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+ LIBRARY LEARNERS BOOK CLUB <i>Convenience Store Woman</i> by Sayaka Murata 5:30 PM, AGES 16+ 	21 ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	22 ARTsy ADULTS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+ ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+
26 U.S. CITIZENSHIP PREPARATION CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	27 COMPUTER CLASS 4:30 PM ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	28 ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+	29 ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS 5:30 PM, AGES 18+

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