

THE LIBRARY BUILDS STRONG COMMUNITY

The Roswell Public Library helps to build a strong community as it provides everyone access to information and education regardless of socioeconomic status or location. The Library offers knowledge and entertainment through books, magazines, and DVDs, free programs, access to the internet, materials for lifelong learning, and other resources that would otherwise be difficult to find or afford. The Library provides a place to study and connect.

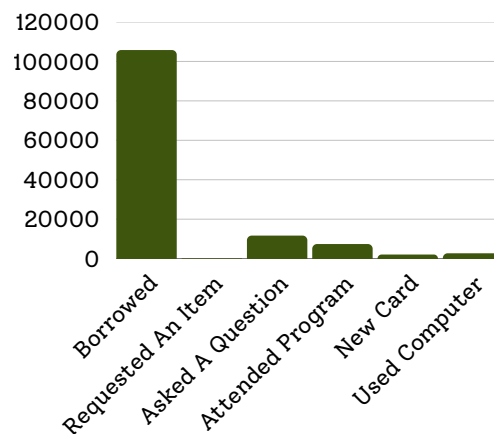


LIBRARIES = STRONG COMMUNITIES

LIBRARIES ARE IMPORTANT FOR EDUCATION

72,741 Visitors

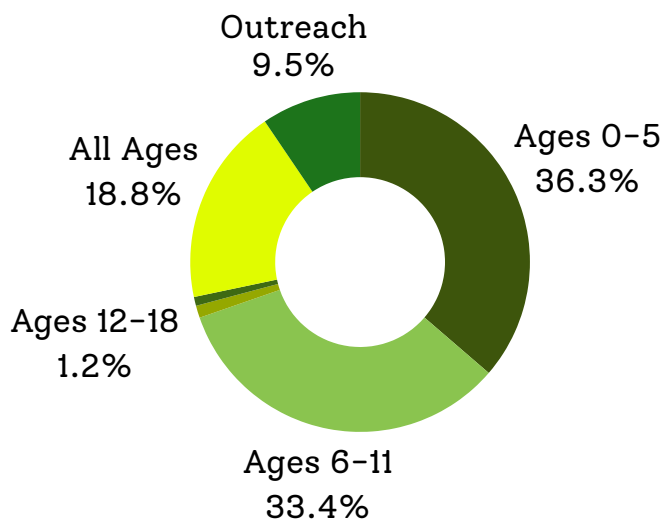
- Borrowed 105,777 Items
- Requested 141 Items from another Library
- Asked 11,678 Reference Questions
- 7395 Attended Programs
- 2,070 Applied for a Library Card
- 2700 Used library computers



LIBRARIES PROVIDE A PLACE TO LEARN NEW THINGS

305 programs were offered in 2025 and attended by 9,114.

- 299 were held in the Library.
 - 2967 attended the 168 programs for ages 0-5
 - 2,726 attended the 101 programs for ages 6-11
 - 95 attended the 14 programs for ages 12-18
 - 69 attended the 15 programs for ages 19 and older.
 - 1538 attended 17 programs for all ages
- 6 programs were not at the Library and attended by 1,719 people.



Program Attendance

LIBRARIES PROMOTE LITERACY

Summer Reading Program
614 Children, and Teens
participated in the reading program
by reading at least one book.



Reading programs are done at home and are not counted with the program statistics.

3,187 children completed scavenger hunts.

700 first day of school bags with a book and supplies were given to kindergarten students.

LIBRARIES PROVIDE A SENSE OF COMMUNITY

513,334 Facebook View

- 6,400 Facebook Interactions
- 200 Facebook Posts
- 19,000 Facebooks Visits
- 4,693 Facebook Reactions
- 4,803 Facebook Followers

<https://www.facebook.com/Roswell Public Library/>

SPECIAL THANKS

Roswell Library Foundation
and the
Friends of the Library,
for providing funds
for
Library Programs

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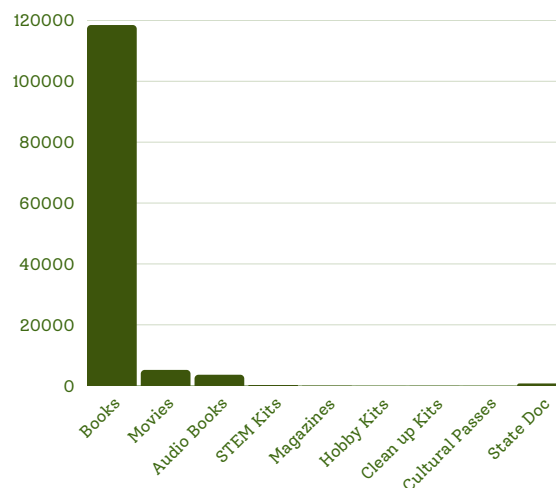


Began offer an online picture books collection to schools and public using General Obligation bond funds

LIBRARIES OFFER A VARIETY OF RESOURCES THAT ARE ACCESSIBLE TO EVERYONE

The Roswell Public Library owns
136,343 items which include:

- 118,481 Books
- 747 State Documents
- 5,187 Movies
- 3,601 Audio Books
- 50 Newspaper and Magazine titles
- 30 Nature Backpacks
- 227 STEM Kits
- 10 Hobby Kits
- 20 Keep Roswell Beautiful Clean-up Kits
- 10 Cultural Passes



MONTH BY MONTH

January

- Katelyn Turner, Roswell Public Library STEM Instructor, was selected as one of 13 people nationwide to take part in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Public Library Innovation Exchange (PLIX) Ambassador's program.
- 189 people attended the tea party at the library.
- Facilities Department repaired the walls in the Bondurant room and on the west side of the building that were damage by the October 2024 flood.

February

- Roswell Museum began offering Second Saturday programs at the library.

March

- Touch a Truck Program was enjoyed by 264 children and adults
- Studio 27 selected to create plans for the Children's Garden/Jardin de los Ninos
- City Council approved waiving fee for items damaged in the October 2024 flood.
- HVAC system was repaired
- 168 people help created the Roswell Public Library Rube Goldberg Machine Challenge as part of the PLAX program.



April

- The Day of the Child and Day of the Book was celebrated by 169 children and adults
- The Tree of Knowledge was cleaned.

May

- Moved the Spanish nonfiction book collection to expand the Spanish fiction collection, move the magazine area and nonfiction book club collection

June

- Offer the summer reading program in June and July to 614 children, teens and adults.
- Painting of the Bondurant Room and the west side of the inter walls, damaged done by the October 2024 flood.
- Vaquero Statue placed in the library. This is the second statue that is part of the Spring River project. It will be in the library until it is place near the Spring River



July

- Over 700 Kindergarten bags were delivered to Roswell Schools with the assistance of Roswell Transit.
- Completed the Senior Planet Training. Senior Planet is an AARP program designed to encourage those 55 years old and older to learn computer skills. The program may be attended by any adult. State Grants in Aid funds are being used to purchase a charging station, mouse pads, flash drives, speakers and stickers to make the keyboard easier to read.

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August

- Installed a new check out station in the children's area using General Obligation Bonds.
- Worked with the Historical Society to scan High School Yearbooks using General Obligation Bonds.
- Create a display of Pioneers of Roswell with set of portraits on loan from the Historical Society.
- Partnered with the Chaves County Clerk's office to have another copy of the Roswell Daily Record on microfilm at the Chaves County Office.
- Participated in the RISD Teacher Inservice and community event.

September

- Pecos Valley Quilters created the first display in the Bondurant Room.
- Started the Spice of the Month program.
- Completed the evaluation of the 800 collection and started on the 900 collection. Moved the Genealogy collection.



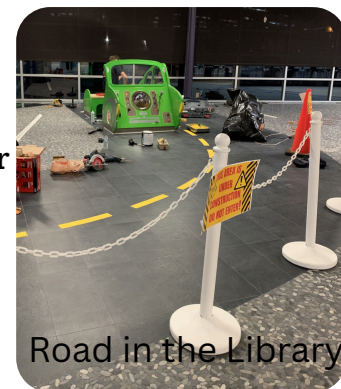
Pecos Valley Quilt

October

- Hosted an animal adoption program with the Roswell Animal Shelter
- Began offering STEAM program on the first and third Saturdays again.
- Removed shelving on the south wall. Replaced hot water heater and installed AED
- Library Foundation purchased musical instrument for the Children's Garden/Jardin de Ninos

November

- 278 people participated in Dia de los Muertos event at the library that included service for the departed, decorating sugar skulls, community ofrenda, music and cultural facepainting.
- Closed the Library for two weeks to replace carpet at the circulation desk and entrance to the children's area with tile and to create a pebble path and tile road in the children's area.
- Painted the south wall of the main area.
- Evaluated and move the State Documents area, Created a UFO collection and New Mexico Collection.



Road in the Library

December

- Received \$10,000 from State of New Mexico as part of the Library Grant in Aid program.
- Replaced the chairs in the public area using General Obligation Bonds.
- More than 250 people attended a Grinchy Yuletide Festival. There was craft, music, storytelling, STEM activity, cookie decorating, and each child selected a free book to take home.
- Move graphic novels close to the Spanish Collection. Purchased shelving and display shelving for the graphic novel collection using General Obligation Bonds.
- 224 people welcomed in the New Year early at the Library on December 31. The event concluded with a balloon drop at 12:00 noon.