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Wichita Public Library Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, April 20, 2021 – 12:00 p.m. Virtual Meeting

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1. Call to Order
 - a) Staff Presentation: Read. Return. Repeat: A ReadICT Podcast; Sara McNeil, Programming Librarian
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Public Comment
4. Minutes of the March 16, 2021 Meeting
5. Unfinished Business
 - a) Evergreen Center Naming Process-Jonathan Winkler update
6. New Business
 - a) February 2021 Finance Report and Bills

General Fund Bills	\$676,911.85
Grant Fund Bills	\$38,535.57
Gift & Memorial Fund Bills	\$31,847.30
<u>Total</u>	\$747,294.72

- b) Proposed FY2021 State Aid Budget
 - c) Proposed FY2021 SCKLS Budget
 - d) Customer Letter to Library Board Re Walters exterior
7. Special Committee Reports -None
8. Support Organization Reports
9. Director of Libraries Report
10. Announcements
11. Adjournment



Monthly Activity Report

March 2021

Service Highlights

On Monday, March 8, all locations reopened for Grab-and-Go service. This operating model lets customers browse for materials on shelves, use public computers and access free wi-fi service. All lounging furniture has been removed from each location to avoid gatherings. Customers and staff are still asked to wear a mask, sanitize and practice social distancing.

Library staff continue to issue e-cards to schools. In March, staff gave nearly 200 e-cards to students at All Saints Elementary School.

The Academy Awards® Short Film program registration began in late March. The event will be offered on a virtual cinema. Those who register will receive links to watch any of the three categories they request: animation, live action and documentary. Each category has five short films, which are 40 minutes or less. The programs will be available for viewing in early April, and registrations will remain open until April 30, or until the maximum views are reached. This is the Library's 35th year of showing the nominated films. This year's program is underwritten by the Leonard & Celia Levand Trust.

After a rain delay, the Rockwell Branch offered its first in-person program (outside) on Friday, March 26. "Chalk the Sidewalk" invited families to play games and work through obstacle course all drawn in chalk by Youth Services Librarian Katrina York. Visitors were also encouraged to draw their own masterpiece in the free draw area.

The Westlink Branch received two replacement self-check stations that customers are able to use to borrow and renew materials, and pay fees with cash or credit. This service helps reduce wait times for customers needing to borrow materials at the circulation desk as well as providing an option for more privacy. These self-check machines are the same as the ones at the Advanced Learning Library and will give customers a more unified experience among locations. As library branches are remodeled as part of the Master Plan for Branch Libraries, they too will have the standardized self-check options.

The Library Foundation received a Humanities Kansas grant of \$7,430 for the Library to offer a summer program called "Wichita's Diverse History of Baseball: A Candid Conversation," highlighting the history of baseball in Wichita through the lens of race and diversity.

Other News

The Library launched its podcast, “Read. Return. Repeat.,” on Friday, March 5. The podcast is hosted by Adult Programming Librarian Sara McNeil and is a counterpart of the #ReadICT Reading Challenge. Each episode examines selected categories for the reading challenge, taking a close look at the category, and features interviews from subject specialists and book recommendations. The podcast is available on several platforms and features an audio and video component, as well as a transcription for customers who are deaf or have hearing challenges. Visit www.wichitalibrary.org/podcast for more information and to listen.

The Spring Gardening Series began on March 25 and continues through April 22. This program is presented through a partnership with K-State Research and Extension – Sedgwick County and their Master Gardeners program. The series is offered virtually on Thursday evenings from 6-7:30 p.m. Due to COVID-19, the 2020 series was canceled and brought back for 2021.

Work began on the Children’s STEAM Garden at the Advanced Learning Library. Contractors have been busy getting the area ready for construction. Towards the end of the month, the support beams for the shade element were installed. The project is scheduled to be completed in May, just in time for the Summer Reading Program.

Video work has begun for virtual storytimes that will be available to Summer Reading Program participants this summer on Vimeo. In March, Westlink librarians Eva and Dawn filmed a reenactment of Mo Willems’s *Elephants Cannot Dance* along with several other segments for Nursery Rhyme Time and Preschool Storytime.

In keeping with current COVID-19 topics in the news, the Library’s March Tuesday Topics program, “Public Health in Sedgwick County,” featured County Commissioner Pete Meitzner and Phillip Brownlee (Medical Society of Sedgwick County) discussing Sedgwick County’s response to the coronavirus pandemic and Senate Bill 40.

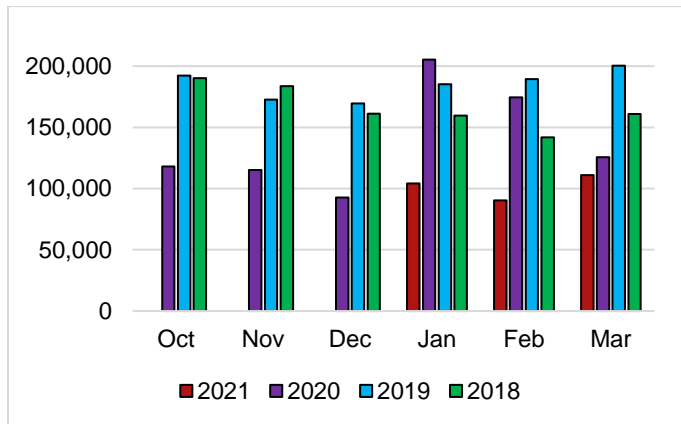
Special Collections received 394 new genealogy volumes and 369 new Kansas reference volumes. Many were local college and high school yearbooks and local organization cookbooks.

Staff has noticed book set circulation rising back to pre-COVID levels. Clubs meeting in churches and senior centers have resumed book clubs as social distancing guidelines allow.

Service Dashboard

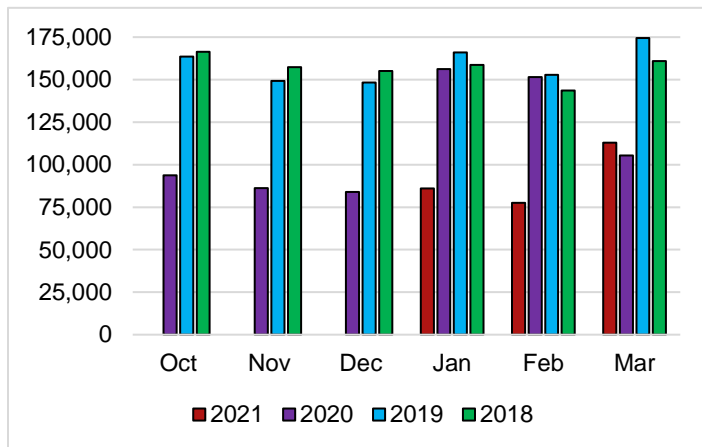
From November 25, 2020-March 7, 2021, all locations were limited to curbside and drive-up services. The Evergreen Branch closed on November 30, 2020 for renovations and a temporary outlet opened on December 21 at the Evergreen Recreation Center. The Linwood Park Branch closed on January 15, 2021 and the Walters Branch opened on February 1. Although services have expanded, they are still reduced from pre-COVID levels.

LIBRARY VISITS (door count, catalog sessions, and website visits)

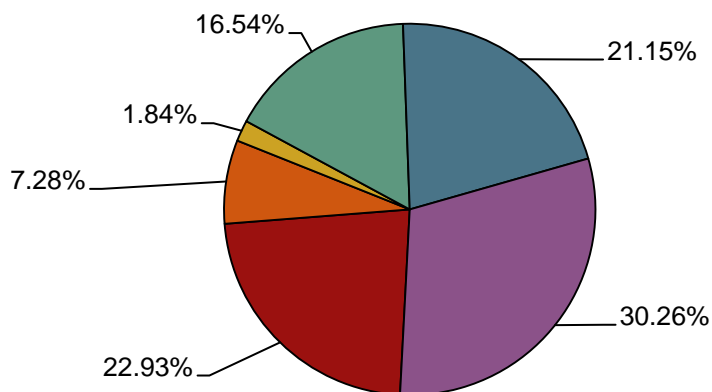


MARCH			
	2021	2020	% change
Door Counts	26,420	42,385	-37.67%
Catalog Log-ins	38,382	32,197	19.21%
Website Visits	46,168	50,967	-9.42%
Total	110,970	125,549	-11.61%

CHECKOUTS



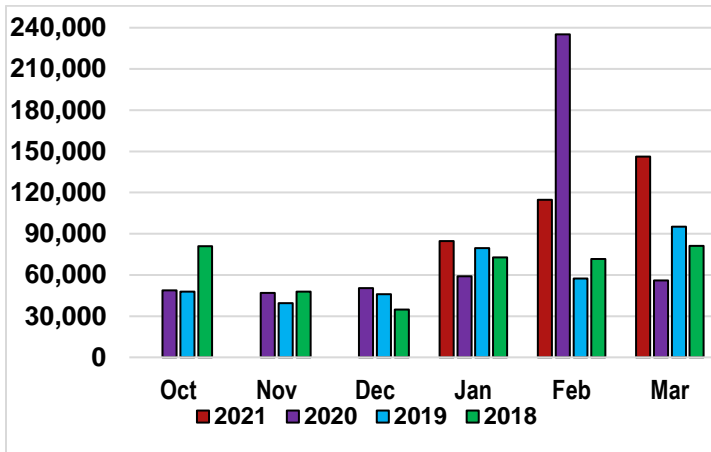
MARCH			
	2021	2020	% change
Physical Circ	78,725	76,470	2.95%
Virtual Circ	34,152	28,967	17.90%
WPL	27,051	20,233	33.70%
State	7,101	8,734	-18.70%
Total	112,877	105,437	7.06%



Circulation by Location

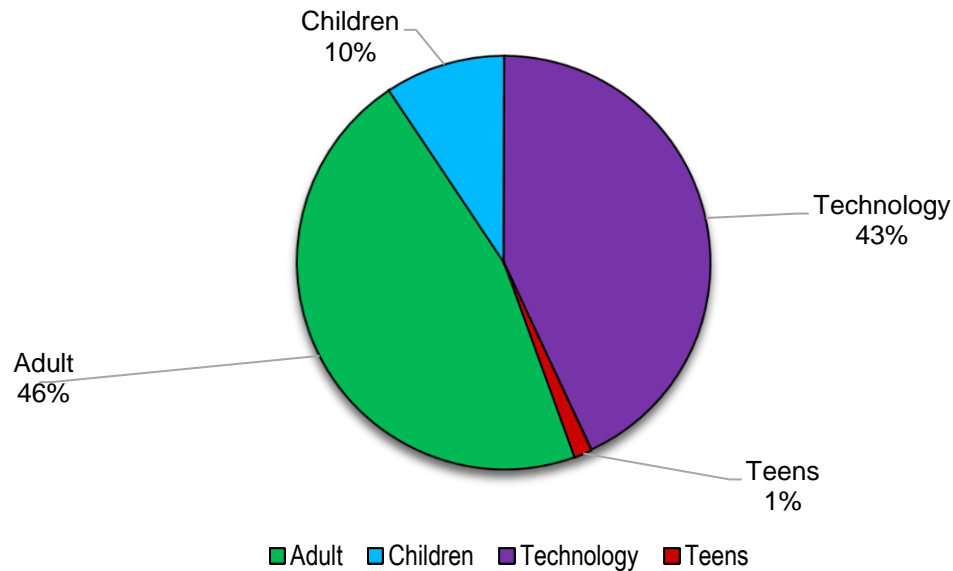
- Advanced Learning Library
- South branches
- North branches
- East branches
- West branches
- Virtual branch

QUESTIONS ANSWERED (by staff in person/phone and through online services)



MARCH			
	2021	2020	% change
In person	4,663	N/A	N/A
Online	141,584	56,070	152.51%
Total	146,247	56,070	160.83%

PROGRAM ATTENDANCE

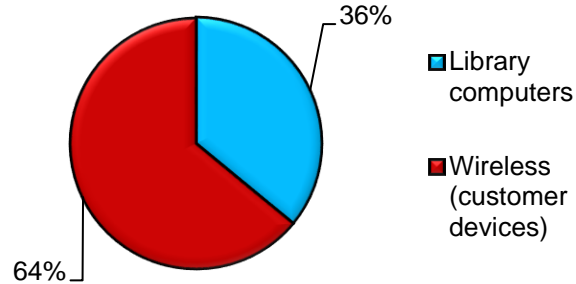


MARCH ATTENDANCE

	2021	2020	% change
Adult events	231	651	-64.52%
Children's events	47	2248	-97.91%
Technology training	215	287	-25.09%
Teen events	7	80	-91.25%
TOTAL	500	3266	-84.69%

PUBLIC COMPUTING

**Method of Computing Access
(by session)**

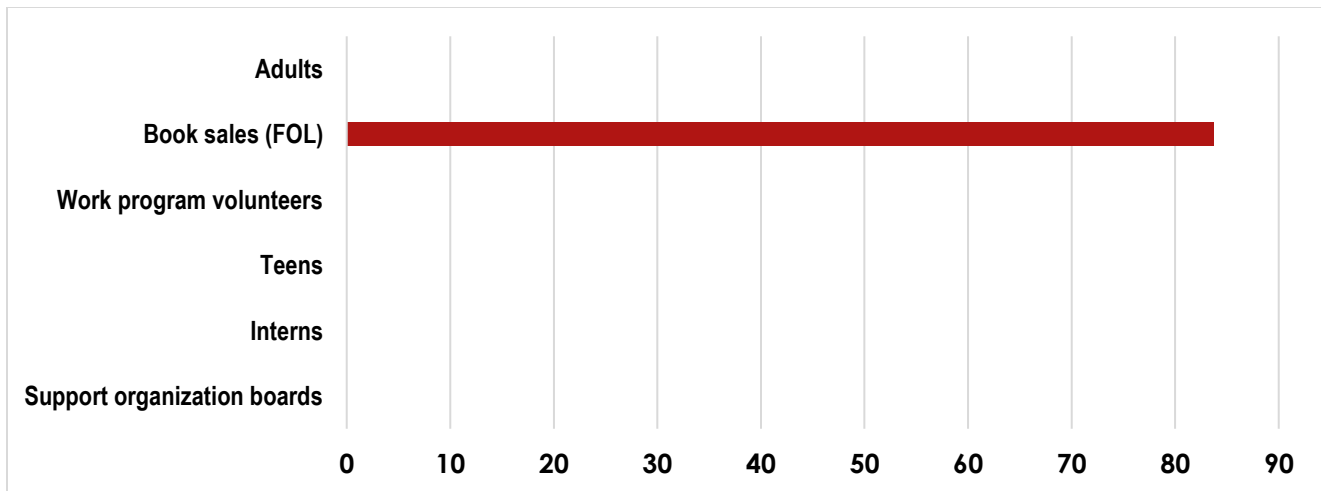


MARCH

	2021	2020	% change
Workstation Sessions	2,573	5,537	-53.53%
Wi-Fi Sessions	4,576	5,542	-17.43%
Number of Users	355	790	-55.06%
Hours of Access	4,923	8,112	-39.31%

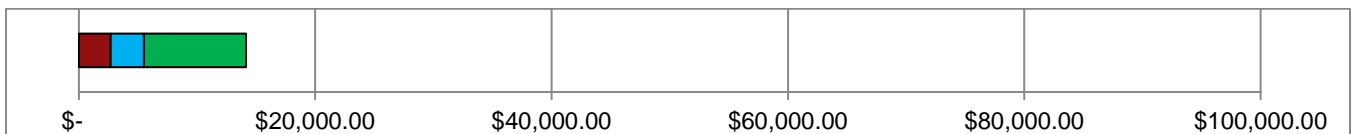
Due to a reporting discrepancy, Wi-Fi usage data at the Walters Branch in March 2021 are estimated.

VOLUNTEERS (hours of service)



Number of volunteers YTD = 8 Hours of service YTD = 112

MATERIALS DONATIONS (value if purchased)



Year to date total = \$14,147.20 Items added to Library collections YTD = 873

Service Snapshot: Recent Raving Fans Stories

When customers learned that the Library system would reopen, they expressed their gratitude for the service they were able to receive during curbside operations:

- *“Thank you for what you have continued to do during this time. We really appreciate it. You have been wonderful.”*
- *“Thank you so much for what you have done. You have helped us so much. You are heroes.”*
- *“You guys are so unfailingly wonderful, I appreciate you all!”*

When the Westlink Branch opened Monday morning, there were customers eagerly waiting outside. They applauded when staff unlocked the doors. Over the course of the day, 339 individuals visited the branch and 245 people borrowed 1,150 materials.

A customer was sad to learn there were no more spots left in the Excel series of programs offered in March. Library Clerk Hanah Denning asked the customer if they had a Kansas Library Card, and after learning she did, Hanah informed her of the online learning resource Universal Class that’s available through the State Library of Kansas. The customer was excited to learn that she would be able to take Excel classes and could complete them at her own pace.

Customers have asked if staff is able to laminate COVID vaccine cards. Since the Library isn’t able to offer this service, customers have been appreciative of staff for finding places they can visit. Office Depot is offering free lamination of vaccine cards.

A customer was looking for an English-Spanish medical dictionary. She is a teacher and some of her students were having a difficult time translating some of the English medical terms. Library Assistant Kevin Wilkin at the Advanced Learning Library helped her find a book in the World Languages section that would help her, so she didn’t have to wait for an Interlibrary Loan request. After retrieving the book from Kevin, the customer said “You rock!”

A customer at the Rockwell Branch Library was confused why she had an email from Libby saying her hold was ready to borrow, but when she went into Libby, it showed she still had weeks to wait. Several staff members looked into this for her and realized her old library card number was still active in Libby, and it had not picked up her new library card. Staff was able to merge her accounts and move her up the hold list. She was delighted that staff took the time not only to identify the problem, but to fix it and let her know.

Teen Librarian Sara Moesel was able to provide assistance to two fellow librarians. She offered an extensive write up of her Teen Dungeons & Dragons program and advice on how to implement it in a rural Kansas library, and also assisted a librarian from the State Library of Louisiana with information about the new Teen Library Ambassador program.

WICHITA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Minutes of a Virtual Meeting of the Library Board of Directors
March 16, 2021.

The regular meeting of the Library Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at the Advanced Learning Library with the following present: Ms. Abi Boatman, Ms. Erinn Bock, Ms. Donna Douglas, Mr. Randall Johnston, Ms. Shannon Littlejohn, Mr. Kevin McWhorter, Ms. TaDonne Neal, Ms. Shelby Petersen, Mr. Chuck Schmidt, and Mr. Jonathan Winkler.

Call to Order

President Kevin McWhorter called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m., a quorum being present.

Approval of the Agenda

Chuck Schmidt moved (Winkler) to approve the agenda as published. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting held on February 16, 2021 were presented. Chuck Schmidt moved (Bock) to approve the minutes as included in board packets. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

On behalf of the Finance Committee, Kevin McWhorter moved (Bock) to approve the February 2021 finance report and supplemental bills in the following amounts: General Fund bills of \$656,521.08; Grant Fund bills of \$16,833.59; and Gift and Memorial Fund bills of \$7,978.77, for a total of \$681,333.44. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Council Member Cindy Claycomb noted that the City Council has designated the Library Board of Directors as the Naming Advisory Committee for the remodeled Evergreen Community Center. Board member Jonathan Winkler is serving as lead for this committee. Claycomb stressed the importance of recognizing that the renovated facility will function as a resource specifically for the surrounding neighborhood and more generally for the larger community. The name thus should represent the cultural relevance of the community and be culturally inviting. If the facility is to be named after a person, then that individual should have a tie to the neighborhood; otherwise, there should be some cultural or neighborhood

representation.

Randall Johnston arrived.

Board members recommended that the process used for naming the Walters Branch should be adopted for the new center, with extra time allocated for soliciting possible names. It was deemed desirable to have the preferred name ready for the City Council by the beginning of September, meaning the Library Board would have to choose it at its August meeting.

Council Member Claycomb suggested using additional avenues, including Spanish-language outlets, to solicit suggestions from the public outside of social media. Many community members do not have access to social media and would be amenable to suggesting names using printed questionnaires located at local branches as well as the temporary Evergreen branch.

President McWhorter asked for candidates for a Nominating Committee to elect officers for the 2021-2022 year. Board members Jonathan Winkler, TaDonne Neal, and Shannon Littlejohn volunteered. Donna Douglas moved (Schmidt) to accept them as the Nominating Committee.

Motion passed unanimously.

Finance Committee Report

No report

Operations Committee Report

No report

Planning & Facilities Committee Report

No report

Public Affairs Committee Report

No report

Special Committee Reports

Friends of the Library – Amanda Shankle reported that the virtual book sale will be held March 19-25 with purchasers picking up their books on March 27. Bags will be sold for \$10 each. For the first time, this book sale will give individuals the ability to purchase a bag but donate it to a specific organization. Plans are being developed for reopening the used bookstore at the Advanced Learning Library.

Library Foundation – Kristi Oberg noted that the Library Foundation is working on fundraising for Library Giving Day on April 7. Cross-promotion is being done with the library and the Friends of the Library by distributing bookmarks to be given to patrons as well as posters to be displayed in branches. The Friends of the Library has donated \$2,000 to lead off the day, and the overall goal has been fixed at \$12,500. Funds raised will go to children's

literacy programs, like Kansas Reads to Preschoolers, and to purchase books for the 2022 Summer Reading Program.

Wichita Genealogical Society (WGS) – Julie Crawford reported that the February virtual meeting featured a presentation by Prisca Barnes, focused on the Dockum Drug Store Sit-In, and attracted approximately 100 viewers. The video has been made available on the WGS website. Since this meeting attained the maximum number of viewers allowed, increasing the cap on attendees is being considered for future meetings. A Genealogy 101 course will be offered on March 27 and April 10 via Zoom and is open to 15 people. The speaker for the March 20th meeting will be WGS President Margaret Kline, who will be continuing her DNA series and will discuss clusters. Membership stands at 168 individuals.

Director of Libraries Report

Interim Director Dowell reported that Asdale Construction LLC won the bid for the Evergreen remodel. The completion date has been fixed approximately for December 3, but the improvements may be finished early since the contractor is riding a tailwind.

There was a possible break-in at the west customer entrance at the Advanced Learning Library that required repairs to one panel. The sliding glass door for the TEC-Novation room has once again fallen off of its track but has been repaired. A new solution will be considered if the door continues to jump its track. A frosted film has been placed on glass in places throughout the library for privacy and to resolve safety concerns, the latter having arisen from several incidents of people walking into transparent walls they have failed to see.

Libraries reopened on March 8 to allow customers to browse collections. A large amount of furniture was removed to discourage gathering and to maintain social distancing. There has been a steady but not overwhelming stream of customers into the library. Compliance with the mask requirement has been good. Sarah Kittrell, Collection Development Manager, reported that an increase in materials circulation has already been noticed now that customers are browsing collections again.

Wichita City Council members selected Jared Cerullo to fill the District 3 City Council seat at the March 16 Council meeting.

Announcements

President McWhorter stated he appreciated the hard work done by staff in order to reopen the library.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 20, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristi Dowell
Interim Director of Libraries

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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Library Board of Directors
FROM: Kristi Dowell, Interim Director of Libraries *Kristi Dowell*
SUBJECT: Evergreen Neighborhood Information
DATE: April 20, 2021

Background: At the Library Board Meeting March 16, 2021 Council Member Cindy Claycomb spoke regarding the naming effort of the Evergreen Center. At that meeting, Board members asked for some additional information to be relayed regarding the history of the Evergreen neighborhood.

Analysis: There are several interesting points to be made about the site of the current Evergreen Branch Library and the surrounding area. Library Board Member Jonathan Winkler did some quick research and found the following information to be of interest as the Library Board of Directors moves forward with soliciting naming recommendations for the Evergreen community center project:

- Much of the area surrounding the location was farmland in the 1930s, and by 1950, there were several buildings and houses that were built in the area.
- The library was known as the North Branch prior to being named the Evergreen Branch by a handful of board members in the early 2000s. They picked Evergreen because it had been associated with the area "for a long time."
- The Evergreen Branch was opened after the closing of two branches: Minisa (13th and Bitting) and Marina Lakes (formerly Sweetbriar, 21st and Amidon).

In looking at the redlining maps from the late 1930s, all but the northwest corner of 25th and Arkansas (where the facility sits) was designated part of area D-8 for Wichita, "D" meaning red shading, or hazardous. The accompanying clarifying remarks identified the area as housing for workers at the stockyards, flour mills and also as home to the "Mexican concentration" of Wichita.

When the Evergreen Branch opened, there was a great focus on the artwork at the entrance to the building. In October 2016, the Library reported the following to the Library Board of Directors at the monthly board meeting:

"Through a coincidence of timing, repainting of the entrance mural at the Evergreen branch brought renewed attention to the Library's presence during Hispanic Heritage Month. The project is one of the last pieces of remodeling effort(s) made necessary by damage created in 2013 by a failed roof drain. Former preschool classroom spaces have been converted into additional meeting room spaces to support neighborhood and community activities. The mural was first painted in 2002 by Newton artist Raymond Olais. Repainting was completed by Wichita artist Jason Lonergan. Response to the repainting has been enthusiastic with one customer noting that he visits the branch nearly every day to use computers but had not noticed the original mural until the restoration work brought it back to life. The City's Division of Arts and Culture coordinated arrangements with the artist and helped to oversee the work."

Financial Considerations: None, informational only.

Legal Considerations: None, informational only.

Attachments: additional historical summaries by WPL Local History Librarian, Michelle Enke; and Angela Martinez, Vice President, North End Hispanic Historical Society

Historical Summary of Evergreen Branch Library Neighborhood-Michelle Enke, Wichita Public Library

The neighborhood surrounding the Evergreen Branch Library has undergone many periods of growth, decline and regrowth over the decades. Wichita experienced a booming economy and a large growth spurt in the late 1880s. The area north of 21st Street and west of Broadway was incorporated into the city limits of Wichita in March of 1888. The area was envisioned for large residential development to house workers of nearby business and industries. The Panic of 1893 stopped most development in Wichita, including this area, and the town did not recover for almost a decade.

By 1908, lots were being advertised for sale in the Highland Addition, and development of the residential area took off. The 1910 Wichita City Directory shows many residents living north of 21st Street along North Arkansas, North Jackson, North Main, North Market, and North Lawrence (now Broadway) Streets but almost none having Hispanic surnames. North Jackson Street did have several African-American families residing there.

By 1910, there was a North End area, north of 13th Street along North Lawrence, with a growing residential and business area that extended to 21st Street. By 1920, there was a North End Businessmen's Association, but the businesses mentioned all appear to be south of 21st Street, which appeared to be a divider for a time. Many newspaper articles and advertisements were published to push North Wichita residents to make the North End area a thriving business community.

By 1914, there were finally enough owners purchasing fire insurance for the area to begin to show on the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps. Dwellings built in the area of 21st to 23rd Streets from Broadway west to Jackson were all small, single-story wooden structures with front porches and few outbuildings. There was also a small commercial area developing along 21st Street west of Broadway.

Political unrest in Mexico during the Mexican Revolution (1910-1920) caused many families to migrate to the United States for jobs and stability. Wichita offered jobs with the railways, flour mills, and meat packing plants. By 1920, there were an estimated 2,500 people from Mexico residing in Wichita. They settled in three main areas, the largest one being "in the packing house district, along both sides of the Santa Fe tracks for half a mile or more, north of Thirteenth Street" (Church Survey). Many had jobs with the nearby packing houses, mills, and railroad yards.

In the 1922 Wichita City Directory, the surnames of the families living on North Arkansas between 17th and 30th Street are all British or German, not Hispanic. On North Lawrence it is the same until 21st Street where Hispanic surnames suddenly appear along with the Cudahy Packing Company at 2300, the Mexicana Baptist Mission at 2305, and assorted Hispanic businesses and households. On the numbered streets between 20th and 27th, there are many families with Hispanic surnames. Surnames include: Delgado, Gonzalaz, Gruandes, Gutierrez, Iniguez, Irto, Murgena, Reytez, Rios, Rodriquez, Samariano, Torres, and Zamarripa.

The 1928 city directory is similar. Hispanic surnames begin to appear on North Lawrence north of 21st Street through 27th Street. There are a couple on Arkansas Street north of 21st, with additional families on the numbered streets of 21st through 27th between Broadway and Arkansas with most near Jackson Avenue and North Market. Churches included the Mexican Baptist Church at 2157 North Topeka and the Mexican Catholic Church at 2401 North Market. Surnames include: Alendes, Areliano, Arnelas, Arveto, Bata, Corana, Espinosa, Garcia, Gonzales, Hernandez, Inequez, Martinez, Medina, Navarro, Ortez, Rameriz, Sotomayor, and Torres.

The 1940 United States Federal Census records that there were approximately 400 people born in Mexico residing in Wichita. Almost all of this number is for head of household, and a smaller percentage for their wives. This number would not include their children who were born in the United

States. The immigrants came years before from Mexico and Texas because of jobs and higher wages, but faced discrimination. Sonia Charles, a daughter of Hispanic immigrants and who grew up in the North End, later recalled the poor treatment from the white businesses: "They did not rent to us, and restaurants would not serve us" (Memories).

By 1910, various civic and social organizations developed to help the poor of Wichita's North End. That year, St. Patrick's Catholic Church at 2007 North Arkansas was established as a frame church to serve the poor people of the North End area. By 1920, there was a North End Community House at 2146 North Topeka to serve "the people of the stock yards and packing house district" (Six), which included the 1,500 Mexicans living in North Wichita. It was funded in part by the Community Chest, which offered a working co-operation between the Wichita League for Social Work, the Y.M.C.A., and other organizations to improve the lives of those in the neighborhood.

Activities were offered at the Community House such as swimming classes in the largest pool in the city, sports leagues in the largest gymnasium in the city, sewing classes, and health clinics. A library station of the city library was installed in the House and it was the only station outside the main Carnegie library downtown. A day nursery offered day care from Monday through Saturday for children of working women so they could maintain their jobs. But discrimination still existed as the sewing classes were segregated into white, African-American, and Mexican women.

By the 1920s, the Hispanic community was expanding. The Baptist Mexican Mission, which began their meetings in the North End Community House, had by 1921 outgrown its quarters and moved to 2305 North Lawrence where they held Sunday school with classes in Spanish and English. By the 1930s, there were issues between the white and Hispanic members of St. Patrick's Catholic Church parish. Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 2351 North Market was established by 1932, and by 1935 they had their own church school for the Mexican catholic children.

By 1928, a Mexican district for workers and their families, where they were expected to stay within the boundaries, included the area from Broadway to Waco, from 21st to 26th Streets. Hispanics faced discrimination even within the district. In 1929, the Nomar Theater (short for North Market) opened at 2143 North Market. It was a modern "talkie" moving pictures theater in the popular Spanish-style of architecture. The theater was segregated, with African-Americans sitting in the upper balcony, Hispanics in the middle balcony, and whites in the orchestra seats. The District was in its prime in the 1940s.

By the 1960s, the area was a diverse, yet aging, neighborhood, and the area had begun to decline. In 1965, the Twin Lakes Shopping Center opened and pulled customers from the Hispanic business on the east side of the Little River. The Twin Lakes movie theater opened in 1968 and attracted patrons from the older Nomar Theater, which declined and closed the following decade.

By 1966 the neighborhood was being called the Waco-Finn Model Cities Area by city government. The 150-acre site, described as "the worst slum area in the city" (Commission OKs Start), covered the area from about 21st to 27th streets and from Broadway west to almost the river. The city proposed a plan to have a major roadway, the North Wichita Throughway, run down 25th Street across to the river, which would split the neighborhood. The proposal included a new community school (to replace the aging Waco, Finn and Cloud Elementary Schools), a park, and a neighborhood recreation center at 25th and Arkansas to help solve some of the area's socio-economic problems. The area contained 104 homes with 76 families and several dozen individuals, which would be affected by these changes. The residents greatly opposed this government plan for urban renewal.

A modified plan was adopted. By 1971, the land that was to become the neighborhood center was being called Evergreen. A temporary Evergreen Park Recreation Center was opened in June 1971 at 25th and Arkansas as a joint program of the Model Cities and the Park Board. In the fall of 1972, a four-building Evergreen Park Neighborhood Facilities Center recreation and services complex was

opened at 26th and Woodland. The complex included a community pool and the Evergreen Branch Library which opened in 1973.

During the economic downturn of the early 1980s, the neighborhood faced a reduction in city services. After much debate, the Evergreen Branch library, at 2700 North Woodland, was closed in 1982 due to funding even though the branch served many low income Hispanic families.

By the 1990s, the area experienced a resurgence with new shops and businesses opening in once vacant buildings. In November 2002, the Evergreen Branch library opened at 25th and North Arkansas in a building they would share with the Head Start program Plaza De Los Ninos. To honor local Hispanic culture, the library collection contained materials in the Spanish language and the building's entrance featured a Hispanic artistic design. By 2005, a new neighborhood association formed for the area and was named El Pueblo. They replaced three other neighborhood associations (not named) that had all closed years before.

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Wichita City Directories.

Historical Summary- Angela Martinez, Vice President , North End Hispanic Historical Society

Mexicans have been coming through Wichita since the cattle drive days. They were called Vaqueros. The history of the North End began in the 1910s and 1920s, men were recruited from Mexico to work the railroads but they mostly settled along the railroad tracks in Wichita's Southend. They suffered from poor living conditions living in boxcars and made shacks and low wages. They were promised good living conditions, fair wages and a work permit.

The Mexican population grew as the war raged on and more Mexicans were recruited to come work in fields and railroads but soon the meat packing plants Cudahy and Dold Foods and refinery were built. This caused a shift for many Mexicans to move further north for better living conditions, higher wages and more stable work. This area was along north Broadway Street formerly called Lawrence Street and it was called "the North End". The area would eventually become Wichita's largest [barrio](#) and the seat of the local [Mexican American](#) community. The Mexican settlement east of Broadway near St Francis street area became known as El Huarache and is still held dear with a sense of great pride today, though it no longer exists; the area west of Broadway and north of 21st Street became El Pueblo, but most never called it that. To a North End resident from 21st to 29th and Broadway to Arkansas is the North End. Most men from all Mexican barrios worked railroad, or meat packing. Due to the war aircraft plant jobs were made available and they worked those too. In the late 1920's Catholic Church Our Lady of Perpetual Help was built and also Baptist church built in the 1940's both original churches still stand today. In the 1930's an elementary school was built across from Our Lady of Perpetual Help church as an added addition to the church. Mexican catholic children attended until the 8th grade, and high school students attended the cathedral but went to North High once it was built. The church school was the place of many activities for the Mexican people. They had dances and many wedding receptions. There was racism in those days and the community stayed to themselves and created their own activities and events. The Nomar Theatre was built in 1929 and had a special entrance for Blacks and Mexicans in a segregated section in the balcony. Mexicans were not allowed to play golf on public golf courses, they had to go to back doors to pick up goods. They weren't allowed to speak Spanish in schools and as time went on more and more Spanish speaking families did not speak Spanish in the home for this reason so their kids could practice English and eventually through generations shed culture and language in effort to assimilate into American culture. There were 2 elementary schools in the North End, Waco and Finn Elementary and all neighborhood kids went to these schools until urban renewal took place in the 70's and all elementary went to Cloud, some Pleasant Valley which was the first time many of the neighborhood kids were separated. Mexicans were not allowed to participate in school sports teams so they created their own. Cirilio Arteaga was instrumental in creating basketball for young men. They played in the church school gym and formed teams to travel to play other Mexican teams in other cities called "The Mexican Tournaments" these events were a time of great social gatherings and lifetime connections and memories were made. The Mexican tournaments still exist today but are very different. Cirilo's wife and her sisters created the 1st folkloric dance group called Los Tapatillos.

After the war the community was filled with life. The 50's were spent having a good time and helping the family, many kids quit school to care for siblings, the 60's was a time of awakening and the 70's was absolute growth and change. SER Corp was in the community helping with job development, English classes, and education. There were community activists like Buster Sanchez fighting for social equality. We had many of our men serve in the armed services. Mr. Sanchez served in the Army and Marines, he loved his country and his community. Mr. Jess Cornejo of Cornejo & Sons was bringing Tejano bands to town and it was the talk of the North End and a great time for all cousins to spend time together while our parents were out. El Perico was the community newspaper with all the latest activities and events listed. There was a grocery store and many other businesses. Villa Boxing was created for area youth who wanted to box Golden Gloves. The Mexican tournaments were well attended and even had games at WSU because participation was so large. Even Mexican girls teams were formed. Activities like the Mexican Fiestas were created. They had a GI Forum and a Fiesta Queen competition. It was one of Wichita's largest events but definitely a gathering of all the Mexican barrios, it was like a family reunion. They were held at Woodland Park but moved to Evergreen Park once it was built where it remained for years until it got to be too much for the organizer and gangs threatened the

safety of our community. From the early 1900's facing low wages, poor living conditions and racism to the early 2000's the Mexican barrio called the "North End" undoubtedly was a family of families, with many stories to tell, many memories made and a history of a peoples heritage, traditions, struggles, triumphs, and successes. It is going down in the history books at WSU and should be remembered for all time somewhere in the place where it all once was.

By: Angela Martinez
Vice President
North End Hispanic Historical Society

El Norte: The Growth of the North End

https://www.wichita.edu/academics/fairmount_college_of_liberal_arts_and_sciences/history/local/NorthMarket/NorthEnd.php

Nomar

https://www.wichita.edu/academics/fairmount_college_of_liberal_arts_and_sciences/history/practice/nomar.php

Community History

https://www.wichita.edu/academics/fairmount_college_of_liberal_arts_and_sciences/history/practice/CommunityHistory.php

Contact Information

Dr. Jay Price 978-7792
Jay.Price@wichita.edu

Comment: Dr. Price is currently working on a History book. A lot of information on WSU's website.

Angela Martinez
Vice President
North End Hispanic Historical Society

North End Wichita Historical Society
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1339757216133400>
Private Group on Facebook
Active Group, lots of historic images.

REVENUE REPORT -MARCH 2021

OBJECT	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	MONTHLY REVENUE TARGET	RECEIVED IN MONTH	RECEIVED YTD	% RECEIVED YTD
422110	Library Desk Receipts (Fines)	\$ 310,929.00	\$ 15,546.45	\$ 15,639.43	\$ 32,983.67	10.61%
423030	Meeting Room Rentals	\$ 32,875.00	\$ 3,616.25	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
424011	Copy Charges	\$ 13,088.00	\$ 785.28	\$ 538.85	\$ 1,108.15	8.47%
424101	Public Computing Charges	\$ 34,237.00	\$ 2,054.22	\$ 1,250.20	\$ 2,318.55	6.77%
646981	State Setoff Collections	\$ 96,500.00	\$ 5,790.00	\$ 14,867.65	\$ 16,764.93	17.37%
646990	Other Non-Operating Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 54.51	\$ 54.51	0.00%
646998	Cash Over/Short	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
	TOTAL	\$ 487,629.00	\$ 27,792.20	\$ 32,350.64	\$ 53,229.81	10.92%

GENERAL FUND SUMMARY REPORT
MARCH 2021

OBJECT	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	APPROPRIATION	CURRENT MONTH EXPENDITURES	CURRENT MONTH ENCUMBRANCES	YTD EXPENDITURES	BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
511000	Base Compensation	\$ 5,074,464.00	\$ 366,681.35	\$ -	\$ 1,091,503.58	\$ 3,982,960.42	22%
511999	Planned Savings	\$ (401,269.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (401,269.00)	0%
512000	Special Compensation	\$ 1,956.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 4,069.52	\$ (2,113.52)	208%
512051	Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 63.23		\$ 249.14	\$ 2,150.86	10%
513020	Premium Overtime	\$ -	\$ 219.21	\$ -	\$ 309.50	\$ (309.50)	#DIV/0!
518200	Employer Wage Taxes & WC	\$ 458,684.00	\$ 30,592.39		\$ 91,695.59	\$ 366,988.41	20%
518300	Employer Share EE Insurance	\$ 1,005,737.00	\$ 70,117.10		\$ 215,236.82	\$ 790,500.18	21%
518400	Employer Share Pension/Retire	\$ 601,878.00	\$ 40,007.93	\$ -	\$ 120,299.95	\$ 481,578.05	20%
521011	Electricity	\$ 298,449.00	\$ 14,677.24	\$ -	\$ 24,784.03	\$ 273,664.97	8%
521021	Natural Gas	\$ 41,004.00	\$ 10,751.43	\$ -	\$ 20,606.20	\$ 20,397.80	50%
521030	Water Service	\$ 11,004.00	\$ 5,459.91	\$ -	\$ 7,295.87	\$ 3,708.13	66%
521050	Trash Service	\$ 4,404.00	\$ 389.00	\$ -	\$ 741.27	\$ 3,662.73	17%
521060	Local Telephone Service	\$ 21,636.00	\$ 610.00	\$ -	\$ 2,011.38	\$ 19,624.62	9%
522010	PBX Line Charges	\$ 11,058.00	\$ 940.50	\$ -	\$ 2,804.08	\$ 8,253.92	25%
522020	PBX Instrument Charges	\$ 17,460.00	\$ 1,576.25	\$ -	\$ 4,723.54	\$ 12,736.46	27%
522030	IT Moves & Changes	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	0%
522040	Long Distance & Teleconference	\$ 900.00	\$ 20.25	\$ -	\$ 127.15	\$ 772.85	14%
522070	Voicemail	\$ 1,512.00	\$ 326.00	\$ -	\$ 978.00	\$ 534.00	65%
522080	Automatic Call Distribution	\$ -	\$ 65.50	\$ -	\$ 196.50	\$ (196.50)	#DIV/0!
522990	Other Communications Charges	\$ (8,120.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 640.00	\$ (8,760.00)	-8%
523010	Building & Contents Insurance	\$ 92,632.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 92,632.00	0%
523020	Vehicle Liability Premiums	\$ 870.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 870.00	0%
524010	Recruitment & Hiring	\$ 3,140.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,140.00	0%
524020	Employee Travel & Training	\$ 1,600.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,600.00	0%
525083	Textile Rental & Laundry Svcs	\$ 2,925.00	\$ 134.66	\$ -	\$ 307.64	\$ 2,617.36	11%
525990	Other Professional Services	\$ 37,970.00	\$ 995.10	\$ -	\$ 3,328.95	\$ 34,641.05	9%
526010	Motor Pool Scheduled Charges	\$ 3,720.00	\$ 310.00	\$ -	\$ 930.00	\$ 2,790.00	25%
526020	Building Repair & Maint	\$ 13,630.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,630.00	0%
526041	Janitorial Services	\$ 63,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 63,000.00	0%
526042	Pest Control Services	\$ 13,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 92.00	\$ 12,908.00	1%
526070	Equipment Repair & Maint	\$ 5,421.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 420.00	\$ 5,001.00	8%
526092	Facility Rental	\$ 49,060.00	\$ 4,088.24	\$ -	\$ 14,764.72	\$ 34,295.28	30%
529010	Bank Charges	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 287.06	\$ -	\$ 928.53	\$ 4,071.47	19%
529021	Express Mail	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	0%
529030	Shipping & Freight	\$ (440.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (440.00)	0%

GENERAL FUND SUMMARY REPORT
MARCH 2021

OBJECT	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	APPROPRIATION	CURRENT MONTH EXPENDITURES	CURRENT MONTH ENCUMBRANCES	YTD EXPENDITURES	BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
529061	Organizational Memberships	\$ 3,195.00	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ 60.00	\$ 3,135.00	2%
529070	Printing & Copying	\$ 23,472.00	\$ 1,422.40	\$ -	\$ 3,222.55	\$ 20,249.45	14%
529110	Advertising	\$ -	\$ 42.00	\$ -	\$ 42.00	\$ (42.00)	#DIV/0!
529150	Data Center Charges	\$ 991,088.00	\$ 83,454.29	\$ -	\$ 250,362.87	\$ 740,725.13	25%
529990	Other Contractuals	\$ 77,583.00	\$ 5,719.30	\$ -	\$ 11,536.58	\$ 66,046.42	15%
531010	Computing Supplies	\$ 900.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 356.13	\$ 543.87	40%
531020	Office Supplies	\$ 48,575.00	\$ 1,778.56	\$ -	\$ 4,092.24	\$ 44,482.76	8%
531030	Custodial Supplies	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 524.25	\$ 5,475.75	9%
532990	Other Equip Parts & Supplies	\$ 450.00	\$ 23.88	\$ -	\$ 71.64	\$ 378.36	16%
539012	Gasoline	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 175.93	\$ -	\$ 562.67	\$ 1,237.33	31%
549010	Furniture & Fixtures <\$5k	\$ 9,990.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,990.00	0%
549020	Data Processing Equip <\$5k	\$ 9,665.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 610.31	\$ 9,054.69	6%
549110	Library Materials	\$ 627,530.00	\$ 35,423.14	\$ -	\$ 67,588.46	\$ 559,941.54	11%
	Expense Total	\$ 9,239,033.00	\$ 676,911.85	\$ -	\$ 1,948,073.66	\$ 7,290,959.34	21%

Grant Fund Summary Report
MARCH 2021

Grant	Beginning Balance 02/01/2021	Revenue Received	Personnel Services	Contractuals	Materials	Supplies & Petty Cash	Equipment	Total Expenditures	Encumbrances	Remaining Balance 02/28/2021
SCKLS 2020	\$ 127,423.46	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,382.57	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,382.57	\$ -	\$ 114,040.89
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Totals	\$ 127,423.46	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,382.57	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,382.57	\$ -	\$ 114,040.89

Wichita Public Library General Fund Bills

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Org: 10000080

10001 - Library - Personnel

1B - Base Compensation

511000 _Base Compensation

Payroll, PP03.05.21 \$180,787.84

Payroll, PP03.19.21 \$183,140.19

Total 511000 _Base Compensation	\$363,928.03
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511010 Regular Wages

Payroll, 6365 \$2,753.32

Total 511010 Regular Wages	\$2,753.32
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Total 1B - Base Compensation	\$366,681.35
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1F - Special Compensation

512000 _Special Compensation

Payroll, PP03.05.21 \$325.00

Payroll, PP03.19.21 \$175.00

Total 512000 _Special Compensation	\$500.00
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512051 Mileage Reimbursement

Payroll, 5463 \$37.60

Payroll, 6389 \$25.63

Total 512051 Mileage Reimbursement	\$63.23
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Total 1F - Special Compensation	\$563.23
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1J - OT Compensation

513000 _Overtime Compensation

Payroll, PP03.05.21 \$219.21

Total 513000 _Overtime Compensation	\$219.21
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Total 1J - OT Compensation	\$219.21
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1N - Employee Benefits

518200 Employer Wage Taxes & WC

Payroll, PP03.05.21 \$15,223.66

Payroll, PP03.19.21 \$15,368.73

Total 518200 Employer Wage Taxes & WC	\$30,592.39
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518300 Employer Share EE Insurance

Payroll, PP03.05.21 \$35,609.63

Payroll, PP03.19.21 \$34,507.47

Total 518300 Employer Share EE Insurance	\$70,117.10
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518400 Employer Share Pension/Retire

Payroll, PP03.05.21 \$20,083.29

Payroll, PP03.19.21 \$19,924.64

Total 518400 Employer Share Pension/Retire	\$40,007.93
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Total 1N - Employee Benefits	\$140,717.42
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Total 10001 - Library - Personnel	\$508,181.21
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10002 - Library - Contractuals

2B - Utilities

521011 Electricity - EDI

EVERGY KANSAS CENTRAL INC \$14,677.24

Total 521011 Electricity - EDI	\$14,677.24
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521021 Natural Gas - EDI

BLACK HILLS UTILITY HOLDING INC \$1,146.94

ONE GAS INC \$3,061.67

SYMMETRY ENERGY SOLUTIONS LLC \$6,542.82

Total 521021 Natural Gas - EDI	\$10,751.43
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521030 Water Service

City of Wichita \$5,459.91

Total 521030 Water Service	\$5,459.91
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521050 Trash Service

BEST VALUE SERVICES LLC \$389.00

Total 521050 Trash Service	\$389.00
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Total 2B - Utilities	\$31,277.58
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2F - Technology Charges

521060 Local Telephone Service

City of Wichita \$610.00

Total 521060 Local Telephone Service	\$610.00
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522010 PBX Line Charges

City of Wichita \$940.50

Total 522010 PBX Line Charges	\$940.50
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522020 PBX Instrument Charges

City of Wichita \$1,576.25

Total 522020 PBX Instrument Charges	\$1,576.25
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522040 Long Distance & Teleconference

City of Wichita \$20.25

Total 522040 Long Distance & Teleconference	\$20.25
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522070 Voicemail

City of Wichita \$326.00

Total 522070 Voicemail	\$326.00
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522080 Automatic Call Distribution

City of Wichita \$65.50

Total 522080 Automatic Call Distribution	\$65.50
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529150 Data Center Charges

City of Wichita \$83,454.29

Total 529150 Data Center Charges	\$83,454.29
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Total 2F - Technology Charges	\$86,992.79
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2R - Professional Svcs

525083 Textile Rental & Laundry Svcs

ARAMARK UNIFORM & CAREER \$118.94

APPAREL GRP INC

CINTAS CORPORATION \$15.72

Total 525083 Textile Rental & Laundry Svcs	\$134.66
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525990 Other Professional Services

SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETING SERVICES \$84.00

UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC \$911.10

Total 525990 Other Professional Services	\$995.10
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Total 2R - Professional Svcs	\$1,129.76
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2V - Bldg & Equip Charges

526010 Motor Pool Scheduled Charges

City of Wichita \$310.00

Total 526010 Motor Pool Scheduled Charges	\$310.00
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526092 Rent-Real Property

CO CO PROPERTIES LLC \$4,088.24

Total 526092 Rent-Real Property	\$4,088.24
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Total 2V - Bldg & Equip Charges	\$4,398.24
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2Z - Other Contractuals

529010 Bank Charges

City of Wichita \$287.06

Total 529010 Bank Charges	\$287.06
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529061 Organizational Memberships

REFUNDS ONE-TIME PAY \$60.00

Total 529061 Organizational Memberships	\$60.00
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529070 Printing & Copying

City of Wichita \$649.00

HOUCHEN BINDERY LTD \$773.40

Total 529070 Printing & Copying	\$1,422.40
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529110 Advertising

SIJ HOLDINGS LLC \$42.00

Total 529110 Advertising	\$42.00
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529990 Other Contractuals

ARAMARK UNIFORM & CAREER \$82.61

APPAREL GRP INC

P-CARD ONE-TIME PAY \$5,636.69

Total 529990 Other Contractuals	\$5,719.30
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Total 2Z - Other Contractuals	\$7,530.76
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Total 10002 - Library - Contractuals	\$131,329.13
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10003 - Library - Commodities

3B - Supplies

531020 Office Supplies

City of Wichita \$794.84

P-CARD ONE-TIME PAY \$983.72

Total 531020 Office Supplies	\$1,778.56
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Total 3B - Supplies	\$1,778.56
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3F - Components & Parts

532020 Automotive Parts & Supplies

City of Wichita \$23.88

Total 532020 Automotive Parts & Supplies	\$23.88
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Total 3F - Components & Parts	\$23.88
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3N - Fuel

539012 Gasoline

City of Wichita \$175.93

Total 539012 Gasoline	\$175.93
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Total 3N - Fuel	\$175.93
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4Z - Non-Capital Outlay

549110 Library Materials

P-CARD ONE-TIME PAY

\$35,423.14

Total 549110 Library Materials

\$35,423.14

Total 4Z - Non-Capital Outlay

\$35,423.14

Total 10003 - Library - Commodities

\$37,401.51

Grand Total

\$676,911.85

Y0001 - Relocation of Linwood Library 2020

2 - Contractuals

2R - Professional Svcs

525990000 Other Professional Services

DECKER ELECTRIC INC

\$8,500.00

Total 525990000 Other Professional Services

\$8,500.00

Total 2R - Professional Svcs

\$8,500.00

2V - Bldg & Equip Charges

526051000 Sign Production & Installation

FASTSIGNS

\$16,258.00

Total 526051000 Sign Production & Installation

\$16,258.00

Total 2V - Bldg & Equip Charges

\$16,258.00

2Z - Other Contractuals

529260000 Relocation

COX COMMUNICATIONS

\$395.00

Total 529260000 Relocation

\$395.00

Total 2Z - Other Contractuals

\$395.00

Total 2 - Contractuals

\$25,153.00

Total Y0001 - Relocation of Linwood Library 2020

\$25,153.00

Y0801 - SCKLS 2020

2 - Contractuals

2B - Utilities

521070000 Internet Service

COX COMMUNICATIONS \$9,606.57

Total 521070000 Internet Service \$9,606.57

Total 2B - Utilities \$9,606.57

2N - Employee Development

524020000 Employee Travel & Training

P-CARD ONE-TIME PAY \$374.00

Total 524020000 Employee Travel & Training \$374.00

Total 2N - Employee Development \$374.00

2Z - Other Contractuals

529040000 Subscriptions

PROMOTION INC \$3,402.00

Total 529040000 Subscriptions \$3,402.00

Total 2Z - Other Contractuals \$3,402.00

Total 2 - Contractuals \$13,382.57

Total Y0801 - SCKLS 2020 \$13,382.57

Grand Total \$38,535.57

GIFT AND MEMORIAL FUND

RECEIPTS/REIMBURSEMENTS

Baird (interest)	\$262.65
Derby Public Library (Academy Awards Shorts)	\$500.00
E-Rate	\$50,073.34
Local History Photo Payments from Patrons	\$10.00
Memorial Donations	\$575.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$51,420.99
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EXPENDITURES

Copp Media (Academy Award Shorts)	\$1,000.00
Ebsco (Flipster)	\$19,091.52
Emprise Bank/School Specialty (Walters' Children's Room)	\$168.17
Emprise Bank/Traffic Safety Store (Parking Cones)	\$614.12
Emprise Bank/GoPro.com (GoPro for ALL)	\$372.48
Global Industrial (Lockers for Walters)	\$203.95
Ingram (Materials)*	\$4.79
Ingram (Memorials)*	\$71.90
Kroger (Staff Flower Fund)*	\$97.30
McClatchy (Academy Award Shorts)	\$953.08
OverDrive (Materials)	\$4,571.79
Shorts International (Academy Award Shorts)	\$3,500.00
QuikPrint (Reopening Flyers)	\$1,198.20

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$31,847.30
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*Reimbursed expenses

Ms. Dowell:

You are hereby authorized to issue checks to the foregoing payees in the amounts indicated.

_____ President _____ Treasurer



INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Library Board of Directors
FROM: Kristi Dowell, Interim Director of Libraries *Kristi Dowell*
SUBJECT: State Grants in Aid FY2021
DATE: April 20, 2021

Background: The 2021 State Grants-in-Aid payment has been received in the amount of \$110,841.85

Analysis: A project budget must be established and approved by the Library Board of Directors before the payment may be deposited.

Financial Considerations: The 2021 grant award reflects a decrease of \$1,156.35 from the previous year. The grant is administered by the City of Wichita on behalf of the Library. There is a 4.1% administrative charge for this service.

As in previous years, the majority of the funds from this grant will be allocated to the cost of public internet connections for branch libraries. The rest of the funds are proposed to be allocated to library materials and equipment, office supplies, and the Library's annual membership in Edge and in the Urban Libraries Council.

A copy of the proposed grant budget is attached.

Legal Considerations: There is no contract associated with the grant. All funds must be expended during the calendar year. There are no other restrictions for use of these grant funds.

Recommendations: It is recommended that the Library Board approve the proposed budget as proposed by staff.

Attachments: Proposed budget.

**CITY OF WICHITA
FEDERAL, STATE AND FOUNDATION GRANT BUDGET FORM**

Form No. 21-012 (2010)

E-print, scan or save as pdf and drag following documentation to Laserfiche/Performance/Grants/Your Department.

New Grant: Budget form, notice of award and grant agreement.

Budget revision: Revised budget form.

Name grant award file OCA# - Grant # Program Title (Rev # as appropriate)

Send voting email to Department Director and Budget Analyst. Set results to go to assigned Controller accountant.

Org Code Title: _____	Formal Grant Title: <u>State Aid 2021</u>
Grant period: From : <u>3/1/2021</u> To : <u>12/1/2021</u>	Grantor Agency: _____
Department #: _____	CFDA Number: <u>98.000</u>
Org Code #: _____	HUD activity number#: _____
Grant #: _____	Federal/State Project #: _____
Grant Detail#: _____	Library Board Approval date: _____

Set Expenditure Controls at (bold or box one)

Object level 1

or

Expenditure Total

Expenditure Total will be utilized if no selection made.

Source of funding:	Object	Original Budget	Revisions Increase	Decrease	Revised Budget	Revision # ____
State contributions	415045	110,841.85			110,841.85	
REVENUE TOTAL		110,841.85	0.00	0.00	110,841.85	
Expenditures:						
Internet	521070	71,916.00			71,916.00	
City Administrative Charge (4.1%)	551010	4,544.52			4,544.52	
Membership Dues	529061	8,500.00			8,500.00	
Supplies	531020	4,500.00			4,500.00	
Office Equipment < \$5000 each	549010	2,000.00			2,000.00	
Library Materials < \$5000 each	549110	19,381.33			19,381.33	
EXPENDITURE TOTAL		110,841.85	0.00	0.00	110,841.85	

Department Director or Designee approval is required. Electronic approval acceptable.

Electronic approval from Budget Officer or Designee is required.



INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Library Board of Directors
FROM: Kristi Dowell, Interim Director of Libraries *Kristi Dowell*
SUBJECT: South Central Kansas Library System Grant FY21
DATE: April 20, 2021

Background: The South Central Kansas Library System (SCKLS) is one of seven regional systems of cooperating libraries operating across the state of Kansas. The purpose of these regional systems is to ensure adequate library service to all Kansas residents. Regional systems fulfill this mission by supporting the work of local public libraries through services including continuing education, consulting, interlibrary loan lending and grant programs intended to help offset the cost of extending library services to residents from outside the local taxing district. Grants-in-aid funding to local libraries is provided annually through a formula distribution based on the population of the local library taxing district, the proportional number of out of district account holders and the number of interlibrary loan lending transactions completed during the previous calendar year. Grants for continuing education, e-books reimbursement, technology purchases and programming are made available through competitive applications. The Wichita Public Library has received funding support from each of these grant programs.

Analysis: The South Central Kansas Library System Executive Committee has directed the implementation of service contracts for the grants-in-aid program. The contract prohibits use of grant funds for costs associated with services or programs for which the library charges fees.

Financial Considerations: The Wichita Public Library's proposed 2021 service contract provides for a grants-in-aid award of \$238,472. This is an increase of \$59,833 (33%) from the previous year, due to an increase of out-of-district borrowers. A first payment of \$182,816 will be made upon submission of the signed service contract with a second payment of \$55,656 to be provided prior to September 30, 2021. Grant funds are to be expended, encumbered or transferred by December 31, 2022 and must be used for library purposes only, with no administrative fees allowed.

The proposed budget includes \$50,000 for public Internet connections in branch libraries, \$5000 for staff development, \$138,833 for library materials and \$44,639 for supply costs related to the processing of library materials and for contractual expenses related to cataloging materials and promotion of library collections, programs and services.

Legal Considerations: The contract has been reviewed as to form by the Law Department. Because the Library Board of Directors does not have the authority to enter into contracts, the proposed contract will need to be submitted to the City Council for review and approval.

Recommendations: It is recommended that the Library Board approve the proposed budget and authorize staff to submit the contract to the City Council for review and approval.

Attachments: Contract and Proposed Budget

**South Central Kansas Library System
2021 Grants-in-aid Service Contract**

This contract is between the **South Central Kansas Library System**, referred to as SCKLS, and the **Wichita Public Library**, a participating member in the SCKLS regional system of cooperating libraries and in accordance with Kansas Statutes Annotated 75-2547 through 75-2552.

The purpose of this contract is for SCKLS in cooperation with participating member libraries to provide adequate library services to all citizens of the south central region which includes the following counties-- Barber, Butler, Cowley, Harper, Harvey, Kingman, McPherson, Reno, Rice, Sedgwick, Stafford and Sumner--and to extend library service to persons not having library service through a local and legally-established library.

In accordance with Kansas Administration Regulation 54-1-18, the participating member library agrees to the provision for free service and to permit any citizen of the territory comprising SCKLS to borrow materials or receive services without charge and subject to reasonable library rules during the period from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

In exchange for the participating member library providing free service and permitting any citizen of the territory comprising SCKLS to borrow materials or receive services without charge and subject to reasonable library rules, SCKLS agrees to provide the participating member library:

- (1) One grant-in-aid payment in the estimated amount of \$182,816 upon receipt of this signed service contract and prior to July 1, 2021; and
- (2) A second grant-in-aid payment in the estimated amount of \$55,656 prior to September 30, 2021.

Additional conditions of this grants-in-aid contract shall include the following:

- (a) The annual grants-in-aid eligibility form shall be completed by the participating member library and received by SCKLS no later than March 15, 2021.
- (b) Grants-in-aid funds must be used by the participating member library for library purposes only, with no administrative fees allowed, and funds shall be expended, encumbered or transferred within one-year of December 31, 2021.
- (c) Grants-in-aid funds shall not be used to pay for costs associated with services or programs for which the member library charges.
- (d) If sufficient annual tax funds are not received by SCKLS, this contract shall be void and any estimated grants-in-aid payment obligation terminated.

By signing this contract, the representative of the **Wichita Public Library** represents that such person is duly authorized to execute this contract on behalf of the participating member library and the participating member library agrees to the above provisions.

Participating Member Library

Signature: _____

Printed Name: Mayor Brandon Whipple

Date: _____

Approved as to form: EMIK Houghton
For: Jennifer Magana

South Central Kansas Library System

Paul Hawkins

Paul Hawkins, Director

April 1, 2021

Date: 04-01-2021

CITY OF WICHITA
FEDERAL, STATE AND FOUNDATION GRANT BUDGET FORM

Form No. 21-012 (2010)

E-print, scan or save as pdf and drag following documentation to Laserfiche/Performance/Grants/Your Department.

New Grant: Budget form, notice of award and grant agreement.

Budget revision: Revised budget form.

Name grant award file OCA# - Grant # Program Title (Rev # as appropriate)

Send voting email to Department Director and Budget Analyst. Set results to go to assigned Controller accountant.

OCA Title: _____	Formal Grant Title: <u>South Central Kansas Library System 2021</u>
Grant period: From : <u>4/1/2021</u> To : <u>12/31/2022</u>	Grantor Agency: _____
Department #: _____	CFDA Number: <u>98.000</u>
OCA #: _____	HUD activity number#: _____
Grant #: _____	Federal/State Project #: _____
Grant Detail#: _____	CC Approval date: _____

Set Expenditure Controls at (bold or box one)	Object level 1	or	Expenditure Total	Expenditure Total will be utilized if no selection made.
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Source of funding:	Object	Original Budget	Revisions		Revised Budget	Revision # _____
			Increase	Decrease		
State contributions	415045	238,472.00			238,472.00	
REVENUE TOTAL		238,472.00	0.00	0.00	238,472.00	
Expenditures:						
Internet Service	521070	50,000.00			50,000.00	
Employee Travel & Training	524020	5,000.00			5,000.00	
Other Contractuals	529990	20,000.00			20,000.00	
Supplies	531020	14,639.00			14,639.00	
Furniture & Fixtures <\$5000	549010	10,000.00			10,000.00	
Library Materials	549110	138,833.00			138,833.00	
EXPENDITURE TOTAL		238,472.00	0.00	0.00	238,472.00	

Department Director or Designee approval is required. Electronic approval acceptable.
Electronic approval from Budget Officer or Designee is required.

Kevin McWhorter, President, District IV Appointee
TaDonne Neal, First Vice President, District I Appointee
Councilman Jared Cerullo

As an African American who has worked for many years in the community, I have concerns about the look of the Ronald Walters Branch Library located on E Harry St.

My main concern is that the building which currently houses the name, Ron Walters is aesthetically unpleasant I'm not sure why it was decided to paint the building what I call prison gray, which makes it an unpleasant and cold looking building.

The building is totally surrounded by concrete which does not make for an inviting atmosphere.

I also question who will be purchasing the back half of the building.

There is no green space, just parking lot.

The East side of the building is just a solid brick wall with a ramp though the North and West side have windows.

Mr. Walters has a great legacy in Wichita that should be appreciated by the entire city. His work in civil rights and as the president of the youth council in a NAACP during the time of the 1958 Dockum drugstore sit in is a reason to honor Mr. Walters, however, I do not feel a stark looking gray building with white lettering is significantly honoring a man who has done so much for equality in Wichita.

though this is not recognized nationally, Mr. Walters organized the first student led sit-in in the country and therefore we should at least recognize him honorably on the local level.

I am writing in hopes that the City or the Library Board would consider making the outside of that building more pleasant to the eye for the people that come to visit or even those driving by.

I must say that the a strip mall to the South of the library which is where Big Lots and other stores is a lot more pleasant to look at.

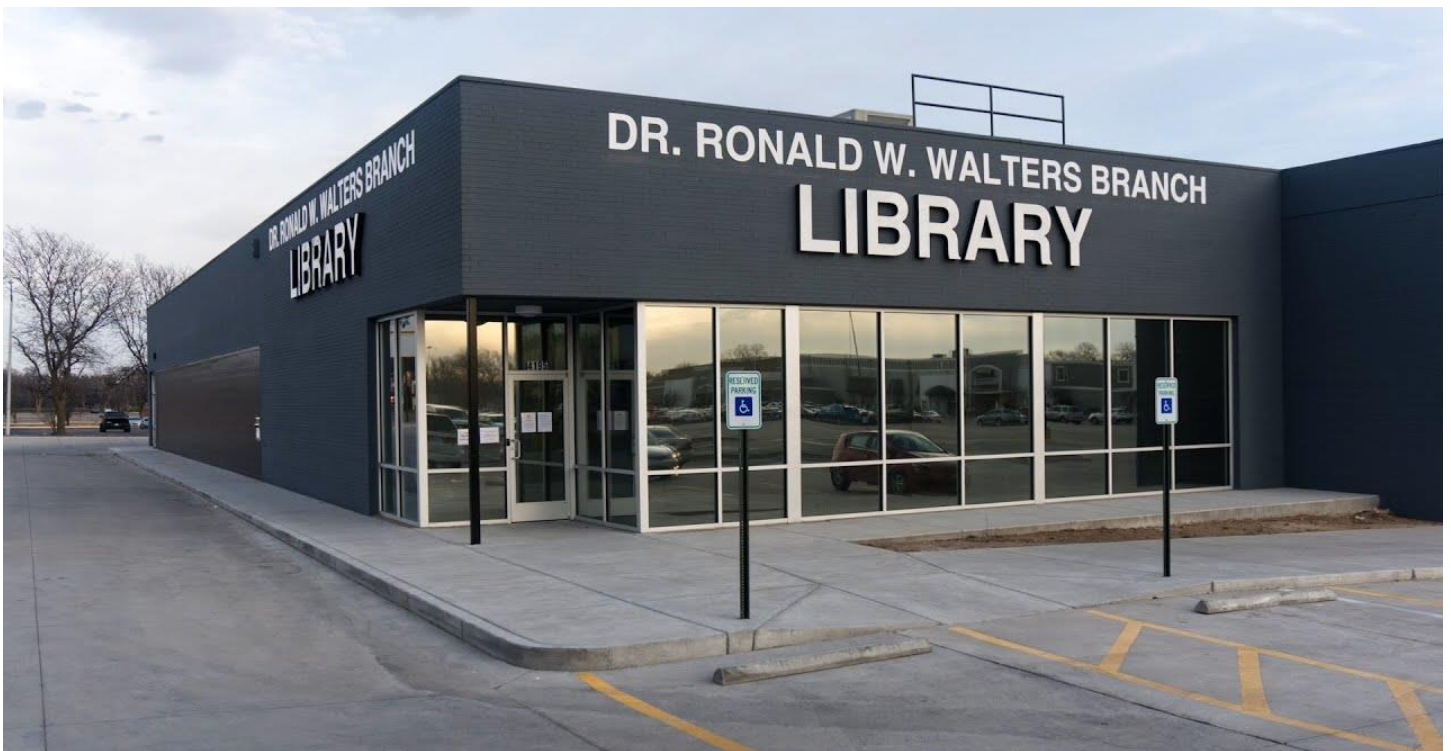
I would hope that prior to the grand opening of this library the building and its surroundings are made more pleasing and more representative of Mr. Walter's legacy.

A few of my suggestions are:

- add large flowerpots around the building,
- a mural on the East wall, and
- change the color, you could make it match the strip mall by repainting it the beige and using the gray as an accent color as that is the way it is in the rest of the mall, that would be more pleasing.
- take out some of the concrete parking lot that is immediately around the building and adding something different

Hopefully there are already plans to make changes prior to the opening. Don't embarrass the city and the Black community by doing a grand opening on this library as it now is.']

Compared to other branches





ANGELO



EVERGREEN



WESTLINK

ALFORD



ROCKWELL

Media Report: March 2021

Television:

- March 2, 2021 / KSN: "Wichita libraries opening for in-person services March 8," <https://www.ksn.com/news/local/wichita-libraries-opening-for-in-person-service-march-8/>
- March 11, 2021 / KAKE: "KAKE Kids Corner: Wichita Public Library," <https://www.kake.com/clip/15194901/kids-corner-wichita-public-library>
- March 18, 2021 / KSN: "Wichita Public Library to present virtual Academy Award shorts film festival," <https://www.ksn.com/news/local/wichita-public-library-to-present-virtual-academy-award-shorts-film-festival/>
- March 27, 2021 / KAKE: "Wichita Library hosts virtual Academy Award Shorts Film Festival," <https://www.kake.com/clip/15199830/wichita-library-hosts-virtual-academy-awards-shorts-film-festival>

Radio:

- March 2, 2021 / KFDI: "Wichita libraries offering grab and go beginning March 8," <https://www.kfdi.com/2021/03/02/wichita-libraries-offering-grab-and-go-starting-march-8/>

Print:

- March 2, 2021 / The Wichita Eagle: "After COVID closures, Wichita libraries ready to open doors with 'Grab and Go' idea," <https://www.kansas.com/article249628613.html>
- March 7, 2021 / The Wichita Eagle: "From free to fun: Several virtual, in-person spring break options," <https://www.kansas.com/entertainment/article249671368.html>
- March 26, 2021 / The Wichita Eagle: "Wichita Public Library's Oscar shorts festival goes virtual. Here's how to watch," <https://www.kansas.com/entertainment/article250143784.html>

From: Julie Crawford, WGS

To: WPL Board

Date: April 12, 2021

Our March meeting on Zoom was a presentation by WGS President Margaret Kline about DNA Clusters. We had 37 attendees.

Our speaker for April 17 will be our webmaster, Gary Clark. He will talk about the G.R.A. in KS. The Grand Republican Army was for Civil War veterans and its study is rich in historical and genealogical information.

We have 168 members.

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