

Cedar County Library

2023

Year Review in

34,261



Items checked out

107



Programs offered



31,452

Visitors



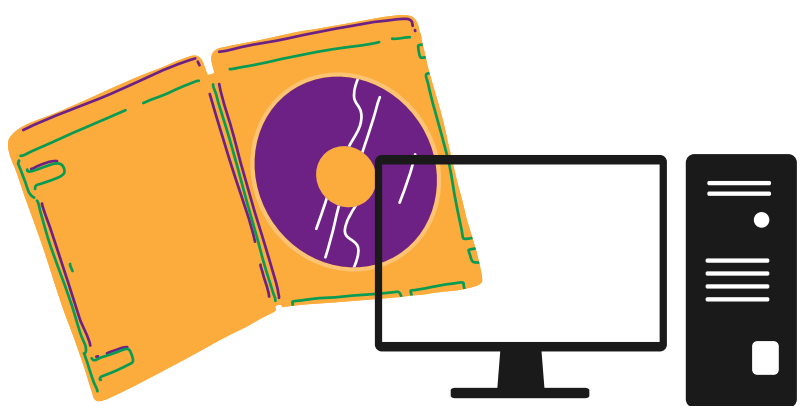
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Attended

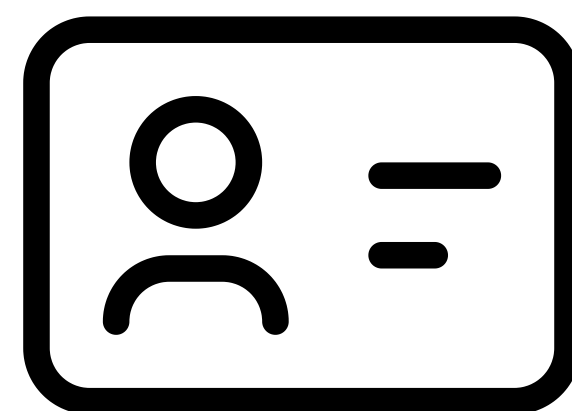
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Computer users



Physical Items



890

New card holders

13,900 - Eldo

16,869-Stockton

Circulation Stats

2023 Circulation Break-Down

	Eldo	Stockton
January	115	1841
February	1002	1473
March	1528	1431
April	1822	360
May	1739	1030
June	1956	1188
July	1782	1296
August	2140	1470
September	1694	1258
October	1668	1488
November	1555	1327
December	1541	1152

To ME

Stockton-2190-

Eldo-1293-

From ME

Stockton-2044-

Eldo-1778

Online Presence

DATABASE USAGE

EBSCO	339
Heritage Quest	32
LEARNINGEXPRESS Library	633
Rosen Digital	32
MoLib2GO (Libby)	7880
TOTAL	8916

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Website views to date: 620,241



Followers: 1.3k

Libby users

135-new*275-total



Operating Income & Expense

INCOME	Jan-Dec, 2023
Cedar County Sales Tax	\$ 328,373.90
A & E	\$ 11,963.59
Contributions	\$ 3,016.69
Equalization	\$ 8,824.82
Fines & Fees	\$ 7,553.72
Interest	\$ 5,498.86
Out of County Fees	\$ 689.00
Property Tax	\$ 208,357.25
SUR Tax	\$ 3,626.89
State Aide	\$ 10,072.35
Stem Kits Grant	\$ 6,454.00
ARPA Grant	\$ 77,000.00
Summer Reading Grant	\$ 172.49
CFO Teen Grant	\$ 700.00
Other Library Fees	\$ 14.95
Insurance Claims	\$ 17,954.09
	\$ 690,272.60

Note: Capital Expenditures amount was planned for construction of the El Dorado Springs building and will not be a recurring cost.

EXPENDITURES	Jan-Dec, 2023
Capital Expenditures	\$ 408,389.72
Grants	\$ 19,218.86
Professional Fees	\$ 17,502.53
Insurance	\$ 10,368.00
Materials	\$ 28,670.35
Office Supplies & Misc	\$ 13,961.84
Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 28,929.28
Wages & Benefits	\$ 237,238.16
Programs	\$ 3,010.72
Technology Services	\$ 28,444.94
Misc	\$ 620.60
	\$ 796,355.00

Grants & Upgrades

Missouri Secretary of State Technology Mini Grant

In November 2023, the Stockton Branch was awarded \$12,650 through a Missouri Secretary of State Technology Mini Grant to replace aging patron computers and to add a mini lab of 6 laptops for technology and job skills related training. Monthly trainings of different technology topics will be held for patrons to attend. In addition, computer workstations will be available for home school students to use for extended periods to complete online courseware.

LSTA Summer Library Program Grant

In December 2023 the Cedar County Library District was awarded Library Services and Technology Act Summer Library Program grant of \$3,038.00. The grant entitled "Beyond the Bookshelf" will fund an 8 week summer program for school age children at both branches. Students will participate in innovative programs focused on exciting activities and reading materials with an outdoor/nature theme. The grant will fund supplies, such as writing journals, instruments and guest speakers. Our regional MDC Educator will do a program on snakes and "Things that Go Bump in the Night" for both age groups. The zoo will come do their "Birds of Prey" program and introduce bird watching to both age groups. Besides reading, journaling, and rock and bug collecting, we will have a lesson on other things kids can do to entertain themselves at their campsite. A local band director will be doing a program on "Rhythm Sticks" and we will have them research and create outdoor games. As the culminating lesson and activity, the last lesson will be held at night. Parents will be invited to what we will call "Night of the Lawn Chair Astronomers". After completing activities, doing internet research and viewing resource and picture books, kids will be able to present to their families what they have learned about the night sky. Local astronomers will set up their telescopes so students and their families can identify constellations and other sky phenomenon.

A Note From the Directors

There have been many positive changes during 2023 in the Cedar County Library District! Not only have we moved into a new facility in El Dorado Springs, but we have a completely new staff in Stockton, as well as two new co-directors.

Our focus has been on customer service and getting the collections in both libraries up to date. We have added lots of new books at both libraries and are very thankful for the state monies we receive to help build and maintain our collections. Most of all, we want both libraries to be inviting to patrons and hope the changes have made the libraries more user friendly and inviting.

We want to thank the staff at both libraries. They are truly the heart of the library. Each of them has their strengths, and all of them have really stepped up to fill the roles needed to keep the libraries operating.

Our programs for children have grown this year. We have also offered some great adult programs, such as Native American Storytelling, and a very popular program on herbs and tinctures. We have many new programs planned for 2024. We will continue to offer programs for children and have received a substantial grant to fund exciting programs to draw in summer readers. We will also offer some adult technology training with the computers we have received through grants. The library has also hosted programs specifically for home school students, and will continue to reach out to home school families to offer support for their needs.

All in all, it has been a great year for the library. We look forward to an even better 2024!

Kim & Shannon