



REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Board of Library Trustees

**7300 La Palma Ave. Buena Park, CA 90620
Building 10, Room 16**

November 3, 2026 | 6:00 P.M.

REPORTS AND DOCUMENTATION: *The District provides a digital version of the Board Packet on the District's website at: <https://www.buenaparklibrary.org/board-meetings>*

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** (Library Board President)
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** (Library Board President)
3. **ROLL CALL** (Library Board President)
4. **PRESIDENT'S REMARKS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**
This is the opportunity for the President and Board Members to give reports about conferences/training and comments on items of general interest to the community.
5. **COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA** (3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER)
Individuals may address the Board regarding any item of Library District business not on the agenda. While all comments are welcome, the Brown Act does not allow the Board to take action on any item not on the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 6-7)

The Consent Calendar adopting the printed Recommended Board Action will be enacted with one vote. The Board President will first ask the staff and the Board if there is anyone who wishes to remove any item from the Consent Calendar for discussion and consideration.

Recommendation: Approve items 6-7 on the Consent Calendar.

6. Minutes of the Board of Library Trustees Regular Meeting on October 6, 2026 (Receive, File, and Approve)
7. Payment Register for September 2026 (Receive and file)

REPORTS FROM LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION

8. Monthly Statistical Reports
 - Database Usage for September 2026
 - Trend Analysis for September 2026
 - Program Statistics Summary for September 2026
9. Library Director's Report for October 2026

FINANCIAL REPORTS

10. Analytical Financial Overview for July 2026 – September 2026
11. Summary of Budget vs Actuals July 2026 – September 2026
12. Budget vs Actuals Detailed Statement July 2026 – September 2026
13. Summary Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance July 2026 – September 2026
14. Detailed Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund balance July 2026 – September 2026
15. Treasurer's Report July 2026 – September 2026

NEW BUSINESS

16. Approval of Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Architectural Services by and between Buena Park Library District and LPA, Inc., for the Library Renovation Project
 - Recommended Action: 1) Approve Amendment No.2 to Agreement for Architectural Services by and between Buena Park Library District and LPA, Inc. for the Library Renovation Project; and 2) Authorize the Library Director to execute the agreement.
17. Approval of Professional Services Agreement with Dannis Woliver Kelley Attorneys at Law for Legal Services
 - Recommended Action: 1) Approval of two-year professional services agreement with Dannis Woliver Kelley; and 2) Authorize the Library Director to execute the agreement.
18. Adopt Resolution 2026-24 establishing Operating Hours and Holiday Closures for Calendar Year 2027
 - Recommended Action: 1) Adopt Resolution 2026-24 establishing Operating Hours and Holiday Closures for Calendar Year 2027
19. Annual Report for FY 2025-2026
 - Recommended Action: 1) Receive and File

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

20. Agenda preparation for the Regular Meeting which will be held on December 1, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

This is the time for board members to publicly request that items be placed on future agendas.

CLOSED SESSION

21. Public Employee Evaluation (Gov. Code § 54957(b)(1))
- Employee: Library Director

ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

I, Patty Salas, Administrative Specialist of the Buena Park Library District, hereby certify that the Agenda for the November 3, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Board of Library Trustees of the Buena Park Library District was posted on October 29, 2026, at 7300 La Palma Ave Buena Park, CA and online at www.buenaparklibrary.org.

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Patty Salas, Administrative Specialist

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CALL TO ORDER: President Estrada called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Brenda Estrada, Richard Rams, and Rudy Solorzano.

L. Carole Jensen was absent. Christian Quintero arrived at 6:34 p.m.

Staff Present: Helen Medina, Library Director; Patty Salas, Administrative Specialist.

Guests Present: Ann Thompson, Library Services Manager.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee Solorzano commented he was happy to see the fence had gone up around the Library for the commencement of construction.

Director Medina noted Trustee Rams had informed her he is unable to attend the November and December 2026 Regular Meetings, making this his last Regular Meeting as a Board member. She thanked him for his service over the past 8 years.

Trustee Rams said it has been a pleasure to serve on the Board. President Estrada thanked Trustee Rams for his service and guidance over the past few years.

COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no public comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEMS 6-10)

6. Minutes of the Board of Library Trustees Regular Meeting on September 1, 2026 (Received, filed, and approved)
7. Payment Register for August 2026 (Received and filed)
8. Approval of expenditure in the amount of \$5,864.98 to Mars Environmental, Inc. for waste removal services and a \$586.50 contingency
9. Approval to Deny Claim for Damages – Raymond Garcia
10. Approval of the National Purchasing Cooperative Interlocal Participation Agreement with BuyBoard

MOTION by Trustee Rams to approve the Consent Calendar.

SECOND by Trustee Solorzano.

AYES: Estrada, Rams, and Solorzano.

ABSENT: Jensen and Quintero.

Motion approved.

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REPORTS FROM LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION

11. Monthly Statistical Reports
 - a. Database Usage for August 2026
 - b. Trend Analysis for August 2026
 - c. Program Statistics Summary for August 2026

There were no comments on the Statistical Reports.

12. Library Director's Report for September 2026

Director Medina noted she and the District's consultant are currently working on the annual financial audit. She also just completed a Department of Justice audit and signed all contracts for the constructions project.

There were some issues with vandalism at the library, both the City of Buena Park and the Police Department responded quickly.

The Library's Outreach Team will be at the Fishing Derby and Cops and Goblins event. There are several reading programs ongoing throughout the Fall. The District received a very generous donation of 2,000 toys from Giving Children Hope to incentivize children to participate in the reading challenge.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

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16. Revenue and Expenditures Summary Statement July 2026 – August 2026
17. Revenue and Expenditures Detailed Statement July 2026 – August 2026
18. Treasurer's Report for July 2026 – August 2026

Director Medina stated these are consolidated reports for July and August 2026.

NEW BUSINESS

19. Resolution 2026-22 authorizing the execution of a Site Lease and a Lease Agreement in an amount of \$4,784,387.78 to finance the Library Renovation Project; making certain determinations relating thereto; and authorizing certain other documents and action in connection therewith

This is the Financing Resolution for the Library Renovation Project. The Board authorized Municipal Finance Corporation (MFC) to release an RFP in July 2026, in which they solicited bids from lenders. The lender with the lowest proposed interest rates and best terms was EverBank. The District's attorney has worked with lenders on the paperwork.

Trustee Rams commented that this appears to be an attractive lease offer for the District, considering the current interest rates.

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MOTION by Trustee Rams to 1) Adopt Resolution 2026-22 of the Board of Trustees of the Buena Park Library District approving a site lease and a lease agreement; making certain determinations relating thereto; and authorizing certain other documents and actions in connection therewith

SECOND by Trustee Solorzano.

AYES: Estrada, Rams, and Solorzano.

ABSENT: Jensen and Quintero.

Motion approved.

20. Resolution 2026-23 Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Independent Consultant Agreement for Construction Management Services by and between Buena Park Library District and Griffin Structures, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$565,385.00

In March 2024, the Library District executed an agreement with Griffin Structures. At the time, the project was anticipated to last 2.5 years and the project scope was much smaller in scale. In March 2025, the Board approved an expanded project scope that increased both the size and complexity of the work. The expanded project requires additional construction management coordination, technical oversight, inspections, schedule monitoring, and project administration beyond what was contemplated in the original agreement. The cost of the amendment was included in the Budget approved for FY 2026-2027. The contract amendment needs approval from the Board. The proposed amendment will allow the existing construction management team to remain engaged through the anticipated project completion in October 2027. Trustee Solorzano asked a few clarifying questions about the services provided by Griffin Structures and the number of people working on our project.

Dr. Quintero arrived at 6:34 p.m.

Director Medina noted that our project includes concrete and structural steel work that is subject to required special inspections. The cost of these inspections is included in the amendment.

MOTION by Trustee Rams to 1) Adopt Resolution 2026-23 approving Amendment No. 1 to the Independent Consultant Agreement for Construction Management Services by and between Buena Park Library and Griffin Structures, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$565,385.00; 2) Authorize the Library Director to make any necessary non-monetary changes to the agreement; and 3) Authorize the Library Director to execute the agreement

SECOND by Trustee Solorzano.

AYES: Estrada, Quintero, Rams, and Solorzano.

ABSENT: Jensen.

Motion approved.

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21. Approval of agreement with A-Tech Consulting, Inc. for hazardous materials assessment and monitoring services in an amount not-to-exceed \$44,695.00

Director Medina stated this contract is for hazardous materials assessment and monitoring for the project. There is additional testing required for certain areas prior to demolition. The consultant will be available in the event unknown or hazardous materials are impacted. They will monitor activity and ensure it is handled appropriately and in compliance with the law.

MOTION by Trustee Solorzano to 1) Approve the agreement with A-Tech Consulting, Inc. for hazardous materials assessment and monitoring services in an amount not-to-exceed \$44,695.00; 2) Authorize the Library Director to make any non-monetary changes to the agreement; and 3) Authorize the Library Director to execute the agreement.

SECOND by Trustee Rams.

AYES: Estrada, Quintero, Rams, and Solorzano.

ABSENT: Jensen.

Motion approved.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

19. Agenda preparation for the Regular Meeting which will be held on November 3, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

There were no requests.

CLOSED SESSION

20. Public Employee Evaluation (Gov. Code Section 54957 (b)(1))
- Employee: Library Director

MOTION by Trustee Quintero to enter into closed session at 6:40 p.m.

SECOND by Trustee Rams.

AYES: Estrada, Quintero, Rams, and Solorzano.

ABSENT: Jensen.

MOTION approved.

MOTION by Trustee Jensen to return to open session at 7:49 p.m.

SECOND by Trustee Rams.

AYES: Estrada, Quintero, Rams, and Solorzano.

ABSENT: Jensen.

MOTION approved.

The Board stated no reportable action was taken.

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Trustee Solorzano to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND by Trustee Rams.

AYES: Estrada, Quintero, Rams, and Solorzano.

ABSENT: Jensen.

MOTION approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Submitted by,

Christian Quintero
Secretary

**Buena Park Library District
September 2026 Payments**

Date	Check No.	Vendor	Purpose	Amount
9/4/2026	ACH	ADP	Payroll Processing	\$294.38
9/8/2026	ACH	CALPERS	Health Benefits	\$25,207.57
9/8/2026	ACH	CALPERS	Retirement	\$6,615.37
9/8/2026	ACH	CALPERS	Retirement	\$476.47
9/8/2026	ACH	CALPERS	Retirement	\$322.80
9/10/2026	ACH	ADP	Wages	\$39,704.20
9/10/2026	ACH	ADP	Payroll Taxes	\$9,623.02
9/10/2026	ACH	CALPERS	457 Plan	\$2,711.57
9/15/2026	ACH	BofA	Fee	\$1,037.90
9/17/2026	13056	MOVER SERVICES, INC.	Relocation Expense	\$60,726.07
9/17/2026	13057	Zoobean, Inc.	Beanstack	\$2,125.00
9/17/2026	13058	KC Digital Solutions, Inc.	Copier Service	\$121.66
9/17/2026	13059	Orange County Fire Protection	Fire Extinguisher Inspection	\$100.00
9/17/2026	13060	So Cal Edison	Electricity Usage	\$1,874.71
9/17/2026	13061	SoCalGas	Gas Usage	\$15.75
9/17/2026	13062	Amazon Capital Services	Books and Supplies	\$1,622.88
9/17/2026	13063	AMS.net	Cisco Cloud Calling	\$3,420.72
9/17/2026	13064	City of Buena Park	Water and Sewer	\$778.50
9/17/2026	13065	Griffin Structures, Inc.	Construction Management	\$27,078.10
9/17/2026	13066	Quadient Finance USA, Inc.	Postage	\$219.24
9/17/2026	13067	Regional Government Services	Reimbursable Expenses	\$410.65
9/17/2026	13068	Townsend Public Affairs, Inc.	Professional Services	\$3,500.00
9/17/2026	13069	INTELEPEER Holdings, Inc	Voice Service	\$395.84
9/17/2026	13071	Centralia Elementary School District	License Agreement	\$13,500.00
9/17/2026	13072	EarthCo Landscape	Landscape Service	\$1,238.00
9/18/2026	ACH	ADP	Payroll Processing	\$288.82
9/21/2026	ACH	CALPERS	Retirement	\$6,615.37
9/21/2026	ACH	CALPERS	Retirement	\$476.47
9/21/2026	ACH	CALPERS	Retirement	\$230.81
9/23/2026	ACH	CALPERS	457 Plan	\$2,711.57
9/24/2026	ACH	ADP	Wages	\$38,992.18
9/24/2026	ACH	ADP	Payroll Taxes	\$9,362.48
9/25/2026	13073	US Bank Corp Payment Systems	September Purchases	\$6,618.11
				\$268,416.21

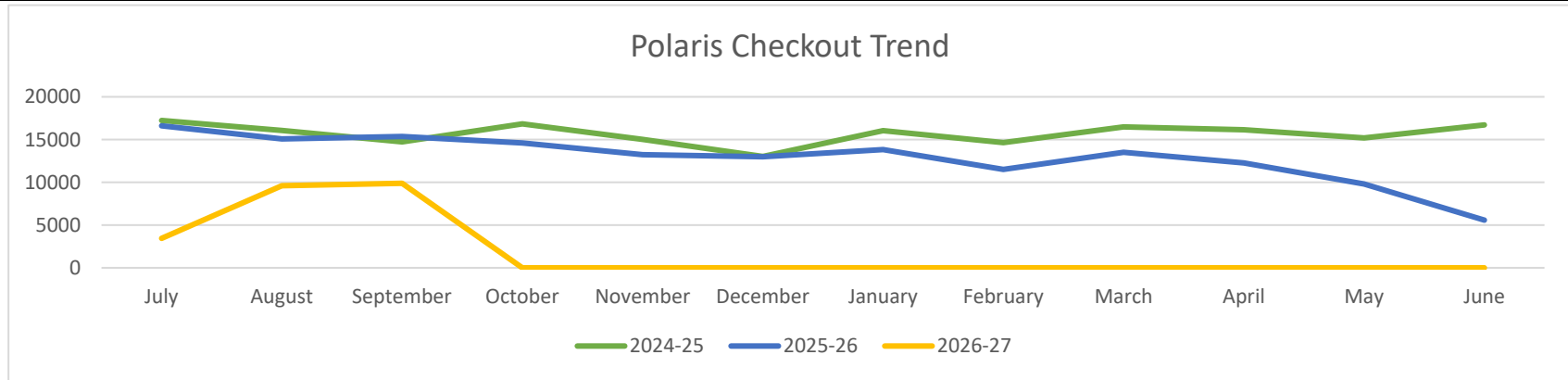
Database Usage
September 2026

Electronic Resource Usage
July 2026 - June 2027

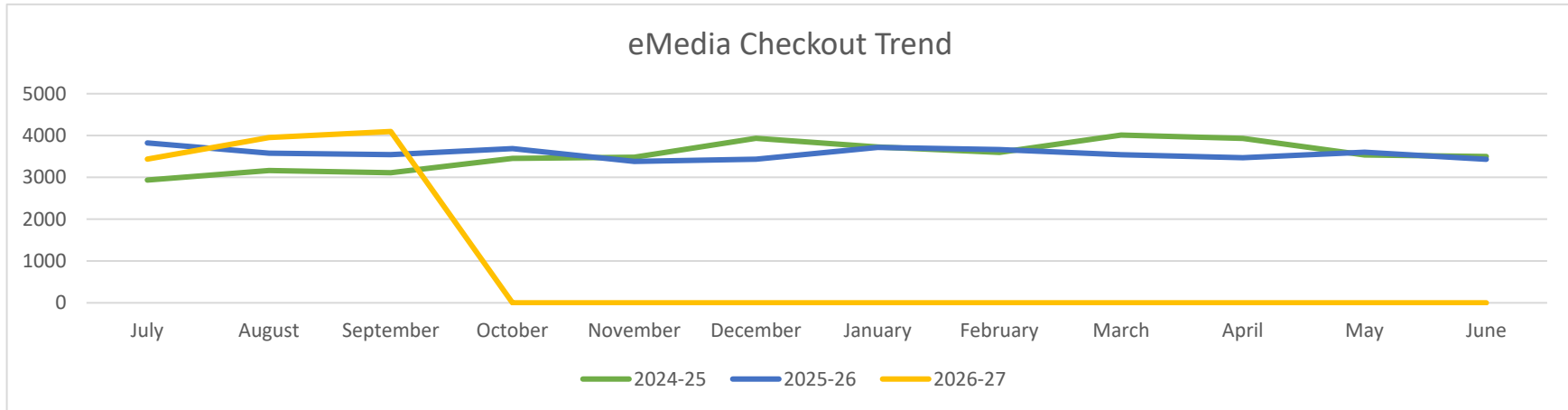
	Jul 2026	Aug 2026	Sep 2026	Oct 2026	Nov 2026	Dec 2026	Jan 2027	Feb 2027	Mar 2027	Apr 2027	May 2027	Jun 2027	This Year Total to Date
Auto Repair Source	9	3	18										30
NoveList Plus	7	3	45										55
Gale Virtual Reference Library	0	2	1										3
HelpNow!	72	192	122										386
Mango Languages	103	98	57										258
Newsbank	1079	993	798										2870
TumbleBooks	5	0	8										13
ProQuest	0	0	0										0
CultureGrams	4	3	3										10
Britannica	0	0	0										0
TeachingBooks	677	352	991										2020
New York Times	0	0	4										4
Month Total:	1956	1646	2047	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5645

Trend Analysis
July 2024 - September 2027

Polaris Checkouts	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
2024-25	17234	16067	14729	16836	15018	13028	16043	14644	16480	16147	15190	16711
2025-26	16612	15076	15361	14603	13233	12988	13828	11509	13508	12268	9802	5578
2026-27	3444	9599	9888	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

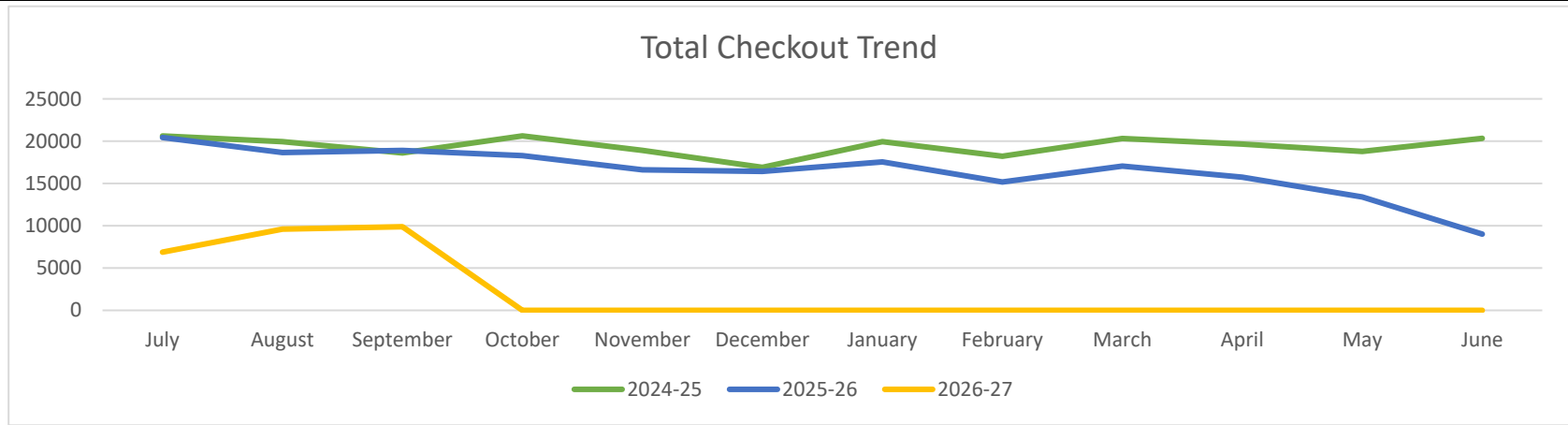


eMedia Checkouts	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
2024-25	2935	3163	3110	3453	3480	3933	3725	3595	4011	3930	3534	3497
2025-26	3823	3577	3543	3686	3381	3433	3715	3663	3540	3469	3600	3431
2026-27	3435	3951	4096	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

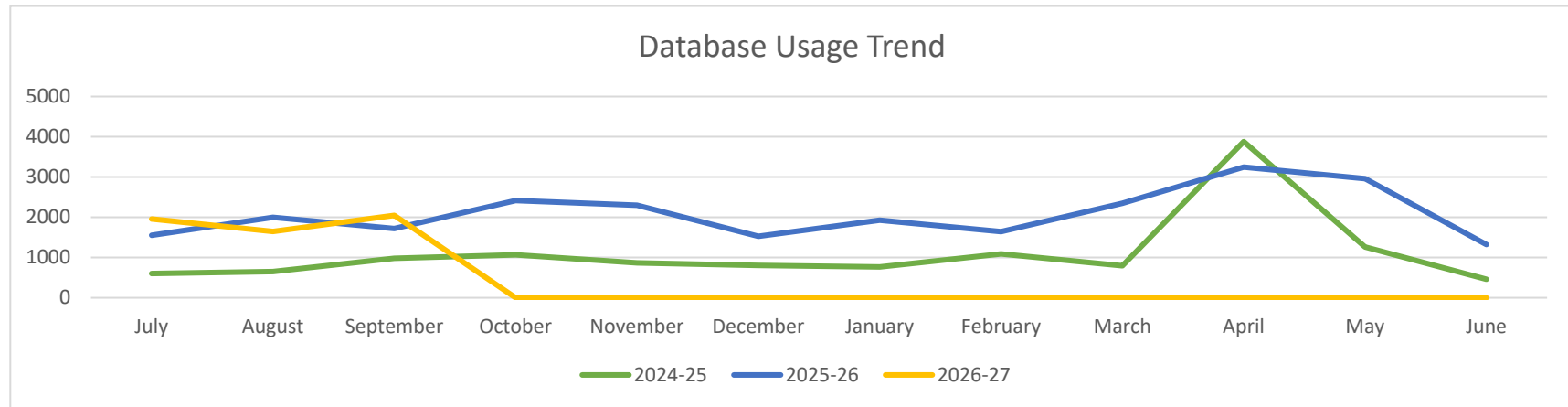


Trend Analysis
July 2024 - September 2027

Total Check outs	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
2024-25	20611	19940	18608	20620	18909	16901	19940	18219	20312	19649	18781	20327
2025-26	20435	18653	18904	18289	16614	16421	17543	15172	17048	15737	13402	9009
2026-27	6879	9599	9888	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

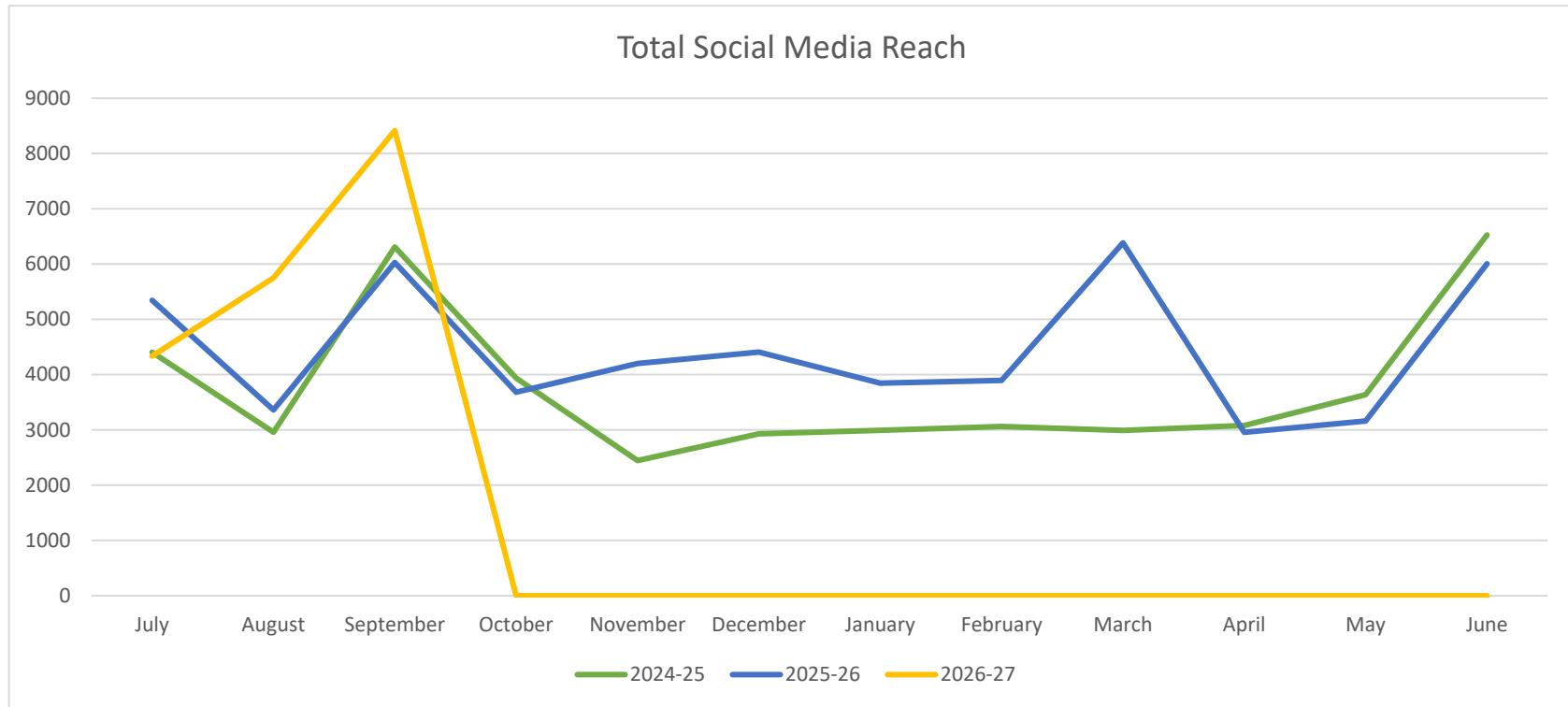


Total Database Usage	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
2024-25	601	650	980	1066	866	803	765	1089	794	3880	1261	459
2025-26	1551	1997	1719	2414	2298	1526	1926	1643	2347	3246	2959	1322
2026-27	1956	1646	2047	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



Trend Analysis
July 2024 - September 2027

Total Social Media Reach	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
2024-25	4405	2957	6309	3936	2445	2928	2992	3061	2990	3079	3637	6527
2025-26	5344	3361	6028	3682	4201	4407	3845	3895	6384	2956	3160	6005
2026-27	4335	5750	8414	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0





BUENA PARK Library District

Programs Statistical Report for September 2026

Board of Library Trustees

Meeting Date: November 3, 2026

Children's Programs

	September 2026		August 2026	
	# of Events	Attendance	# of Events	Attendance
Family Storytime	4	63	5	179
Baby Toddler Storytime	5	186	3	116
Preschool Storytime	5	131	6	161
Spanish/English Storytime	3	36	4	48
Pajama-rama Story Time	1	20	1	30
Korean/English Story Time	1	20	1	30
Read to a Bark Dog	1	22	1	18
Name Charm Challenge	1	59	1	58
Fall into Reading Challenge	1	36	x	x
Beginners' Origami Hour	1	14	1	19
Word Game Night	1	6	x	x
Self-Directed Activities	1	145	4	430
Off Site	6	723	2	465
Tech Questions		11	x	13
Reference Questions		293		303

Teen Programs

	September 2026		August 2026	
	# of Events	Attendance	# of Events	Attendance
Teen Programs	x	x	2	1

Adult Programs

	September 2026		August 2026	
	# of Events	Attendance	# of Events	Attendance
Adult Book Club	1	8	1	5
Reference Questions		212		289
Computer Questions		134		147



Date: November 3, 2026
To: Board of Library Trustees
From: Helen Medina, Library Director
Subject: Approval of Amendment No. 2. To Agreement for Architectural Services by and between Buena Park Library District and LPA, Inc. for the Library Renovation Project.

Recommended Action:

- 1) Approve Amendment No. 2. To Agreement for Architectural Services by and between Buena Park Library District and LPA, Inc. for the Library Renovation Project
- 2) Authorize the Library Director to execute the agreement

Background:

The District previously entered into an agreement with LPA, Inc ("Architect") for architectural services for the Library Renovation Project beginning in August 2024 and the parties amended the agreement in May 2025. During the course of the project, a desire to clarify certain aspects of the architect's services under the existing agreement arose. To address the points of clarification, staff and the District's legal counsel engaged in discussions with the architect and their respective legal representatives to reach a mutually acceptable understanding of the services provided.

Discussion:

Following numerous discussions and negotiations between District staff, the architect, and their respective legal representatives, the parties are proposing an amendment intended to clarify a specific aspect of the architect's responsibilities and services related to the scope of the project.

The proposed amendment is non-monetary and does not provide for an adjustment to the compensation under the existing agreement. Its purpose clarifies the parties understanding that the scope is limited to mitigation as opposed to remediation of water intrusion and that design plans are subject to the District's limited project budget. The amendment provides clarity and a common understanding of the services provided by the architect.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the amendment and considers it a clarification of services.

Fiscal Impact:

The proposed amendment is non-monetary and does not change the compensation established under the existing agreement. There is no fiscal impact.

Exhibit:

Amendment No. 2 To Agreement for Architectural Services By And Between Buena Park Library District And LPA, Inc. For The Library Renovation Project

AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO AGREEMENT FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES

BY AND BETWEEN

BUENA PARK LIBRARY DISTRICT AND LPA, INC.

FOR THE LIBRARY RENOVATION PROJECT

This Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Architectural Services ("Amendment") is made and entered into as of _____, 2026 ("Effective Date") by and between the Buena Park Library District ("District") and LPA, Inc. ("Architect") (collectively, the "Parties") as follows:

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into an Agreement for Architectural Services ("Agreement"), dated August 16, 2024, for the Library Renovation Project ("Project").

WHEREAS, the Parties previously entered into Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement, dated May 6, 2025, to increase the not-to-exceed fee under the Agreement from Seven Hundred Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$711,000.00) to One Million One Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Dollars (\$1,121,000.00).

WHEREAS, the Parties now desire to further amend and supplement the Agreement to reflect that, based on the Project budget, the District has decided to limit the Project scope in certain areas to mitigation, as opposed to full remediation.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties do hereby mutually agree as follows:

TERMS

Section I. Amendments of Agreement.

1. The first Recital on page 1 of the Agreement is hereby amended and replaced with the following:

WHEREAS, the District desires to engage the services of the Architect to provide professional architectural design, planning, and related services for the project more fully described as the "Library Renovation Project" including but not limited to mitigation (as opposed to remediation) of water intrusion in the basement and mitigative repairs (as opposed to remediation) to the dewatering system and sanitary sewer, located at 7150 La Palma Avenue, Buena Park, California, United States (hereinafter the "Project");

2. In Section 3.2, regarding key personnel, the scope description for Simpson Gumpertz & Heger (SGH) is hereby amended by replacing "Waterproofing" with "Water Intrusion Mitigation."
3. In Exhibit A (Scope of Services) the introductory paragraph on page A-1 is hereby amended and replaced with the following:

Architect shall provide Architectural & Engineering (A&E) Services for the **Library Renovation Project** ("Project") on the

basis of a design-bid-build delivery. Architect shall provide complete architectural and related engineering documents necessary for construction, including drawings, details, and specifications as well as construction administration support through delivery. These plans are subject to the District's limited project budget and direction and shall take into account the expected uses, existing/modified fixtures and utilities, site considerations, visual appeal, environmental sustainability, and impacts of construction. Architect shall prepare, submit, and secure all necessary permits and regulatory approvals to obtain a City building permit.

4. Subparts (l) and (m) of Section B(7) of Exhibit A are hereby amended and replaced with the following:

l. Mitigate (meaning measures that reduce the severity or seriousness of a condition) accessibility non-compliance to the extent feasible by existing conditions and Project budget.

m. Mitigate (meaning measures that reduce the severity or seriousness of a condition) water intrusion to the extent feasible by existing conditions and Project budget.

Section II. All Other Provisions Reaffirmed.

All other provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and are hereby reaffirmed. If there is any conflict between this Amendment and any provision of the Agreement or any prior amendment, the provisions of this Amendment shall control. All capitalized terms used in this Amendment (including the recitals), but not defined herein, shall have the respective meanings given to them in the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Amendment to the Agreement to be executed by their respective officers who are duly authorized, as of the Effective Date.

Dated: _____, 2026

Dated: _____, 2026

Buena Park Library District

LPA, Inc.

By: _____

By: _____

Name: Helen Medina

Name: _____

Title: Library Director

Title: _____



Date: November 3, 2026
To: Board of Library Trustees
From: Helen Medina, Library Director
Subject: Approve the Agreement for Professional Services with Dannis Woliver Kelley

Recommended Action:

- 1) Approval of two-year professional services agreement with Dannis Woliver Kelley; and
- 2) Authorize the Library Director to execute the agreement

Background:

The District currently uses Dannis Woliver Kelley Attorneys at Law (DWK) for legal services on an as-needed basis and is billed hourly based on actual services provided. DWK has provided updated rates for a two-year term, as outlined in the attached Professional Services Agreement. The District currently has several open issues with DWK and anticipates the continued use of DWK's expertise in a variety of areas.

The District had a two-year agreement with DWK, whose rates expired in July. The rates had been stable since 2024. The new agreement reflects an increase of up to 7% for the top end attorneys.

Discussion:

Dannis Woliver Kelley is a full-service law firm that has reliability provided legal services to the District for a variety of legal matters including our ongoing construction project, recent lease financing, personnel and employment matters, policy updates and review, contract and purchase order assistance, and navigation of complex issues with third parties. Continued engagement allows the District to benefit from an established working relationship, institutional knowledge, and continuity and efficiency in legal services.

Recommendation:

Approve the Professional Services Agreement with Dannis Woliver Kelley at the time and materials fees specified in the agreement.

Fiscal Impact:

Approval of the agreement will result in expenditures at the time and materials fees specified in the agreement, already appropriated in the District's approved FY 26/27 Budget.

Exhibit:

Agreement for Professional Services by and between the Buena Park Library District and Dannis Woliver Kelley dated October 6, 2026



DANNIS WOLIVER KELLEY

Attorneys at Law

SUE ANN SALMON EVANS

Attorney at Law

sevens@DWKesq.com

Long Beach

October 6, 2026

VIA EMAIL

Helen Medina
Library Director
Buena Park Library District
7150 La Palma Ave.
Buena Park, CA 90620
hmedina@buenaparklibrary.org

Re: 2026-2028 Agreement for Professional Services

Dear Ms. Medina:

Dannis Woliver Kelley (DWK) is honored to serve as your trusted legal counsel. We stand with you to support your core mission of educating and preparing children and young adults to be responsible, mindful citizens. We are especially pleased to share that 2026 marks DWK's 50th Anniversary as California's leading education law firm! This milestone belongs not just to us but also to you: the clients, educators, and leaders who have trusted us with your mission for five decades.

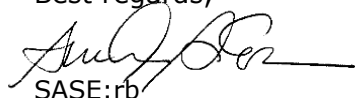
Our current Agreement for Professional Services expired on June 30, 2026. Attached is our proposed Agreement for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years. Our rate ranges have remained unchanged since 2024. Under the attached Agreement, the top end of our attorney classification rate ranges will increase by up to seven percent (7%). One attorney's rate, Gregory Dannis, will increase by three percent (3%) for the 2026-2027 school year and by an additional five percent (5%) for the 2027-2028 school year. Non-attorney rates, including law clerk and paralegal rates, will also increase.

We agree to maintain these rate ranges for the full two-year term of the Agreement, meaning there will be no changes to the billing ranges during that period. Individual attorney and non-attorney hourly rates, however, may be adjusted within the approved ranges during the term of the Agreement.

Once the Agreement is approved by the governing board, please sign it, insert the date of Board approval and return to the undersigned via email.

We look forward to continuing to serve you in the coming school years and to building on our mutually rewarding partnership. We also hope to see you at one of the many educational and social events we have planned in 2026. Whether you connect with us in a convention hall, a digital classroom, or elsewhere, you can expect a little extra "Golden Anniversary" spirit throughout the year.

Best regards,



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AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

This Agreement is made and entered into on October 6, 2026, by and between the Buena Park Library District, hereinafter referred to as District, and Dannis Woliver Kelley, a professional corporation, hereinafter referred to as Attorney.

In consideration of the promises and the mutual agreements hereinafter contained, District and Attorney agree as follows:

SCOPE OF SERVICES. District appoints Attorney to represent, advise, and counsel it from July 1, 2026, through and including June 30, 2028, and continuing thereafter as approved. Any services performed during the period between the above commencement date and the date of governing board action approving this Agreement are hereby ratified by said governing board approval.

Attorney agrees to prepare periodic reviews of relevant court decisions, legislation, and other legal issues. Attorney agrees to keep current and in force at all times a policy covering incidents of legal malpractice. Nothing in this Agreement and nothing in Attorney's statements to District should be construed as a promise or guarantee about the outcome of any matter.

DISTRICT DUTIES. District shall be truthful with Attorney, cooperate with Attorney, keep Attorney informed of developments, ensure access for Attorney to communicate with the District's governing board as appropriate, perform the obligations it has agreed to perform under this Agreement and pay Attorney bills in a timely manner.

FEES AND BILLING PRACTICES. Except as hereinafter provided, District agrees to pay Attorney at the following hourly rates: two hundred seventy-five dollars (\$275) to four hundred twenty dollars (\$420) for Shareholders and Of Counsel; two hundred fifty-five dollars (\$255) to three hundred thirty-five dollars (\$335) for Special Counsel; two hundred five dollars (\$205) to two hundred ninety-five dollars (\$295) for Associates; one hundred forty dollars (\$140) to two hundred five dollars (\$205) for Law Clerks (up to \$245 if licensed in another state); one hundred forty dollars (\$140) to two hundred thirty dollars (\$230) per hour for Paralegals; two hundred five dollars (\$205) to three hundred thirty-five dollars (\$335) for Legal Investigations Specialists; and four hundred fifteen dollars (\$415) to four hundred ninety-five dollars (\$495) for Shareholder Emeritus. Rates for individual attorneys, paralegals, law clerks, and legal investigations specialists may vary within the above ranges depending on the level of experience and qualifications and the nature of the legal services to be provided with the exception of Greg Dannis whose hourly rate shall be \$500 for the 2026–2027 school year and \$525 for the 2027–2028 school year.

Agreements for fees for legal services at other than the hourly rates set forth above may be made by mutual agreement for special projects, particular scopes of work, or for attorneys with specialized skills. The rates specified in this Agreement are subject to change at any time by Attorney following written notice to District and shall apply to all services rendered after such notice is given.

Time is billed in minimum increments of one-tenth (.1) of an hour, except the first entry for any day will be billed at a minimum of three-tenths (.3) of an hour. Actual travel time and time spent attending in-person or remote meetings is charged at the rates above. In the course of travel for a District matter, or while attending meetings with or for District, it may be necessary for Attorney to concurrently work for and bill other clients. If, during the course of representation of District, an insurance or other entity assumes responsibility for payment of all or partial fees of Attorney on a particular case or matter, District shall remain responsible for the difference between fees paid by the other entity and Attorney's hourly rates as specified in this Agreement unless otherwise agreed by the District and Attorney.

OTHER CHARGES. District agrees to reimburse Attorney for actual and necessary expenses and costs with respect to providing the above services, including support services such as copying charges (charged at \$0.10 per page), postage (only charged if in excess of

\$1.00), and computerized legal research and electronic record storage and review platforms (i.e., Westlaw, e-discovery). District agrees that such actual and necessary expenses may vary according to special circumstances necessitated by request of District or emergency conditions which occasionally arise. Such expenses shall be provided at cost unless otherwise specified. Any discount received on such services is passed along to District by Attorney.

District further agrees to pay third parties, indirectly through Attorney, for other costs and expenses including, but not limited to, costs of serving pleadings, filing fees and other charges assessed by courts and other public agencies, arbitrators' fees, court reporters' fees, jury fees, witness fees, investigation expenses, consultants' fees, and expert witness fees. District will reimburse Attorney for such costs or may, upon agreement of District and Attorney, advance payment to Attorney for such costs and expenses.

Occasionally Attorney may provide District officials and/or employees with food or meals at Attorney-sponsored trainings or when working with District officials and/or employees. Attorney may provide such food or meals without additional charge in exchange for the consideration provided by the District under this Agreement.

BILLING STATEMENT. Attorney shall send District a statement for fees and costs every calendar month. Attorney's statements shall clearly state the basis thereof, including the amount, rate and basis for calculations or other methods of determination of Attorney's fees. Upon District's request for additional statement information, Attorney shall provide a bill to District no later than ten (10) days following the request. District is entitled to make subsequent requests for bills at intervals of no less than thirty (30) days following the initial request. District shall pay Attorney's statements within thirty (30) days after each statement's date pursuant to the payment instructions provided on Attorneys' invoice.

ARBITRATION OF FEE DISPUTE. In order to avoid litigation in the event of any dispute concerning billings, it is agreed that any such dispute shall be submitted exclusively to binding arbitration before the American Arbitration Association. The arbitrator shall determine the rights and obligations of District and Attorney according to the substantive and procedural laws of California. District acknowledges that by agreeing to arbitration, District is giving up the right to a jury trial. Judgement on any arbitration award may be entered by any court of competent jurisdiction.

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR. It is expressly understood and agreed to by both parties that Attorney, while carrying out and complying with any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, is an independent contractor and is not an employee of the District. Attorney does not anticipate that in the course and scope of performing legal services it will have any interaction with any pupil that is not under the immediate supervision and control of a District employee or a pupil's parent or guardian. If District requests legal services in which Attorney will have unsupervised interaction with pupils, Attorney will comply with any applicable fingerprinting, background check, vaccine, or testing requirements.

CONSENT TO USE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION, GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) AND CLOUD SERVICES. To provide District with efficient and convenient legal services, Attorney will communicate and transmit documents using electronic communication services. Because electronic communication continues to evolve, there may be risks in communicating in this manner, including risks related to confidentiality and security. By entering into this Agreement, District is consenting to such use of electronic communication services with District and District's representatives and agents. In addition, Attorney uses cloud computing services with servers located in a facility other than Attorney's office. Most of Attorney's electronic data, including emails and documents, are stored in this manner. By entering into this Agreement, District understands and consents to having communications, documents and information pertinent to the District's matters stored through such cloud-based services. The Firm may also utilize Generative AI tools to facilitate certain legal services. Such tools are used solely as aids and do not replace legal judgment. The Firm will follow applicable confidentiality

standards where Client data is processed by third-party AI providers. By entering into this Agreement, District is consenting to such use of the tools identified herein.

FILE RETENTION. Attorney will retain files related to representation of District for a minimum period of seven (7) years after the conclusion of the Attorney's services for District. During this period, Attorney may retain such files exclusively in digital format and may destroy original paper documents provided by the District after they are digitized unless the District requests the return of originals in writing. At the expiration of the seven (7)-year period, Attorney may destroy such files, including paper or digital copies, unless District notifies Attorney in writing that District wishes to take possession of them. Attorney agrees to provide a digital copy of all files related to representation of District upon District's request, excluding Attorney's internal files (e.g., administrative records and attorney work product, including drafts, notes, internal memoranda, and research prepared for Attorney's internal use) which are the Attorney's property.

PRIVACY NOTICE OF COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION. Attorney respects the District's privacy and aims to be transparent with District. For this reason, Attorney has adopted a privacy policy that describes all the information Attorney collects from or about District employees in the course of providing the District with legal services, as well as how Attorney uses this information and how long Attorney will retain it. Attorney's privacy policy, which also describes the District's rights as a consumer under applicable law, is accessible on Attorney's website at <https://www.dwkesq.com/ccpa/>. The terms and disclosures of this privacy policy are incorporated herein, and the signature on the agreement below confirms that District has read or will read Attorney's privacy policy. If the District has any questions regarding Attorney's privacy policy or its rights, the District should email Attorney at DataSecurity@dwkesq.com.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST. In some situations, where Attorney has relationships with other entities, the Rules of Professional Conduct and Business & Professions Code may require Attorney to provide disclosure or to obtain informed written consent before it can provide legal services for a client. Attorney represents many school and community college districts, county offices of education, joint powers authorities, SELPAs and other entities throughout California. The statutory and regulatory structure of the provision of education services results in many ways in which these entities interact which could result in a conflict between the interests of more than one of Attorney's clients. If Attorney becomes aware of a specific conflict of interest involving District, Attorney will comply with the legal and ethical requirements to fulfill its duties of loyalty and confidentiality to District. If District has any question about whether Attorney has a conflict of interest in its representation of District in any matter, it may contact Attorney or other legal counsel for clarification.

TERMINATION OF CONTRACT. District or Attorney may terminate this Agreement by giving reasonable written notice of termination to the other party.

COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement may be executed in duplicate originals, including facsimiles, each of which shall fully bind each party as if all had signed the same copy. Electronic copies of signatures shall be treated as originals for all purposes.

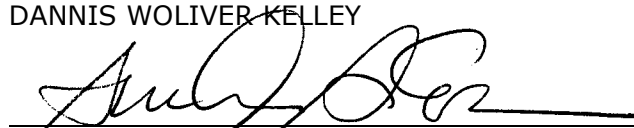
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed this Agreement for Professional Services.

BUENA PARK LIBRARY DISTRICT

Helen Medina
Library Director

Date

DANNIS WOLIVER KELLEY



Sue Ann Salmon Evans
Attorney at Law

October 6, 2026

Date

At its public meeting of _____, 2026, the District's governing board approved this Agreement and authorized the Board President, Superintendent or Designee to execute this Agreement.



BUENA PARK Library District

Staff Report- Agenda Item 18

Date: November 3, 2026
To: Board of Library Trustees
From: Helen Medina, Library Director
Subject: 2027 Operating Hours and Holidays

Recommended Action:

Agenda Item 18 Adopt Resolution 2026-24 establishing Operating Hours and Holidays for Calendar Year 2027

Background:

The Board of Library Trustees establishes the District's operating hours in accordance with California Education Code § 19654. The District's regular operating hours and approved holidays are as follows:

Regular Operating Hours:

Monday-Thursday	10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday-Saturday	10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Closed

Approved Holidays:

New Year's Day
Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Presidents' Day
Memorial Day
Independence Day
Labor Day
Veterans Day
Thanksgiving Day
Day after Thanksgiving
Christmas Eve
Christmas Day
New Year's Eve Day

Discussion:

Full-time employees are compensated with paid holidays for the above-mentioned days if they fall on a work day, or a different day off within the work week if the holiday falls on their regularly scheduled day off. Part-time employees do not receive holiday benefits.

The current regular operating hours allow the District to serve the diverse needs of our community and offer library programs and services throughout different times of day. Modifications to operating hours around holidays and additional Saturday and Monday closures are necessary due to Friday and Saturday holidays to accommodate leave requests and liabilities since the District does not operate on a Monday-Friday schedule.

Recommendation:**Library Closures and Modified Hours:**

Occasion	Date	Operating Hours
New Year's Day*	Friday, January 1, 2027	Closed
Saturday after Friday Holiday	Saturday, January 2, 2027	Closed
Martin Luther King Jr. Day*	Monday, January 18, 2027	Closed
Presidents' Day*	Monday, February 15, 2027	Closed
Memorial Day*	Monday, May 31, 2027	Closed
Independence Day* (Observed)	Monday, July 5, 2027	Closed
Labor Day*	Monday, September 6, 2027	Closed
Veterans Day*	Thursday, November 11, 2027	Closed
Modified Hours	Wednesday, November 24, 2027	10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Thanksgiving Day*	Thursday, November 25, 2027	Closed
Day after Thanksgiving*	Friday, November 26, 2027	Closed
Saturday after Friday Holiday	Saturday, November 27, 2027	Closed
Christmas Eve*	Friday, December 24, 2027	Closed
Christmas Day*	Saturday, December 25, 2026	Closed
Monday after Weekend Holiday	Monday, December 27, 2027	Closed
Modified Hours	Tuesday, December 28, 2027	10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Modified Hours	Wednesday, December 29, 2027	10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Modified Hours	Thursday, December 30, 2027	10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
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Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Attachments:

Exhibit A: Resolution 2026-24 Establishing Operating Hours and Holiday Closures for Calendar Year 2027

**BUENA PARK LIBRARY DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-24**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BUENA PARK LIBRARY
DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY
ESTABLISHING OPERATING HOURS AND HOLIDAY CLOSURES FOR
CALENDAR YEAR 2027**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees ("Board") of the Buena Park Library District ("District") shall designate the hours during which the library shall be open for the use of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed library operating hours and scheduled closures for the calendar year 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that establishing an annual scheduled of operating hours and closures supports effective library operations, staff planning, and awareness of library services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Buena Park Library District hereby approves the library operating hours and scheduled closures for the calendar year 2027 as presented and attached hereto as Exhibit "A;" and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Library Director is authorized to carry out and comply with the terms and intent of this resolution and authorized to make any necessary temporary changes required for the safe and effective management of the District.

CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Buena Park Library District at the meeting held on November 3, 2026, passed by the following vote:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

By: _____

Brenda Estrada, President

ATTEST: _____

Christian Quintero, Secretary



BUENA PARK Library District

2027 Operating Hours and Holiday Closures

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*Indicates approved holidays for eligible employees



2025-2026 **Annual Report**



BUENA PARK Library District

OUR MISSION & VISION

Mission: *The Buena Park Library is committed to providing free and equal access to information, programs, and services to educate, entertain, and enrich the lives of our diverse community.*

Vision: *The Buena Park Library is our community's center for discovery, lifelong learning, enjoyment, and connection with others.*

Board of Library Trustees

Brenda Estrada	<i>President</i>
Richard Rams	<i>President Pro Tem</i>
Christian Quintero	<i>Secretary</i>
L. Carole Jensen	<i>Trustee</i>
Rudy Solorzano	<i>Trustee</i>



A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

As we look back on 2025–2026, I am proud of all we accomplished together and deeply grateful for the continued support of our community.

This past year was a time of progress, preparation, and exciting change. We took significant steps forward on our Library Renovation Project, an investment that will create a more welcoming, accessible, and flexible library for generations to come. We advanced the project through design and planning and were grateful to secure \$850,000 in federal funding to support this important work.

While preparing for the renovation, our most important priority has continued to be serving our community. Throughout the year, the Buena Park Library has continued to offer story times, reading programs, educational activities, and special events that brought children, families, and neighbors together. Programs such as Coloring with a Cop and Lunch at the Library helped strengthen our connections throughout Buena Park.

None of this would have been possible without our dedicated staff. Throughout a year of significant planning and transition, our team remained focused on providing welcoming, helpful service and creating meaningful experiences for our patrons. Their commitment and flexibility have been especially important as we prepare for this next chapter.

As we begin 2026–2027, we are entering an exciting new chapter. The library has temporarily relocated to the Walter Knott Education Center while construction gets underway. Although our space and some services look different during this transition, our commitment to the community remains the same. We will continue providing opportunities to read, learn, connect, and discover while we work toward an exciting new facility.

At its heart, this project is about our community. The improvements we are making will help ensure that the Buena Park Library remains a vibrant and welcoming place for everyone. We know that construction and temporary relocation will require patience and flexibility, and we sincerely appreciate your understanding and support during this time. Every step brings us closer to a renewed library that we can all be proud of.

Thank you to our patrons, staff, volunteers, community partners, and supporters for making the Buena Park Library such a special part of our community. We are grateful to be on this journey with you, and we look forward to opening the doors to a renewed Buena Park Library and welcoming our community home.

Warm Regards,



Library Director

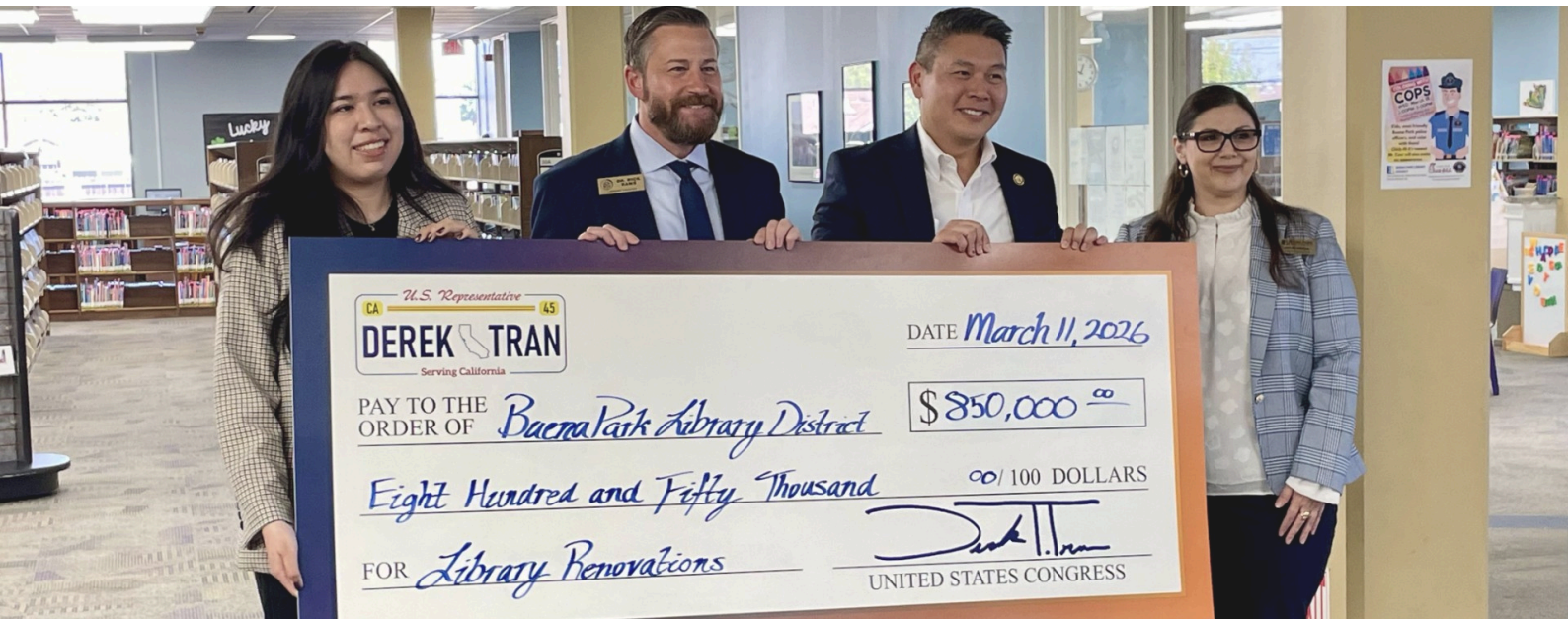




An architectural rendering of our future service desk.



YEAR AT A GLANCE



Congressman Derek Tran presents the District with \$850,000 in federal funds to help perform critical facility upgrades.



2025 2026 Library Services Report



131,728

Total Library Visits



154,372

Physical Items Checked Out



42,101

Total eMaterials Checked Out

Programming



3,551

Attended children's programs

3,748

Attended all-ages programs

347

Attended teen programs

Connections

124,727

Website Visits

105,954

Social Media Views

Outreach

46

Outreach Events

3,415

Individuals
Attended

26/2,948

School Partnership
Events/Attendees

Volunteers

1,090

Volunteer Hours
Contributed

55

Individuals
Volunteered

\$43,753

Value of
Volunteer Time



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Author Talk with Carolyn Huynh
- BARK Therapy Dogs
- Lunch at the Library and Centralia School District Partnership
- Story Time



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT:

Author Talk with Carolyn Huynh

Overview:

The library welcomed local author Carolyn Huynh for an Author Talk celebrating the release of her new novel, *The Family Recipe*. Huynh, whose debut novel *The Fortunes of Jaded Women* earned wide acclaim, spoke candidly with attendees about the journey behind her latest book, including the challenges of writing a second novel after a successful first one. She also shared an inside look at the process of having *The Fortunes of Jaded Women* adapted for television, offering the audience a rare glimpse into how a story moves from the page to the screen. The event concluded with an opportunity for attendees to ask questions and speak with the author directly.

Audience:

Adults and teens



Community Impact:

Hosting a local author showed our patrons that the stories found on library shelves can come from people who may share their experiences and backgrounds. Huynh's honesty about the writing process resonated with members of the audience, offering both encouragement and practical insight into the realities of a creative career. Her reflections on bringing her work to television sparked a lively conversation and gave attendees a deeper appreciation for the many forms storytelling can take. Events like this one connect readers and writers, celebrate local talent, and inspire community members to pursue their own creative endeavors.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT:

BARK Therapy Dogs

Overview:

Each month, the library hosts BARK, a therapy dog program that brings four gentle, specially trained dogs and their dedicated volunteer handlers to visit with children and families. Participants of all ages, from young children through high school students, gather at the library to read aloud to one of the BARK dogs: Annabelle, Falkor, Gracie, or Rocket. BARK offers a relaxed, judgment-free audience for children who find reading difficult or stressful. BARK volunteers also bring remarkable patience to every library visit and encourage hesitant readers by celebrating their progress. Beyond reading support, the handlers teach both children and adults how to interact with dogs safely and respectfully, including how to introduce themselves to a dog, recognize their comfort level, and approach animals with patience and care.



Audience:

Kids, teens and their families.



Community Impact:

Our BARK events help children build reading confidence in a setting where there is no pressure to perform. By reading to a calm and attentive dog, young readers practice at their own pace. Staff report that many who arrive reluctant to read aloud leave eager to return the following month. The BARK program also teaches lasting lessons in empathy, gentleness, and responsible behavior around animals, skills that benefit children and adults alike. Equally important, BARK serves as a welcoming introduction to the library itself. Families who first visit for the therapy dogs discover the full range of library services, and many go on to become regular patrons, returning for books, programs, and resources long after their first visit with the dogs.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT:

Lunch at the Library & Partnership with Centralia Elementary School District - Year 4

Overview:

Summer 2026 marked our fourth year of Lunch at the Library and our partnership with Centralia Elementary School District (CESD). Over the past four summers, the program has grown into a dependable part of our community's summer, and families now plan their June visits to the library around it. CESD once again served free, nutritious lunches to children and teens. With continued funding from the California State Library we were able to pair each meal with library programming and information about local resources. Beyond meeting an immediate need, the program helps us continue to welcome new families into the library, many of whom leave with library cards, borrowed materials, and connections to services they had not known were available.

Audience:

Kids, teens and their families.



Community Impact:

For many local children, the end of the school year means the end of reliable daily meals. Lunch at the Library continues to help close that gap by offering free, healthy food in a familiar setting that people know and trust. Each summer, the library serves as more than a meal site. It also serves as a place where parents and caregivers can learn about additional services that support their family's health and wellbeing. This ongoing partnership with CESD reflects the library's lasting commitment to our partnerships that address real needs in our community.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT:

Story Time

Overview:

This year, the library expanded its story time schedule from four to five weekly programs, giving families more opportunities to visit and participate. Baby and Toddler story time continues offering our youngest patrons an introduction to early literacy through songs, rhymes, and play. Spanish/English bilingual story time, and Family story time welcomes children of all ages. Our Korean/English bilingual story time celebrates another language widely spoken in our community. Pajama story time, an evening program invites families to wind down together before bedtime.

Audience:

Kids, babies, and toddlers, parents, grandparents, and caregivers.



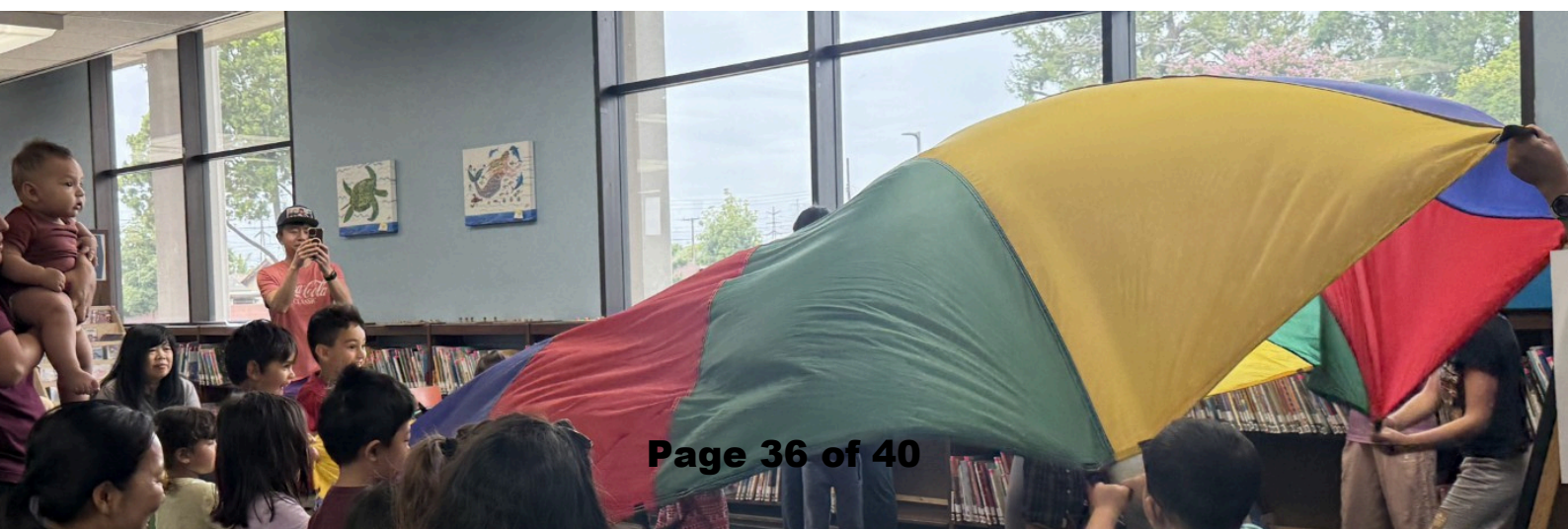
Community Impact:

In 2025–2026, story time remained the library’s most well-loved program. Many families build story time into their weekly routines. Some families attend more than one story time per week, allowing library staff to build rapport and relationships with the children and caregivers of our community over time. For many parents and caregivers, these gatherings offer a regular source of connection, and a chance to build friendships that continue beyond the library. Our Spanish and Korean bilingual story times provide children and families with a time to connect to their native languages, cultures, and traditions. Some families make the drive from beyond our city limits to attend, and instill in little ones knowledge of and love for their native cultures. Together, all these programs give children a joyful place to hear stories, sing, move, make friends, and build the early literacy skills that prepare them for school.



PARTNERS & COLLABORATIONS

Thank you to our partners: America On Track, American Red Cross, Angels Baseball, BARK, Broken Yolk Cafe, Buena Park Police Department, Buena Park School District, California State Library, Centralia Elementary School District, Chick-Fil-A, City of Buena Park, Fluffy Market, Giving Children Hope, In-N-Out, John's Incredible Pizza, Kawaii Klawns, Kitsch, Knott's Berry Farm, Milkita USA, Nobibi, OC Registrar of Voters, OC Workforce Solutions, Orange County Soccer Club, Orange County Fire Authority, The Old Spaghetti Factory, The Original Rainbow Cone, Panda Express, Pirates Dinner Adventure, PlayPie, Raising Cane's, Rock & Brews, Six Flags Magic Mountain, and Toys for Tots.

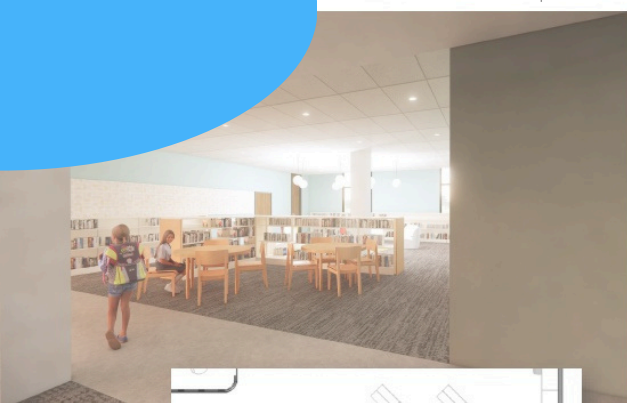
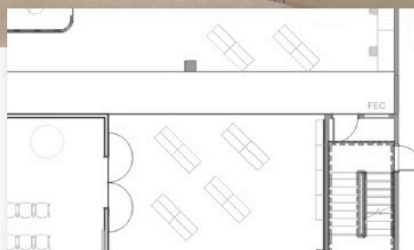


FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

- **Total Revenue: \$5,613,842**
 - Property Taxes: \$4,781,461
 - Grants & Contributions: \$13,089
 - Service Charges & Fees: \$277,583
 - Investment Earnings: \$537,958
 - Miscellaneous Revenues: \$3,751
- **Total Expenses: \$4,456,077**
 - Salaries & Wages: \$1,656,611
 - Employee & Retiree Benefits: \$520,546
 - Library Materials & Programs: \$106,333
 - Professional Services: \$514,850
 - Facility Operations & Maintenance: \$52,077
 - Capital Expenditures: \$731,806
 - Other Operating & Miscellaneous Expenses: \$785,530

GRANTS RECEIVED

- Lunch at the Library from the California State Library
- Play It Forward from Giving Children Hope
- Zip Books



The architectural vision of our future children's area





Buena Park Library District
Walter Knott Education Center (Temporary Site)
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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda preparation for the Regular Meeting which will be held on December 1, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

- 21. Public Employee Evaluation (Gov. Code § 54957(b)(1))
 - Employee: Library Director

ADJOURNMENT