



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

City of Calexico
Fernando "Nene" Torres Council Chambers
608 Heber Ave.
Calexico, CA 92231

Monday, June 2, 2025
4:30 pm

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Abril Ayala, Trustee
Erika Castro, Trustee
Stacy Olguin, Trustee
Roxsanna Pacheco, Trustee
Karen Yopez, Trustee

Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Diana Nuricumbo, Mayor/Chairperson
Victor Legaspi, Pro Tem/Vice-Chairperson
Adriana Marquez, Council Member
Lisa Tylenda, Council Member
Lorenzo Calderon, Council Member

Richard Daniels, Interim City Manager

****AGENDA****

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NOTES: (Not to Exceed 3 Minutes) This is the time for the public to address the Library Board of Trustees on any item not appearing on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. The Chair will recognize you and when you come to the microphone, please state your name and place of residence for the record. While members of the public are encouraged to participate, it is unlawful to disturb or delay the Board meeting with personal or slanderous remarks. If the item you wish to comment on is a consent item, please comment now. The Board is prohibited by State law from taking action or discussing items not included on the printed agenda. If the item you wish to comment on is on the public portion of the agenda, we will take your comment when we get to the item on the agenda. Please direct your questions and comments to the Board.

LIBRARY MANAGER'S REPORT

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMENTS

CONSENT ITEMS

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

1. Nomination of Officers
2. Adoption of Revised Library Board of Trustees Bylaws
3. Annual Statement of Economic Interest Form 700
4. Family Summer Reading Program – Color Our World – June 16 through August 7, 2025

5. California Library Literacy Services Grant Award for FY 2025-26
6. California State Library Zip Books Grant Application for FY 2025-26
7. California State Library Lunch at the Library Grant for Summer 2025
8. Review of Library Programs for All Ages
9. Review of Digital Platforms
10. Friends of the Library Report

INFORMATION

Attendance Report

Monthly Statistics Report

New Booklist Available Online <https://calexicolibrary.org/newarrivals>

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This notice of the agenda is hereby certified to have been posted on or before 5:00 pm on
Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Lizbeth Carbajal

Lizbeth Carbajal, Recording Secretary

5:00 pm / May 28, 2025

Next meeting date: July 7, 2025



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 1

DATE: June 2, 2025
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Nomination of Officers**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees nominate one member to become the Chairperson of the board and a Vice-Chairperson.

Background:

The officers of the Board shall consist of a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson to be elected by the Board. The Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson will serve for a one-year term. In the event of a vacancy in the Chairperson's position, the Vice-Chairperson shall succeed as Chairperson for the balance of the Chairperson's term and the Board shall elect a successor to fill the vacancy in the Vice-Chairperson's position for the remainder of the Vice-Chairperson's term.

Members willing to serve in either of these positions may submit their names for nomination. Members may also submit the names of other members for nomination. The Vice-Chairperson shall perform the duties of the Chairperson when the Chairperson is absent.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Attachment(s):

Nomination of Officers Sheet

CITY OF CALEXICO
LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JUNE 2, 2025

Nomination of Officers:

1. Chairperson Nomination:

- a) _____
- b) _____

Motion was made by _____, seconded by _____ and passed by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

2. Vice Chair Nomination:

- a) _____
- b) _____

Motion was made by _____, seconded by _____ and passed by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 2

DATE: June 2, 2025
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Adoption of Revised Library Board of Trustees Bylaws**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees adopt the Revised Bylaws presented.

Background:

On December 16, 2020, the Calexico City Council adopted Ordinance No.1211 amending the Calexico Municipal Code to establish the Library Board of Trustees to advise the Library and its City Council in accordance with Chapter 5 of Title 1 of the California Education Code commencing at Section 18900. The Library Board of Trustees at their April 3, 2023, meeting adopted a revised version of the bylaws. The bylaws were then brought to the City Council at the June 21, 2023, meeting for approval.

On January 15, 2025, the Calexico City Council adopted an ordinance amending several chapters of the municipal code. The two basic changes that impact on this board are the removal of the stipend to its members and the change of the frequency of its meetings.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Attachment(s):

Library Board of Trustees Bylaws



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

BYLAWS

ESTABLISHED

A board to be known and designated as the Library Board of Trustees (“Board”) of the Camarena Memorial Library (“Library”) is created and established by City of Calexico Ordinance No. 1211 on December 16, 2020 to advise the Library in accordance with Chapter 5 of Title 1 of the California Education Code commencing at Section 18900, as it may be amended (“Municipal Libraries Act”).

ORGANIZATION

The Board shall consist of five members. Each city council member will appoint one Board member. If after a reasonable amount of time (not to exceed forty-five days) after an election is certified or vacancy otherwise exists), a city council member has failed to make an appointment, the appointment will be made by a majority vote of the city council, and the appointee shall not be removed from office except by majority vote of the city council.

Members shall hold office concurrently with the time in office of the city council member who appointed them.

All members shall be residents of Calexico or shall regularly work within the City during their term and are governed under Chapter 2.19 and Chapter 2.26 of the Calexico Municipal Code.

POWERS AND DUTIES

The Board shall have the following duties and powers:

1. Support the Camarena Memorial Library and other public libraries;
2. Aid in meeting the community’s educational, recreational, informational and cultural needs to encourage lifelong learning and the pursuit of knowledge;
3. Encourage use of traditional and innovative library services;
4. Promote and encourage public knowledge and use of library services and facilities;
5. Advise the City Council with regards to the Library and its services;

The Board shall have such specific duties and powers as the City Council from time to time invest in it.

The Board shall have no independent duties and no authority to take actions that bind the City of Calexico.

VACANCIES AND REMOVAL OF MEMBERS

1. A Board member may be removed at any time by the City Council Member who appointed such Board member to the Board for any reason and/or if the Board member is absent from three (3) regularly scheduled meetings in a calendar year.
2. Members will also be automatically removed for violating the Political Reform Act of 1974 as determined by the appropriate agency with authority to render such decisions or failing to comply with mandatory ethics training or conflict-of-interest filings required by the State of California or the City of Calexico.

COMPENSATION

Members of the Board shall serve without compensation.

OFFICERS

The officers of the Board shall consist of a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, to be elected by the Board, and such other officers as the Board may from time to time designate.

1. Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson will serve for a one-year term.
2. In the event of a vacancy in the Chairperson's position, the Vice-Chairperson shall succeed as Chairperson for the balance of the Chairperson's term and the Board shall elect a successor to fill the vacancy in the Vice-Chairperson's position for the remainder of the Vice-Chairperson's term.
3. Members willing to serve in either of these positions may submit their names for nomination. Members may also submit the names of other members for nomination.
4. The Vice-Chairperson shall perform the duties of the Chairperson when the Chairperson is absent.

MEETINGS

1. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held on the first Monday of each month. The regular meetings shall commence at 5:00 pm, at the Fernando "Nene" Torres Council Chambers in City Hall, located at 608 Heber Ave. Calexico, California. Whenever a regular meeting falls on a holiday observed by the City of Calexico, the meeting shall be held on another day or canceled at the direction of Library Administration.
2. The Board meetings shall be subject to the "Brown Act" (California Government Code Section 54952.3) for purposes of notices, agendas and holding meetings open to the public.

3. Quorum: For the purpose of conducting business, the Board of the whole shall have a quorum if a majority of members currently on the roster are present. If not majority after 15 minutes, the members may adjourn their meeting.
4. Agendas and meeting notes: All meetings of the Board of the whole shall be announced by a printed agenda, emailed, or distributed to all members, staff, and City Council members at least three working days prior to the meeting. Regular scheduled meetings must be posted 72 hours prior to meeting, and special meetings must be notified 24 hours prior to the meeting.
5. The Library Administrator will act as secretary but may be assisted by a library clerk to keep a proper record of the proceedings.

These bylaws shall be adopted and amended by the Board by the affirmative vote of a majority of its total membership and with the approval of the City Council.

, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Veronica Luna, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carlos Campos, City Attorney



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 3

DATE: June 2, 2025
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Annual Statement of Economic Interest Form 700**

Recommendation:

It is required that the Library Board of Trustees files an Annual Statement of Economic Interest with the City Clerk.

Background:

As an appointed official whose position is designated in the agency's Conflict of Interest Code, you are required to file an Annual Statement of Economic Interest – Form 700.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Attachment(s):

Statement of Economic Interest Form 700

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS
COVER PAGE
A PUBLIC DOCUMENT

Please type or print in ink.

NAME OF FILER (LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)

1. Office, Agency, or Court

Agency Name (Do not use acronyms)

Division, Board, Department, District, if applicable

Your Position

► If filing for multiple positions, list below or on an attachment. (Do not use acronyms)

Agency: Position:

2. Jurisdiction of Office (Check at least one box)

State

Judge, Retired Judge, Pro Tem Judge, or Court Commissioner
(Statewide Jurisdiction)

Multi-County

County of

City of

Other

3. Type of Statement (Check at least one box)

Annual: The period covered is January 1, 2024, through
December 31, 2024.

-or-

The period covered is / , through
December 31, 2024.

Assuming Office: Date assumed / /

Leaving Office: Date Left / /
(Check one circle below.)

The period covered is January 1, 2024, through the date of
leaving office.

-or-

The period covered is / / , through
the date of leaving office.

Candidate: Date of Election and office sought, if different than Part 1:

4. Schedule Summary (required)

► Total number of pages including this cover page:

Schedules attached

Schedule A-1 - Investments – schedule attached

Schedule A-2 - Investments – schedule attached

Schedule B - Real Property – schedule attached

Schedule C - Income, Loans, & Business Positions – schedule attached

Schedule D - Income – Gifts – schedule attached

Schedule E - Income – Gifts – Travel Payments – schedule attached

-or- None - No reportable interests on any schedule

5. Verification

MAILING ADDRESS STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE
(Business or Agency Address Recommended - Public Document)

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER EMAIL ADDRESS
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I have used all reasonable diligence in preparing this statement. I have reviewed this statement and to the best of my knowledge the information contained herein and in any attached schedules is true and complete. I acknowledge this is a public document.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date Signed (month, day, year)

Signature (File the originally signed paper statement with your filing official.)



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Item 5

DATE: June 2, 2025
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Family Summer Reading Program – Color Our World**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receive information related to the yearly Family Summer Reading Program.

Background:

Every summer, the library offers an 8-week Family Summer Reading Program to encourage summer reading for all family members. One of its main goals is to help develop interest in reading and increase library usage. Staff work on developing fun and educational programs to attract families to the library. There are programs for babies and toddlers, school-aged children, teens and adults. To encourage a reading culture, babies, children and teens receive prizes for reading. The Friends of the Library are a big partner and as such provide some funding to purchase prizes.

To increase program offerings, staff seek partnerships with other organizations such as the Imperial County Office of Education, the Imperial County Free Library, the Calexico Unified School District, just to mention a few. This allows the library to free its staff to concentrate on other aspects of the summer program.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Attachment(s):

Family Summer Reading Program Brochure

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CREATIVE**



CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY



**Color
OUR
World**



FAMILY SUMMER READING PROGRAM

**@ Camarena
Memorial Library**



Activities include:

- Storytimes, Book Clubs
- Arts & Crafts
- Reading Incentives
- Lunch @ the Library
- Open to ALL ages!

**June 16th -
August 7th**

**8 weeks
of fun!**

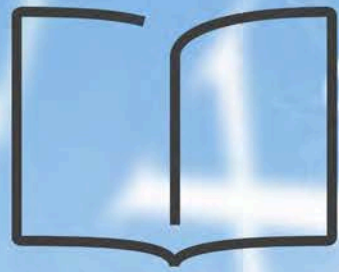
2025

Register online at

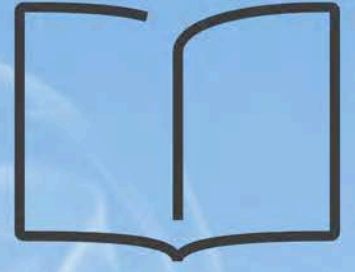
<https://calexicolibrary.org>



FAMILY



SUMMER



READING PROGRAM

COLOR OUR WORLD @ CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY!

JUNE 16-AUGUST 7, 2025

This is an 8-week reading program. It will run from June 16-August 7, 2025. There is something for everyone at your library this summer! Please make sure to register each member of the family participating by visiting the library, it's website, or by using the QR code below.

**ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE AN ACTIVE
CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY CARD!**

We encourage the whole family to participate and take advantage of the variety of reading materials available at the library AND through digital platforms such as Hoopla, Libby, BookFLIX, Palace Project and Tripulantes de la Lectura.

Register here --->



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850 Encinas Ave. Calexico, CA
760-768-2170
<https://calexicolibrary.org/FSRP>



CARNEGIE TECHNOLOGY CENTER

420 Heber Ave. Calexico, CA

760-357-5525

FAMILY SUMMER
READING
PROGRAM

READING
counts
from
June 16 through
August 4, 2025

DEADLINE
to submit reading logs
AUGUST 4TH

WELCOME TO OUR READING CLUB!

Books nourish our minds. Reading helps you retain and enhance reading skills. Children and teens will be able to earn prizes for reading (or being read to) this summer!

Prizes earned will be distributed during the awards parties.

Please visit the library's website to report your summer reading starting June 16th.

BABIES **READ-TO-ME**
Ages 0-Kindergarten

Awards Party - August 12th @ 5 pm

A maximum of 5 books per day will be credited towards summer reading. Children will receive a prize for every 10 books read to them, up to 50.

We suggest board books for babies & toddlers and picture books for preschoolers and Kindergarteners.

SCHOOL-AGED **READING CLUB**
Grades 1st-6th

Awards Party - August 14th @ 5 pm

A maximum of 5 books per day will be credited towards summer reading. Children will receive a prize for every 10 books read, up to 50.

We suggest picture books, easy readers and non-fiction books for those in grades 1st-3rd. Chapter books and non-fiction books for those in 4th-6th grades.

TEENS **TEEN CLUB**
Grades 7th-12th

Awards Party - August 13th @ 2 pm

A maximum of 1 chapter book per day will be credited towards summer reading. Teens will receive a prize for every 5 chapter books read, up to 25.

We suggest anime, manga and/or chapter books.



LUNCH — at the — LIBRARY

During this summer, the Camarena Memorial Library will offer a complete lunch for kids ages 1-18 to enjoy at the library thanks to the sponsorship of the Calexico Unified School District.

In addition, Monday-Thursday, a daily enrichment activity will be available to the first 40 kids/teens in attendance.

Books to build home libraries will be available once a week.



note

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. This Summer Food Service Program is a program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, administered in California by the California State Library, supported with funds from the State of California.



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Calexico
Unified School District



CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY



Join us!

LUNCH
**Monday
to Friday**
12:00-1:00 pm

selected Fridays

SNACK
3:00 pm

BABIES, TODDLERS & PRESCHOOLERS



June **16** **MONDAY**
2 pm - 4 pm
RAISE A READER

Storytime with Imperial County Free Library Staff.
This program is for families with children ages 0-5.

Shake, Rattle & Read (0-18 months) at 2 pm
Tales for Tots (18-36 months) at 2:45 pm
Preschool Power (3-5 years old) at 4:00 pm

TODDLER TIMES

Bring your toddler ages 1-3 for a playtime hour on Thursdays at 5:00 pm, and selected Fridays at 10:00 am.

THURSDAYS @ 5:00 pm
FRIDAYS @ 10:00 am

June 20, July 3, 10, 17, 18, 24
& 31, August 1



STORYTIME WITH ECEP

This program is for families with children ages 0-5. It includes an activity. Join the Imperial County Office of Education - Early Care & Education Programs Staff.

THURSDAYS
10:30 am

June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31,
August 7

BABY TIME

This is a program for children ages 0-2 and their parents/caregivers. This program introduces babies to books, songs and fingerplays.

TUESDAYS
5:00 pm

June 17, July 1 & 15, & August 5



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SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN



DAILY ARTS & CRAFTS

MONDAY thru THURSDAY
12:30 PM

Join us and complete a daily craft activity during the Lunch at the Library food program. Younger children might need assistance from a parent/caregiver. This program is open for children ages 1-18. This program will be offered at 3:00 pm the first week in June.

June 2-August 14

ARTsy FRIDAY

Children and parents are invited to join us for a fun painting activity!

FRIDAYS
2:00 pm

June 6 & August 1



FLUTOPHONE CLASS

Children ages 8-11 are invited to join this class to learn how to play the flutophone!

WEDNESDAYS
2:00 pm

June 18, 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30



GAMES PALOOZA

Join us to play with LEGO bricks, board games, puzzles, blocks & more!

THURSDAYS
2:00 pm

June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 & August 7



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SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN



STEAM LAB

Join us at the CARNEGIE TECHNOLOGY CENTER for an activity of science, technology, engineering, art or math! Location: 420 Heber Ave.

WEDNESDAYS
3:30 PM

June 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

MUSEUM @ THE LIBRARY

Discover the rich history of the Imperial Valley at your library! Enjoy a fun and interactive experience with a short presentation and hands-on activity for all ages, presented by the Imperial Valley Desert Museum.

FRIDAYS
3:30 pm

June 20 & July 18



COOKING with ARACELY KIDZ EDITION

Educational and recreational program which includes tips on food safety and a fun & easy dish.

MONDAYS
3:30 pm

July 7, 14 & 28

COLORING DAY

Join us to COLOR OUR WORLD on a weekly basis.

MONDAYS
2:00 pm

June 16, 23 & 30 July 7, 14, 21 & 28, August 4



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SCHOOL-AGED TEENS/ADULTS



TEEN CLUB

Join us to create a fun project, meet new friends & remain active this summer!

WEDNESDAYS
2:00 PM

June 18, July 2, 16 & 30

LIBRARY LEARNERS BOOK CLUB

Teens (16+) & adults meet on the third Tuesday of the month to discuss a book. This program is held at the CARNEGIE TECHNOLOGY CENTER.

TUESDAYS
5:30 pm

June 17, July 15 & August 19



LET'S TALK CONVERSATION GROUP

Join this group to practice your speaking English skills the first & third Thursday of the month. All levels are welcome. Ages 16+

THURSDAYS
5:30 pm

June 5, July 3 & 17, August 7 & 21



LEARNING UPGRADE

Teens (grades 7th & up) and adults interested in improving their English & Math skills can take advantage of this digital learning program. Ask us how you can get access to it!

Take control of your learning journey!



LEARNING UPGRADE®



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ADULT PROGRAMS



LET'S READ BOOK CLUB

MONDAYS

5:30 PM

Let's Read, Eat & Discuss a book selection. It's a potluck! Bring a dish to share with the group.

June 23, July 21 & August 18

COOKING WITH LIZBETH

Join us the second Wednesday of the month to learn to prepare an easy & affordable dish.

WEDNESDAYS

5:30 pm

June 11, July 9 & August 13



RINCON LITERARIO

Join us to read and discuss a book in Spanish. It is a potluck. Bring a dish to share with the group.

WEDNESDAYS

5:30 pm

June 25, July 30 & August 27

ARTsy ADULTS

Join us and create a unique piece of art! We meet at the CARNEGIE TECHNOLOGY CENTER.

THURSDAYS

5:30 pm

June 26, July 24 & August 28



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ADULT PROGRAMS



YOGA CLASS WITH BERENICE

WEDNESDAYS

3:30 pm

Bring your yoga mat or towel and learn a few relaxation poses. This program is offered at the CARNEGIE TECHNOLOGY CENTER.

June 4 & 18, July 2 & 16 & August 6 & 27

THE ART OF STRESS MANAGEMENT

Do you worry constantly and feel anxious? Join Cecilia & Johanna and learn to relax through ART.

FRIDAY
2:00 pm
July 18



VINTAGE CLUB

Would you like to receive a monthly packet with a surprise read, a tea bag, mandala sheets & crossword puzzles to complete at home? Let us know! This packet is available in English & Spanish.

Available upon request

COMPUTER CLASSES

We offer a basic computer class every Tuesday at the CARNEGIE TECHNOLOGY CENTER. Come and learn about basic internet search, email & social media. Open to all ages.

TUESDAYS
4:30 pm



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SPECIAL GUESTS

WEEKLY PRESENTATIONS
CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY @ 2:00 p m

**JUN
17**

CUSD - FOOD SERVICES DEPT.

Join us and learn how to cook a healthy hamburger.

**JUN
24**

U.S. BORDER PATROL

Join us and meet some of the agents and learn about the job they do protecting our border.

**JUL
1**

CALEXICO FIRE DEPARTMENT

Let's learn about fire safety and more!

**JUL
8**

CALEXICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Come & learn about the important job our police officers do for our community.



Presentations are open to the whole family!

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SPECIAL GUESTS

WEEKLY PRESENTATIONS
CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY @ 2:00 pm

**JUL
15**

IMPERIAL VALLEY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Does your family recycle? Come & learn the importance & benefits of recycling.

**JUL
22**

DIPPY DUCK

Join us at 3 pm and learn THE RULES and all about water safety!

**JUL
29**

U.C. MASTER GARDENER

Join us at 2:00 pm and meet a master gardener! Learn tips & tricks about gardening.

**AUG
5**

IMPERIAL COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.

Let's learn how to use locally produced foods in your daily meals & how to follow a healthy plan.



Presentations are open to the whole family!

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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 5

DATE: June 2, 2025
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **California Library Literacy Services Grant Award for FY 2025-26**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receive information about funding granted to support the Adult Literacy Services Program for FY 2025-26 through the California Library Literacy Services Grant.

Background:

The California Library Literacy Services is a project of the California State Library, supported with funds from the State of California. California Library Literacy Services was developed in 1984 as the first statewide library-based adult literacy services program in the United States. Since then, library literacy programs have helped adult learners and their families work on achieving their reading, writing, digital, math and other important goals.

The California Library Literacy Services, also known as CLLS, provides free tutoring to help adults (ages 16+ who are not currently enrolled at school) across California achieve their goals. CLLS has been successful over these four decades because public libraries are a trusted place at the heart of the community. In addition to receiving funding to support the Adult Literacy Services Program, staff have applied for Family Literacy Services funding.

Fiscal Impact:

Revenue Account	Description	Amount
221-50-510-43111-200	Adult Literacy Services	\$49,066

Expense Account	Description	Amount
221-50-510-55015-200	Temporary staffing	\$33,700
221-50-510-53001-200	Materials & supplies	\$6,467
221-50-510-53019-200	Books, maps & publications	\$5,499
221-50-510-55025-200	Other operating contracts	\$3,400

Attachment(s):

2025-26 CLLS Projected Award Information

Lizeth Legaspi

From: Jeffredo, Allyson@CSL <allyson.jeffredo@library.ca.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 2, 2025 9:05 AM
To: alstutoringcml@gmail.com; Lizeth Legaspi
Cc: Schwartzberg, Beverly@CSL
Subject: 2025-26 CLLS Projected Award Information - Camarena Memorial Public Library

Dear Carlos and Lizeth,

Below you will find your library's California Library Literacy Services (CLLS) projected award amount for the upcoming 2025-26 program period. You will use this projected amount to develop your Adult Literacy Services and Family Literacy Services budgets on the 2025-26 CLLS Application in [AmpliFund](#).

This email represents a preliminary notification of your projected CLLS award amount for 2025-26. We provide projected award amounts to help you complete your 2025-26 CLLS Application. This notification does not replace the formal award letter and award packet. All projected award amounts are tentative and subject to change.

We cannot confirm award amounts until the state budget is passed in July 2025. We expect to send the award packet via DocuSign after July 1, 2025, to your library's authorized representative(s). After your library representative(s) completes the DocuSign packet with no errors, funds will arrive at your library in approximately 10-12 weeks.

General Projected Award Calculation Information

CLLS receives \$7.32 million in ongoing funding from the State of California for Adult Literacy Services and Family Literacy Services. We have calculated the projected CLLS award amounts using data reported on your library's 2023-24 CLLS Final Report. If your library made a specific funding request, we have used this figure if approved. For libraries whose CLLS programs began in 2023-24, your awards remain the same for the first three years of CLLS program participation.

NOTE: Libraries who received CLLS ESL Services funding for 2024-25 and 2025-26 should not include any ESL-related information on the 2025-26 CLLS Application.

Projected Award Information

Camarena Memorial Public Library's 2025-26 projected CLLS award amount is **\$49,066**.

In the block grant model, you are required to allocate the following minimum amounts for each program:

- Adult Literacy Services – at least \$25,024
- Family Literacy Services – at least \$12,758

More information about the block grant requirements is below.

Block Grant Model for CLLS Programs with Family Literacy Services

For 2025-26, CLLS will provide projected award amounts for libraries with Family Literacy Services using the “block grant” model. The “block grant” model means we will award CLLS libraries a single combined total for Adult Literacy Services and Family Literacy Services. We intend the “block grant” model to provide libraries with more control over how they allocate funds between programs. We also intend it to provide increased spending flexibility to meet community needs during the program period.

Block Grant Requirements

CLLS Adult Literacy Services with Family Literacy Services will receive one award total for the 2025-26 program period. Each program will be responsible for allocating award funds between Adult Literacy Services and Family Literacy Services to respond to community needs. Libraries who receive a block grant must adhere to the following requirements:

- **At least 51 percent** of the block grant award must be allocated to Adult Literacy Services.
- **At least 26 percent** of the block grant award must be allocated to Family Literacy Services.
- Programs who requested a fixed award for Family Literacy Services may adjust their request by +/- 25 percent. This means they may allocate up to 25 percent of their Family Literacy Services requested award to or from their Adult Literacy Services award. Contact your state team for support.

NOTE: The block grant model does NOT apply to CLLS English as a Second Language (ESL) Services funds for 2025-26.

If you have questions or need support, contact your State grant team and attend our prescheduled support options. You’re also welcome to schedule a one-on-one meeting with us using our [online scheduler](#).

Thank you,

Allyson

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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 6

DATE: June 2, 2025
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **California State Library Zip Books Grant Application for FY 2025-26**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receive information about the funding available to support the continuous implementation of the Zip Books Program for FY 2025-26 through the California State Library.

Background:

The Zip Books program provides library patrons with speedy access to books that might not be available at the library. A patron, who is a library card holder, simply requests the item they wish to read, the library purchases it from Amazon, and the book is shipped directly to the patron's home. After a regular check-out period (which consists of 28 days), the patron returns the item to the library and the library adds it to the collection.

This program is supported in whole or in part by funding provided by the State of California, administered by the California State Library.

The Camarena Memorial Library has been a participant in the Zip Books Grant Program since 2014.

Fiscal Impact:

Revenue Account	Description	Requested Amount
221-50-510-43111-700	Zip Books Grant	\$6,967

Expense Account	Description	Amount
221-50-510-53019-700	Books, maps & publications	\$6,967

Attachment(s):

Zip Books Grant Application

Opportunity Details

Opportunity Information

Title

2025-26 Zip Books

Description

The Zip Books program provides library users with speedy access to books that are not available at their local libraries. A patron simply requests the item, the library purchases it from Amazon, and the book is shipped directly to the patron's home. When finished, the patron returns it to the library, and the library adds it to the collection. Because Zip Books is a user-driven program, the library collection becomes more closely matched to the needs of the local community.

Awarding Agency Name

California State Library

Agency Contact Name

Monica Rivas

Agency Contact Phone

916-603-7159

Agency Contact Email

monica.rivas@library.ca.gov

Departments

Zip Books

Public Link

<https://www.gotomygrants.com/Public/Opportunities/Details/bf107ae2-671e-420d-a233-2b26445c35bb>

Award Information

Award Range

\$35,000.00 Ceiling

Award Period

07/01/2025 - 08/31/2026

Award Announcement Date

7/1/2025

Indirect Costs Allowed

No

Matching Requirement

No

Submission Information

Submission Window

04/28/2025 12:00 AM - 05/28/2025 12:00 PM

Submission Timeline Type

One Time

Question Submission Information

Question Submission Email Address

zipbooks@library.ca.gov

Eligibility Information

Eligibility Type

Public

Additional Information

Additional Information URL

<https://www.library.ca.gov/services/to-libraries/zip-books/>



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 7

DATE: June 2, 2025

TO: Library Board of Trustees

FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager

SUBJECT: **California State Library Lunch at the Library Grant for Summer 2025**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receive information about the funding received through the Lunch at the Library Grant Program for the Summer of 2025.

Background:

For many families, the stability, nutrition, and education provided during the school year ends when school leaves out for summer. During the summer months, children and teens in low-income families often have reduced or limited access to healthy food choices. The Lunch at the Library program exists to meet this need while providing information about other resources available at the library and in the community.

Camarena Memorial Library has successfully created a partnership with the Calexico Unified School District (CUSD). CUSD has been providing a warm nutritious meal year-round. During the summer, a snack will also be served in addition to the warm nutritious meal.

Funding provided by the Lunch at the Library grant allows the library to purchase books for families to build home libraries, crafts and supplies to offer enrichment activities and funding to secure additional help during the summer.

Fiscal Impact:

Revenue Account	Description	Amount Awarded
221-50-510-43111-701	Lunch at the Library Grant	\$16,522

Expense Account	Description	Amount
221-50-510-55015-701	Contract Staff	\$10,442
221-50-510-53019-701	Books, maps & publications	\$3,080
221-50-510-53001-701	Materials & supplies	\$3,000

Attachment(s):

Lunch at the Library Summer 2025 Projected Budget

Opportunity Details

Opportunity Information

Title

Summer 2025 Lunch at the Library

Awarding Agency Name

California State Library

Agency Contact Name

Robyn McCreight

Agency Contact Phone

916-603-6716

Agency Contact Email

Lunch@library.ca.gov

Manager

Robyn McCreight

Additional Users

Opportunity Posted Dates

9/25/2024 - 1/1/2026

Public Link

<https://www.gotomygrants.com/Public/Opportunities/Details/b3e4ec9c-9ff9-402c-9fbe-725b709bb2ba>

Is Published

Yes

Funding Information

Funding Sources

State

Award Information

Award Type

Non Competitive

Indirect Costs Allowed

Yes

Matching Requirement

No

Submission Information

Submission Window

09/25/2024 12:00 AM - 11/20/2024 12:00 PM

Submission Timeline Additional Information

Notification on final funding amounts will be made in December.

Other Submission Requirements

You will input your budget details and budget form after you receive your final funding amount.

Question Submission Information**Question Submission Email Address**

Lunch@library.ca.gov

Technical Assistance Session**Technical Assistance Session**

Yes

Session Date and Time

10/01/2024 10:00 PM

Conference Info / Registration Link

https://us06web.zoom.us/join/9tZ0pcu-qrDliG9J-Z7CGX8wh87HdjU5_KpSr

Eligibility Information**Eligibility Type**

Public

Eligible Applicants

- County Governments
- City or township governments
- Nonprofits with 501(c)(3) status (excludes institutions of higher education)

Additional Eligibility Information

Funds and support are available for all California public libraries that help to provide summer meals for children and youth.

Additional Information**Additional Information URL**

<https://www.library.ca.gov/services/to-libraries/lunch/application-instructions/>



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 8

DATE: June 2, 2025
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Review of Library Programs for All Ages**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receive information about the current library programs offered to people of all ages.

Background:

The Library's Mission Statement reads as follows: *The Camarena Memorial Library provides resources to meet the educational, recreational, informational, and cultural needs of the community to encourage lifelong learning and the pursuit of knowledge. Traditional and innovative library services, including the latest technology, are offered in a friendly, welcoming atmosphere, which reflects the unique border community of Calexico.*

Library staff make every effort to promote books, reading, educational and recreational activities for the betterment of the community. Year-round programs are offered to people of all ages. All library programs are free of charge. Most programs are funded through the general fund while others are paid through donations. Library staff lead most of the programs offered.

Fiscal Impact:

It varies depending on the program

Attachment(s):

My Early Connections Flyer
After-School Programs Flyer
Adult Services Flyer
1,000 Books before Kindergarten Flyer
500 Books before Junior High Flyer



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 9

DATE: June 2, 2025
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Review of Digital Platforms**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Library Board of Trustees receive information about the digital platforms available to library card holders.

Background:

The library provides access to a wide variety of digital platforms to its library card holders. A Camarena Memorial Library card is required for most databases. Some databases request a PIN number. Users need to contact library staff to get access to their PIN number.

Fiscal Impact:

Some platforms are paid for with library funds, adult literacy services literacy funds or provided through the California State Library (CSL) at no cost to the library.

Attachment(s):

Digital database list

Platform	Description	Funding Source
Alexander Street	Provides access to theatre, music & dance performance videos	CSL
BookFLIX	Reading program what pairs video storybooks with related non-fiction eBooks to build a love of reading and learning	Library
Braille Institute Library	Service for visually impaired users. The library can help with the process of acquiring the service.	Braille
Brainfuse HelpNow	An online tutoring service is available every day from 1-10 pm. In addition, it offers a wealth of resources for users to learn on their own.	Library
Brainfuse VetNow	Resources for Veterans & their families to help Vets reincorporate into society (job coaching, resume assistance, etc)	Library
Calexico Chronicle	Access to digitized newspaper issues from 1904-2023	UCR grant
Culture Grams	Reference resource on the countries of the world	CSL
Encyclopedia Britannica	Offers elementary, middle and high school encyclopedias	CSL
Environmental Studies	Includes information on issues about the Earth, energy, pollution, global change, population, water, etc.	CSL
Flipster	Digital magazine service. Includes over 70 magazines.	SERRA Coop.
Hoopla	Digital platform to download & stream eBooks, audiobooks, movies, comics, music, tv shows.	Library/Literacy
Learning Upgrade	Uses songs, videos & games to help improve reading, writing, listening, speaking, and phonics decoding.	Literacy Grant & Rotary Intl. Grant
Libby by Overdrive	Digital platform for eBooks, audiobooks & magazine access.	SERRA Coop.
Mango Languages	Platform to help users learn a new language. Over 70 languages available.	Library
National Geographic Kids	Virtual library magazine for kids	CSL
Northstar Digital Literacy	Resource for users with low or limited technology skills	Literacy
Parent TV	On-demand parenting videos & courses to support those who care for children from pregnancy through teenage years. Some videos available in Spanish.	Family Place Library
Proquest	Collection of databases that provide access to journals, magazines, newspapers & other publications.	CSL
Science	Allows users to explore areas of biology, chemistry, earth science, human anatomy & 3D printable models	CSL

Teaching Books	Resource to generate enthusiasm for books and reading and it includes, author interview, book guides, activities, lessons and book readings	CSL
The New York Times	Digital access to the newspaper and its archives from 1851 to the present	CSL
The Palace Project	eBook and audiobooks are available for all. No library card is required.	CSL
TrueFLIX	High-interest nonfiction eBooks	Library



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 10

DATE: June 2, 2025
TO: Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Lizeth Legaspi, Library Manager
SUBJECT: **Friends of the Library Report**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that a representative of the Friends of the Library bring information to the Library Board of Trustees regarding how they have been assisting the library.

Background:

The Friends of the Library is a volunteer service non-profit group which acts as a liaison between the community and the library. They promote the services of the library to the community.

The Friends promote public support and use of the library. They also inform members and the public of issues affecting the library.

The Friends engage in fundraising activities to provide financial assistance to the library's collection and programs. They raise funds for library materials and equipment to augment normal budget resources.

Fiscal Impact:

None

Attachment(s):

Friends of the Library Brochure

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date _____

Individual	\$10.00
Family Membership	\$20.00
Senior Citizen	\$ 5.00
Sponsor	\$100.00
I wish to include a gift	\$ _____
Fundraiser	\$ _____

Make checks payable to

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NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION.
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Would you like to be notified of Friends of the
Library meetings?

Yes _____ No _____

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LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday– Thursday

12:00 pm– 7:00 pm

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10:00-5:00 pm (every other week)

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CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY

WHAT IS A FRIENDS GROUP?

- The Friends promote public support and use of the library; inform members and the public of issues affecting the library.
- The Friends is a volunteer service organization that acts as a liaison to communicate the needs of the community to the library and help promote the services of the library to the community.
- The Friends provide financial assistance for the library's collections and programs. They raise funds for library materials and equipment not supplied by regular budget resources.
- The Friends is a volunteer, non-profit, tax exempt organization.

Books and You...

Friends forever!!

**Reading brings the
World to life..**

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- You can help by becoming a member of the Friends organization that will be one of the many groups of Friends of the Library throughout the United States.
- Friends believe that a good library is important to the community.
- You can help by sharing with your friends about the programs and services the library provides.

WHAT CAN A MEMBERSHIP IN THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY DO?

- This organization brings together book lovers who want to keep the library a treasury of entertainment and information.
- Every new member adds to the number in our advocacy group supporting the library and its services.

- Every new member adds support when speaking to the City Council to protect the Library budget.
- Every new member, by paying dues, adds to the funds we have to augment library programming.
- Fund raising income directly benefits the library.



WHAT DO YOU AS A FRIEND HAVE TO DO?

- Express your support for the library everywhere.
- Pay membership dues.
- Work on special projects, such as book sales, informational booths at fairs, book drives, and other special projects that may be planned.

**Thank you for your
sponsorship!**



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Information

Library Board of Trustees - Attendance Report

Trustee	6/2/2025	7/7/2025	8/4/2025	9/2/2025	10/6/2025	11/3/2025	12/2/2025
	Special meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Special Meeting	Regular meeting	Regular meeting	Special Meeting
Abril Ayala							
Stacy Olguin							
Erika D. Castro							
Roxsanna Pacheco							
Karen Yepez							

Appointed by:

Diana Nuricumbo

Victor Legaspi

Lisa Tylenda

Adriana Marquez

Lorenzo Calderon

CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY
MONTHLY REPORT

April 2025

					Library	YTD		Carnegie	YTD
<u>CIRCULATION</u>									
ADULT									
	Books				210	1767			
	Videos, DVDs & CD				0	8			
	Non-book materials (printed matters)				26	120			
	AV (audiobooks & language courses)				0	1			
	Total Adult Circulation				236	1896			
JUVENILE									
	Books				541	5043			
	Non-book materials (printed matters)				94	948			
	AV (books w/cassette)				0	0			
	Total Juvenile Circulation				635	5991			
ADULT									
	Non-English materials				51	571			
JUVENILE									
	Non-English materials				120	1267			
	Total Non-English Materials				171	1838			
ZIP BOOKS									
	Total Zip Book requests				24	285			
DIGITAL MATERIALS									
	BookFLIX				155	2764			
	Brainfuse HelpNow				8	388			
	Brainfuse VetNow				22	146			
	Comic Plus				14	36			
	Flipster				0	5			
	Homework help (in house)				64	421			
	Hoopla				274	2880			
	Libby				103	1152			
	Mango				1125	11190			
	Parent TV				168	469			
	TrueFLIX				6	38			
	Other								
	Total Digital Materials				1939	19489			
	TOTAL CIRCULATION				3005	29499			
SERRA/ILL									
	ILL requested				0	0			
	ILL loaned				0	0			
QUESTIONS									
	Reference				53	380	16	74	
	Information				587	4682	100	397	
	Technology				39	379	55	145	
	TOTAL QUESTIONS				679	5441			
	In-house use of materials				707	7811			
	In-house use of equipment				25	87	5	14	
	Days CTC is open						17	74	
	Events/Programs at CTC						29	154	

CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY
MONTHLY REPORT

April 2025

	Class attendance at CTC							166	1209
	Wi-Fi users at CTC							94	272
	Internet access (CML)				88	744		6	29
<u>COLLECTION</u>									
ADULT	New books				53	569			
	Non-cataloged materials added (PB)				0	3			
	Withdrawals				1	40			
	Non-cataloged materials withdrawn (PB)				1	1			
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's				0	0			
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's withdrawn				0	0			
JUVENILE	New books				21	466			
	Non-cataloged materials added(PB)				9	115			
	Withdrawals				2	167			
	Non-cataloged materials withdrawn (PB)				0	0			
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's				0	0			
	Videos, Audiobooks & DVD's withdrawn				0	0			
REGISTERED INTERNET USERS					17	186		0	3
LIBRARY CARDS ISSUED (new & renewal)									
	Adult				30	415		6	33
	Juvenile				36	247		0	1
	Total hours library open to the public per month				133	1253		68	296
	Entry count				5199	48881		164	649
	Snacks provided at the Library				683	6716			