



Buena Park Library District Annual Report 2018/2019

Celebrating 100 years of Service



35,555
Reference Questions
were answered

Buena Park Library District

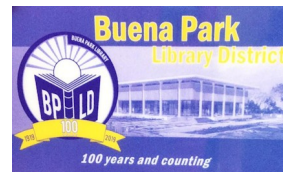
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www.buenaparklibrary.org

Library Hours:

Mon - Thurs 10am - 8pm
Fri - Sat 10am - 5pm
The Library is closed
Sundays and holidays

4,094
new cards
issued



Offered Free access to 16
public computers with
26,974 uses

78,856 visits to our catalog
8,155 eResource uses
62,960 website visits
42,889 WiFi logins

Our Mission

The Buena Park Library is committed to providing free and equal access of information, programs and services to educate, entertain and enrich the lives of our diverse community.



338,136
Total items
were
borrowed

including **20,593**
eBooks

Heartfelt
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Their work saved
the library
\$41,064!

Volunteers
worked
3,422 hours



PASSPORT APPLICATION SERVICES

10,345 applications
accepted

5,604 pictures taken

\$418,115

in revenue generated

The
Library
welcomed
234,937

visitors this year



672 programs were
attended by
26,901 people



Our Outreach Team took our
"Pop Up Library"
out into our community to 36 events this
summer, signed up over 300 children for
our Summer Reading Program and
checked out 1,693 books.

District Board of Trustees

Patricia Ganer	President
Irene Castaneda	President Pro-Tem
Richard Rams	Secretary
Al Salehi	Trustee
Dennis Salts	Trustee



THANK YOU

The Volunteer Guild donated
\$24,000 for Library programs
and collections

A message from our Director ~

Welcome to the Buena Park Library District's 2018/2019 Annual Report. It was an amazing year as we celebrated the Library's 100th Anniversary with a look back at how much the Buena Park Library has progressed over the years. The Library continues to strengthen and empower our community in more ways than ever before. If you have not been to the Library lately, it's definitely time for you to come check us out! You will notice we have made a few changes, beginning with a new monument sign that prominently displays our location and a new ADA accessible ramp that is reachable from the sidewalk on La Palma. We have also upgraded the parking lot with LED lighting, additional parking stalls, new trees and landscaping. Inside the Library, six new murals were painted in the Donna Bagley Community Room, each depicting a different region of California. The murals are both beautiful and educational and definitely worth your visit. Other improvements include upgraded computers in the Computer Center and improved Wi-Fi speed.

The Library continues as a place of learning and inspiration by providing free access to books, student resources, magazines, movies, music, and more in both traditional and digital formats. We also continue to serve as a community space offering free, fun and informative programs for all ages as well as a variety of services to meet the needs of our community. Our accomplishments are the result of the hard work and dedication of our Library staff and volunteers, the leadership of the Board of Trustees and continued support of the Volunteer Guild. We look forward to serving the Buena Park community for 100 years to come.

Mary McCasland
Library Director

100 years and counting...

On June 15th, we celebrated our Library's 100th Anniversary and it was a fun-filled day for everyone. In the morning, we were honored with proclamations from our Buena Park City Council, O.C. Supervisor Doug Chaffee, State Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva, State Senators Bob Archuleta and Ling Ling Chang, and U.S. Representative Gil Cisneros. We were also honored to have our California State Librarian, Greg Lucas, visit us on such a momentous occasion. The day also included Folklorico dancers, a magic show and activities for the whole family. The event served as a reminder of the Library's vital role in the community, which, in addition to being its primary source of information, it is the cornerstone of community engagement. Finally, a big thank you to our hardworking Library staff who helped make the event such a success. The Library would not be what it is without the dedication of our remarkable Library team.



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Highlights of the Past Year

- Held a successful Centennial Celebration.
- Began our Historical Digitization project.
- Completed installation of new computers for the Computer Center.
- Conducted weekly programs for all ages including children's storytimes, a Teen program, and game night for adults.
- Conducted monthly book clubs, a coloring club, a knitting club and a DIY/Craft program for adults.
- Continued outreach efforts by taking the Library van out into the community and attending various school and City events.
- Assisted over 10,000 passport applicants applying for their passport generating over \$400,000 in revenue for the Library.
- Renovated the Library parking lot including new LED lighting, upgraded monument sign, new garage and new trees.

Technology Update



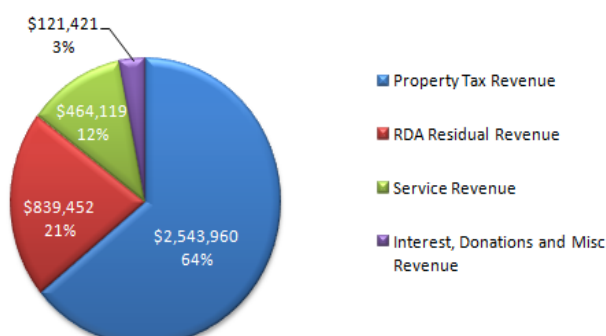
It's been a long time coming...new public computers! Over 10 years ago, we opened our Computer Center with 16 brand new computers, complete with Internet access and Microsoft Office. As time passed, the computer center began to look and feel, well...old. It was definitely time for an upgrade. This summer, we quietly unveiled our new Computer Center with 16 brand new PCs. These new PCs are loaded with the latest Windows 10 operating system, solid state drives, and 16 Gigabytes of RAM that make searching the web, streaming video and running programs a snap. Once again, the Buena Park Library is proud to bring the latest technology to our community. We hope that on your next visit to the library, you will stop by and give our new and improved Computer Center a try. Also, in the coming weeks, we are going to launch our revamped, mobile-friendly website. We love its new look and we hope you will love it too. Please leave us your comments and let us know what you think. We want to make it as user friendly as possible and will keep improving it for everyone.

Priorities for 2019/2020

- Redesign the Library's website
- Conduct a Scanning Event and an Oral History program to gather content as we begin building the Library's Digital History collection.
- Focus on Early Learning by offering an environment that encourages parents and care-givers to read and play with their children.
- Provide quality programming for all ages.
- Increase technology learning opportunities with 3D printing and Virtual Reality (VR) programs.
- Remain focused on community outreach efforts.
- Remain committed to providing excellent customer service to our community.

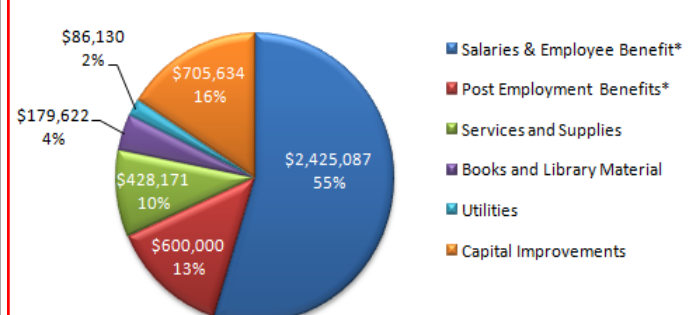
Revenue Fiscal Year 2018/2019

Total Revenue \$3,968,952



Expenses Fiscal Year 2018/2019

Total Expenses \$4,424,644



*Includes additional \$500,000 payments made towards pension liability and OPEB