

CITY OF MONROVIA LIBRARY BOARD ADULT AND YOUTHSERVICES PROGRAM REPORT



DEPARTMENT: Community Services Library Division

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ADULT SERVICES AND YOUTH SERVICES

GRANTS: 3M selected the Library for the **3M Supplies4Nonprofit Organizations Product Donation Program**. The program is administered through a joint venture between 3M and Good360, allowing organizations to receive needed office supplies and health care products at no cost. Staff was provided with a list of products to choose from, with instructions to place a one-time order in the amount of 12 to 96 cases of product. The products donated through this program must be used for the organization's educational, administrative or capacity-building purposes. Staff ordered 70 cases of materials, including Post-Its, scissors, dusting clothes, disinfecting wipes, glue and tape.

This year the Library will receive an additional \$5,000 from the State for the **California Library Literacy Services** program. The Governor and Legislature added an additional \$1 million to the California Library Literacy Services budget for fiscal year 2014-15. State Librarian Greg Lucas reported each California Library Literacy Services library will receive \$15,000, instead of the usual \$10,000 baseline.

Local Kohl's associates are providing assistance to the Library's youth and family programs. **Kohl's Cares** is a community giving volunteer program that supports the communities they serve by donating both money and time to children's literacy. Over 25 volunteers assisted the Library with youth and family programming activities during the summer and \$2,500 was donated to support the Library's Youth Services programming.

ADULT SUMMER READING CLUB PROGRAMMING: July 17, Staff hosted a No-Sew Pet Bed program to 19 adults and children. Participants made pet beds using pre-cut fleece fabric and a pillow. The fleece fabric came in a variety of colors and patterns including frogs, tigers, polka dots and more. It was an easy, fun project enjoyed by the whole family. The program was sponsored by the Friends of the Monrovia Public Library.

YOUTH SUMMER READING CLUB PROGRAMMING: June 26, Staff hosted **Twinkle Time** dinner theatre in Library Park at the Rotary Bandshell. Over 200 families enjoyed a high energy bi-lingual pop music show by Twinkle and her colorful cast of friends. The program was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Monrovia.

July 10, Staff hosted the **In a Paw-Fect World** program in Library Park at the Rotary Bandshell. Families joined storyteller Ina Buckner-Barnette presenting multicultural animal stories. Over 100 kids danced, sang, and laughed during this participatory musical concert for kids of all ages.

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July 17, Staff presented the first **Pop-Up** program in Library Park utilizing the Play and Learn Station to 34 participants. Children played with moon sand and a variety of objects. YES Interns supervised the event.

July 21, Staff presented **Whose Paw is it Anyway** program. Children and adults observed snakes, termites, hissing cockroaches, and lizards, and learned about the natural habitats of local wildlife during this fun interactive program hosted by Park Ranger Jordan Gionet. This educational program is part of Canyon Park's Nature Center programming.

July 31, Staff presented the **Photo Booth and Movie** event. Families enjoyed a popular recently released video and sang along to the music. Memories were created as participants enjoyed taking pictures in a photo booth with fun animal hats to celebrate the end of the Summer Reading Club program.

STEAM BUILDING CHALLENGE: On four Wednesday evenings in July, Staff challenged families to unique building contests designed to encourage critical thinking, active problem solving, experimentation, collaboration and dialogue. The building challenges included a freestanding spaghetti tower with a marshmallow on top, a Popsicle stick catapult, a marble run, and a hat as tall as a person. Each week approximately 50 people showed up to accept the challenge. Originally, the construction zone was to be inside the Story Room, but with so many participants, the building activities spilled out into half of the Youth Services area. This event engaged people of all ages to participate in activities that utilized skills related to science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics.

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