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# Library Department Head Report March FY22 Submitted by: Andrea Corvin

## **Programs/Events**

- Spring Reading Challenge
  - Register and participate in another reading challenge for prize drawings beginning March 6 by downloading the Beanstack app: <a href="https://www.beanstack.com/mobile-app">https://www.beanstack.com/mobile-app</a>. Program began on March 20 and will run through April 30.
- Bad Art Competition
  - Almost 60 people participated in the Bad Art Competition event on Saturday, March 12, 2022. The library received 34 entries and opened voting immediately after the event. This event generated lots of community interest and positive feedback – we plan on hosting another in the Fall!
- NM Listens Visions for Our Future
  - Hosted engagement forum in collaboration with other local organizations to recultivate community connection and solicit input from community members.

#### **Unresolved Maintenance Issues**

- Roof leaks are still active in the Youth and Fiction Areas of the library. Some ceiling panels had to be removed prior to collapse because they were so saturated with the recent moisture.
- Water spigot valve still inoperable at south library exit near Barrowhenge art installation.
- Toilets in the women's restroom are continuing to leak and/or not flush correctly.
- All men's restroom urinals and toilets have issues flushing contents completely and have been closed to the public due to health concerns.
- Some sinks in both the men's and women's restrooms no longer operate.
- The water fountains are corroded and very calcified.
- Water lines and valves in the water utility closet are severely corroded.
- There are some unprotected lighting fixtures that need new covers.
- An inoperable emergency exit light needs to be replaced.
- The fire door to the electrical room needs to be reattached securely.
- There are some exposed electrical wires that need to be capped/hidden.

#### **Other News**

- Library still severely short-handed. Librarians are still covering the circulation desk shifts, performing clerical work, shoveling snow, taking out trash, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, cleaning women's restroom, etc. in addition to their administrative duties.
- Completed painting one of the murals on the solar hallway wall for the community mural event.
- Town is still looking into contracting with a plumber and electrician and hiring for janitorial position.
- Completed procurement process to order additional furniture for public use throughout the library and new steel browser box shelving for the youth graphic novel collection.

### **Coming Up Soon**

- Let's Paint a Mural!
  - Help the library add some pizazz to the solar hallway walls by filling in a prepared mural with bright colors during regular hours of operations on April 2 – April 9! All materials provided and no artistic experience needed to participate!
- Community Engagement Project April 9 May 7

- It's time to complete another community assessment to continue to qualify for State Grants in Aid and GO Bond funding with the NM State Library. We'll be asking for community input with a series of four questions to get a better sense of peoples' aspirations for their community to inform our services responses.
- National Volunteer Appreciation Week
  - Edgewood runs on volunteers; be sure to thank one during National Volunteer Appreciation Week on Sunday, April 17, 2022 – Saturday, April 23, 2022.
- Library Advisory Board Meeting
  - Anyone is welcome to attend the Library Advisory Board's quarterly meeting on Thursday, April 21,2022 at 6:30pm in the Town's Commission Chambers. The agenda and packet will be available soon and can be downloaded online: <a href="https://www.edgewood-nm.gov/departments/library/agendas">https://www.edgewood-nm.gov/departments/library/agendas</a> and minutes.php
- Summer Reading Program Registration May 23 June 4
  - We're looking forward to another fun and engaging Summer Reading Program to keep the kiddos reading over the summer months. We're still ironing out all the details so stay tuned for more information soon!