

Roswell Public Library
November 15, 2024 – December 18, 2024

Flood Recovery

The library has minor damage due to the October flood. Now that the mold abatement has been completed, we are looking to repair walls and replace carpet. Our first priority is to repair the large meeting room or Bondurant Room. We have reallocated funds from new flooring at the circulation desk to replace the carpet in the meeting room. We are seeking quotes for wall repairs.

We lost some materials in the flood and are quite grateful to Altrusa International District Ten for the \$100 donation of books that replaced some books that were at homes that were damaged. We had 13 iPads and cases and two Apple TV's that we were using Library General Obligations Bond funds purchase the items. The items were housed at the IT Department and destroyed in the flood. We have requested reimbursement from New Mexico State Library.

Accomplishments

Building Improvements

Fire Extinguishers: The fire extinguishers passed inspection and we are set up for our next inspection in December 2025. It was noted that next year we should expect to have 10 fire extinguishers replaced.

Hot Water: The issue with the damaged hot water mixer has been resolved and we have hot water to the south side of the building.

Dryer: A new dryer has been purchased. This will allow the Police Department to use the washer and dryer for cleaning clothes.

Service Improvements

Be A Super Reader: The Roswell Public Library has two year-round reading programs. Raise a Super Reader to encourage children to read 1,000 books before kindergarten and Be a Super Reader to encourage elementary students to create a reading habit. Recently, Altrusa International District Ten made a \$300 donation to the library to support the Be a Super Reader program.

Yearbook Project: The Roswell Public Library is partnering with the Historical Society of Southwest New Mexico to create a word searchable digitized record of the high school yearbooks. We have 1911-1937 of the Roswell High School yearbook online at roswell-nm.historyarchives.online/home. This project is being paid with Library General Obligation Bond funds.

Technology: We have been given five laptops to use for training the public as part of the Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell Project C-3PO: Increasing Internet Services to Chaves County. In January 2025 we will host a laptop distribution event at the library with Eastern New Mexico University- Roswell.

Plans for December and January

- Host a Grinchy Yuletide Festival on December 21
- Host a Noon Year's Eve Celebration on December 31
- Submit a Request for Quote for the architectural plans for the Play and Learn Area.

- Submit another set of yearbooks to be scanned.