

# Buena Park Library District

## Annual Report 2021/2022

### 24/7 LIBRARY ACCESS

COMPUTER/TABLET/SMART PHONE

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### Buena Park Library District

7150 La Palma Avenue,  
 Buena Park, CA 90620  
 714-826-4100


### Library Hours:

Mon - Thurs 10am - 8pm  
 Fri - Sat 10am - 5pm


The Library is closed Sundays and Holidays




**33,336 EBOOKS WERE BORROWED**



**97,473 VISITS TO OUR WEBSITE**



**76,565 VISITS TO OUR CATALOG**




**52,637 ONLINE DATABASE USES**



**12,327 CRAFT KITS WERE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL AGE LEVELS**


**District Board of Trustees**

Richard Rams	President
Patricia Ganer	President Pro-Tem
L. Carole Jensen	Secretary
Al Salehi	Trustee
Cheyenne Traut	Trustee




### Our Mission


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



**30,966 REFERENCE QUESTIONS ANSWERED**




**244,839 ITEMS WERE CHECKED OUT**




**17,129 SESSIONS AT OUR PUBLIC COMPUTERS**




**3,589 NEW CARDS WERE ISSUED**



**128,520 VISITED OUR LIBRARY**



**1,187 PATRONS PARTICIPATED IN 4 READING PROGRAMS**



**VOLUNTEERS WORKED 1,233 HOURS**



**253 PROGRAMS WERE HELD WITH 21,360 IN ATTENDANCE**

Dear Buena Park Library Stakeholders,

It is an honor to introduce myself as the new Library Director of the Buena Park Library District. I was appointed Library Director in April 2022 by the Library Board of Trustees. The previous Library Director, Mary McCasland, retired after 35 years of service to the Library and the community of Buena Park. Before being appointed Library Director, I served as the Library Services Supervisor where I oversaw the Adult, Teen, and Children's Departments, programs, services, and library collections for all ages.

I believe the public library is an important and valuable community resource. I want to bring more awareness to the wonderful programs and services the library offers so that our community members can take full advantage of the benefits the library can bring them. The library offers social, educational, and cultural activities for patrons of all ages including story times, author lectures, book clubs, and STEAM activities. It also connects people to valuable services, including workforce development resources and nutrition assistance, all without cost.

The COVID19 pandemic has been a difficult time period for many, as the need to distance has had a detrimental impact on relationships, education, and recreation. In 2022 and beyond, the Buena Park Library will be here for you to help rebuild those lost connections. Visit the library to check out a California State Parks Pass to enjoy the outdoors with your loved ones. Borrow a Launchpad Early Learning Tablet to take safe, fun, interactive, educational learning games with you anywhere without the need for an internet connection. Spend time with us after story time to construct a 3D dinosaur skeleton, play with our train table, or build with our magnetic tiles. Socialize with others during a book club or craft program or enjoy a quiet study space to work independently. Visit our Volunteer Guild Bookstore to buy a gift for a loved one. The library has so many things to offer for so many people. I hope you will visit your library soon and find something here that appeals to you. We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,  
Helen Medina  
Library Director

## Community Partnerships

We would like to thank our community partners who have worked with us throughout the year to help serve the people of a Buena Park. The library provides many programs and services, but also connects people to many local resources and has partnered with many organizations over the last year to better serve our community.

American Red Cross	OC Healthcare Agency
Buena Park School District	OC Registrar of Voters
California State Library	OC Mosquito and Vector Control District
City of Buena Park	OC Workforce Solutions
Centralia Elementary School District	UCCE Master Gardeners of Orange County
OC Fire Authority	Volunteer Guild of the Buena Park Library

## Highlights of the Last Year

- Transitioned to By-District voting for Library Board of Trustee Elections
- Recruited and hired a new Library Director
- Revised the Passport Application Acceptance Program to alleviate crowding and wait time
- Participated in the Lunch at the Library State program
- Began the upgrade of new HVAC system and plumbing project
- Became an official Vote Center for the June elections
- Completed a comprehensive Classification and Compensation study
- Updated staff computers
- Upgraded the Early Learning AWE stations
- Added the State sponsored State Parks Pass program
- Added pre-loaded interactive Launchpad tablets to the Children's Collection

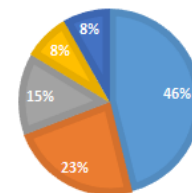
## Priorities for 2022/2023

- Finish upgrade of new HVAC system and plumbing project
- Add Nature Explorer Adventure Kits to our borrowing collection
- Continue to form partnerships with local schools
- Explore more outreach opportunities in the community
- Provide continuing education and development to all staff
- Maintain our commitment to provide excellent customer service to our community

### REVENUE FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022

TOTAL REVENUE \$4,658,833

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| Property Taxes - \$2,146,260          | Intergovernmental Revenue - \$1,080,607 |
| Pass-thru - \$666,377                 | Service Revenue - \$382,984             |
| Interest and Misc Revenue - \$382,655 |   |



### EXPENSES FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022

TOTAL EXPENSES \$3,267,927

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| Salaries & Emp Benefits - \$2,104,004 | Post Employee Benefits - \$0          |
| Services & Supplies - \$451,231       | Books & Library Materials - \$179,600 |
| Utilities - \$102,239                 | Fixed Assets \$430,853                |

