
DATE: September 3, 2020

TO: Library Board, Pima County Public Library

Pima County Board of Supervisors
Pima County Administration
Friends of the Pima County Public Library, Board of Directors
Friends of the Arivaca Library, Board of Directors
Friends of the Esmond Station Library, Board of Directors
Friends of the Kirk-Bear Canyon Library, Board of Directors
Friends of the Oro Valley Public Library, Board of Directors
Friends of the Pima-Green Valley Library, Board of Directors
Pima Library Foundation, Board of Directors

FROM: Amber D. Mathewson
Library Director

SUBJECT: Director's Report - August, 2020

Holding Space – American Library Association

On August 5th, Director Mathewson sat on a virtual panel with Librarians from around Arizona joining ALA President Julius C. Jefferson, Jr. in his 'Holding Space' virtual tour.

"Holding Space: A national conversation series with libraries" is the American Library Association's nationwide virtual tour to highlight the innovation and impact of a diverse range of libraries and engage stakeholders to advocate for libraries and the communities they serve.

The discussions can be viewed: <http://www.ala.org/advocacy/holding-space>

Staffing -

Admin Specialists (Accounting) – Two staff members hired

Librarian III – seven positions to fill, first round interviews completed, second round interviews are forthcoming.

Librarian II – position closed 8/28/20

Facilities –

Esmond Station Library – substantial completion should happen in September

Sahuarita Library – construction in progress

Priority projects – Mission, Quincie, Main, and Valencia

School/Student Support -

Learn at Home: <https://www.library.pima.gov/learn/> great resources for families.

Hotspots - PCPL is in the process of purchasing 400 hotspots to use with local students.

Conversations are in progress Pima County School Superintendent's office about hotspots. We continue to talk with local district superintendents about their needs and are encouraging them to sign up for the SORA app, which allows local schools with access to our OverDrive ebook platform. Sunnyside was the first district. Ajo districts 15 and 103, Tucson Country Day School, and Continental School District 39 have since signed up to connect with PCPL.

We continue to look for ways to partner and support families and children in this unprecedented school year.

Donations

Date	Donation	Amount	Description
Total	FY 2019-2020	369,110.02	
	FY 2020-2021		
7-2020	Nancy Ray	1,000.00	Nanini Library
8-2020	Friends of Green Valley Library	19,000.00	
	Friends of Bear Canyon Library	1,000.00	
Total		21,000.00	