

DATE: October 3, 2024

TO: Library Board, Pima County Public Library

Pima County Board of Supervisors
Pima County Administration
Friends of the Pima County Public Library, Board of Directors
Friends of the Arivaca Library, Board of Directors
Friends of the Esmond Station Library, Board of Directors
Friends of the Kirk-Bear Canyon Library, Board of Directors
Friends of the Oro Valley Public Library, Board of Directors
Friends of the Pima-Green Valley Library, Board of Directors
Pima Library Foundation, Board of Directors

FROM: Amber D. Mathewson
Library Director

SUBJECT: Director and Support Services Report – September 2024

Library Updates:

Hiring – 13 Library Technical Assistants -	hired
Library Accounting position -	filled
Circulation Services Admin Services Manager –	interviews scheduled
Facilities Admin Specialist –	waiting on certified list for interviews
Deputy Director – Community Engagement –	posting hoped for 9/27/24

Next up : Librarian I; Library Associate; HR Admin Specialist

Futures Planning Process:

At this time the Library District has decided to table the draft plan that was shared with the Board of Supervisors through the [County Administrator's August 16th Memo](#). The plan to close and reimagine services for three lightly used and troubled libraries in the 27-library County Library system by the end of the year was rolled out without the previously planned public discourse.

Having heard the concerns of constituents, the Library will instead take time to refocus and create an extensive public outreach campaign to both help explain the challenges the Library is trying to overcome, and garner ideas from the community on the most desired services and programs.

This longer runway into a project plan will afford the Library time to hear from the public what it wants from its Library system. From there, the Library will work with the Library Advisory Board, County Administration, and the Board of Supervisors to craft a plan.

Martha Cooper Library – Renovation is complete, and the remodel is spectacular! The Library reopened on 9/17/2024 and had been a hit with the community. If you haven't had a chance please stop by for a visit.

Unexpected Library Closures document attached

Unexpected Library Closures

Date	Library	Closure	Issue
6/3/2024	Catalina	Lunch	Staffing
6/6/2024	South Tucson	Early Closure	No Electricity
6/11/2024	Santa Rosa	Lunch	Staffing
6/17/2024	Catalina	Lunch	Staffing
6/17/2024	South West	Lunch	Staffing
6/20/2024	Santa Rosa	Lockdown 11:00 am	Individual with gun reported in the area
6/24/2024	Oro Valley	All Day	No AC
6/24/2024	Himmel	All Day	No AC
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7/5/2024	Columbus	All Day	No AC
7/5/2024	Ajo	All Day	No Electricity
7/5/2024	Golf Links	Early Closure	No AC
7/6/2024	Golf Links	All Day	No AC
7/8/2024	Catalina	Delayed opening	No electricity
7/9/2024	Arivaca	Closed at 1:30 pm for remainder of day	No AC
7/10/2024	Columbus	Closed 2:50 pm for remainder of day	Plumbing issues
7/11/2024	El Pueblo	Closed at noon for the remainder of the day	NO AC
7/15/2024	Oro Valley	All Day	No AC
7/19/2024	Catalina	Lunch	Staffing
7/19/2024	Arivaca	Lunch	Staffing
7/18/2024	Wheeler Taft Abbett	Closed 3:30 pm remainder of the day	No Electricity
7/25/2024	El Rio	Closed	No AC
7/25/2024	Wheeler Taft Abbett	Closed at 4:40 pm	No AC
7/26/2024	El Rio	Closed	No AC
7/31/2024	Catalina	Closed at 3:00 pm	No Electricity
8/7/2024	Arivaca	Lunch	Staffing
8/9/2024	River	Closed at 2:30 pm	No Electricity
8/13/2024	Southwest	Lockdown 2-3:30. Closed at 3:30 pm	Nearby shooting
8/14/2024	Catalina	Lunch	Staffing
8/15/2024	Southwest	Lunch	Staffing
8/19/2024	Catalina	Lunch	Staffing
8/20/2024	El Pueblo	Closed	No AZ
8/21/2024	Catalina	Lunch	Staffing
8/21/2024	Arivaca	Delayed opening	Major accident on Arivaca Road
8/22/2024	Columbus	Evacuated	pulled fire alarm
8/27/2024	Arivaca	Closed at 12:30 pm	No Water
9/3/2024	Arivaca	Lunch	Staffing

