



**Grossmont  
Healthcare  
District**

To: Board of Directors

From: Holland Kessinger, Head Librarian

Via: Christian Wallis, CEO

Date: September 3, 2024

**SUBJ: Quarterly Library Report April - June 2024**

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**Library Services**

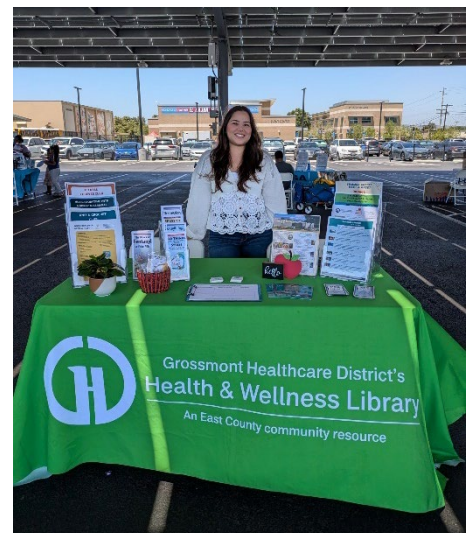
- 2,571 Library Visitors (-132 from previous quarter)
- 61 Library Cards Issued (+5 from previous quarter)
- 44 Reference Questions Answered (-10 from previous quarter)
- 9 In-Depth Research Requests (+2 from previous quarter)
- 291 Calls Fielded (+11 from previous quarter)
- 727 Total Print Circulation (Check-outs, Check-ins, Renewals, Holds) (-63 from previous quarter)
- 29 Digital Checkouts (eBooks, audiobooks, streaming video & digital magazines) (+5 from previous quarter)
- Self-Serve Blood Pressure Monitoring station, 30 self-serve uses
- 25 Community Coloring Page & Puzzle participants
- 3 Take & Make kits were distributed to patrons
- 2 First Five Baby kit was distributed to a patron



GHD celebrated National Hospital Day with free coffee & muffins for SGH staff

**Library Marketing & Outreach:**

- 4/13: Staff tabled at the La Mesa Family Collaborative Resource Fair
- 4/16: Library participated in Emergency Medical Services: What You Need to Know program (24 attendees)
- 4/27: Staff tabled at the East County Chamber of Commerce Health Fair
- 5/7: Provided a tour of the Library for the American Heart Association local staff (11 attendees)
- 5/10: Hosted National Hospital Day with coffee and muffins for Sharp Grossmont Hospital staff and healthcare workers; 67 attendees
- 5/12: Staff tabled at the Boys & Girls Club Health Resource Fair (87 participants)



GHD participated in the El Cajon Valley High School Resource Fair

### Library Marketing & Outreach continued:

- 6/10: Provided a tour of the Library to HESI students (20 participants)
- 6/28: Staff tabled at the El Cajon Valley High School Resource Fair (40 participants)
- Quarterly print newsletter created covering April-June, mailed to 1159 recipients (+1 from previous quarter)
- Monthly E-newsletter created and distributed to 2443 recipients (+205 from previous quarter)
- Continued to post to library social media channels- Facebook and Instagram

### Library Programs & Health Education:

- Wellness Wednesday Health Talks:
  - April 24: *All About Autism*, Speaker: Shirley Fett, NP (32 attendees)
  - May 22: *Mental Health & Aging*, Speaker: Raisa Yagudayeva, DO Medical Director of UCSD's Senior Behavioral Health program (56 attendees)
  - June 26: *Maintaining Brain Health through Socialization*, Speaker: Shannon Patel, MSW (52 attendees)
- 6/10: Special Event Lecture: Dementia, Research, & Brain Health, Speaker: Esteban Gonzalez of the Sharp Neurocognitive Research Center (28 attendees)
- Children's Music Storytime: 14 attendees (4/12, 5/10, 6/14)
- Crafternoon: 38 attendees (4/8, 5/13, 6/10)
- Drums Alive: 35 attendees (4/3, 5/1, 6/5)
- Easy Does it Chair Yoga: 52 attendees (4/10, 5/8, 6/12 AM/PM)
- Fitness Forever Club: 60 attendees (4/4, 4/18, 5/2, 5/16, 6/6, 6/20)
- Knit & Crochet: 15 attendees (4/15, 5/20, 6/17)
- GHUSD Knit & Crochet club: 18 attendees (4/6, 4/13, 5/11, 5/25)
- Live Life Out Loud (New program for those living with Parkinson's Disease): 33 attendees (1<sup>st</sup> class 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24)
- Mindful Movement & Sound Meditation: 19 attendees (4/11, 5/9, 6/13)
- Mindful Photography: 9 attendees (5/9, 5/16)
- ArtReach Art Program: 27 attendees (4/17, 5/15)
- Walk with a Doc: 41 attendees (4/25, 5/23, 6/27)
- Monthly Public GHD Library Tour: 4 participants (4/16, 5/21)
- Meetings of the Smart Recovery (180 attendees), Better Breathers Club, East County Parkinsons Volunteer Committee, SGH Volunteer Auxiliary Board, I Juntos, ECEDC, and Rural Health Coalition were hosted in the Library on various dates throughout the quarter



GHD hosted "Emergency Medical Services: What You Need to Know" on April 16<sup>th</sup>



"All About Autism" Wellness Wednesday presentation on April 24<sup>th</sup>



GHD tabled at the Boys & Girls Club Family Health Fair on May 2<sup>nd</sup>



### Library Programs & Health Education continued:

- The Sharp Community Resource Center Caregiver Support Group: 21 attendees (4/3, 4/17, 5/1, 5/16, 6/5)
- Sharp Neurocognitive Research Center Memory screenings: 12 participants (4/8, 5/13, 6/10)
- Art Exhibit by photographer Robin Harris

### Library Collection Development & Facilities

- 315 items were added to the physical collection
- Tinting was installed on all Library windows 6/20-6/22
- New Wellness kits made available for checkout: I Want to be a Doctor, I Want to be a Dentist, I Want to be a Nurse, Birdwatching, Hiking, Meditation



New materials added to the collection!

### Mobile Outreach Library

- First interviews for the Library Outreach Assistant position were held on 4/29 and 5/2 (8 interviewed)
- Second interviews were held on 5/22 (2 interviewed)
- Caitlyn Shaffer was hired as Library Outreach Assistant and started in the position on 6/16
- RFP for Vehicle purchase is currently being drafted

### Staffing

- National Library Workers' Day was recognized on 4/9
- Head Librarian attended Medical Libraries Association conference 5/18-5/21 in Portland, OR
- Head Librarian and 4 Library Assistants attended American Libraries Association conference in San Diego 6/27-7/1
- Temporary library assistant Khadijah Uqdah's last day was 5/31
- Head Librarian achieved Consumer Health Information Specialization (CHIS) Level 1 & 2 credential from Medical Library Association



New Library Outreach Assistant Caitlyn Shaffer testing out potential Mobile Outreach Library vehicles

### Library Operations Committee

- Meeting held 5/7
- Quarterly Report for Jan-Mar 2024 presented to the GHD Board on 6/20