

LIBRARY SERVICES

APRIL 2025

BURLINGTON
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Beads on One String

In partnership with the Art Center, Downtown Partners, Burlington Rotary, The Rand Trust, and The Capitol Theater we participated in a two-week initiative highlighting the various ways in which we are connected. Bead making at the Art Center, a downtown Story Walk, and a family concert with children's author and singer/songwriter Dennis Warner were highlights of this collaboration.

Our Stories Connect Us

Launched in tandem with the Beads on One String initiative the Burlington Public Library began recording interviews with area residents asking them, 'What connects us?' These interviews are then added to our growing collection of local stories which will be available on our YouTube page as well as housed in our archive for posterity.



The mission of the Burlington Public Library is to create opportunities for all people to connect with others, to learn about the world around them, and to imagine the futures before them. This unique initiative, spearheaded by Stephanie Jones, supports that mission in a new and refreshing way, and we welcome all interested participants to reach out and share your story.

First Friday: Rosie the Riveter

This month's First Friday program brought author, Linda McCann to the Burlington Public Library to share about how Iowa women helped the WWII efforts.



Spring Genealogy Workshop

Back by popular demand, this two-day workshop brought people from across state lines to participate in our 2025 Spring Genealogy Workshop. Led by our Genealogy and Local History expert, Nancy Halls, this year's event offered ample opportunity for people to learn from a wide variety of speakers and topics. We were fortunate to have Ricki King as our keynote speakers this year, in addition to several local experts.



Friends' Annual Dinner

The Friends of the Burlington Public Library gathered to the tune of 70 people on Friday, April 25th for their annual dinner and meeting. The evening was opened with Daniel Pappas on saxophone, and the food was catered in by Fork. President, Anita Wager, guided the group through their business meeting, and library director, Brittany Jacobs, gave the keynote address.

The Friends have a member roster of just shy of 350 individuals that they're heading into their FY26 with, and they are fresh on the heels of a year with record setting book sales.

The Friends of the Library are a vital support system for BPL as they elevate the quality of services offered to the public, and ensure that every program hosted is free for all to attend. There is a long history of public/private partnerships with the Burlington Public Library and we are proud to have such a fabulous group of Friends in our corner.

April by the Numbers

Total Checkouts: 23,252 (23,947)

Number of Programs: 53 (38)

Program Participants: 1,492 (781)

New Borrower Accounts: 91 (116)

Use of online databases: 7,853 (7,327)

WiFi & Computer Use: 4,539 (4,908)

Items borrowed & loaned through Inter Library Loan: 192 (150)

Meeting Room Reservations: 367 (392)

Door Count: 8,548 (10,065)

April '25 / March '25

Retirement

After 10 years of dedicated service to the Burlington Public Library, Dan Moehn officially retired after his shift on Friday, April 25th.

We are thankful for Dan's passion, enthusiasm, and time that he gave to BPL and wish him well on this next chapter of life.



TICOS

The library's teen advisory board, TICOS (Teens Inspiring Change, Optimism, and Service) were featured in the Beacon newspaper on April 2nd.



April by the Numbers: E-Lending



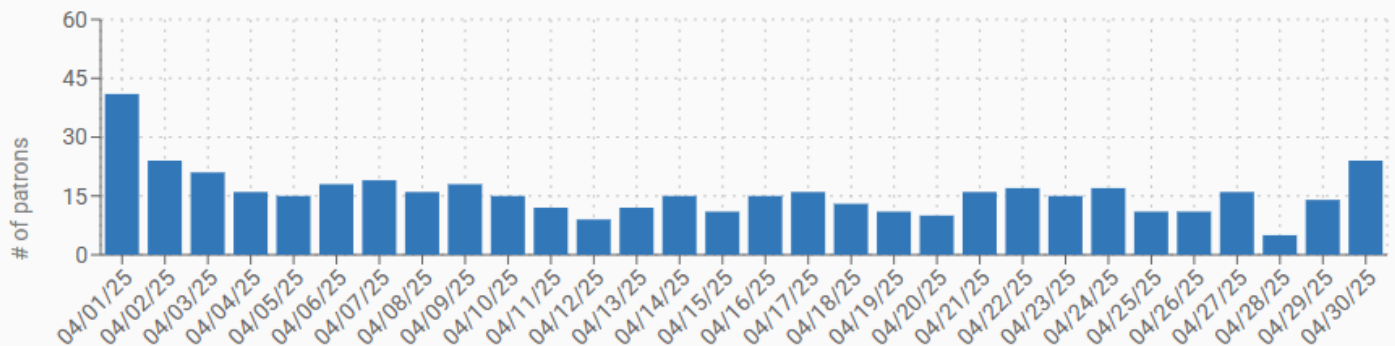
OverDrive/Libby & Hoopla

	Total Circulation	Amount Spent	Unique Patrons	New Patrons	Average Circ/Patron
Hoopla	526	\$1,276.84	298	16	1.8
Libby	2,984	\$519.78	645	26	4.63

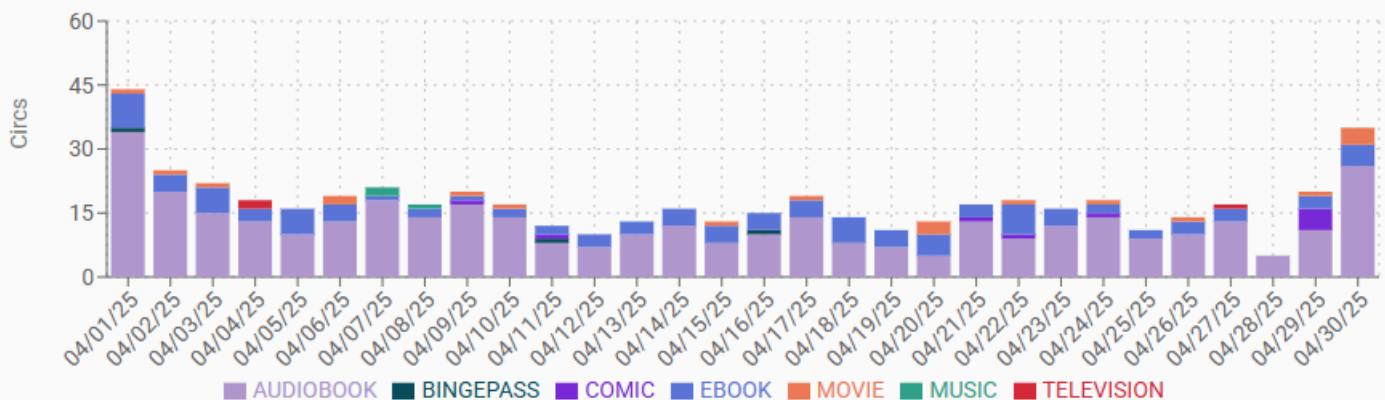
Hoopla Detailed Report

Patron Borrowing Report

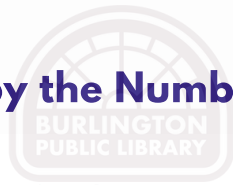
There were **298** unique patrons borrowing Instant licenses from April 1, 2025 through April 30, 2025 with an average of **9** people borrowing at least one Instant item per day.



Circulations by Format



April by the Numbers: WiFi



Burlington Public Library April-2025

In April, 787 unique patrons used your library WiFi. On average, these patrons visited to use the WiFi on just under 3 individual days.

Change from prior month



2640 -4.69%

Monthly Sessions



2135 -5.7%

Total Visits



787 -10.97%

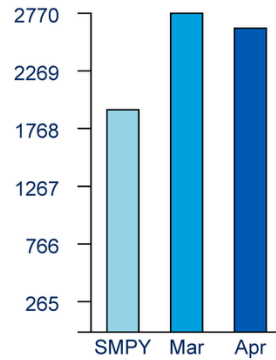
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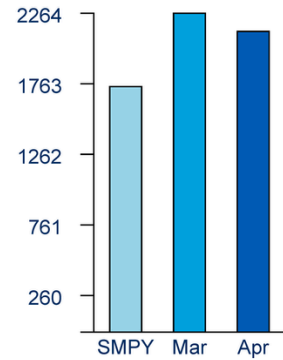
2.71 5.86%

Average Return Rate

Total Monthly Session Count

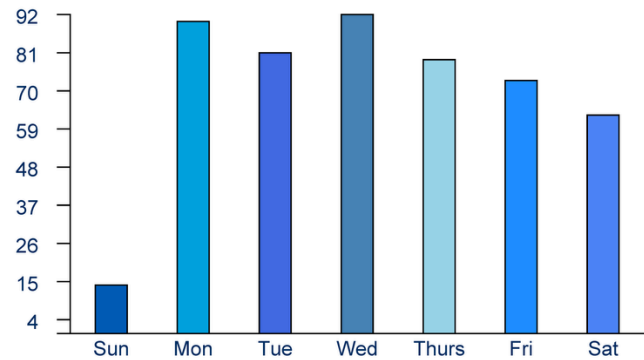


Total Monthly Visits

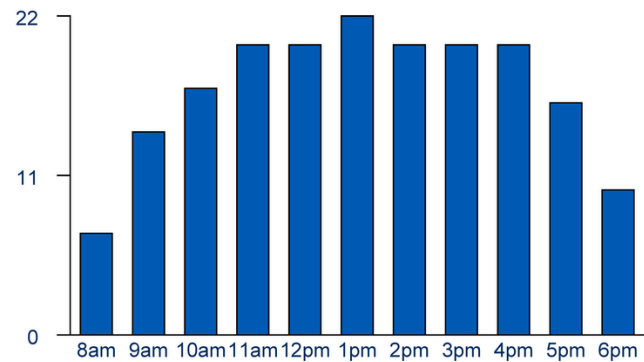


*SMPY: Same Month Prior Year

Average Daily Visits



Average Peak Hourly



FY25 by the Numbers

Q1 by the Numbers

Total Checkouts: **134,505**

Number of Programs: **139**

Program Participants: **3,906**

New Borrower Accounts: **380**

Use of online databases: **26,434**

WiFi & Computer Use: **14,347**

Items borrowed & loaned
through Inter Library Loan: **448**

Meeting Room Reservations: **1,247**

Door Count: **33,452**

July, August, September 2024

Q2 by the Numbers

Total Checkouts: **64,984**

Number of Programs: **180**

Program Participants: **5,634**

New Borrower Accounts: **252**

Use of online databases: **19,584**

WiFi & Computer Use: **14,208**

Items borrowed & loaned
through Inter Library Loan: **436**

Meeting Room Reservations: **1,147**

Door Count: **26,907**

Q2 - Oct. Nov. Dec. 2024

Q3 by the Numbers

Total Checkouts: **68,297**

Number of Programs: **112**

Program Participants: **2,496**

New Borrower Accounts: **312**

Use of online databases: **22,524**

WiFi & Computer Use: **14,304**

Items borrowed & loaned
through Inter Library Loan: **457**

Meeting Room Reservations: **1,105**

Door Count: **27,936**

Q3 - Jan. Feb. March 2025

