

LIBRARY LINES

LEXINGTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY — CONNECT. ENGAGE. ENRICH.

December 2022

IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME

Santa Claus – The big guy visited six branches — Batesburg-Leesville, Chapin, Gaston, Pelion, South Congaree-Pine Ridge and Swansea — this holiday season. He posed for pictures, made note of wish lists and spread Christmas cheer. He began his Lexington County visit on December 1 at Chapin Branch Library with **250** little ones. The Friends of Chapin Branch Library provided a community meal and free book for each child. Santa ended his journey on December 22 at Pelion Branch Library with **138** of his tiny friends. The Grinch was also in attendance and all the smiling faces made his heart grow three sizes that day.



Arbor Day – On December 2, Chapin Garden Club planted a crabapple tree at Chapin Branch Library for South Carolina Arbor Day. There were **18** patrons in attendance, including the mayor of Chapin, Al Koon. It marks the beginning of their pollinator garden coming in 2023, and the dedication on the plaque read, "Honoring our grandchildren and great grandchildren."

Employee Recognition – Mauricio Blanco, systems PC/LAN specialist II, was awarded the Rising Star Award. He was nominated due to his friendly demeanor and dedication to his new position. Mauricio has participated in outreach events, lending his musical talents and Spanish language skills to broaden cultural awareness and digital literacy.



Community Parades – On December 3, South Congaree-Pine Ridge Branch Library and their junior volunteers participated in the town of South Congaree's Christmas Parade. Batesburg-Leesville Branch Library attended their Annual Christmas Parade on December 4. The staff created a float to match the "Hometown Christmas" theme. On December 10, Cayce-West Columbia Branch Library staff and Outreach Coordinator Kate Barry walked in the CWC Chamber Parade of Lights with an LCPL banner and giant library card.



Social Scene – Irmo Branch Library's Mona Verma (reference librarian) put together *Social Scene: Holiday Party* on December 10. The 42 partygoers had a grand time playing holiday trivia games, building gingerbread houses and taking photos in front of the festive backdrop.



Porkchop Productions – All throughout the month of December, Porkchop Productions performed *Holly & the Christmas Kerfuffle* at all ten branches for a grand total of 365 attendees. With hilarious jokes and great storytelling, they brought the smiles everywhere they went.



Winter Fest – On December 3, Lexington Main partnered with Lexington School District One Parenting Center for *Winter Fest*. The 142 attendees celebrated the wintry season with bilingual stories and multicultural performances.



Kid Zone – Swansea Branch Library held *Kid Zone: It's a Wrap* on December 12. The kids escaped the holiday hoopla with some fun gift wrapping games — where the objective was to wrap each other. On December 15, Gaston Branch Library held *Kid Zone: It's the Grinch*. The little ones got in the holiday spirit with Grinch-themed games, crafts and snacks.



F U N FACT LCPL issued 11,974 new library cards and checked out a total of 1.4 million items in 2022.

Monthly Circulation Report

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Material Type	Batesburg- Leesville	Lexington	Cayce- West Columbia	Irmo	Chapin	Swansea	Gaston	Pelton	Gilbert- Summit	Mobile Library	South Congaree- Pine Ridge	Ebooks	SYSTEM TOTALS
Fiction Adult	419	4,102	2,175	2,599	1,086	120	129	341	245	287	390	—	11,893
Paperback	58	187	80	48	45	17	0	5	7	0	6	—	453
NonFiction Adult	262	2,510	1,111	1,260	476	43	86	202	165	194	161	—	6,470
LARGE PRINT	308	1,746	802	751	329	67	58	75	136	761	98	—	5,131
Non-Circulating	1	19	11	1	1	0	1	0	0	18	3	—	55
Interlibrary Loan	1	7	21	6	0	0	0	1	3	0	5	—	44
Periodical	97	383	210	182	255	24	18	44	30	0	22	—	1,265
Fiction Juvenile	227	4,968	858	1,410	859	31	93	200	205	554	262	—	9,667
NonFiction Juvenile	226	3,296	772	874	717	73	59	94	171	832	137	—	7,251
EASY	592	11,064	2,269	2,470	1,551	296	244	535	861	5,877	612	—	26,371
Fiction Young Adult	69	1,612	328	472	221	23	72	113	62	61	113	—	3,146
NonFiction Young Adult	8	133	26	40	22	2	1	4	4	1	11	—	252
Subtotal YS Print	1,122	21,073	4,253	5,266	3,370	425	469	946	1,303	7,325	1,135	—	46,687
Total Print Books	2,268	30,027	8,663	10,113	5,562	696	761	1,614	1,889	8,585	1,820	—	71,998
Audio Book Adult	18	376	151	312	102	5	7	43	3	221	24	—	1,262
Audio Book Juvenile	12	158	72	119	44	2	8	6	11	101	7	—	540
Video Adult	519	1,616	976	872	379	163	231	238	240	136	148	—	5,518
Video Juvenile	111	1,232	305	303	218	55	125	101	110	224	69	—	2,853
Total A/V	660	3,382	1,504	1,606	743	225	371	388	364	682	248	—	10,173
Realia	2	3	8	5	2	0	0	1	1	0	2	—	24
Total Hard Copy	2,930	33,412	10,175	11,724	6,307	921	1,132	2,003	2,254	9,267	2,070	—	82,195
Ebooks	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	13,680	13,680
Downloadable Audio	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	11,814	11,814
Downloadable Video	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	368	368
Downloadable Music	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	145	145
Downloadable Magazines	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	919	919
Total Downloadables	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	26,926	26,926
Total Circulation	2,930	33,412	10,175	11,724	6,307	921	1,132	2,003	2,254	9,267	2,070	26,926	109,121
Computer Internet	185	386	548	504	86	55	64	44	33	0	59	—	1,964
AWE Computer Sessions	58	344	143	109	148	33	21	40	58	0	36	—	990
Wifi	198	1806	839	636	103	120	172	112	83	0	94	—	4,164
Laptop	0	2	9	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	14
SmartBoard	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	0
Total Computer	441	2,538	1,539	1,252	337	208	257	196	174	0	189	—	7,132

DECEMBER 2022 - Monthly Programs and Services Report



Lifelong Learning Programs	Batesburg-Leesville	Lexington	Cayce-West Columbia	Irmo	Chapin	Swansea	Gaston	Pelton	Gilbert-Summit	Mobile Library	South Congaree-Pine Ridge				SYSTEM TOTALS
Adult Programs (In-House, Not Including Outreach)	4	16	19	7	4	2	2	4	1	0	4	—	—	—	63
Adult Programs (In-House, Not Including Outreach) Attendance	17	134	154	93	53	16	0	11	6	0	18	—	—	—	502
Virtual Adult Programs	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	1
Virtual Adult Programs Attendance	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	11
Mixed Ages Programs	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	3	0	1	—	—	—	11
Mixed Ages Programs Attendance	102	0	0	0	338	0	26	175	54	0	44	—	—	—	739
Children's/Teen Programs (In-House, Not Including Outreach)	10	33	13	11	11	6	6	8	6	0	9	—	—	—	113
Children's/Teen Programs (In-House, Not Including Outreach) Attendance	112	754	234	139	167	134	49	128	68	0	170	—	—	—	1,955
Virtual Children's/Teen Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
Virtual Children's/Teen Programs Attendance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
Outreach Programs (Adults + Children/Teens)	2	45	0	7	2	2	0	1	6	0	10	—	—	—	75
Outreach Programs (Adults + Children/Teen) Attendance	46	1040	0	186	66	35	0	7	94	0	146	—	—	—	1,620
Virtual Outreach Programs (Adults + Children/Teen)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
Virtual Outreach Programs (Adults + Children/Teen) Attendance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
1:1 Training Sessions	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	—	—	—	4
Take and Make Kits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	—	—	—	32
Book Drop Offs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	60	0	—	—	—	72
TOTAL # VIRTUAL PROGRAMS	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	1
TOTAL # VIRTUAL PARTICIPANTS	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	11
TOTAL # PROGRAMS	17	94	32	25	19	10	9	16	16	0	24	—	—	—	262
TOTAL # PARTICIPANTS	277	1,928	388	418	624	185	75	321	222	0	378	—	—	—	4,816
Resources Used													Electronic Resources		SYSTEM TOTALS
Adult Books	1,051	8,574	4,208	4,670	1,939	247	274	625	557	1,260	665	—	—	—	24,070
Children's/Teen Books	1,122	21,073	4,253	5,266	3,370	425	469	946	1,303	7,325	1,135	—	—	—	46,687
Downloadable Reading	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14,599	—	14,599
Magazines, Newspapers	97	383	210	182	255	24	18	44	30	0	22	—	—	—	1,265
Downloadable Watch/Listen	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12,327	—	12,327
Adult Audio Books	18	376	151	312	102	5	7	43	3	221	24	—	—	—	1,262
Children's Audio Books	12	158	72	119	44	2	8	6	11	101	7	—	—	—	540
DVDs	519	1,616	976	872	379	163	231	238	240	136	148	—	—	—	5,518
Children's DVDs	111	1,232	305	303	218	55	125	101	110	224	69	—	—	—	2,853
Database Searches	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	28,230	—
TOTAL CIRCULATION	2,930	33,412	10,175	11,724	6,307	921	1,132	2,003	2,254	9,267	2,070	—	26,926	—	109,121
Individualized Assistance	Batesburg-Leesville	Lexington	Cayce-West Columbia	Irmo	Chapin	Swansea	Gaston	Pelton	Gilbert-Summit	Mobile Library	South Congaree-Pine Ridge	Email	Chat	Admin	SYSTEM TOTALS
General Questions	464	620	1104	348	235	41	48	243	166	3420	135	7	18	12	6,861
Technology-Related	120	205	103	29	22	10	6	66	5	1	66	1	2	0	636
Job-Related	7	2	20	13	17	5	4	12	3	0	3	0	0	0	86
Ebook-Related	3	40	19	20	10	4	2	20	1	0	22	3	2	2	148
TOTAL ASSISTANCE	594	867	1,246	410	284	60	60	341	175	3,421	226	11	22	14	7,731
Other Library Uses															TOTALS
Door Counter	1,960	13,556	2,713	8,924	3,224	664	540	493	573	0	979	—	—	—	33,626
Meeting/Study Room Use	1	106	81	12	9	1	3	0	0	0	1	—	—	—	214
Meeting/Study Attendance	14	571	165	70	20	1	28	0	0	0	10	—	—	—	879
Computer Use	243	732	700	616	234	88	85	84	91	0	95	—	—	—	2,968
WiFi	198	1806	839	636	103	120	172	112	83	0	94	—	—	—	4,164
New Cards Issued	21	267	92	60	65	13	18	19	7	1	15	—	—	—	578