

San Antonio Public Library Director's Report

August 2022



Assistant Director Dale McNeill is interviewed by TPR's David Martin Davies on The Source, August 15, 2022.

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DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

The following is a summary of notable activities related to the Library Director's professional involvement and his engagement with San Antonio Public Library stakeholders.

Professional Activities

As a Board Member of the Local Government Hispanic Network, Library Director Ramiro S. Salazar participated virtually in the Local Government Hispanic Network Board Meeting on August 5, 2022.

Library Director Ramiro S. Salazar met with Assistant City Manager Alex Lopez and former Assistant City Manager Frances Gonzales to discuss creating a San Antonio/ Bexar County chapter of the Local Government Hispanic Network on August 10, 2022.

Library Director Ramiro S. Salazar met virtually with Assistant City Manager Alex Lopez and Rolando Fernandez Jr, Capital Contracting Officer with the City of Austin to discuss creating a San Antonio/ Bexar County chapter of the Local Government Hispanic Network on August 17, 2022.

Library Director Ramiro S. Salazar participated virtually in the Local Government Hispanic Network Membership Committee meeting on August 19, 2022

Stakeholder Engagement

Library Director Ramiro S. Salazar met with San Antonio Public Library Foundation Executive Director Amy Hone on August 9 and August 23, 2022.

Library Director Ramiro S. Salazar presented the Library's proposed Fiscal Year 2023 Budget at the City Council Budget Work Session on August 31, 2022.

Library Director Ramiro S. Salazar attended the following Community Budget Meetings regarding the FY 2023 Proposed Budget:

- District 10, Toolyard Community Meeting Room on Monday, August 15, 2022
- District 6, San Antonio Food Bank on Tuesday, August 16, 2022
- District 8, John Igo Branch Library on Wednesday, August 17, 2022.
- District 5, Normoyle Senior Center on Tuesday, August 30, 2022

Library Director Ramiro S. Salazar held two Town Hall meetings for Library staff to discuss the City Manager's proposed FY 2023 budget and answered questions from library staff. The Town Hall meetings were held on Friday, August 19, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. and on Thursday August 25, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS

In August, San Antonio Public Library's Communications Unit launched a campaign focused on back-to-school resources available to students from the Library. The team also created promotional campaigns for numerous SAPL events and programs. Below is a brief overview of highlights from the month. The team also successfully secured a segment on Texas Public Radio's "The Source" on an episode about book challenges. Dale McNeill and Cresencia Huff represented the Library on the show.

- August 1 - News 4 San Antonio shared an online article reporting on the free resources available to students at the San Antonio Public Library. SAPL Communications shared this information in a news release yesterday.
- August 11 - KSAT 12 reported on the City of San Antonio's Budget proposal and the impact this would have on libraries. They also highlighted John Igo Branch Library as a Town Hall location.
- August 11 - The San Antonio Report published an article on the proposed City budget. They outline the proposed budget for the library.
- August 15 - SAPL Assistant Director of Public Services, Dale McNeill, and Coordinator of Children's Services, Cresencia Huff, joined David Martin Davies for Texas Public Radio's "The Source" on Monday, August 15.
- August 30 - KSAT 12's SA Live featured a segment on Children's After School Programming at SAPL. Children's Library Teague Shosh represented SAPL.

Social Media metrics overview for August 2022:

- SAPL's social media generated **216,420** impressions
- SAPL's social media following base grew by **268** new fans
- Content shared across Facebook, Twitter and Instagram contributed to users engaging with our posts **8,565** times.

Social Media growth for August 2022:

- Twitter: **39** followers
- Facebook: **98** followers
- Instagram: **131** followers

YouTube statistics for August 2022:

- Subscribers: **15**
- Impressions: **32,715**
- Total Views: **1,996**

- Videos published: 1

Graphics

The Graphics Team created publicity materials for a variety of programs and events during this reporting period, including materials for the Young Pegasus awards ceremony, National Library Card Sign-Up Month, Banned Books Week, Hispanic Heritage Month, the Reading Runathon 5K, and the Library's budget presentation to City Council, as well as social media and other promotion for branch events.

DIGITAL SERVICES

On August 1, Coordinator of Digital Services Adam Spana met with Coordinator of Adult Services Morgan Yoshimura and other colleagues to plan for equipment needs for a new Learn Center at the Central library.

On August 16, Mr. Spana and Digital Library Services Analyst Tricia Masterson met with Program Manager for Adult Education Michelle Rickman to discuss different tactics related to improving the user experience of Learn Center patrons with public PCs.

On August 17, Mr. Spana attended a meeting hosted by Collection Strategist Troy Hoyles to discuss the upcoming launch of the Kanopy streaming video collection.

LITTLE READ WAGON

After a very hot, very busy May, June and July, Little Read Wagon (LRW) staff spent most of August cleaning, organizing and preparing for a new school year. Staff have reorganized and readied workshop materials for upcoming 2022-2023 school year events. The requests for services have come in at a pace unmatched since early 2020, before the onset of COVID-19. In-person visits are being scheduled for high schools, early childhood centers and for trainings and workshops using a variety of delivery methods. Staff have also been invited to a number of large outreach events that are being planned for fall and spring.

Let's Play events will be offered monthly at locations across the community between September and December; between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm on the 2nd Saturday at Mission Branch Library, between 3:45 pm and 5:45 pm on the 2nd Wednesday at Carver Branch Library, and between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm on the 3rd Wednesday at Hardberger Park. Let's Play provides free play opportunities for children and families. Free play means having the choice of what to play with, how to play with it and for how long. Children can problem solve, develop social and emotional skills, and learn to express themselves, all of which are essential to building healthy brains. Having a variety of times, days of the week and locations allows staff to advertise to families who might not otherwise be able to attend. This is one way that LRW staff employ an equity lens when developing a programming schedule.

Two programs were presented in August. Megan Cruz and Eva Banda presented a training on resilience and play for the Navarro Early Learning Center at the San Antonio Independent School District. Ms. Cruz presented a virtual Story Time to children at Little Oaks, an annual summertime program.

“Building Resilience through Play” is the title of the early childhood professional workshop for the 2022-2023 school year. The topics include how brains develop in early childhood, how resilience develops, what the most fundamental piece of healthy brain development is, how to optimize learning through play and how to advocate for play as a fundamental right of childhood. Included in the day is a one-hour hands-on presentation by Gaby Gamez, a San Antonio based, and board certified art therapist. LRW staff are eagerly anticipating the return to in-person workshop presentations in the Central Auditorium, the first since February 2020.

Several conference proposals have been accepted or are in process. LRW staff will participate in and present at the October International Play Association-USA conference that will be held at the University of the Incarnate Word here in San Antonio. Clair Larkin, Julia Lazarin and Ms. Cruz will discuss equity, play and the role of the public library as a community hub in a presentation titled “Let’s Play in Public Parks: Community Connections and Resilience.” Ms. Larkin’s Texas Library Association (TLA) proposal, “Building Resilient Communities through Equity in Play” was accepted. Ms. Larkin will present alongside children’s librarians Shannon Seglin, Carrie Vance, Ana Menchaca, Jasmin Salinas and Leslie Elsasser in Austin in April at the TLA annual conference. This same group has submitted a similarly themed proposal to TLA’s District 10 annual conference planned for November.

CHILDREN’S (SYSTEM-WIDE)

August brought opportunities for outreach, training, and planning. The DoSeum again invited the San Antonio Public Library (SAPL) to have a table at their monthly Free Family Night. Cresencia Huff briefly joined Amanda Neace (Brook Hollow) to share SAPL information and crayons. The San Antonio Museum of Art invited SAPL to present two Story Time programs and have an information table at their Free Family Day on Sunday, August 7. Amanda Neace (Brook Hollow), Imelda Merino (Westfall), Hope Sonnen (Bazan), and Linda Lopez (Guerra) all represented SAPL and received a lovely thank you letter from the Museum staff.

Children’s and Teen Library Services celebrated the Young Pegasus Poetry Competition poets on August 13. The Saturday evening gathering at Confluence Park was a relaxed and fun return to in-person celebrations, with San Antonio Poet Laureate Andrea “Vocab” Sanderson serving as the emcee. Poets and their family and friends enjoyed fruit cups, aguas frescas, and Kona Ice while listening to each other (and occasionally a judge or Ms. Sanderson) read selected work.

A small group of children’s librarians travelled to New Braunfels Public Library to look at and learn about their Family Place space and programming. Upon debriefing, the group recommended implementing elements of the Family Place model. Work on that project will be gradual and ongoing.

Leslie Elsasser (Schaefer) joined Ms. Huff at a gathering of regional youth services library staff at the Seguin Public Library. The group recapped summer experiences and toured the beautiful LEED certified facility. The next gathering will be in San Marcos.

Alessa Reyes, Trauma Prevention Specialist with ChildSafe, gave the children’s services team a presentation on Recognizing and Reporting Child Maltreatment. The one hour training was recorded and the recording shared with children’s librarians and managers. Training was provided in response to a request from staff.

TEENS (SYSTEM-WIDE)

Virtual Teen Programs and Activities – The 210teenlibrary Discord workgroup, led by Matthew Loaiza (Assistant Manager, Teen Library @ Central) and consisting of Teen Services Librarians and Liaisons from around the system, worked with off-site teen volunteers (“Teen Mods”) to host weekly virtual teen programs (“clubs”) on Discord (“the server”) along with additional activities and events. Teens on the server shared their summer experiences, watched episodes of anime, streamed video games, shared original poetry, played Dungeons & Dragons, and more. During the reporting period, teens on the server also offered their ideas, suggestions, and feedback for clubs and other activities during the school year – including more friendly contests, an online art gallery, hybrid events, movie screenings, and trivia nights.

Virtual Teen Content and Resources – The 210teenlibrary Instagram workgroup, led by Matthew Loaiza (Assistant Manager, Teen Library @ Central) and consisting of Amisahari Sarabia (Teen Services Outreach Specialist, Teen Library @ Central), Ciana Flores (Teen Services Library Assistant, Teen Library @ Central), and Regina Almanza (Teen Services Library Assistant, Teen Library @ Central), shared information, resources, activities, and other content for teens on Instagram, created by teen volunteers and Teen Services staff. During the reporting period, teen volunteers and Teen Services staff shared book reviews, food demos / recipes, crafts, daily celebrations, and information as well as photos of teen events happening at library locations throughout the system.

Teen Summer Interns – During the reporting period, the Family Service Association (FSA) wrapped up its Summer Youth Internship program. On August 3, the Teen Library at Central hosted a celebration, which was initiated, planned, and led by Central's teen intern Stormy and fellow teen intern, Sebastian from Collins Garden. Stormy and Sebastian invited all FSA summer teen interns who had been working at other SAPL branches to the Teen Library to celebrate the end of their summer internship. Stormy and Sebastian planned and prepared a DIY pizza bar for the interns' lunch, and led the teen interns in several activities such as card games, a scavenger hunt, and karaoke.

Systemwide Support – During the reporting period, Matthew Loaiza (Assistant Manager, Teen Library @ Central) participated in an interview for KSAT 12; during the segment, Loaiza offered information about physical and digital library resources as well as library card registration.

ADULTS (SYSTEM-WIDE)

The Latino Collection and Resource Center (LCRC) hosted a well-attended program on August 23rd that covered aspects of creating a successful arts-base business that highlights and celebrated the work of Latino artists. This presentation entitled, “The Possibilities of Books,” presented by Alan Sobrino, covered the history of micropresses and the role played by Errant Press, which he co-founded, in supporting the work of bilingual authors.

Librarian Sylvia Reyna of Texana conducted a *How to Do Your Oral History* class on August 20 at Schaefer Library. She went over the fundamentals of conducting an oral history interview - the right questions to ask, and the necessary tools needed to successfully bring out the stories we all have within us and preserve them for future generations.

On August 20, 2022, the Igo Crafters discovered the meditative art of mandala rock painting. All who attended discovered their inner Zen while using dot painting tools and techniques with vibrant colors to create their own unique designs. Everyone left the Igo Library feeling relaxed and inspired.

At the monthly Adult Services meeting on August 28, Adult Services staff members from around the San Antonio Public Library had the opportunity to learn more about the services offered by LaunchSA and LiftFund Women's Business Center. Ryan Salts and Margaret Wilson-Anaglia shared with staff members about the services offered to small businesses and entrepreneurs in the San Antonio area.

OLDER ADULTS (SYSTEM-WIDE)

On Saturday, August 13, Semmes Branch Library hosted a Chess Tournament for Older Adults. Individuals over the age of 50 were invited to test their chess skills against other aficionados of the game. Participants had the opportunity to connect over a shared interest while flexing their intellectual muscles in this classic game of strategy. Participants were appreciative of this opportunity that was planned with the specific needs of older adults in mind.

On August 10 Librarian Andy Crews of Texana presented a well-attended, in-person class at Tobin Library on how to utilize our Ancestry Library Edition database to research one's family history. Many older adults joined this session to learn tips and tricks on getting started in using this essential tool in genealogy research.

CENTRAL LIBRARY

CHILDREN @ CENTRAL

Librarian Melissa Fulmer partnered with Librarian Jasmin Salinas at the Landa Branch Library to present outdoor Story Time programs every Thursday this month. These popular events drew large crowds every week. Assistant Manager Shannon Seglin also helped present one of the outdoor programs at Landa in August as well.

Ms. Seglin, Ms. Fulmer and Librarian Ashley Stubbs each contributed to virtual programming for children in August. Ms. Seglin presented two Toddler Time programs and a Story Time program. She also participated in a virtual version of the *Let's Get Moving!* Yoga and movement program and the *Proud to Be Me* online event. Ms. Stubbs presented an online Story Time program, and supported the Tiny Tots and Story Time weekly programs by maintaining their "Books We Love" section of the LibGuide and made a curated program. Ms. Fulmer participated in Baby Time Online every week in August.

Central Children's staff continued to develop outreach connections with area child care centers. Ms. Seglin delivered books in support of the curriculum at Madison Square Child Development Center. Ms. Stubbs made similar book deliveries to Central Christian Day School, as did Manager Kate Simpson to Discovery School.

Ms. Simpson wrapped up her tenure as Interim Central Circulation Department Supervisor in August. She enjoyed working with the stellar team of Circulation Attendants since the assignment began in April. She spent considerable time training Elissa Vura, Library Assistant from the Brook Hollow Branch Library, to assume the Interim Supervisor role.

TEEN LIBRARY

Kathleen Fordyce (Manager) assists Connie Hejl (Teen Services Librarian, Las Palmas) Thursdays on Discord to host the “Random Fandom” club in which teens engage in discussions about different fandoms that interest them and stream their favorite anime or pop culture shows.

Matthew Loaiza (Assistant Manager) continued to lead the 210teenlibrary Discord and Instagram workgroups. He also joins Daniella Toll (Assistant Manager / Teen Services Librarian, Collins Garden) for Teen Time every Friday on the Discord server.

Rosalie Barrera (Librarian I) joins Chris Castillo (Teen Services Librarian II, Brook Hollow) on Tuesdays to help facilitate “Create Club” on Discord, in which teens share their current creations, completed projects, and new and favorite hobbies. Rosalie also assists Daniella Toll (Assistant Manager / Teen Services Librarian, Collins Garden) on Fridays with a summer Discord club, “Writing Club,” in which teens share their short stories and poems and seek feedback and advice from other teen writers.

Regina Almanza (Library Assistant): August saw the end of Teen Summer at Teen Library. Teen volunteer Viviana hosted her last two “Color Wednesdays,” creating green and blue snacks and crafts, with a highlight of creating a cute green Yoda punch drink. With a request for a continuation of last spring’s Tuesday afterschool things to do, teens expressed an interest in making snow cones and sushi. Items were provided and the spirited groups showcased their skills. Teens were also provided with craft items and inspiration sheets for independent craft making, like squishy clay, seeds and plant pots, and perler beads. For a Saturday afternoon demo, teens were able to create sushi rolls. Teen volunteers Ruben and Erick also filmed respective demos for future use on Instagram. One teen expressed an interest in using Teen Library to host his Dungeon and Dragons group and was shown our D&D kit, which he utilized on the group’s subsequent visit. Teens also have use of the Teen Library studio, gaming systems and lab equipment after cooking and crafting times. Pictures and videos from these programs can be found on the 210teenlibrary Instagram page.

Ciana Flores (Library Assistant PT) continues to engage with teens both in the Teen Library and via the 210teenlibrary Instagram page. She continues to participate in Instagram Live videos with Teen Library staff. Ciana serves on the Discord team and responds to the 3D printing requests from teens on the Discord server. She prints and sends the requested item out to the teens’ preferred library branch for pick up. Ciana also hosts “Gaming Club” Saturdays on Discord.

Amisarahi Sarabia (SAPL’s Teen Outreach Specialist / Library Assistant) assists in the Teen Library, helping to staff the desk three days a week. She also shares teen-created Spotify playlists on the 210teenlibrary Instagram account. Amisarahi and Bek Corley (Teen Services Librarian II Guerra) host Music Mondays on the 210teenlibrary Discord server in which teens stream their favorite songs and artists while chatting with friends on the server.

REFERENCE

On August 6th, Pannaga Prasad and Diana Starrett offered a virtual session entitled How to Maintain Healthy Skin. The session was presented by an independent skin care and beauty consultant from May Kay and Rodan+Fields.

On Aug 10th, Arland Schnacker, Jordan Torres, and Dan Schumacher held a VA Benefits: Education presentation which covered a variety of veteran educational benefits and topics, such as the GI Bill, 9/11 GI Bill, Hazelwood Act, etc.

On August 10th, Pannaga Prasad and Brooke Mjolsness offered a virtual session entitled OptimizeU: Thriving in a Toxic World. It was presented by Maggie Grueskin, Ayurvedic Yoga Specialist, and a guest speaker, Dr. Valencia Porter. They talked about how to identify sources of toxins in our homes for a toxin-free lifestyle.

Central hosted an information table for Support Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) on August 17th. SSVF is a nonprofit organization that provides help to homeless veterans and their families.

On August 18, Pannaga Prasad and Jordan Torres offered a virtual session entitled Classical Dance Performance: Bharatanatyam. The session was presented by Kaveri Natya Yoga Dance group. The attendees were very appreciative about the performance.

On August 22nd, Central connect hosted University Health which educated patrons on the importance of COVID-19 Vaccinations.

August 25, 2022, Outreach Specialist Jacques Rogers tabled at Central Library for 2 hours, promoting the NXTLevel Youth Opportunity Center for patrons aged 16-24. NXTLevel is a City of San Antonio program which empowers the community by providing support for young adults wanting help with returning to school, job resources and basic needs assistance.

Pannaga Prasad and Brooke Mjolsness offered a virtual session entitled Beginner's Chair Yoga Class on August 26th. The session was presented by a professional Yoga Instructor from the Idoyogasa organization.

On Aug 31st, Central Connect hosted an informational table for Roy Mass Youth Alternatives, which is a nonprofit organization which helps Homeless children get off the streets.

LATINO COLLECTION & RESOURCE CENTER

The Latino Collection and Resource Center (LCRC) hosted two well-attended programs in August, both covering aspects of creating a successful arts-base business that highlights and celebrates the work of Latino artists. The first presentation, "The Possibilities of Books," presented by Alan Sobrino, covered the history of micropresses and the role played by Errant Press, which he co-founded, in supporting the work of bilingual authors. The second presentation, "Turn Your Passion into a Career," was presented by Tania

Chaidez Ibarra (co-founder of Errant press), who shared her personal journey from Mexico to the United States and provided the audience with “out of the box” promotional strategies to grow their artistic endeavors and spoke about the importance of approaching business from a multicultural perspective. Audience members expressed appreciation for the program, with one patron commenting that the workshops had convinced her that she was on the right path to continue to pursue her artistic passion.

TEXANA/ GENEALOGY



Adults and Seniors attend the Ancestry 101 class at the Tobin Library on August 10.

On August 10 Librarian Andy Crews presented a well-attended, in-person class at Tobin Library on how to utilize our Ancestry Library Edition database to research one's family history. Mr. Crews also presented an online class August 23 entitled “What's New in the 1950 Census” to illustrate the information included in census records released to the public earlier this year.

Librarian Sylvia Reyna conducted a *How to Do Your Oral History* class on August 20 at Schaefer Library. She went over the fundamentals of conducting an oral history interview - the right questions to ask, and the necessary tools needed to successfully bring out the stories we all have within us and preserve them for future generations.

Librarian Deborah Countess introduced patrons to a free genealogy website in the two-part class *Finding Your Past Using FamilySearch.org*. Part one of this online series was held on August 20 and focused on how to get started researching the more than 5 billion digital images currently available on this site maintained by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. On August 27, Ms. Countess explained how the library catalog on Family Search held other “hidden gems” including digital books and additional genealogical records.

On August 30, Ms. Reyna presented the online class *ABC's of Beginning Genealogy*. She illustrated the basic techniques used when starting on a family history journey and the resources needed to help get started.

BRANCH LOCATIONS

BAZAN

Bazan Training Officer Carlos Loera reported that the Learn Center at Bazan saw a significant jump in visitors in August. Sessions covered job searches and applications, resume building, computer building skills and help with personal devices.

Mr. Loera presented weekly ESL classes and averaged seven who eager to improve their English language skills.

Mr. Loera hosted also the monthly Friday morning *Coffee and a Movie*. The group enjoyed viewing and discussing thought provoking movies.

The poetry group Voces Cósmicas met twice in May. The meetings provided an opportunity for individuals to workshop their poems among established poets and read their works in a supportive setting.

Ms. Sonnen along with three other Children's librarians, (Imelda Merino-Westfall, Amanda Neace-Brook Hollow, and Linda Lopez- Guerra) were invited to the San Antonio Museum of Art's family event on August 7, 2022. Ms. Sonnen and Ms. Lopez staffed a display table while Ms. Neace and Ms. Merino presented Story Time. It was a fun day and everybody enjoyed the event.

BROOK HOLLOW



Who Let the Dogs Out @ BHL? Young people can Read with a Dog every other Friday at BHL. Apple Stacks created during Noon Time Helping of Cooking in SAPL's Virtual Kitchen. (See mysapl.org for program dates and times.)

BHL Circulation Attendant & Wellness Liaison Teresa Smith created a relaxation-wellness station at BHL for staff to take a break and relax. The space includes a comfortable chair with a heat & remote-controlled massaging seat cushion; heated foot massager; a soothing mini waterfall and chimes. SAPL Organizational Health funds supported this relaxation station. Kudos to Teresa's Teamwork in securing the station for all to enjoy.

BHL Staff completed active shooter training in August. The library is gearing up to host Bexar County Election Department's next voting cycle beginning in mid-October. The La Tertulia Book Club and the Brook Hollow Library Mystery Book Club met at the Brook Hollow Library in August. A new fiction book club begins in September per patron request.

Part-time Library Assistant (LA) Marcel Alvarez (Westfall), temporarily at BHL, along with LAs Elissa Vura (CEN), Mary Elizabeth Fernandez (CEN-Children's) & Librarian Tim Johnson (Igo), participated in the August Escape the Earth podcast—a SAPL monthly sci-fi and fantasy book discussion. Alvarez read the material and was actively involved in the discussion and recording. The Escape the Earth podcast can be found on Soundcloud on the San Antonio Public Library Podcast TunedIn Channel.

BHL Children's Librarian Amanda Neace volunteered for outreach events at the Doseum and San Antonio Museum of Art. In addition to continuing weekly Story Times at Blossom Park and increasing programs offered for children and families inside the library, Neace also began contributing to SAPL's online programming teams. Neace is part of the Toddler Time online and LEGO Time Online rotations. Additionally, Neace worked collaboratively with Children's Services and Little Read Wagon to host a very popular Family Fort Building event in August.

BHL Assistant Manager and Teen Librarian Chris Castillo facilitated five Create Club virtual teen programs on the 210teenlibrary Discord server and four in-person Teen Times @ BHL in August. Teens shared experiences about their new school year, their new video game development updates, and encouraged each other's creative art and writing practices. Teens tried new activities and asked each other questions, engaging in peer-to-peer instruction, and built on their technological and social

competencies. Teens continued to improve the Discord user experience through server suggestions, new channels, and meaningful interactions.

Teens helped to plan and implement teen time programming. Teens activate and take ownership of their teen space in the branch and create drawings on the window. Teens utilized our supply closet, played Nintendo Switch games with each other, and made new friends from outside their schools. Teen enjoyed delicious and nutritious snacks provided by The Friends of Brook Hollow Library. Teens submitted requests for free 3d prints, custom buttons, magnets, and picked them up from the branch. Castillo attended Teen Services, 210teenlibrary Discord and Teen Pride committee meetings.

BHL Branch Manager Jeannette Davies hosted Noon Time Helping of Cooking in SAPL's Virtual Kitchen twice in August. The Back to School Lunches program featured healthy snacks including apple stacks with peanut butter and granola. Fall Fragrances filled the air during the next program as Davies and Co-Host Oscar Gonzalez created spicy fall concoctions with pumpkin and cinnamon. See mysapl.org under the events tab to register for Noon Time Helping of Cooking in SAPL's Virtual Kitchen. Davies also collaborated with the Texas Library Association's (TLA)'s Libraries Transform Texas Podcast Team as part of the association's PR Committee. See the TLA website for monthly podcasts. The manager is also a part of the Texas Public Radio (TPR) Community Advisory Board.

CARVER

On August 22, District Councilman Jalen McKee-Rodriguez hosted an Open Office Hours session at Carver Branch, where he met with residents eager to share their concerns and seek help for their neighborhoods.

To help provide awareness for the City of San Antonio's home rehab assistance program, the branch partnered with the Neighborhood and Housing Services Department (NHSD) on August 25th to facilitate access to the online application.

"We are excited to share that the application will assist more residents this year utilizing funding approved through the FY 2023 budget process and the voter-approved \$45 million Home Rehab Bond funding. Assistance is not first come, first serve and all applications will be reviewed and scored utilizing an Equity Scoring Matrix to select residents."

The library's role was critical as the application was only available electronically. The branch made PCs available to applicants, and NHSD staff were available to walk them through the process. As a result, 110 applications were processed. Others who were turned away because they did not have all of the necessary documents to participate in the program. They were expected to return on September 17, when NHSD would again work with interested homeowners.

The Coliseum Willow Park Neighborhood Association met on August 30 to discuss plans for San Antonio Neighbors Together, formerly known as National Night Out. The association had not been able to host the event since 2019 due to the COVID pandemic. The site of the event will be Carver Branch.

In August, Children's Librarian, Lisa Ramirez wrapped up Summer Programming and began to prepare for upcoming fall programming. Make and take Spinning Wheel crafts were created and placed in the Children's area for pick up. Large table top size coloring sheets were also created and placed in the Children's area.

On August 3rd, Ms. Ramirez participated in a virtual Toddler Time with other Children's Librarian co-hosts, and on August 23rd, Ms. Ramirez participated in a virtual Lego time also with other Children's Librarian co-hosts.

On August 19th, Ms. Ramirez met virtually with Democracy Prep in order to begin a Coding Club this coming fall on campus for their after-school clubs.

Upcoming programming at the Carver Branch Library will focus on School age children and building/making, and pre-school age children for Story Time. There will also be time spent at local community schools for Story Time and coding club. Ms. Ramirez will also continue to assist with virtual programming in the fall.

Teen Librarian Shannan Prukop, along with Dacari Lambert, Michael Dunbar-Rodney and guest Melissa Gohlke, recorded an episode of the Tuned In podcast discussing the LGBTQ history of San Antonio, with plans to create a miniseries on the podcast focused on LGBTQ topics. Mx. Prukop, along with the rest of the Teen Pride workgroup, started work on a Pronoun Day initiative for teens. In addition, Mx. Prukop continued their work with the 210teenlibrary Discord server, running the Dungeons & Dragons and Sunday Funday programs that encourage teens to improvise and think critically while working collaboratively.

CODY

Cody welcomed the start of the new school year and the start of new afterschool visitors in late August, with activities for both children and teens. The branch welcomed our new Teen Librarian Ashley Frost the week of August 15. Biweekly Wellness activities for staff continue, led by library assistants Luanne Bloom and Angela Olivarez. Our many branch book clubs continue to draw new participants each month.

Children's programming at the Cody Library continued in August with a weekly program for kids. On August 5th the branch hosted *Art Club*, where children had a chance to experiment with oil pastels. On August 12th the branch hosted *Lego Club*, featuring free-building time with Legos. After the program their creations were put on display in the library. On August 19th during *Art Club* children had the chance to create coffee filter art by coloring coffee filters with markers and then spraying them with water.



Afterschool programming began the week of August 21st. On August 24th the branch hosted *Lego Club*. On August 25th and 26th Children's Librarian Kristin Yourdon started a new program called *Children's Afterschool Hangout*. The program is a drop-in and drop-out style of program where the kids get to choose what they want to do that day. Children have the option of creating with art materials, playing video games, playing board games, building with STEM materials like Brain Flakes or Straws & Connectors, or just hanging out with their friends. The program has been popular with children in the library after school. Finally, during *Art Club* on August 31st children tried Slime Drawing. Children made slime together and then experimented with drawing pictures on their slime using markers.

Yourdon continued to put up weekly scavenger hunts in the library during the month of August. During the first week children had to find sandcastles, during the second week they had to find ice cream cones, during the third week they had to find cryptids and then vote on which ones they think are real, and during the fourth week they had to find Pokémon.

Following the start of the school year the branch has seen an increase in teen presence both in and out of programming hours. Teen Librarian Ashley Frost planned programs to include game hours and crafting, with plans to continue and incorporate more video game and life skills programming like cooking classes and after high school prep. Unplanned programs have included impromptu after school crafting.

To ensure future programming appeals to and meets the needs of our community, Frost is currently running a survey for teens to anonymously submit programming ideas and indicate what currently planned future programs they might be interested in. She hopes that this—as well as some upcoming programming within the library—will help teens feel ownership over the space and view the library as a safe, welcoming space with resources outside of the printed word (though we certainly have those as well!).

During the month of August, in conjunction with the beginning of school, Gemini Ink arranged materials for the Cody display case. The items highlighted Gemini Ink's mission to foster love for writing, with a focus on their children and youth programs.

COLLINS GARDEN

The Collins Garden branch warmly welcomed staff member Lisa Leandro on August 27. Lisa joined the team in her new role as Librarian I – Adult Services. The Collins Garden team was very grateful for the assistance of Teen Intern Sebastian who finished his last summer project at the branch. He joined a collaborative effort and planned a celebratory gathering at the Teen Library for all the SAPL teen interns.

The Collins Garden Book Club met at the branch on August 19 and was facilitated by Gina Brudi. The group discussed the novel *Hamnet* by Maggie O'Farrell.

On August 3, Collins Garden represented The San Antonio Public Library at District 5's Back to School Bash. Children's Librarian Gina Brudi and Circulation Attendant Jessica Salas interacted with over 300 adults and children about library services including Libby and Homework Help.

Adults continued to participate in weekly Brain Booster self-directed, engaging activities at the branch.

Teen Services Librarian Daniella Toll assisted the interns with their celebration planning by purchasing needed supplies. She created a video compilation of photos and notes from their supervisors, highlighting all of their work and achievements. Ms. Toll assisted at the Young Pegasus poetry event on Saturday, August 13. Teens and children were present to read their poems aloud and celebrate the selection of their writing for the anthology. On August 13, Ms. Toll and Teen Services Librarian Matthew Loaiza hosted a meeting for the Teen Volunteers on Discord. This group was very proactive and shared several ideas about cleaning up the server and streamlining channels for the beginning of school. Ms. Toll continued weekly Teen Programs: Music Vibe and Teen Tuesdays.

Children's Librarian Gina Brudi continued her involvement in Toddler Time and Baby Time Online.

CORTEZ

Cortez Library's Branch Manager spent much of August preparing for the upcoming closure to repair the HVAC system. Librarian III Angela Morrow attended meetings and helped coordinate the remote service at the Ramirez Center for the closure. Additionally, Librarian Morrow volunteered to assist on the Library's upcoming 5K event, helping plan and coordinate staff working on this day. Librarian Morrow with Librarian Villalobos met with a member of Collection Development for a refresher on Blue Cloud Analytics in order to best serve the branch's collection needs. With Librarian Escovedo, Librarian Morrow met with the head of Children's Services in order to learn how to best serve Cortez families. Librarian Morrow additionally coordinated with Safety to conduct an ergonomic assessment of the branch to help improve working conditions for Cortez staff.

Although branch programming had slowed significantly due to the impending closure and unfit state of the meeting room due to roof leaks, Cortez Library still managed to host more than ten programs for the month, including Teen Time, Getting Crafty, Family Movie Frenzy, ending with a very successful event on September 1st with Neighborhood Housing & Services Development (NHSD); serving over 120 individuals

to help them with Housing Applications. The event lasted all day, ending with an outstanding door count of 1,615 for the day. Cortez staff were thanked by NHSD for helping host such a fantastic event and immense turnout.

Adults

In August, Adult Services Librarian Vicky Villalobos acted as moderator for the weekly Queer Crafternoon. Librarian Villalobos also joined Librarians Brook Mjolsness and Dan Garcia and Adult Services Coordinator Morgan Yoshimura for SAPL Live Trivia. Librarian Villalobos was a moderator for the night's event and contributed with a category on food and cooking shows. Librarian Villalobos joined Teen Services Librarian Cassie Garza to create a hybrid book club for ages 13 and up. The BTS Book & Craft Club met virtually and was led by Villalobos on August 28 to discuss the K-pop band BTS and select books read and recommended by BTS band members.

In August, Circulation Attendant Madeline Vasquez concluded her program Family Movie Frenzy, a summer movie series at Cortez, which screened a family favorite throughout the week. In August, 56 patrons attended the showings.

Teens

Now school is back in session, Teen Time has slowed drastically. However, teens do visit the library and are taking part in the Teens Positive Vibes whiteboard, which is exploding with feel-good sentiments from-teens-to-teens. At the beginning of every month, the board is wiped clean and a picture is taken and posted next to the board. It has become a favorite activity in the teen lounge.

Library Assistant and Teen Liaison Jo Ann Paredes hosted her craft class, Getting Crafty, four times in August with an attendance of fifteen. The craft was to crochet a slouched hat and shawl. Many of the participants were beginners and enjoyed learning to crochet.

Children

In August, Children's librarian Escovedo read two dial-a-stories; one in English and the other in Spanish. She attended training for collection development at Central for new librarians. In the library, she created a back-to-school writing prompt for kids to fill out on a backpack or apple and post it on the School House Rock display on the wall. She also created a passive program a fall scavenger hunt for kids. The items were located in the children's area and when they finished they brought it to the desk for a prize.

Library Aide Esmeralda Staudt again lent her vocal skills to dial-a-story, recording stories for children each month in both English and Spanish.

ENCINO

Children's

Children's group programming took a pause during August. Students were able to participate in two Take-and-Make projects as listed below.

- Coloring an animal to add to our woodland creature treehouse window display
- Creating a Pan Flute musical instrument

Preparations were made for fall programs to start back up. We will have various programs for all ages including Babytime, Story Time, STEM, Art, LEGOs, Games, Tween Makerspace, Playground Meetup, a Fall Festival and Playground Grand Opening.

Teens

Teen librarian Ivan Martinez facilitated passive and in person programming opportunities and also showcased displays for teens aged 13 to 18 in the teen space.

Teens planned and implemented some exciting activities in the Teen Room such as:

1. Movie Night hosted by Andrew and Sanjana
2. Musical Fan Club with Kelli Pyles

Teens participated in the promotion of literacy through an August BookTok display.

Teens participated in the weekly program, Teen Club @ Encino on Tuesday nights 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Teens were involved in an array of activities, from playing card games, gaming, socializing, watching movies, baking pizzas and listening to music.

The Teen volunteer program has been actively fostering relationships with other teens, promoting and invigorating the utilization of the Teen Space and its resources.

Teens' involvement in the planning and implementation of these programs fostered leadership, creative expression, meaningful participation and ownership of their teen space and library.

Adults

Adult ongoing programs, Fitness in the Park: Yoga and Hand Bee, continued to be successful.

The month of August was spent making many plans for the fall. Encino will have a new weekly adult coloring program "Quiet Coloring and Relaxation" beginning in September. There are also many special events being planned, including celebrations such as the Grand Opening of Encino's playground and exercise area, and arts and crafts events such as Paint @ Encino. We are looking forward to a busy fall season!

FOREST HILLS

Forest Hills Branch Library's interim service site at the Gilbert Garza Community Center continued through the first week of August. The interim site then closed temporarily due to a scheduled renovation project at the community center. Patron holds were then transferred to the Memorial Branch Library interim site at St. Mary's University.

During the closure staff participated in outreach and assisted other branch libraries in providing service.

Branch Manager Mary Naylor visited the Doris Griffin Senior Center to host the monthly book club. The club read and discussed *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles. Ms. Naylor also hosted an information table at a resource fair held at the senior center. She shared information with patrons and was able to assist in renewing library cards. Many of the visitors to the table commented on how much they love the library.

Children's Services Librarian Ana Menchaca was happy to participate in an online Story Time called "Yoga: Let's Move." Librarians read stories about movement and mindfulness to children. They also played games and did activities that encourage children to move and learn a little bit of Yoga. Every Friday Ms. Menchaca is delighted to facilitate Baby Time, the cutest time of the week. Librarian's help parents learn early literacy tips to set their children up to be readers. Ms. Menchaca facilitated the "Proud to Be Me: Rainbow Families" virtual program. Librarians read books and played games with kids. Ms. Menchaca will be hosting a program with the Latino Collection Resource Center featuring author Xavier Garza. Ms. Menchaca and Ms. Emily Flores met to discuss the plan for the program which will take place in September. Ms. Menchaca was asked to present with Ms. Clair Larkin of Little Read Wagon and other children's librarians at the annual Texas Library Association annual meeting. The group has started to meet and do research on the topic of the presentation, resiliency through play.

Forest Hills Branch is glad to announce the transfer of Shannan Prukop into the position of Teen Services Librarian II. Ms. Prukop will be leading the team's efforts toward building a teen program and enhancing the newly created teen space once the library facility reopens. Laura Herman, Teen Services Librarian II, separated from the library in August.

GREAT NORTHWEST

On August 20 Great Northwest Library hosted the Library Bee quilting group where adults can meet once a month to work on quilting projects and learn new quilting skills.

Adult Services Librarian Stephanie Vazquez created and distributed DIY Paper Chain Wall Art Take-and-Make kits.

Library Assistant Jennifer Tristan facilitated the Cut and Glue craft group on August 13 where adults craft and create with their peers.

This month the tweens continued to meet in the branch for their maker space program. The final project was fun for spectators who watched the tweens and their families make hydraulic arm Judo-bots. Using plastic kid-friendly syringes, patrons made the robotic arms out of popsicle sticks, small wooden cubes,

zip ties and plastic tubing. Each participant went home with their moveable robot arms and the enthusiasm was palpable.

Teen Librarian Lisa Puchot facilitated Teen Time programs in August. Teens participated in-person weekly at Teen Time. Teens helped ideate, plan, and execute summer programming. Teens made new and stronger connections with peers beyond their schools. Many teens took volunteer applications and are interested in building their leadership skills and steering Teen Time decisions.

GUERRA

Guerra Branch proudly hosted Metro Health's Diabetes Management series this month. The branch was saddened to say farewell to two staff members - Vanessa Pena and Adalee Colunga who each went on to pursue new career paths.

Branch Manager, Monica Bustillo, hosted Athena Reader's Book Club with the group reading and discussing *The Plot* by Jean Hanff Korelitz.

Teen Services Librarian, Bek Corley, continued to co-host Music Mondays on the 210teenlibrary Discord server alongside Teen Library's Ami Sarabia where teens shared music, art, game design. She also facilitated Guerra's weekly Teen Club in collaboration with teen volunteers. The group planned and developed gaming nights and sewing workshops, with the workshop inspiring one teen's discovery of a new hobby! They brought their new sewing projects from home to share at Teen Club with peers as well as share supplies.

Children's Librarian, Linda Lopez, helped with an Outreach at the San Antonio Museum of Art on August 7. She joined fellow SAPL Children's Librarians to provide Story Times and library card registrations, receiving much positivity and invitations for the group to return. She also attended a Back to School Bash at Jubilee Westwood on August 13th. There, she informed parents about all that the library has to offer, and let them know about upcoming programs at Guerra Library. She held her first program on August 24, Lego Club, where kids and their family could free play, or work on Lego Challenges. It was met with great success and highly attended.

Adult Services Librarian, Stephen Jackson, moderated the Spanish book club, Club de Lectura, on August 18. Participants discussed *Lo que te dire cuando te vuelva a ver* (What I will tell you when I see you again), a book with a unique approach to examining oneself psychologically. He recorded *Eres tu mi mamá* (*Are you my mother*) by P. D. Eastman for the Dial-a-Story in Spanish on August 19. He presented a trivia game at the Willie Cortez Senior Center on July 26 with a special emphasis on Labor Day both its historical origins as well as local celebrations taking place during that weekend. The next day, August 27, he taught a class on San Antonio Public Library databases with the assistance of Roxanne Menchaca..

Library Assistant, Roxanne Menchaca, continued to lead Guerra's monthly Knit and Crochet Group as well as co-lead SAPL's Queercrafternoon. Additionally, she helped develop and support Adult Librarian Stephen Jackson's database class to patrons on August 27th.

Circulation Attendant A.Abella Lazalde-Jimenez recorded a story for Telecuentos titled Gracias! por Mary Lyn Ray on August 30th.

IGO

With the start of the new school year, Teen Time at the Igo Library brought new teens into our weekly program, where they have interacted with our regulars and developed new connections within their community peer group. Annie, the teen librarian at Igo, continues working with our teens to plan programming ideas for Teen Time and get materials for activities that support their interests. Teen Time offers a variety of activities for teens to choose from, including craft and art supplies, movies, video, board, and card games that allow teens to choose how they want to spend their time and helps them make connections with teens who share their interests. Igo's teen volunteers continue to support the branch with their work, strengthening our ties to the community and our teen volunteers' ties to the library.

The budget office of The City of San Antonio hosted an in-person town hall meeting to gather residents' priorities to develop its Fiscal Year 2023 budget at Igo branch library on the 17th of August, 2022. A number of residents attended the meeting since the city's budget serves as a roadmap to provide residents with services for next year.

Igo branch library provided its meeting room space for four federal government investigators to do interviews with the federal government job applicants since it increases the employment rates in the city.

On August 20, 2022, the Igo Crafters discovered the meditative art of mandala rock painting. All who attended discovered their inner Zen while using dot painting tools and techniques with vibrant colors to create their own unique designs. Everyone left the Igo Library feeling relaxed and inspired.



JOHNSTON

Children's Librarian, Tiffany Durham, hosted the popular outdoor program Bubbles at the Sun Valley Playground and continued to host virtual programming for SAPL families; Toddler Time Online every Wednesday morning, and School Age Online Programming on Tuesdays. She also took part in recording The Long Ride Home by Stephanie Graegin for Dial-A-Story. In the Children's Area, Miss Tiffany created

a “Buzzing Back to School” display along with a hopscotch course and crafting station. She is looking forward to and planning for the return to indoor early literacy programming during the school year.

LEARN’s Training Officer, Marcella McGowan hosted the following programs: Word: Basic & Text on August 7; Word: Layout & Printing on August 14; Word: Objects & Collaboration on August 21; Word: Extra & Doing More on August 28th; Career Tool Kit on August 22 and Beginners Adult ESL Game which was virtual on August 24th. The Learn area had 38 patrons accessing the Learn Center.

LANDA

In August, Outdoor Story Time at Landa continued. The group met weekly and was led by Children’s Librarian Jasmin Salinas. Families enjoyed a Story Time with a team of Children’s Librarians (from around SAPL) who shared their favorite stories, songs, music and activities with children ages zero to five years. Each week, Children’s Librarian Salinas had toddler “helpers” assist her with their favorite songs with special favorites having crowds hop like bunnies and zoom off in rocket ships.

Children’s Librarian Jasmin continued to assist with online school-age programming including Art Club, Legos, Game Time, and Yoga/Movement activities. One young patron enjoyed Art Club so much that she asked the librarians to stay with her past the hour-long mark so she could finish up her masterpiece with them. Librarian Jasmin also helped every week with Baby Time Online. Several caregivers expressed appreciation in August for keeping an online program for them through the fall.

In August, Children’s Librarian Jasmin teamed up with Children’s Librarian Valerie Carroll from Semmes Branch to revamp the All Things Tween LibGuide. Together they worked on updating its content for children ages nine to twelve years. Librarian Jasmin wrote for the Children’s Services book review blog and became a peer mentor for newly hired Children’s Librarians.

This month the Mystery Book Club read *The Plot* by Jean Hanff Korelitz. Ten club members were in attendance. The meeting went great. Club members had a lively enthusiastic discussion, which actually required some mild moderation because everyone was so excited to share their thoughts and feelings! Generally, everyone liked the book, they said it started as a slow read but picked up as it continued. Most club members did not know whodunit until they were doing it again. They enjoyed the surprise of the ending. Club members also stated they appreciated how the author painted the setting of upstate NY, with several mentioning that they lived there previously or had visited extensively and said it was well done.

Circulation Attendant Amy Peppersack and Adult Services Librarian Robin Alcorta hosted a beginning jewelry making program. There were 20 participants who shared very constructive feedback. They cannot wait until the next one!

LAS PALMAS

The Las Palmas Branch continues to support city departments and community groups needing a meeting space for their events. August 1, SAFPE Officers provided information on Active Shooter response and

preparation to staff. District 5 Neighborhood Alliance met on August 7. Metro Health held a STD/HIV Testing day in our Meeting Room on August 18. The Neighborhood Housing & Services Development (NHSD) hosted two programs in August assisting the community in completing House Repair Applications. In two days, August 17 and August 20, the event helped serve over 250 residents. Las Palmas staff were thanked by NHSD for helping make the event a huge success.

This month's book display was created by Library Assistant, Elvia Ramos, promoting the checkout of duplicate items, "One Book for You, One Book for Me" encouraging friends and family of all ages to read a book together for discussion.

Adults: This month Librarian Manager, Lily Pérez and Library Assistant Elvia Ramos held several adult programs. Monday Night Live, Camera & Action Movie Series continued at Las Palmas with the Goonies on August 2, the Goonies August 15, and Black Panther August 29. The movies are well received by the community, and they often ask staff what the next movie showing will be. Lily and Elvia also held two Bilingual Computer Classes. Email Basics on August 9, and How to create a "mySSA" account from the Social Security website. Staff will continue to host computer classes on subjects that the community is interested in learning about.

The Las Palmas Teen summer program wrapped up with the Doctor Strange movie, creating tie dye bags, and making Shrinky Dinks. Teen Service Librarian Connie Hejl monitored the Random Fandom club on Discord. This month the teens watched many animated shows and the Marvel TV show Loki. An in-person Edgewood School District back to school event was held this year at the Edgewood Performing Arts Center. Connie handed out flyers on teen programs both online and at the branch. She also handed out flyers to recruit teen volunteers.

Connie also moderated the online Speak Geek program. This month's topic was collectibles where participants showed off a variety of collections including cameras, toys, Funko Pops and K-Pop items.

Summer came to an end and school started for our Las Palmas families. Valerie Shelley, Las Palmas Children's Librarian, went to the Las Palmas School for Girls Open House. She shared resources and information with the families that were present. SAPL swag was given out to the children.

The Children's programs paused for two weeks towards the end of summer with SAPL. Valerie continued her outreach to the Madonna Neighborhood Center reading to preschoolers ages 2-4. Online programs were aired for Toddler Time, Story Time, and Lego Time.

MAVERICK

With the 2022-23 school year in full swing, students from all grades are returning to the library to complete school assignments and projects. In August, Maverick's organizations such as the book clubs, chess club, mah-jongg group and poetry group met for their monthly gatherings. Since 2019, Maverick held its first Used Book Sale on August 6 & 7. The community came out and displayed their support for the popular book-sale event. Thanks to the contribution from The Maverick Friends group and dedicated volunteers, the book sale was a success!

Children's Librarian, Amy Roberts, was thrilled to start in-person Baby Time and Toddler Time on August 31 after a long 2.5-year hiatus. She attended children's librarian meetings on August 10 and August 24. Ms. Roberts also had a very informative Active Shooter Training on August 2.

Maverick's August Teen Times, facilitated by Library Assistant Mary Lou Bleichwehl, and was planned by the Maverick Teen Library Leadership Council (TLLC). Teen Volunteers showcased their creativity and leadership most impressively as they implemented their plan for a Back to School, carnival themed party on the 16th. The TLLC collaborated their efforts into four different carnival type games with Teen volunteers running each and tracking participants' scores. While all of the Teens thoroughly enjoyed the Back to School party, the TLLC volunteers had the opportunity to collectively problem solve and build their interpersonal skills throughout the event.

A most touching, positive Teen interaction occurred when three newer Teens were discussing their upcoming first day of freshman year at O'Connor with Bleichwehl. One of the freshmen was concerned because she had missed orientation: she doubted her ability to get to her classes on time. Bleichwehl connected them with an upperclassman, and veteran Teen-timer with a positive sense of self, who used his critical thinking skills to diagram the O'Connor campus on a whiteboard. Teen Time at Maverick fosters interpersonal skills and connects Teens with diverse backgrounds and interests; it removes barriers, engages Teens and creates an inclusive environment.

Librarian II, Ben Longoria, assisted by Circulation Attendant Sarina Hackworth and Library Aid Taylur Loera, supervised the last Teen Time in August while Teens implemented their plan for a video game competition and the artistically inclined expressed themselves with acrylic paints on the mini canvases provided by Central Teen Services Summer Reading supplies.

McCRELESS

August started off at McCreless with an Active Shooter Training session for library staff. Two SAFPE officers offered information about disaster response and how to prepare for and respond to being trapped inside a building during an active shooter event. In addition to the four McCreless staff members attending we also had three staff members from other branches complete their required training at MCC.

The McCreless Branch continues to be a viable meeting space for city departments and community groups. Metro Health held a STD/HIV Testing day in our Meeting Room on August 9 and a Diabetes Self-Management Workshop on August 31, the Department of Arts & Culture celebrated a Community Engagement Event on August 16, and the Friends of the McCreless Library held their Annual Book Sale on August 13.

Library Assistant Joseph Gonzales collaborated with Oasis of San Antonio by making a presentation of Library Services for seniors at Southside Lions Senior Center. The attendees were ecstatic to hear that McCreless and other libraries were now open and have returned in person programming. At the outreach, Mr. Gonzales was able to make over 19 new library cards and answer questions on existing and new services that the library was now offering. Library Assistant Gonzales also hosted another Movie Night at McCreless featuring The Batman. This monthly program has been steadily increasing in attendance as word gets out that the McCreless Branch has reopened.

In order to maintain some continuity in Children's Services after a staff transfer, we have had the help of Children's Librarian Christine Deffendall from the Memorial Branch. She has been offering a well-attended Lego Time on Tuesdays and a Family Story Time on Wednesdays.

Attendance at Teen Time and the Dungeons & Dragons Club is slowly growing as teens settle into their after-school routine. Teens are encouraged to share their ideas and thoughts about future programs in the effort to cultivate creative expression, leadership, and a sense of belonging to their teen space and the library. Teen Librarian Marisa DeBow is available as a sounding board for their ideas and an advocate for teens in general.

As in July, the majority of August walk-in Learn patrons needed individualized support with resumes, job applications, and computer skills. Training Officer Lodie Mueller reports that in August attendance for the McCreless Learn Center's first multi-level English Class reached a total of 28, with enthusiastic participants from nine different countries: Angola, Brazil, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, and Venezuela.

Lourna Marquez-Carrasquillo, the new USCIS Community Relations liaison for South Texas, visited the English class on August 27th to introduce herself and announce an upcoming September event in the McCreless Learn Center, when she will give a presentation about the most important eligibility requirements for naturalization.

MEMORIAL

Adult Services librarian Freddy Hudson attended the Active Shooter training on August 2nd at Pan American Library. On August 11th Mr. Hudson and Library Assistant Rene Leija appeared on *Noon Time Helping of Cooking* hosted by Managers Jeannette Davies and Oscar Gonzalez. They promoted their movie cookbook currently posted on the cooking LibGuide (<https://guides.mysapl.org/cooking>). Both of them discussed the inspiration behind the cookbook and its many tasty features. Mr. Hudson reached out to Morgan Yoshimura at Central Public Library to assist with packing supplies for the next adult services of Take-and-Make kits.

Children's Librarian Christine Deffendall published a curated Story Time to the Children's Services "Here for You" LibGuide. The Story Time was based around the book, *Paletero Man*, by Lucky Diaz. Mrs. Deffendall also reviewed *The Beatryce Prophecy*, written by Kate DiCamillo and illustrated by Sophie Blackall, for the Children's Services blog on August 16.

Mrs. Deffendall attended a Back-to-School event at the Westside YMCA on August 12 and spoke to more than 50 adults and children. On August 13, she worked with other Children's and Teen Librarians at the Young Pegasus celebration at Confluence Park. Keeping busy Mrs. Deffendall began a weekly outreach program to the childcare program at the Westside YMCA. She also assisted with Children's programming at the McCreless library branch the week of August 29.

MISSION

Mission hosted Healthy Neighborhoods and the Office of Health Equity's Exhibit and Community Resource Fair, Sembrando Amor (Sowing Seeds of Love) - Breast/Chestfeeding Awareness Photovoice on Saturday, August 13th as part of highlighting breastfeeding support programs and providing information and resources to families at events throughout San Antonio this month.

This month weekly Tween Time was resumed after a long COVID-19 hiatus on Children's programming.

Mission Library hosted five Teen Club programs in August with a total of 41 teens attending. Teens worked together on several DIY projects such as wind chimes, friendship bracelets, buttons/pins, and invisible ink. Two teen volunteers also taught others how to crochet while making the friendship bracelets. Teen volunteers also earn hours while helping with library tasks: finding books, checking in router items, shelving, and shelf-reading.

Teen Services Librarian, Cindy Cruz, staffed an outreach table at the Mission Marquee Farmer's Market. Cindy provided information on the library's collection and upcoming programs. Attendees were most excited about the new Vinyl album collection at Mission. Cindy also assisted at the Young Pegasus Poetry celebration at Confluence Park.

Mission Movie Club and Karaoke Club continue to be popular events on select Friday late afternoons for community members. Muffled singing can be heard throughout the library as the excitement happens in the programming room.

PAN AMERICAN



Teen Services Librarian Gladys Nunez facilitated opportunities for teens at the Branch to share their creativity. Teen volunteers continue to provide ideas for book displays and for decorating the teen space. During Teen Time during the month of August, teens had fun with different activities each week. Teens painted their art on white t-shirts, learned embroidery, made creations with Popsicle sticks,

They also planned a movie night. Ms. Nunez also participated in an outreach for Harlandale High School. The librarian for the high school wanted an information table for students and staff to learn about public library cards and homework services available to students.

Adult Services Librarian, Adrian Leal, hosted two "Puzzle Times" during the month of August. "Puzzle Time" is an Adult Program that offers participants the opportunity to spend some time putting a puzzle together. Puzzles are provided free of charge and participants can keep the puzzle they work on.

On August 13th, the Cancer Is One Cancer (C.I.O.C.) Support Group held its monthly meeting. This group meets once a month and provides an opportunity for the community to get support and talk to others who have been affected by cancer.

An Adult Services system wide Take-and-Make was also offered. This Take-and-Make was entitled "Tassel Bookmark" and Mr. Leal organized the system Take-and-Make for Pan American Patrons.

For the month of August, the children's librarian Jacqueline Gonzales at Pan American Branch Library visited La Petite Academy, and did a Story Time for the children. There were 16 kids and 1 adult in attendance. Children sang along to simple melodies, and enjoyed several fun books.

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PARMAN

August is traditionally the time to reflect on the Summer Reading program, helping children, their parents, teens and college students to prepare for the new school year and begin planning for busy fall programs. The Parman branch had record breaking number of sign-ups this year. Also, in two months of Summer Reading Program Parman staff delivered 98 programs for all age groups attended by 3486 patrons.

With the start of the school year in August Parman focused on helping the children, their parents and the teachers to prepare for new school year.

The Alamo Area Woodcarvers who are an integral part of the Parman Library were kind enough to donate a homemade ukulele to the branch. The instrument is a DIY project and is made from a vintage box, and everyday items. The Woodcarvers donated it in hopes that it would inspire other people to be creative and see what can be made from simple everyday things. It is currently on display for all to see and admire.

Over 300 young patrons visiting the library in August enjoyed several passive programs including the Narwhal and Jelly scavenger hunt. Finishers were awarded a fun sticker of their choosing.

The Parman puppet theater moved back into the children's area and was met with instant delight. Several children immediately began producing their own puppet plays.

Also, for teens, Parman teen services librarian Zachary saw the end of summer for most of the local teens. The branch said goodbye to the two teen interns the branch had over the summer, and Zachary took the time to work with each teen volunteer to find a schedule that fit around their new school year. Teens were encouraged to add to interactive art stations, with volunteer-designed prompts including "What is your favorite word?" and "Where is your favorite place in the world?" An end of summer Teen Time was held where teens got to watch several episodes of an anime of their choosing while playing various games.

At the centre of it all was Parman children's librarian Teague Shosh, who was making her first broadcast appearance on KSAT 12's SA Live. Teague promoted SAPL's after school programs that feature process and collaborative art and building activities. She and host Mike Osterhage created masterpieces with paint, construction paper and saran wrap!

POTRANCO

The end of the summer has arrived at Potranco Branch Library. The pace of the summer has certainly been slowed but the top tier service never stops at Potranco.

Children's in-person programming took a pause during August: however, Librarian Dawn Zeig continued with three sessions of Toddler Time on-line programming.

Librarian Zeig has been busy planning a large-scale Hispanic Heritage Program at our branch in conjunction with Emily Flores of the Latino Collection and Resource Center and a system-wide children's Take-and-Make activity. Preparations were made for fall programs to start in September.

We will have various programs for school-aged children at this time while we await the hiring of a new children's librarian.

The Potranco Writer's Group continued to meet on the 2nd and the 4th Saturday of the month. Many local aspiring authors meet to discuss their latest progress. The group, led by Circulation Attendant Paschal Booker, create a warm and non-judgmental atmosphere that offers positive feedback and constructive criticism.

Librarian Lisa Leandro hosted the final Potranco Book Club meeting. Ms. Leandro will be taking her talents to the Southside and is now a part of the Collins Garden team. Ms. Leandro will be missed by the Potranco community and the Collins Garden library will greatly benefit from her creativity and dedication to service. The Potranco Book Club is being revamped and will return shortly.

Dreaded Threads continues to be a very successful Monday night program. Hosted by Circulation Attendant Miranda Reyes and Librarian Dawn Zeig, this program invites patrons to bring knitting, crochet, sewing or any other craft project they are working on while listening to the latest True Crime Podcast. Coffee and snacks are also served.

PRUITT at ROOSEVELT HS

Pruitt's Children's Services programming was on pause while the branch prepared for fall programming. Pruitt's Children's Services continued its partnership with Healthy Neighborhoods and hosted the patron favorite *Family Yoga* program. Back to school themed Take-and-Make craft kits for children were created by the branch's children's library assistant Beth Harris. Pruitt's Children's Services looks forward to the resumption of programming in September.

During the first week of August Pruitt welcomed Lauren Hime as their new Teen Services Librarian. In August, The Teen Team jumped right into outreach at Roosevelt High School for a Freshman and Sophomore prep event where they spread the word about the new and established upcoming programming for Teens at Pruitt.

It's going to be a great year for chess at the Pruitt library! The Teen crew began offering mega chess and checkers in the courtyard during lunch periods soon after the school year began, and Teen Chess programming with Chess Master Alex Weinberg is officially back for the 2022-2023 school year sponsored by Rackspace.

Free Play Fridays have continued to draw in teens interested in discussing and playing music as well as trying out new instruments. *Teen Anime Hour* will continue this year for our anime and manga fans. Lastly, the Teen Team has been hard at work prepping for a new in-person *Dungeons and Dragons* campaign that has sparked the interest of many students, some who have come to the library to create characters and are literally ready to roll!

Adult services continued with book clubs and in-person crafting with patrons making lovely leaf votive holders.

SAN PEDRO

The San Pedro Branch continued to provide access to computer, reading materials and relief to the scorching summer temperatures in August. The branch has seen an increase in foot traffic due to the continued closure of the Central Library and other area branches. Most days all computers are in use along with patrons waiting to use the next available one.

Children's Services librarian Karen Braeuler started a Parent Resource Center in the children's area with handouts, books and flyers of interest to parents. Preparations and publicity began for the upcoming resumption of indoor children's programming in September. Ms. Braeuler reached out to area schools to inform administrators and librarians of SAPL offerings and programming at the San Pedro Branch. Programming information was also sent to Alta Vista and Beacon Hill Neighborhood Associations.

In August Adult Services Librarian, Diana Starrett, continued to offer "Yarn Over to San Pedro" where the public could work on a variety of knitting projects as well as visit and share tips with others. Chess matches also continued in August.

SCHAEFER

Library Assistant BlancaSilvia Hernandez hosted the monthly Schaefer Virtual Craft program; where patrons made Fall Luminaries. She also hosted a Make n Go Craft program at Schaefer where families picked color-me themed crafts to make. Patrons decorated Mandela Suncatchers, baseball caps, can koozies and sleep masks with fabric markers. BlancaSilvia published a Vinyl themed catalog list for National Vinyl Record Day on August 12th. She also published a catalog list of popular titles for Schaefer's I ❤️ Vinyl (Digital Edition) monthly program. Lastly, she opened Schaefer's seed library, where patrons can browse seeds and take some home to plant.

The Schaefer Skimmers Book Club met on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 to discuss Balli Kaur Jaswal's *Erotic Stories for Punjabi Widows*. The meeting was attended by four club members.

Children's librarian Leslie Elsasser accompanied Cresencia Huff to the Seguin Public Library on Aug. 25 for a District 10 meeting of area children's librarians to discuss summer programming. The group also received a tour of the library.

During August, Schaefer had a pause in in-person children's programming once summer with SAPL concluded at the end of July. Zoom programs still took place, though, and Leslie participated in a number of these programs. She participated in Let's Get Moving: Yoga at the Library on Aug. 2; Game Time on Aug. 9; and LEGO Club on Aug. 23. She also was the host for Story Time Online on Aug. 4.

In the month of August, Teen Services Librarian, Dacari Lambert facilitated weekly Teen Time programming alongside teen volunteers, who planned and implemented teen requested activities. Dacari worked in partnership with the San Antonio Food Bank, to provide teen request cooking classes, during Teen Time, for two programs. Dacari has been active in the Teen Pride workgroup, working alongside colleagues Chris Castillo, Matthew Loaiza, and Shannan Prukop. The workgroup is organizing teen requested activities and programming for October, which is LGBTQ+ history month.

Dacari continues to work with the Organizational Health Unit on training and staff development opportunities for employees. Dacari participated in the recording of the first episode of a three-part LGBTQ+ pride series, on the San Antonio Public podcast: Tuned In. At the branch, Dacari continues to be an integral part of building and maintaining the vinyl record collection.



SEMMEs

In August, Miss Valerie continued hosting Teen Time on Tuesday evenings and Tween Time on Wednesday afternoons. While Story Times were on pause at Semmes in August, she also continued to help at Landa's Outdoor Story Time on August 18th and 25th, contributing songs and action rhymes.

Valerie became a co-editor for the All Things Tween LibGuide and worked to reorganize existing features and develop new content on the Guide. Her D.I.Y Pencil Cup craft is currently being featured on the D.I.Y. Corner page of the LibGuide.

Semmes is once again partnering with Wood Middle School and Harris Middle School to host a rotating selection of student artwork. The first display of the school year was installed the last week of August.

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In August, Ms. Randi contributed to children's services of SAPL in several different ways. On August 10, she read aloud the book *Found* by Salina Yoon for Toddler Online Live and on August 24, she provided the closing songs for that program. On August 4, she hosted, presented several songs and fingerplays and read the book, *Boa's Bad Birthday* by Jeanne Willis and Tony Ross for Story Time Online Live. On August 11, she hosted that program. Her curated toddler time for *Pip and Posy The Big Balloon* by Axel Scheffler premiered on the SAPL website on August 8. On August 29, her curated toddler time for *Who Says Woof?* By John Butler premiered on the SAPL website. Her curated Story Time for preschoolers for *Goldfish on Vacation* by Sally Lloyd-Jones premiered on the SAPL website on August 22. Ms. Randi recorded four times on SAPL's Dial-A-Story line this month: (August 2—*Wanted! Ralfy Rabbit, Book Burglar* by Emily MacKenzie; August 9—*Alan's Big Scary Teeth* by Jarvis; August 16—*The Better Tree Fort* by Jessica Scott Kerrin and August 23—*The Ramble Shamle Children* by Christina Soontornvat.)

THOUSAND OAKS

Assistant Branch Manager Brooke Mjolsness hosted a WellMed School Supply Give-Away event on August 4. Children received school supplies; their parents and grandparents learned about Medicare. She served as co-host and chat moderator for the virtual Film Noir Movie Club program on August 9. This group watches a film noir movie, and has a lively discussion with engaging questions. On August 10, Ms. Mjolsness co-hosted the self-care program OptimizeU. The main host Maggie Grueskin led the program which is held the second Wednesday of every month.

On August 23, Ms. Mjolsness held an in-person Film Noir Movie program. Attendees watched Sunset Boulevard, starring William Holden and Gloria Swanson, and enjoyed light refreshments courtesy of the Friends of the Thousand Oaks Library. She facilitated an outreach book club at the Northeast Senior Center on August 24. Attendees discussed Leaving Time by Jodi Picoult. On August 26, she co-hosted a virtual Beginner's Chair Yoga program, and served as Master of Ceremonies for the virtual SAPL Live Trivia program. These programs are held on the last Friday of every month.

Children's Librarian Cheryl Penick presented three outreach Story Time sessions at the Pinnacle Kids Academy on Classen Road on August 3. She served as co-host for the Baby Time Online programs on August 5 and 12. On August 13, Ms. Penick assisted with the Young Pegasus Poetry Celebration at Confluence Park. She assembled themed book bundles for children with items for check-out in both English and Spanish, and assembled weekly "Take-and-Make Tuesday" craft kits for children.



Librarian Kimberly King held Teen Time programs on August 1, 8, 15, and 22. The teens planned and participated in various activities including painting mini canvases, making bottle cap keychains, and coloring mandala suncatchers. Ms. King planned an outreach book group which was held at the Northeast Senior Center on August 24. She created a "School Days" book display highlighting titles related to school in the young adult collection. She created an interactive activity encouraging teens to share responses to the question "What is your favorite type of dog?" in celebration of National Dog Month.

Library Assistant Mari Carmen Castellano continued collaborating with colleagues twice weekly on the Animal Crossing program. This program offered a summer Island Tour Contest which concluded this month with the announcement of the contest winner. She joined the Queer Committee, and continued working with colleagues on the Esports Committee. She assisted the Children's Librarian with assembling craft kits for children. On August 24, Ms. Castellano held an Adult Craft Time program. Participants enjoyed lighthearted conversation and creative expression while coloring.

TOBIN LIBRARY AT OAKWELL

Lots of personnel changes at Tobin in August as long time Library Assistant, Andrew Charltonjones left to attend The University of Washington at Seattle to start his Library Science Masters. Next year he will begin his second Masters in History.

Tobin welcomed Library Services Specialist, Frances McGovern, from Guerra on August 1. Ms. McGovern really enjoys the after-school Garner students as she's a retired Middle School teacher. Teen Librarian, Melissa Carroll, has worked with Fort Sam Independent School District's Community Based Vocational Instructor over the summer for a volunteer to come to Tobin. So, starting on August 15, Cole High School student, Bryson B. started volunteering for two hours each weekday.

Andy Crews from the Texana Department at Central Library hosted a popular Ancestry.com class to a large crowd on August 10, 2022.

The branch began hosting two programs simultaneously on Tuesday's starting on August 16. Teen Hang Out is hosted by Ms. Carroll and After School Zone for pre-teens is usually hosted by Children's Librarian, Kara Bailey and Ms. McGovern. Teens made mini-zines about their summer the first meeting and over 35 teens completed information surveys on their interests and what type programs they like. Pre-teens have especially enjoyed ping pong, along with video and board games and simple crafts this month.

Thanks to the Organizational Health Unit and their Wellness Initiative, Tobin personnel voted on items to purchase including a bird feeder with bird seed, a wind chime and a chair massage cushion to ease employee stress and improve overall wellbeing.

WESTFALL

Westfall Branch is currently closed for renovations. Staff are readying the facility for opening in the very near future.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

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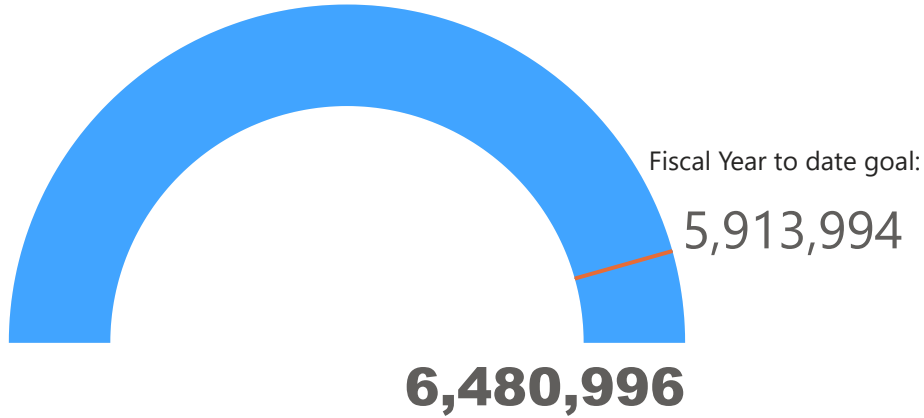
KEY INDICATORS

COVID-19 has greatly affected overall Library service usage in FY 2020 and FY 2021. FY 2022 performance goals were adjusted accordingly.

August 2022

FY 2022

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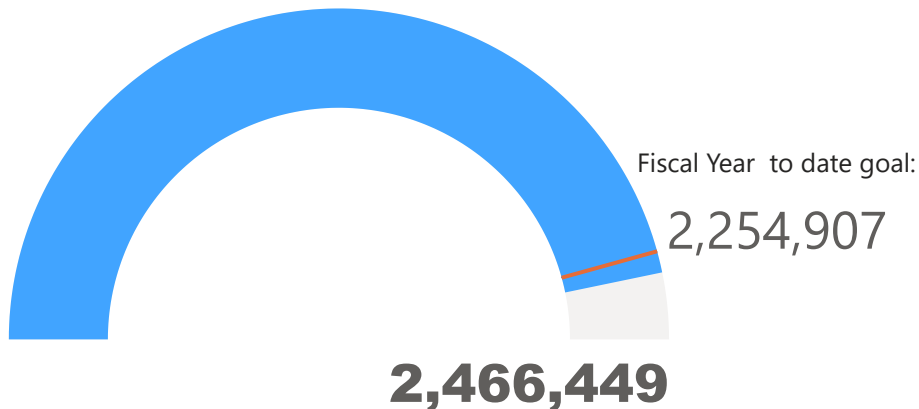


FY 2022 to date Items Borrowed



6,870,737[✓]
(+16.18%)
Circulation

Visits: Goal

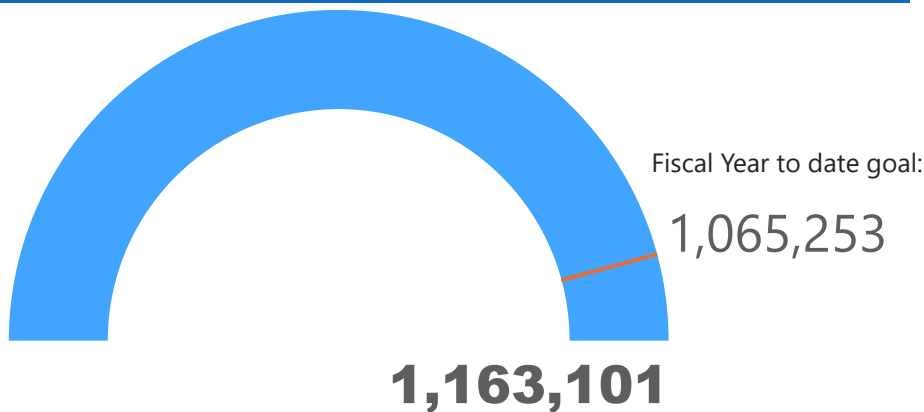


FY 2022 to date Library Visits



2,306,333[✓]
(+2.28%)
Visits

Digital Access: Goal



FY 2022 to date Digital Access



169,549
Hours of Computer Use



1,442,202
Hours of WI-FI Use

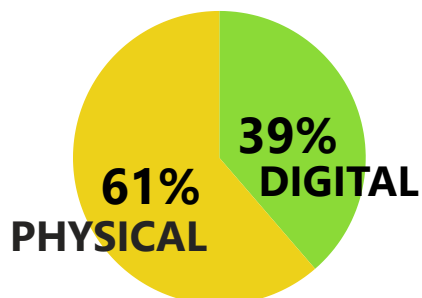
1,611,751[✓]
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Wi-Fi Hours

SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL INDICATORS

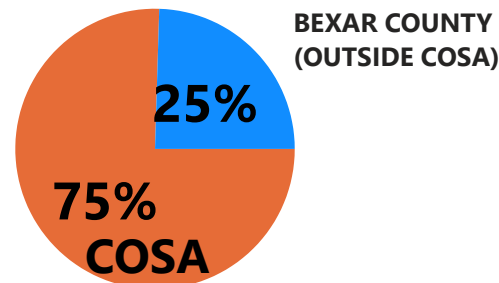
August 2022 (CONTINUED)

USE OF COLLECTION: FISCAL YEAR 2022

CIRCULATION BY TYPE



CIRCULATION BY SERVICE AREA



VIRTUAL: FISCAL YEAR 2022



1,225,071
MYSAPL.ORG
VISITS

19,728
MYSAPL
APP DOWNLOADS*

1,135,321
OVERDRIVE
SITE VISITS

4,098,815
SOCIAL MEDIA
IMPRESSIONS

* As of 11-2021, App Sessions data is no longer available and was changed to measure App Downloads

PROGRAMS & ATTENDANCE: FISCAL YEAR 2022

5,057
TOTAL PROGRAMS

1,959
ADULT PROGRAMS

1,778
TEEN PROGRAMS

1,320
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

92,248
TOTAL ATTENDANCE

22,178
ADULT ATTENDANCE

14,951
TEEN ATTENDANCE

55,119
CHILDREN'S ATTENDANCE

130 PROGRAM VIDEOS UPLOADED

26,680 PROGRAM VIDEO VIEWS

AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

ABCs of Beginning Genealogy
TUESDAY AUGUST 30
7-7:30PM
ONLINE EVENT
REGISTRATION
REQUIRED

SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY

SAPL's Noon Time Helping
FALL FRAGRANCES
Thursday August 25
12-1:20 pm
Presented on Zoom
Registration required

SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY

Turning Your Passion into a Career
with Tania Chaidez Ibarra
TUES AUG 30
6PM
ONLINE EVENT
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
MYSAPL.ORG/EVENTS

SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY LATINO COLLECTION

LIKE LOL
TWEEN TIME
PROGRAMS JUST FOR CHILDREN 9-12
SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY

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August 2022 Key Indicators

Location	Total Circulation	Visits	Hours of Technology Actuals	Computer Hours	Wi-Fi Hours of Use
Bazan	2,896	5,592	5,934	1,261	4,673
Brook Hollow	28,967	11,284	6,859	756	6,103
Carver	2,917	4,121	3,261	852	2,409
Central	11,487	25,538	29,394	4,930	24,464
Cody	34,004	11,642	10,546	1,269	9,277
Collins Garden	3,493	3,630	3,878	659	3,220
Cortez	4,575	5,568	3,664	457	3,207
Digital	267,412	0	0	0	0
Encino	20,430	6,326	6,788	255	6,533
Forest Hills	330	20	0	0	0
Great Northwest	30,532	11,482	6,925	684	6,241
Guerra	7,701	5,152	4,121	679	3,441
Igo	40,278	14,229	11,373	623	10,750
Interlibrary Loan	1,493	0	0	0	0
Johnston	8,613	5,328	3,570	636	2,935
Kampmann	0	650	262	0	262
Landa	13,976	11,855	4,338	497	3,841
Las Palmas	4,539	7,614	5,386	1,069	4,316
Maverick	27,506	9,177	7,356	907	6,448
McCreless	7,046	2,829	5,216	1,003	4,213
Memorial	720	145	0	0	0
Mission	10,928	10,712	6,556	857	5,698
Pan American	3,558	3,252	2,697	311	2,386
Parman	36,425	17,753	8,400	362	8,038
Potranco	18,559	8,259	16,423	583	15,841
Pruitt	5,629	7,402	3,508	21	3,487
San Pedro	3,561	5,268	6,105	564	5,542
Schaefer	8,842	7,094	5,018	511	4,507
Semmes	31,799	17,637	8,604	961	7,643
System	36,658	0	0	0	0
Thousand Oaks	6,457	5,281	4,606	700	3,905
Tobin	17,395	9,571	4,267	689	3,578
Westfall	1,631	352	1,071	0	1,071
Total	700,357	234,763	186,124	22,096	164,028

Circulation includes Physical, Digital and NEISD materials to SAPL patrons at Pruitt

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August 2022 Programs & Attendance

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, some programs are developed with a system wide approach and others are developed by each location.

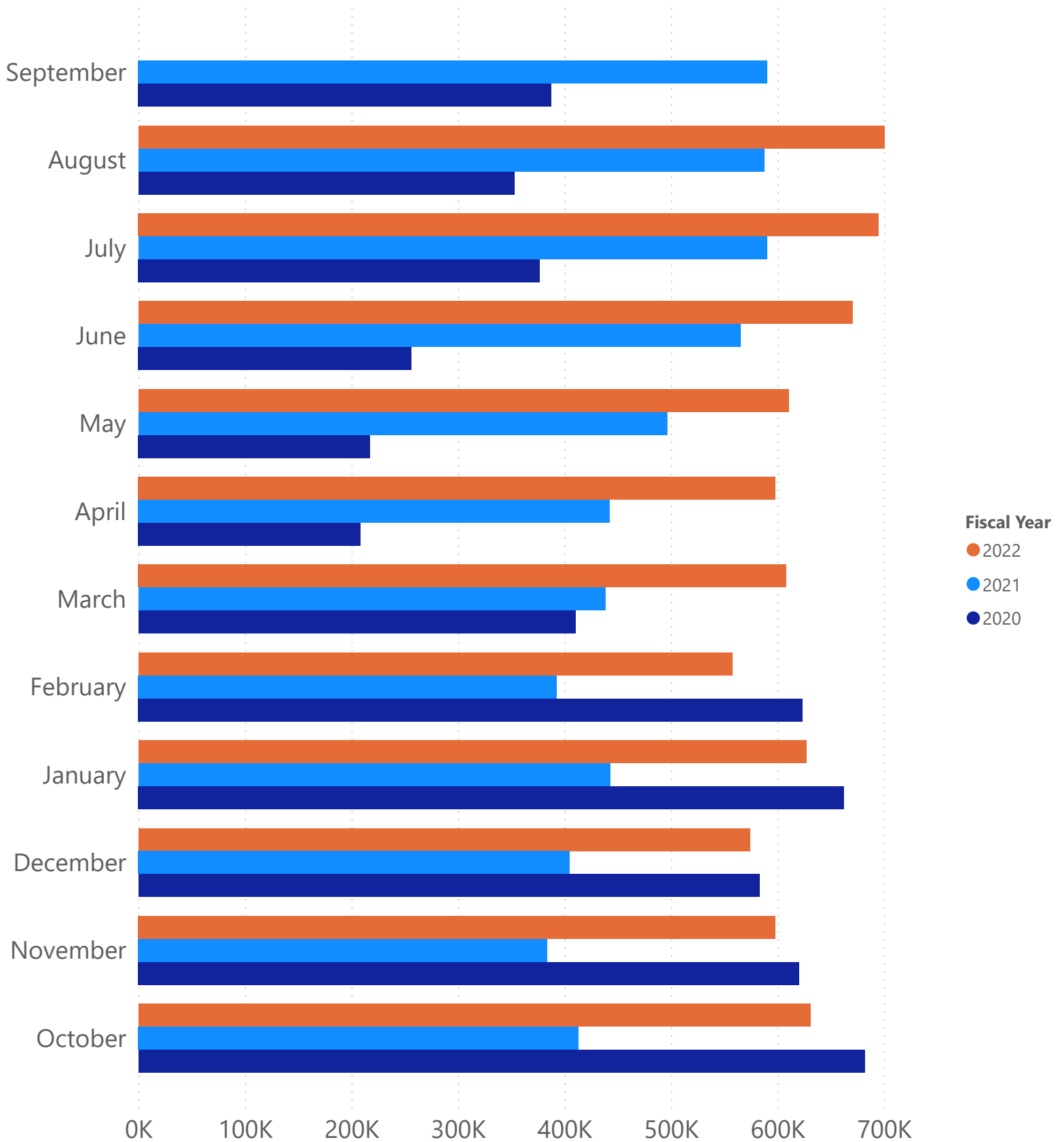
Location	Adult Programs	Teen Programs	Children's Programs	Total Programs	Adult Program Attendance	Teen Program Attendance	Children's Program Attendance	Total Program Attendance
Bazan	7	0	11	18	43	0	217	260
Brook Hollow	3	5	7	15	33	4	201	238
Carver	8	4	3	15	82	2	20	104
Central	21	71	0	92	140	407	0	547
Cody	13	6	8	27	80	25	340	445
Collins Garden	1	10	1	12	1	9	300	310
Cortez	7	3	12	22	15	1	56	72
Encino	0	6	0	6	0	55	0	55
Forest Hills	1	0	0	1	10	0	0	10
Great Northwest	1	4	4	9	5	11	70	86
Guerra	5	5	6	16	34	12	216	262
Igo	6	5	3	14	40	26	10	76
Johnston	7	6	4	17	15	68	171	254
Landa	5	5	4	14	54	5	345	404
Las Palmas	7	5	5	17	20	127	165	312
Little Read Wagon	0	0	2	2	0	0	40	40
Maverick	6	5	3	14	28	94	85	207
McCreless	3	10	6	19	22	33	51	106
Memorial	0	0	3	3	0	0	67	67
Mission	18	6	8	32	232	83	34	349
Pan American	3	5	1	9	11	17	20	48
Parman	4	5	0	9	12	27	0	39
Potranco	7	0	0	7	51	0	0	51
Pruitt	6	2	2	10	85	148	22	255
San Pedro	2	0	1	3	4	0	11	15
Schaefer	5	5	0	10	23	27	0	50
Semmes	6	5	3	14	136	28	70	234
System	6	41	14	61	49	416	274	739
Thousand Oaks	5	5	1	11	118	7	50	175
Tobin	4	5	3	12	39	67	70	176
Westfall	0	0	1	1	0	0	64	64
Total	167	229	116	512	1,382	1,699	2,969	6,050

Note:

Forest Hills, Memorial & Westfall: Buildings were closed in August, branches were able to hold one or more off-site events.

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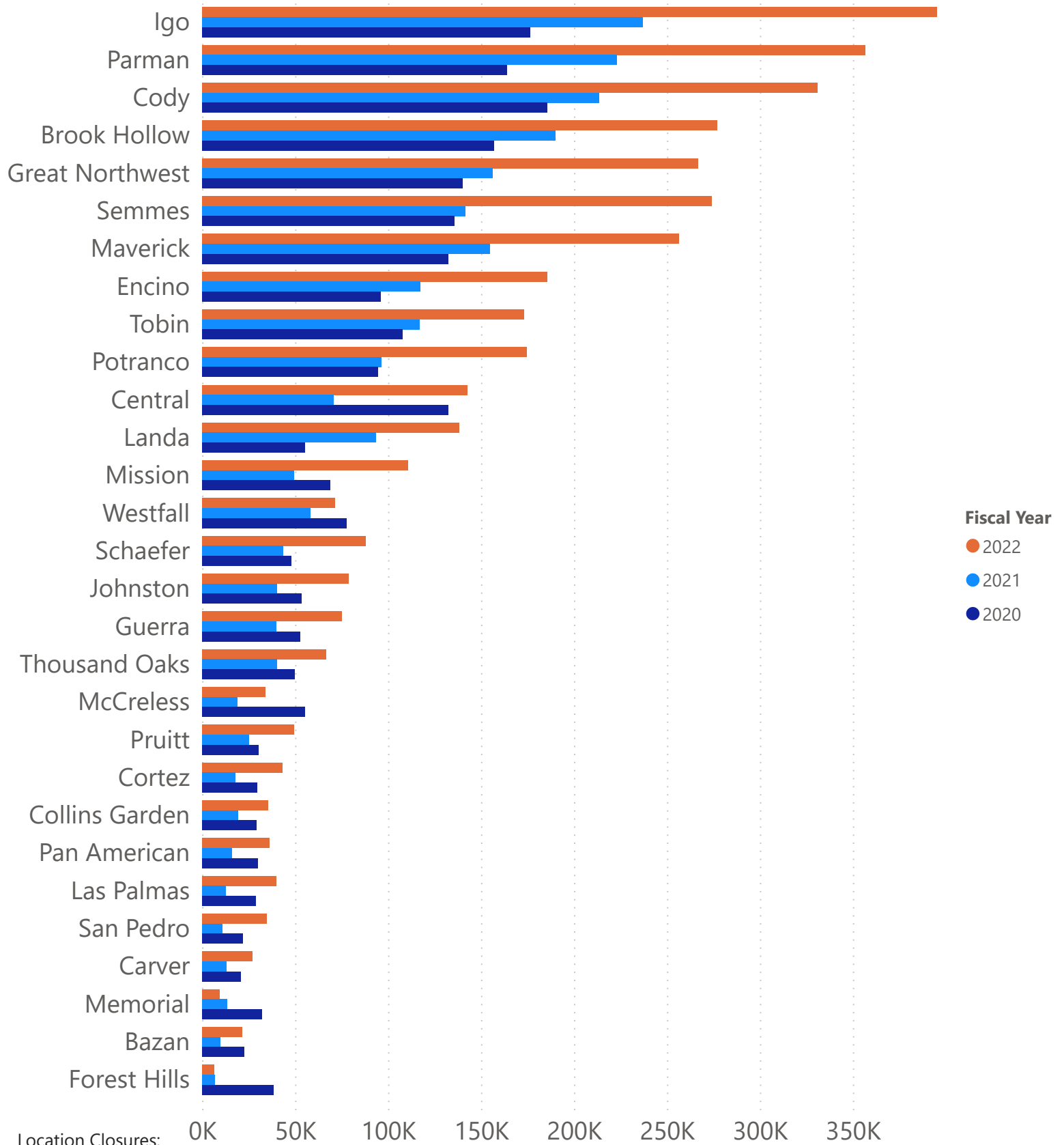
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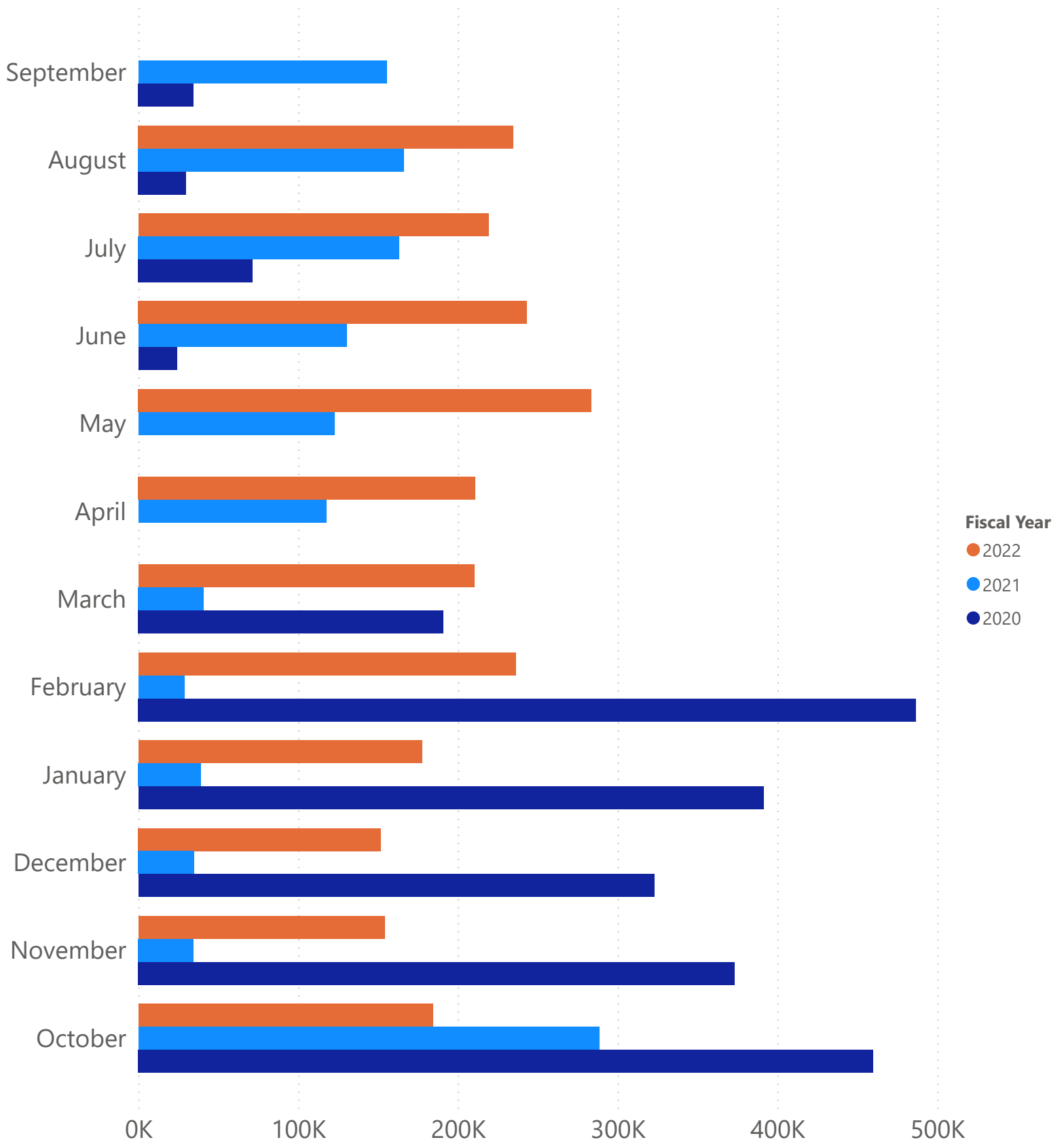
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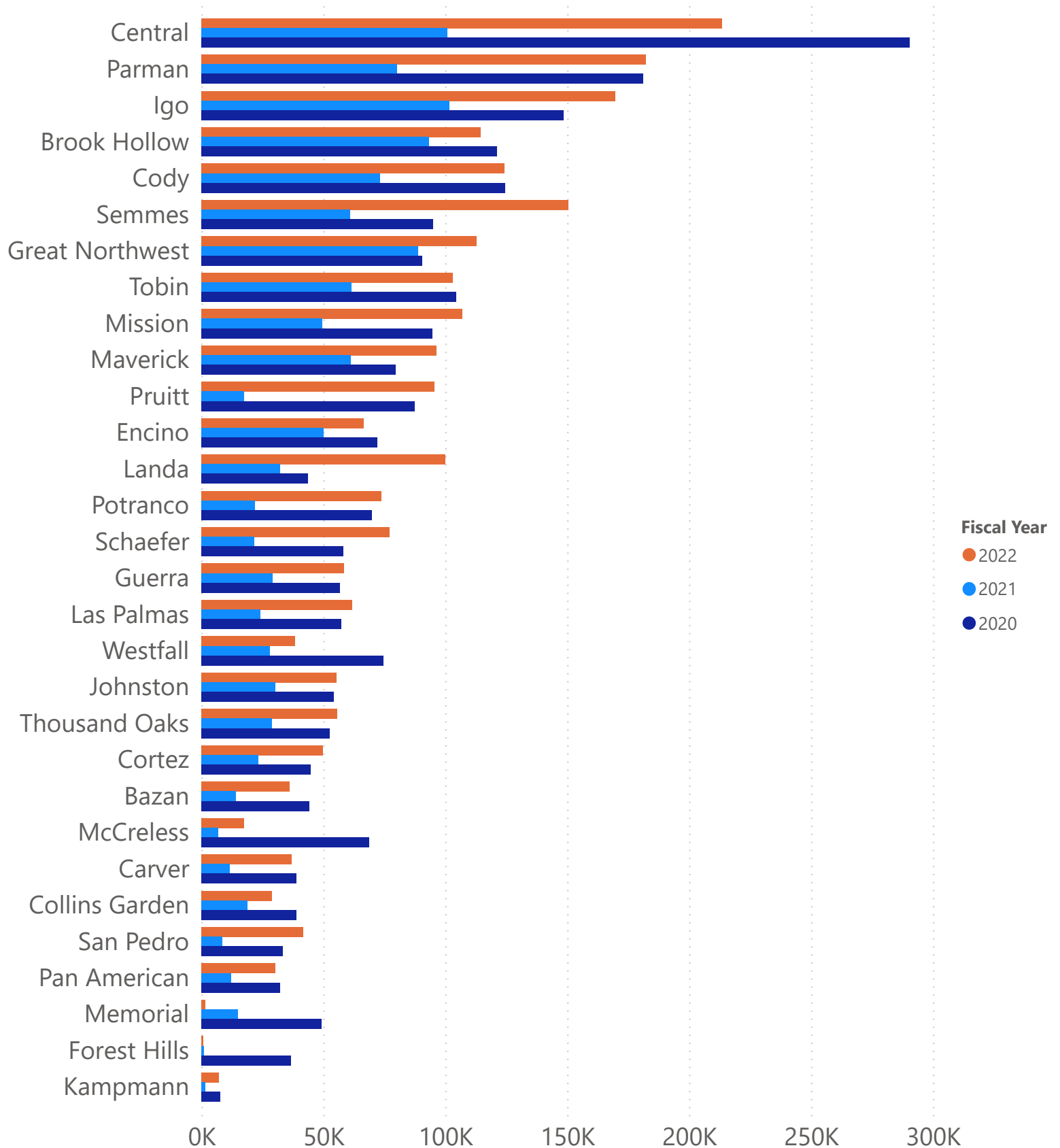
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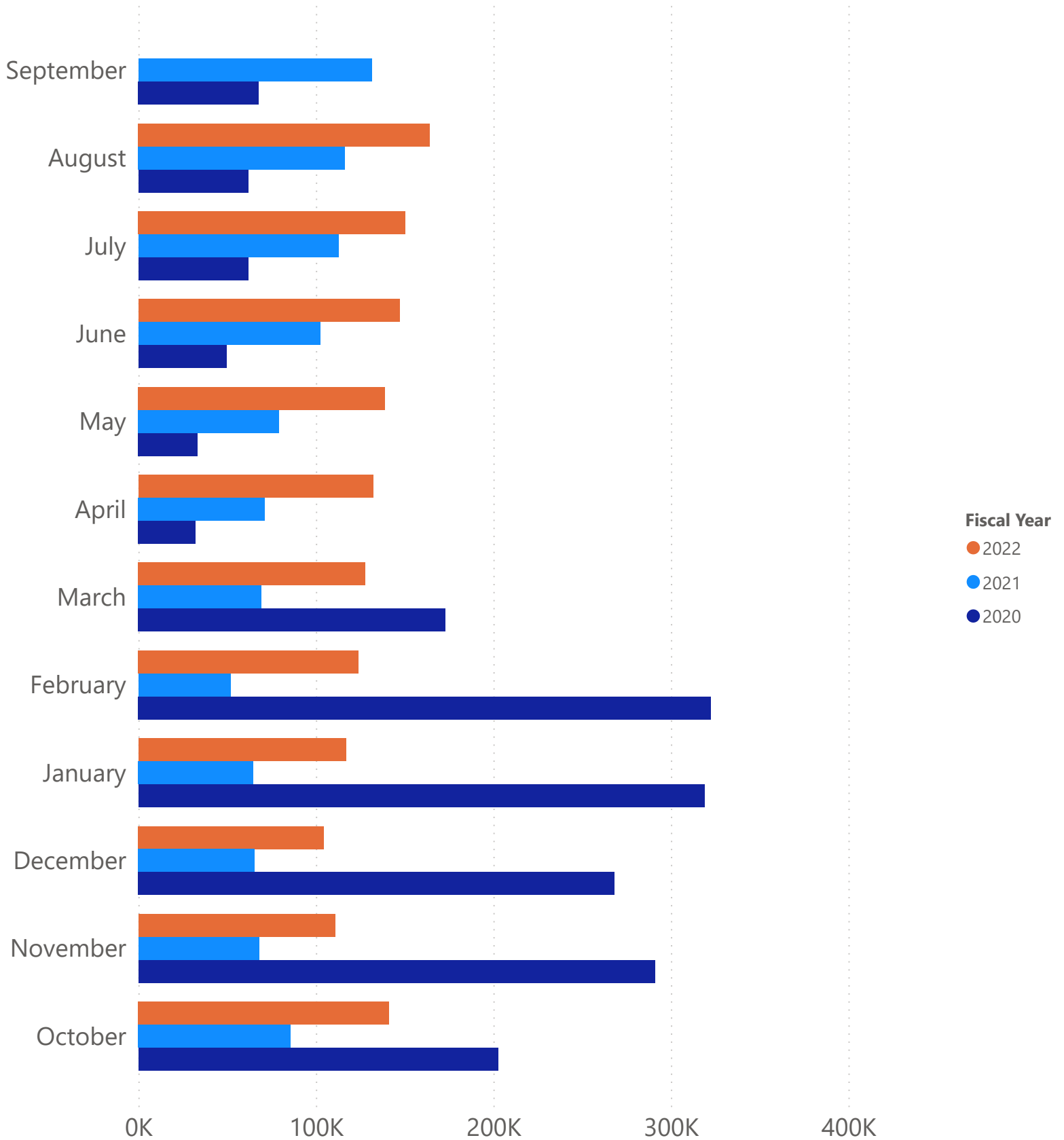
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Dial-a-Story – A free service which allows patrons to call San Antonio Public Library to have a children's book read to a child over the phone.

Esports – Video-gaming competitions over a variety of game titles

LibGuide – Individual pages or guides created through San Antonio Public Library's LibWizard system.

LibWizard – San Antonio Public Library's content management system used to curate knowledge and share information, organize programs and subject-specific resources.

MobilCirc – Mobile application provided through SirsiDynix for Android, and iOS. Allows users to check out items, register users, process holds, and perform inventory.

SirsiDynix Symphony – San Antonio Public Library's integrated library system.

STEAM - Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics

Take-and-Make – Crafts prepared for patrons by San Antonio Public Library librarians and distributed at various branches.

Trumba – San Antonio Public Library's events calendar.

Webex – Videoconferencing application used by San Antonio Public Library.