

LIBRARY SERVICES

JUNE 2026



My Summer Adventure

For the third year in a row the Burlington Public Library is encouraging readers of all ages to help us read books to unlock 50 trees to plant in our parks. My Summer Adventure is the new name of our summer reading program with this year's time travel themed artwork created by our own Joseph Burgus.

Summer reading is a nation-wide initiative hosted by public libraries to help fight against skill loss, otherwise known as the 'summer slide', for students who struggle to bridge learning between grades across summer break.

The Burlington Public Library has opened our program up to readers of all ages as we know that one of the biggest predictors of a healthy literacy habit in students is having adults with healthy literacy habits in their lives. By encouraging everyone to pick up a book this summer we are also using our collective efforts to plant new trees in our parks.

In partnership with the Burlington Forestry and Parks departments we hope to unlock and plant 50 new trees in our parks this summer.

Outreach

With our new bookmobile ready to hit the road we have been attending several area community events to hand out books and promote library services. Included in this month's bookmobile outreach are the following:

- Bees Game - June 5th
- Teddy Bear Picnic - June 7th
- Pride in the Park - June 15th
- Juneteenth - June 20th
- Monday Bookmobile Routes
- Thursday Farmer's Markets



Crapo Park Story Walk

The new summer story was added to the Crapo Park Story Walk this month, featuring Renee Watson & Bea Jackson's *Summer is Here*.



Nestled in our award winning park, the Story Walk invites multi-generational reading in a unique setting. Each panel includes a spread from a picture book and is spread out so that you walk from the Outdoor Classroom to Lake Starker while reading the book. This year's Story Walk books are funded by Marilyn Beimer's memorial, and are dedicated in her memory.

June by the Numbers

Total Checkouts: 24,734 (21,519)

Number of Programs: 76 (47)

Program Participants: 2,073 (2,156)

New Borrower Accounts: 120 (83)

Use of online databases: 5,690 (5,005)

WiFi & Computer Use: 3,501 (3,234)

Items borrowed & loaned through Inter Library Loan: 212 (108)

Home Library: 242 (247)

Meeting Room Reservations: 489 (460)

Door Count: 12,242 (10,311)

June '26 / May '26

Staff Recognition

This month celebrated three milestones with staff tenure. Tiara, our ILL specialist, celebrated 16 years, Donna, our youth aid, celebrated 15 years, and Mollie, one of our clerks, celebrated 5 years! These three add so much to the BPL team and help to make our library a welcoming community resource.



Building Update: Boiler

For the first time since moving to our current location at 210 Court Street the library is receiving public funds for a capital improvement project. Our 1,000,000 btu boiler reached its end of life last winter, and is being replaced with two slim, high-efficiency units.



New Plants

With funding for building enhancements from the library Foundation four new plants were added to the East wing seating area this month.

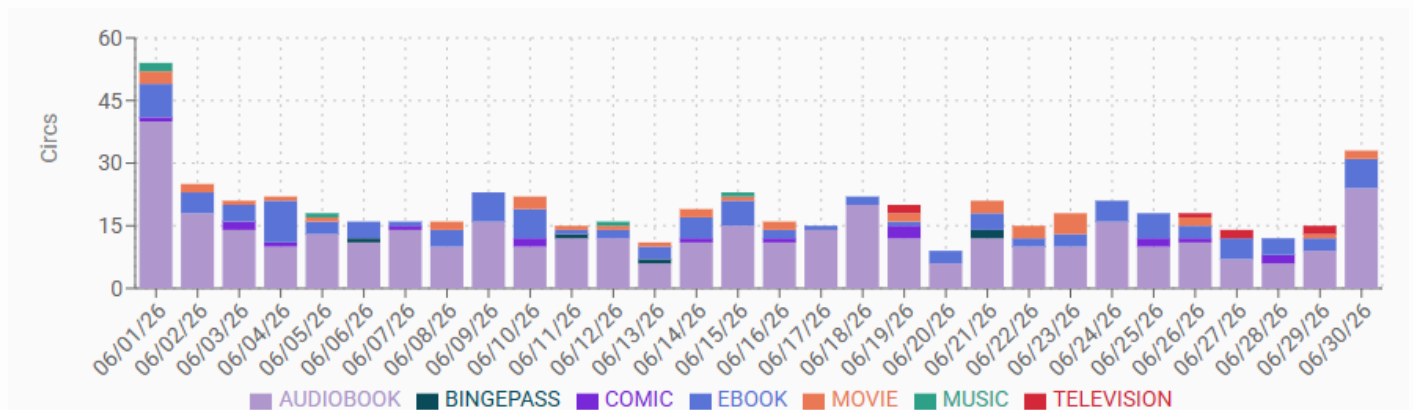


June by the Numbers: E-Lending

OverDrive/Libby & Hoopla

	Total Circulation	Amount Spent	Unique Patrons	New Patrons	Average Circ/Patron
Hoopla	584	\$1,423.60	338	22	1.7
BURLINGTON Libby	3,619	\$649.62 (\$144.98 Advantage Purchase + \$504.64 - monthly fee)	711	37	5.09
State Libby	311,065	\$199,387.24	62,827	2,994	4.95

Hoopla Detailed Report:



Libby State Snapshot:

	Branch (501)	Checko...	Checkouts (chart)
1	Ames Public Library	21,589	
2	Ankeny Kirkendall Public Library	16,615	
3	West Des Moines Public Library	13,168	
4	Urbandale Public Library	10,612	
5	Sioux City Public Library	9,020	
6	Council Bluffs Public Library	8,986	
7	Waukee Public Library	7,215	
8	Johnston Public Library	6,839	
9	Indianola Public Library	4,866	
10	Dubuque County Library District	4,474	
11	Decorah Public Library	4,348	
12	Marshalltown Public Library	3,661	
13	Norwalk Easter Public Library	3,638	
14	Altoona Public Library	3,622	
15	Burlington Public Library	3,619	
16	Clive Public Library	3,279	
17	Grimes Public Library	3,178	
18	Newton Public Library	3,096	
19	Pella Public Library	3,088	
20	Sioux Center Public Library	3,038	

In June, 668 unique patrons used your library WiFi. On average, these patrons visited to use the WiFi on just under 2 individual days.

Change from prior month



1493 **0.13%**
↑

Monthly Sessions



1318 **-0.08%**
↓

Total Visits



668 **-1.04%**
↓

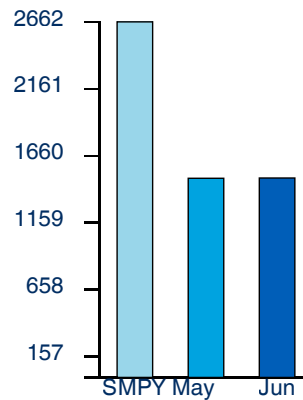
Unique Visitors



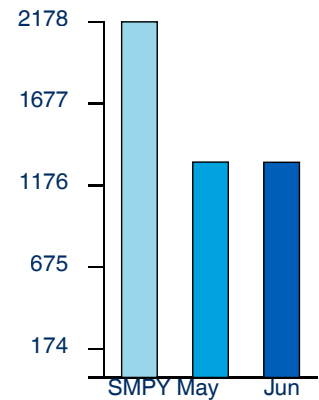
1.97 **1.03%**
↑

Average Return Rate

Total Monthly Session Count

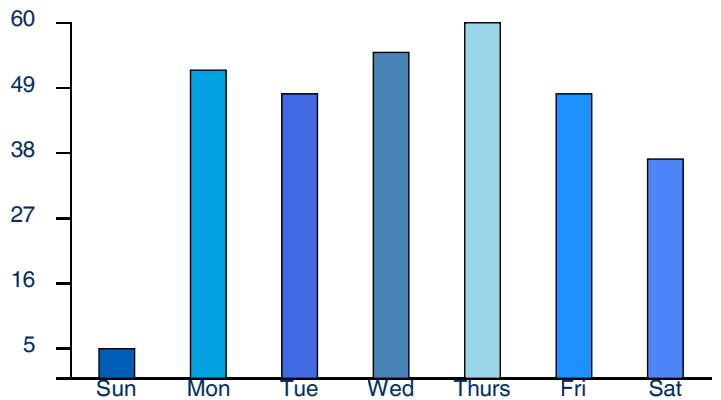


Total Monthly Visits

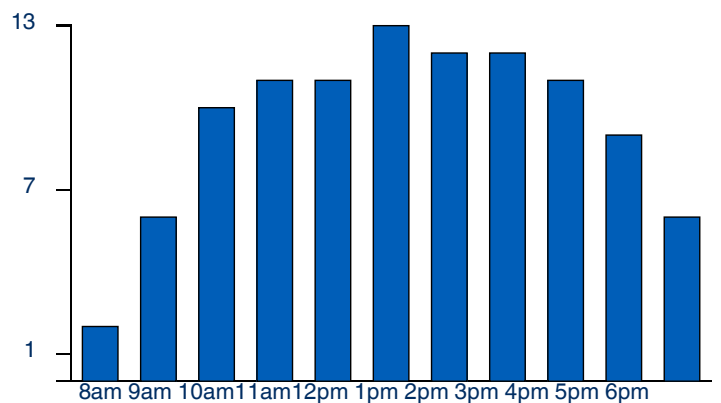


*SMPY: Same Month Prior Year

Average Daily Visits



Average Peak Hourly



In June, you had 489 bookings overall with a cumulative attendance of 1714 patrons.

Change from prior month



489 ↑ 6.3%

Total Bookings



1714 ↓ -20.57%

Total Attendance



3.5 ↓ -25.53%

Average Attendance

97 ↑ 5.43%
Internal Bookings

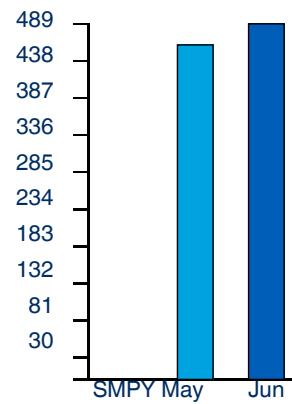
381 ↑ 6.42%
Patron Bookings

11 ↑ 10%
Non-Profit Bookings

0 ↑ -
For-Profit Bookings

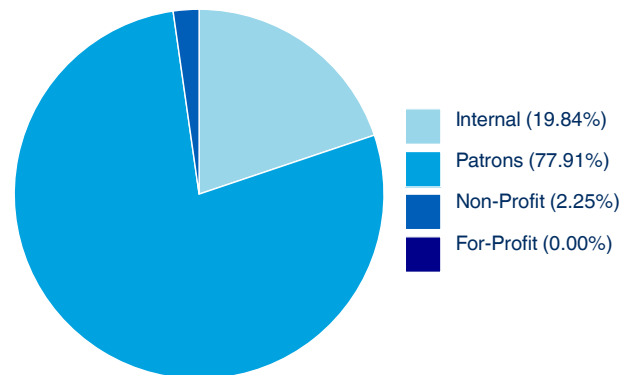
Booking Breakdown

Total Monthly Bookings



*SMPY: Same Month Prior Year

Booking Breakdowns By Percentage

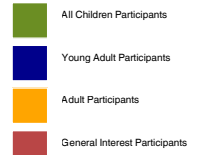
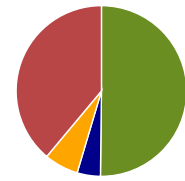
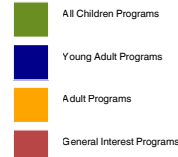
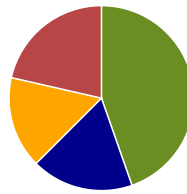


Burlington Public Library

July, 2025 - June, 2026

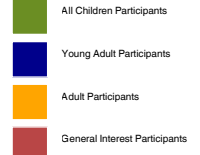
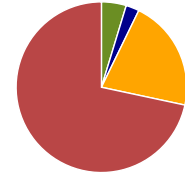
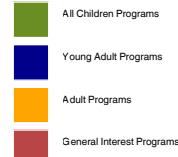
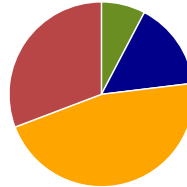
July Overview

All Children Programs	25	44.64%	All Children Participants	954	50.18%
Young Adult Programs	10	17.86%	Young Adult Participants	84	4.42%
Adult Programs	9	16.07%	Adult Participants	123	6.47%
General Interest Programs	12	21.43%	General Interest Participants	740	38.93%
Total Programs	56		Total Participants	1901	



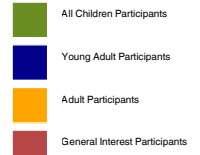
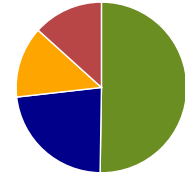
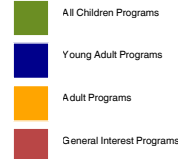
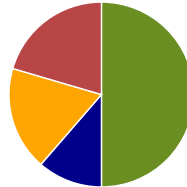
August Overview

All Children Programs	1	7.69%	All Children Participants	28	4.7%
Young Adult Programs	2	15.38%	Young Adult Participants	15	2.52%
Adult Programs	6	46.15%	Adult Participants	126	21.14%
General Interest Programs	4	30.77%	General Interest Participants	427	71.64%
Total Programs	13		Total Participants	596	



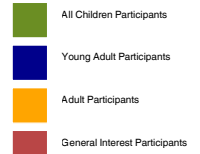
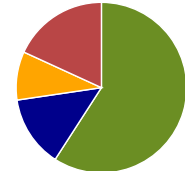
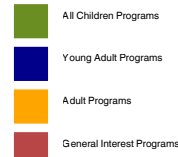
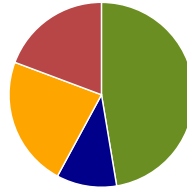
September Overview

All Children Programs	22	50%	All Children Participants	495	50.25%
Young Adult Programs	5	11.36%	Young Adult Participants	226	22.94%
Adult Programs	8	18.18%	Adult Participants	133	13.5%
General Interest Programs	9	20.45%	General Interest Participants	131	13.3%
Total Programs	44		Total Participants	985	



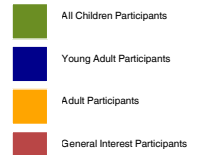
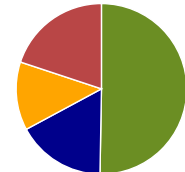
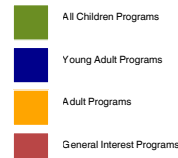
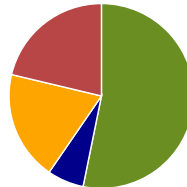
October Overview

All Children Programs	27	47.37%	All Children Participants	1322	59.12%
Young Adult Programs	6	10.53%	Young Adult Participants	303	13.55%
Adult Programs	13	22.81%	Adult Participants	205	9.17%
General Interest Programs	11	19.3%	General Interest Participants	406	18.16%
Total Programs	57		Total Participants	2236	



November Overview

All Children Programs	25	53.19%	All Children Participants	629	50.28%
Young Adult Programs	3	6.38%	Young Adult Participants	211	16.87%
Adult Programs	9	19.15%	Adult Participants	162	12.95%
General Interest Programs	10	21.28%	General Interest Participants	249	19.9%
Total Programs	47		Total Participants	1251	

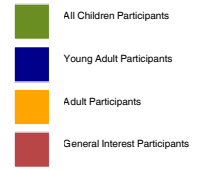
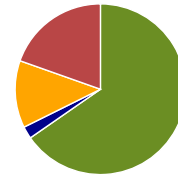
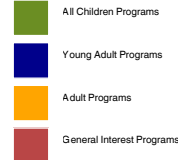
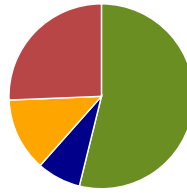


Burlington Public Library

July, 2025 - June, 2026

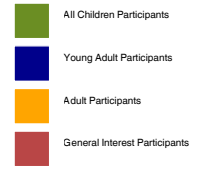
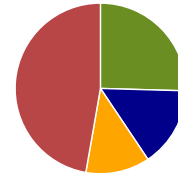
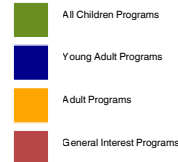
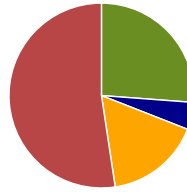
December Overview

All Children Programs	21	53.85%	All Children Participants	477	65.34%
Young Adult Programs	3	7.69%	Young Adult Participants	17	2.33%
Adult Programs	5	12.82%	Adult Participants	93	12.74%
General Interest Programs	10	25.64%	General Interest Participants	143	19.59%
Total Programs	39		Total Participants	730	



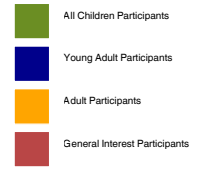
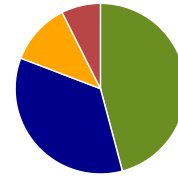
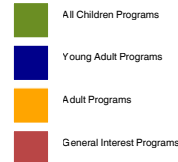
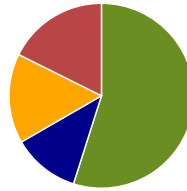
January Overview

All Children Programs	11	26.19%	All Children Participants	329	25.44%
Young Adult Programs	2	4.76%	Young Adult Participants	196	15.16%
Adult Programs	7	16.67%	Adult Participants	157	12.14%
General Interest Programs	22	52.38%	General Interest Participants	611	47.25%
Total Programs	42		Total Participants	1293	



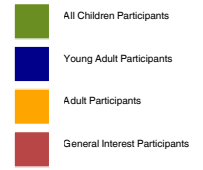
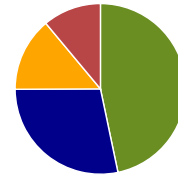
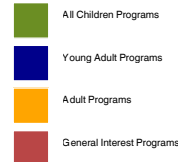
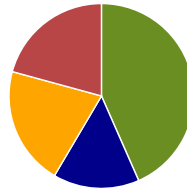
February Overview

All Children Programs	28	54.9%	All Children Participants	674	45.85%
Young Adult Programs	6	11.76%	Young Adult Participants	514	34.97%
Adult Programs	8	15.69%	Adult Participants	173	11.77%
General Interest Programs	9	17.65%	General Interest Participants	109	7.41%
Total Programs	51		Total Participants	1470	



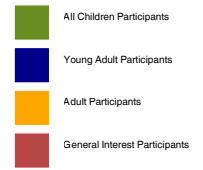
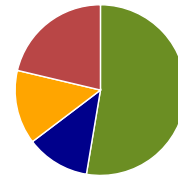
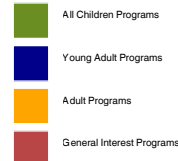
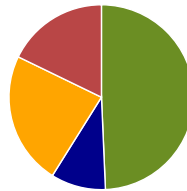
March Overview

All Children Programs	23	43.4%	All Children Participants	680	46.7%
Young Adult Programs	8	15.09%	Young Adult Participants	411	28.23%
Adult Programs	11	20.75%	Adult Participants	204	14.01%
General Interest Programs	11	20.75%	General Interest Participants	161	11.06%
Total Programs	53		Total Participants	1456	



April Overview

All Children Programs	36	49.32%	All Children Participants	1058	52.64%
Young Adult Programs	7	9.59%	Young Adult Participants	242	12.04%
Adult Programs	17	23.29%	Adult Participants	282	14.03%
General Interest Programs	13	17.81%	General Interest Participants	428	21.29%
Total Programs	73		Total Participants	2010	

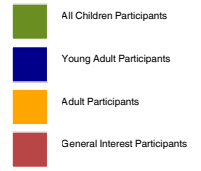
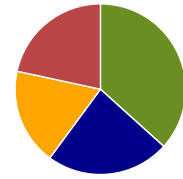
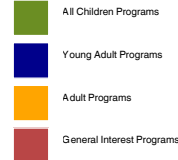
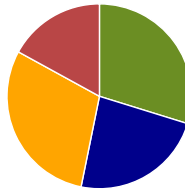


Burlington Public Library

July, 2025 - June, 2026

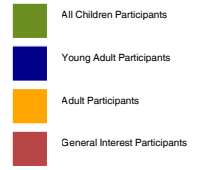
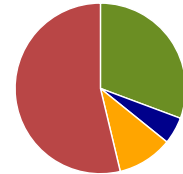
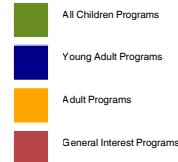
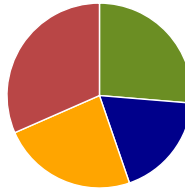
May Overview

All Children Programs	14	29.79%	All Children Participants	791	36.69%
Young Adult Programs	11	23.4%	Young Adult Participants	505	23.42%
Adult Programs	14	29.79%	Adult Participants	394	18.27%
General Interest Programs	8	17.02%	General Interest Participants	466	21.61%
Total Programs	47		Total Participants	2156	



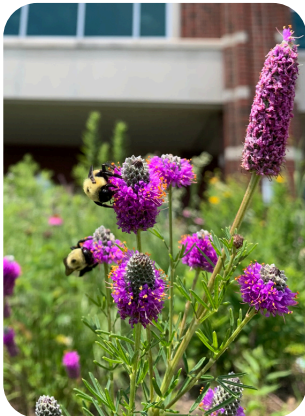
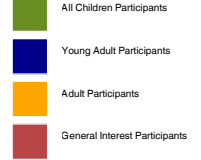
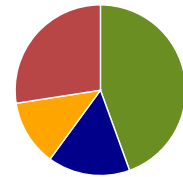
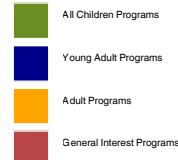
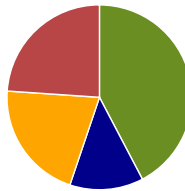
June Overview

All Children Programs	20	26.32%	All Children Participants	636	30.68%
Young Adult Programs	14	18.42%	Young Adult Participants	106	5.11%
Adult Programs	18	23.68%	Adult Participants	217	10.47%
General Interest Programs	24	31.58%	General Interest Participants	1114	53.74%
Total Programs	76		Total Participants	2073	



Year in Review Overview

All Children Programs	253	42.31%	All Children Participants	8073	44.46%
Young Adult Programs	77	12.88%	Young Adult Participants	2830	15.59%
Adult Programs	125	20.9%	Adult Participants	2269	12.5%
General Interest Programs	143	23.91%	General Interest Participants	4985	27.45%
Total Programs	598		Total Participants	18157	



Peggy Ell Pollinator Garden



Bookmobile @ Juneteenth



Bookmobile @ Pride in the Park



Spicy Book Club @ Master Gardener's Herb Garden



3D Printing Class



Senior Outreach with Tiara & Melissa



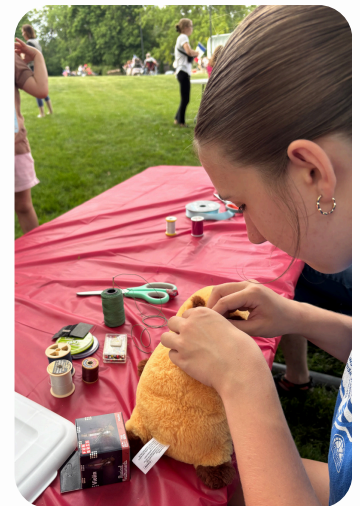
Nameplates on stained glass lamps



Ready, Set, Sew!



Cupcake design



Sewing Clinic at the
Teddy Bear Picnic



Storytime in the park



H2Oh-Yeah



Library Director, Brittany Jacobs, attended this year's American Library Association Annual Conference in Chicago, IL.



The DMC Master Gardener's have grown an herb garden to follow along with the Spicy Book Club!



Tracking unlocked trees to plant this fall!