



CITY OF STAYTON

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mayor Quigley and the Stayton City Council

FROM: Janna Moser - Library Director

DATE: January 20, 2026

SUBJECT: December Library report

In December, we had a great crowd for our shake-it-up storytime week, which is a special storytime that Jennifer adds hands-on activity stations to reinforce the concepts they've been exploring at Storytime. We want to shout out Republic Services, SCTC and Stayton Public Works for helping bring our construction rhymes to life with real trucks!

We had 112 people join us for Hygge in the Dark as we lit the Library with music and lights. Thank you to Denise, Eileen, Korin, Laurie, Nicolas, Katie, Brandon, and Julia for helping us light up the Library! It also kicked off our Winter Reading Challenge. We are encouraging people of all ages to engage in a Hygge (hoo-gah) inspired lifestyle, with opportunities to explore different aspects of a lifestyle beloved by one of the happiest countries in the world. To play, they are tracking activities in categories of their choice (Read - Make - Health - Nature - Connect - Focus). When they complete three activities in that category, they bring the form back to the Library. We are planning a Viking Fest at the end of January, inspired by the balanced activities we have worked on throughout the challenge.

We opened our STEAM Lab every day after school for a week, for an hour, and children of all ages explored the beginnings of coding with binary code bracelets and Code and Go robot mice. Anna led our Sippin' into a Social Hour program, this time focused on music, and Rachel hosted Fiber Arts Connection. Book club met to discuss Mother-Daughter Murder Night by Nina Simon.

Jennifer and Janna provided free books to all children at Stayton Elementary School's caroling event. Evie hosted our Holiday Party, and all Library staff helped celebrate our volunteers, Friends of the Library, Library Board, and Library Foundation board members. Jennifer represented Stayton at the Polk, Yamhill and Marion (PYM) Children's Services meeting, and Janna represented Stayton at the PYM Library Directors meeting.

Upcoming events:

- Family Storytime: January 20 at 10:30am
- Build It! LEGOS: January 20-23 at 3:30pm
- Toddler Time: Stay & Play: January 21 at 10:30am
- Sippin' Into a Social Hour: January 22 at 11:00am
- Family Storytime: January 27 at 10:30am
- Toddler Time: Stay & Play: January 28 at 10:30am
- Adults: Book Discussion - The Last Mona Lisa: January 28 at 4:00pm
- Viking Fest: Winter Reading Celebration: January 31 at 11:00am
- INKED! A Stayton Public Library Foundation Fundraiser: February 28 at 6:30pm - tickets available: <https://wl.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E167041&id=12>

2025-2026 Monthly Library Statistics

	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	2025-26 YTD	2024-2025	
TOTAL CHECKOUTS															
Physical items	13,606	13,102	11,402	11,858	11,310	10,931							72,209	144,389	
Digital items (ebooks + downloadable audio)	2,386	2,428	2,363	2,470	2,524	2,501							14,672	25,955	
INCOME RECEIVED															
Non-resident cards	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$277.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$282.00							\$559.00	\$722.00	
Fines	\$1,058.43	\$0.00	\$294.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$391.00							\$1,744.05	\$6,710.88	
													TOTAL	\$2,303.05	\$7,432.88
REFERENCE QUESTIONS	620	584	488	564	476	492							3,224	6,640	
NEW PATRON CARDS	102	58	76	95	58	61							450	815	
INTERNET USE	340	306	319	366	224	275							1,830	3,190	
PROGRAM ATTENDANCE															
Children & adults at Children's Programs	1,058	469	375	1,343	695	361							4,301	10,547	
Teens	0	0	0	0	5	0							5	106	
Adults	52	4	85	51	186	73							451	1,583	
													TOTAL PROGRAM ATTENDANCE	4,757	12,236
OUTREACH BOOKS	450	404	404	480	403	451							2,592	5,498	
PATRON VISITS	4,695	3,990	3,575	4,507	3,435	3,329							23,531	44,318	
VOLUNTEER HOURS	136	96	82	106	81	94							595	1,627	