

# Library District Updates

FY 2024 - 2025

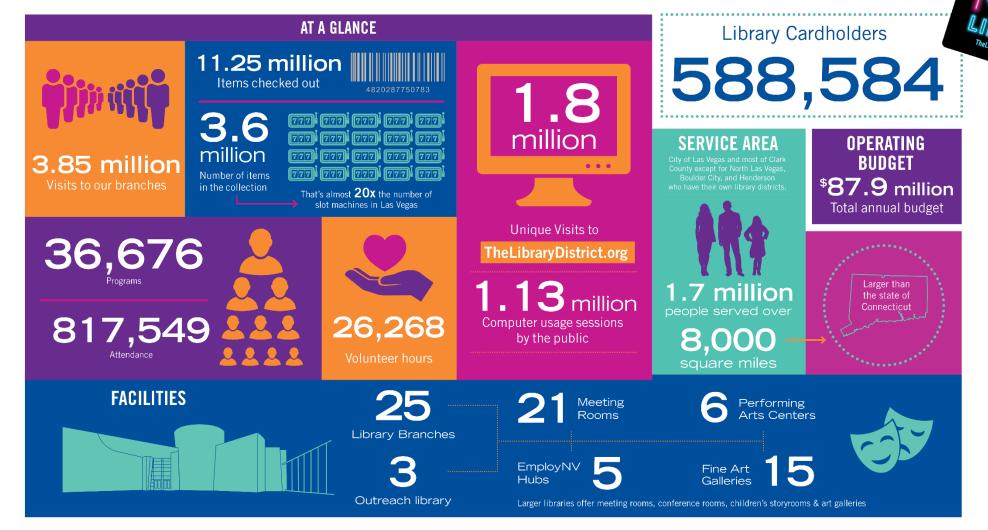


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### 2023-2024 Stats at a Glance





# **New West Las Vegas Library**

### **Serving the Historic West Side for 50 Years**

- The original West Las Vegas Library opened as a storefront on "D" Street in 1973.
- Our current location on West Lake Mead Blvd. opened in 1989,
- Our new 21st Century library will nearly triple in size at 40,000+ sq. Ft.
- Will include space for exciting new programming & technology, plus outdoor activities & ample parking.
- Grand Opening slated for Q1 2026.









# **New West Las Vegas Library**

#### **Facilities**

- Art Gallery
- **Bookstore**
- **Computer Centers**
- **Event Center**
- **EV** Charging **Stations**
- **Outdoor Event Plaza** & Courtyard
- **Podcast Room**
- **Storytime & Study Rooms**

#### **Features**

- K-12 Homework Help
- **Adult Learning Program**
- **Business Incubator**
- **Creation Labs**
- **Curbside Pickup**
- **Education Resource Center**
- **Event & Meeting Room Rentals**
- **Multimedia Lab**
- WiFi























## **Annual Literacy Program**

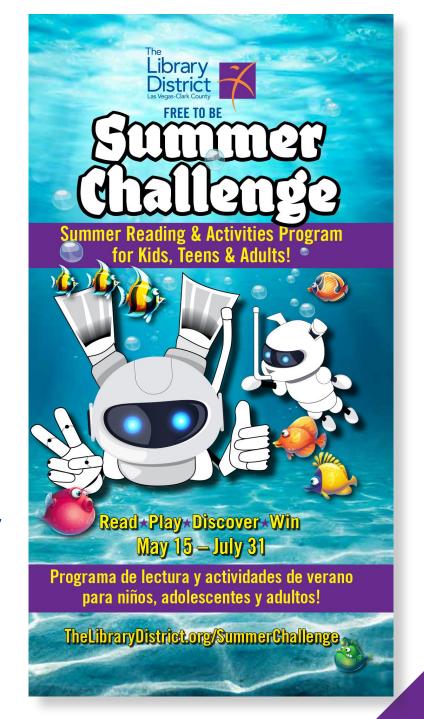
### **Summer Challenge 2024**

Reading, Activities & Prizes for Kids, Teens & Adults:

- Spotlighted event hosted by NOAA (National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration)
- Arts & culture, crafts, health & wellness, STEAM events, learning workshops, author visits & more!

#### **Partners & Results:**

- NBA Summer League, Vegas Golden Knights, RTC, Vegas PBS, Illuminarium, Meow Wolf, Panda Express, Cane's, and more!
- 15,415 Registrations; increased by 57% year-over-year
- 130,582 Completed activities; increased by 31%
- 5.3M Minutes read; increased by 26%
- 5,575 or 14% of direct-mail recipients signed up for a library card





### **NBA Summer League – Supporting Summer Literacy**

- NBA Summer League draws 136,000+ attendance to Thomas & Mack Arena every July.
- Partnership provides:
  - Enormous local exposure to our Summer Challenge reading & activities program.
  - Incentive prizes for kids & adults to read & enjoy Library District activities.
  - Year-round support of our other major initiatives.





# **Vegas Golden Knights - Attracting New Library Card Sign-Ups**

- Our VGK partnership includes:
  - Co-branded VGK T-shirts using our #GetCarded slogan
  - Gold foil VGK library cards
  - VGK Bookmarks spotlighting players' favorite books, movies & music
  - Players social media videos
  - On-site library card sign-ups at Toshiba Plaza for VGK pre-game events.







# Las Vegas Raiders - Attracting New Library Card Sign-Ups

- Our Raiders partnership includes:
  - Co-branded Raiders T-shirts with our #GetCarded slogan
  - Silver foil Raiders Library cards
  - VGK Raider Rusher bookmark spotlighting his favorite books, movies & music
  - Players social media videos
  - Raiders storytime at our Whitney Library branch for 100+ local students featuring Raiders Executive & Children's Author Qiava Martinez





### **Sunrise Children's Hospital: My First Library**

- Gift boxes filled with educational items that introduce the library & early literacy to new mothers and caregivers.
- Helpful resources include: Activity cards, picture books, refrigerator magnets for mom, a Library District-branded sleep sack & more!
- QR Codes link back to pages on <u>TheLibraryDistrict.org</u> that promote the importance of early childhood learning.





### Clark County Parks & Recreation - Passport to Discovery

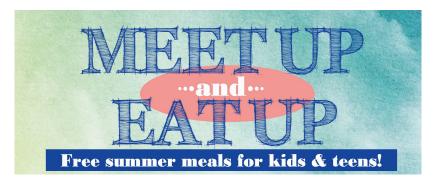
- QR code poster introduces the library & its resources to visitors at five Clark County Community Centers.
- Demonstrates the impact of collaborating with other government agencies to increase reach & effectiveness.





### **Three Square - Community Nutrition**

- Addresses food insecurity with nutritious, predictable meals & fun social time for kids, teens & seniors.
- 37,600+ served at 11 branches since April 2022:
  - "Meet Up & Eat Up" for kids up to age 18 during the school year.
  - "Kids Café" for up to age 18 during the summer.
  - "Senior Community Lunch & Social Hour" for ages 60+ offering crafts, lectures, games, films, and the chance to make new friends.









### **New Initiatives**

### **License Plate**

- Nevada DMV selected the Library District for a special license plate
- Proceeds will help to fund essential library programming
- Available now on the DMV website



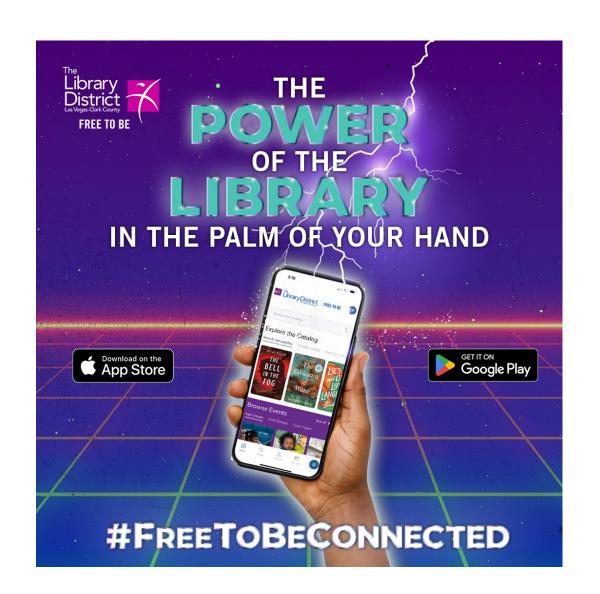




### **New Initiatives**

### **Library District App**

- Puts the power of the library in the palm of our customers' hands.
- Provides immediate, convenient access from a mobile device to library resources, services, and events.
- Available in iPhone & Android formats to download from the App Store.





# **Library District Anniversary**

### Celebrating 60 Years of Service to the Las Vegas Valley

- The Las Vegas-Clark County Library District was originally formed in 1965.
- District-wide kick-off celebration will take place during National Library Week, April 6-12, 2025, at all 25 branches.
- Each branch will hold their anniversary celebrations that week, with lots of giveaways, activities, and fun for all ages!
- Check TheLibraryDistrict.org/60th-Anniversary for a list of event dates.





# Thank you!