

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

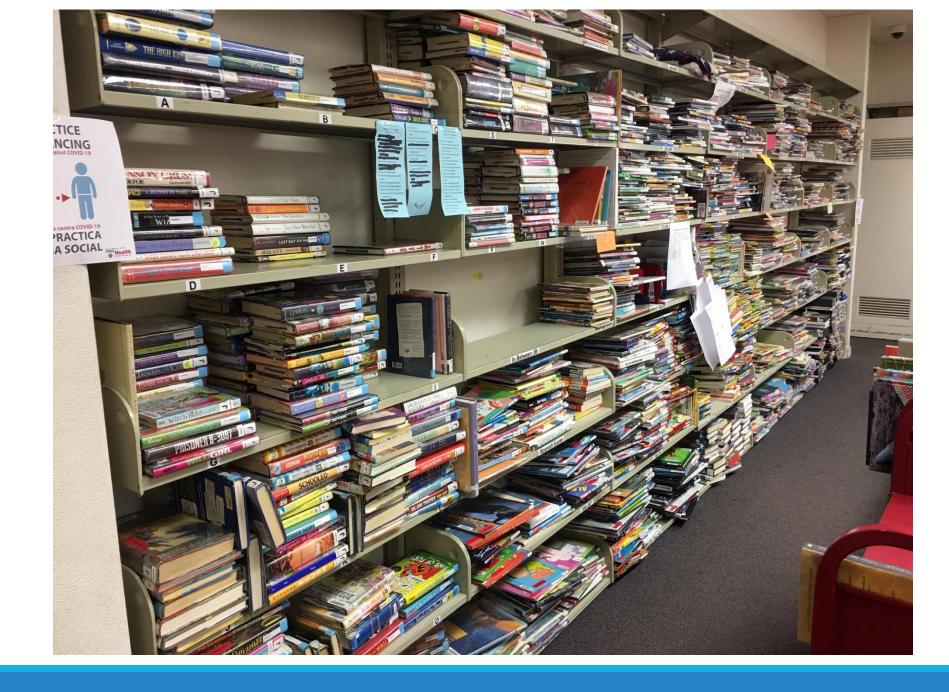
OCTOBER 5, 2020 LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION PRESENTED BY: ALLISON GRAY, LIBRARY DIRECTOR



STATISTICS

- Circulated 66,629 items in March-July
- No more interlibrary lending of materials since March. None planned until next year, most likely, due to halving of Black Gold's budget from the State. Therefore, patrons can only request items from Goleta, Buellton or Solvang.





LIBRARY BASICS

- Library closed in early April due to City of Goleta's Shelter at Home directive to all staff.
- Library staff only allowed in building to pick up Craft Kits to mail from the United States Post Office.
- ❖ Building was deep-cleaned regularly between April and June 1st when staff was allowed back in the building.
- No returns allowed during this time period.
- Sidewalk Service commenced.
- Eventually Sidewalk Service hours became Wednesday through Saturday from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm





CRAFT KITS FOR KIDS

- While sheltering at home, staff focused on creating Craft Kits for children since programming at the Library was no longer possible.
- Friends of the Goleta Valley Library helped defray some of the postage costs.
- Anonymous donor gave \$1,000 to purchase craft kits.
- All kits had Spanish translations of instructions.
- Kits put in individual baggies and separated by age group for ease of selection for sending out.
- Staff also created craft kits using recyclable materials.
- Over 1,400 children signed up for program.
- 3990 kits were given out May-August
- After Sidewalk Service began, we no longer mailed craft kits out; parents come pick them up at the Library.

Crafts for Adults

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CRAFTS FOR ADULTS

All Free Knitting

Learn Knitting

Art Bar

Crafts by Amanda

Crafts for All Seasons

11 Creative Crafts to Keep Adults Busy During COVID

50 Fun DIY's for Adults

5 Free Calligraphy Courses

Harry Potter Crafts & Activities

HGTV Easy DIY Crafts to Do On Your Own

How to Draw Cartoons

How to Draw

How to Make a Dahlia Book Page Wreath

Old Book Page Ornament

Ideas to Keep Busy at Home for All Ages Website

ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS

BRAIN GAMES, PUZZLES, & FUN STUFF

CRAFTS FOR ADULTS

GREAT ORIGAMI HOW TO VIDEO LINKS

CLASSES FOR ADULTS

DELVE INTO THESE AUTHORS FOR ADULTS

DOWNLOADABLES & MORE

HOW TO HELP FROM HOME

MUSIC AND PODCASTS

WELLNESS & RELAXATION

VIRTUAL VISITS

WRITERS' WORKSHOP

Children's Science



CHILDREN'S SCIENCE

Big Activity Kit of Body Science

Brains On

From American Public Radio, Podcasts for the Whole Family to Learn From

California Academy of Science

Crash Course Kids

Science with a side of awesome.

Explore.org

A live nature camera network and documentary film channel with free lesson plans.

The Exploratorium

Science Activities for kids

Gravity Points

Watch gravity in action

How Stuff Works

Science information for kids

The Kid Should See This

Smart Videos for Kids of All Ages

Left Brain, Craft Brain

Inspiration for Young Engineers

Mystery Doug

Science site for kids

NASA Kids Page

National Geographic Learning from Home Resources

National Geographic Kids

Ideas to Keep Busy at Home for All Ages curated website cont.

CHILDREN'S HOME EDUCATION

CHILDREN'S ART & MUSIC

CHILDREN'S CODING & MATH

CHILDREN'S READING & LITERACY

CHILDREN'S SCIENCE

CHILDREN'S AUTHORS & STORIES

CHILDREN'S CRAFTS

FAMILY ACTIVITIES AND WEBSITES

NATURE & ANIMAL LIVE CAMERA STREAMS

STORYTIMES IN ENGLISH & SPANISH

TEEN CORNER



VIRTUAL ADULT & FAMILY PROGRAMS

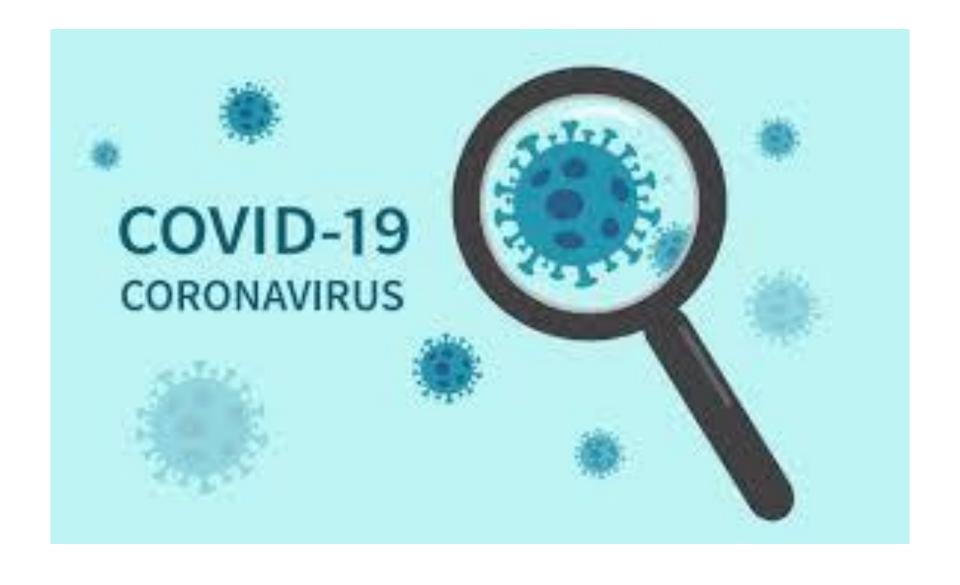
- Multiple storytimes for different ages, languages, times of day/night
- Tech Tutoring
- > Summer Reading Club for Kids and Teens
- Annual Bookmark Contest
- Book to Action Grant Program & Pet Supply Donation Drive
- Book Discussions
- ➤ Summer Program Performers
- Craft Project Demonstrations for Adults and for Families
- ➤ Youtube video channel for library with videos on new way of placing holds
- Check in With a Librarian





SIDEWALK SERVICE

- ❖ Sidewalk Service began June 1.
- ❖ Patrons must place holds on the items they would like to check out from Goleta, Buellton and Solvang. We are doing shipment between the 3 branches 2 times a week.
- After receiving notification that their items are waiting for them, they come to the Library during set hours and text or call staff. There is a "concierge" staff person outside who helps with questions, etc. Staff inside pull the holds, check them out and put them in paper bags with the person's name on them. They bring them to a table outside that blocks entry to the Library lobby, call the person's name. One person at a time can go up to the table to pick up their items as we are practicing social distancing. No one gets service if they are not wearing a mask.



COVID'S IMPACT ON IV GRANT

- Initial check for \$100,000 not received from the State until September
 2, so grant timeline is well behind schedule.
- Next step is to get City Council to accept the grant money.
- > Then we will purchase the vehicle and start ordering Little Libraries.
- Due to COVID and the fact that we are doing contactless service at the Library, we are studying what services we can safely offer in Isla Vista during the high alert COVID period. It may be that we do a form of Sidewalk Service where we drop off people's holds to specific locations while minimizing contact, especially if people in Isla Vista are neither wearing masks nor practicing social distancing.



WHEN WILL LIBRARY OPEN?

- ❖ We do not yet have a set date on which we plan to open. Right now libraries could open at 25% capacity but there are a great many problems with that approach. We just cannot see how it could work while being safe for everyone involved.
- *We are working cooperatively with the Santa Barbara Library System in terms of reopening dates.
- The OCLC and CDC are still conducting studies on COVID's lasting presence on library materials and as of this date, recommend quarantining all returns for a minimum of 6 days. We do it for 7. At the beginning of their tests they recommended 2 days but we operated under an excess of caution and chose 7 days, a decision with which we are now very happy with.