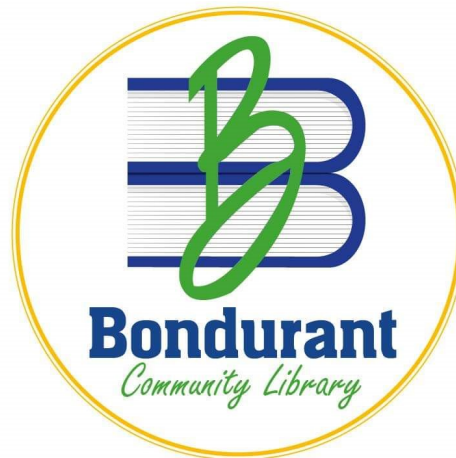


BONDURANT COMMUNITY LIBRARY

ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022



The Bondurant Community Library currently has 4,920 registered users. The previous year had 5,288. The Library conducts an audit of all Library cards every three years as part of the State Library of Iowa's Accreditation process. Library cards are removed and updated at this time. The Library card audit was performed in 2021 with 994 cards removed.

3,015 are residents of Bondurant, 840 are rural Polk County residents, 577 are student digital access library cards, and 488 are residents of other Iowa communities.

The Bondurant Community Library holds 27,020 physical copies of books, DVD's, audios, and magazines for all ages—a 5.5% increase from the previous year. Library patrons also have access to 138,933 downloadable audio and e-books, which makes a total of 165,953 items available for patrons to use. While the physical collection rose slightly, the digital collection grew by 35.5%.

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TOTAL CIRCULATION OF
ALL PHYSICAL MATERIALS
FOR THE YEAR 2021-2022
WAS 62,539— A 46.2%
INCREASE FROM PREVIOUS
YEAR.

A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE
FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR
CONFIRMS THAT THE
COMMUNITY IS GLAD TO BE
USING THE NEW LIBRARY
AND BACK AT IN PERSON
EVENTS



One of the many programs held at the City Park this year. The 4th of July Bike Parade was a blast.



THE CIRCULATION STORY

Library Staff checked out 24,534 physical items to children up 53%, 14,920 items to young adults up 39% and 11,741 items to adults up 40 %, 5,358 DVD's were checked out up 36%, as well as 3,240 audio books up 78%, 633 magazines up 20%, and 2,113 other items were circulated up 35%.

VISTORS TO THE LIBRARY

The Bondurant Community Library had 20,494 visitors. This annual door count was 35% increase from the previous year.

Total number of library programs for children were 393 with 5,730 attending, for young adults 19 programs with 64 attending, for adults 164 programs with 849 attending, for families 33 programs with 1,424 attending. The Library held 609 live programs with 8,067 attending, a 71.7% increase from the previous year.

GRANT AND DONATIONS

The Library and The Library Foundation received grants & donations from various organizations and businesses this past year to help defray costs for the Summer Reading Program.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2022

1,277 children, young adults and adults registered in the program. 23 programs were

offered to all ages. Everyone registered for this year's Summer Reading Program received a registration bag that included a free book, list of activities for the summer and reading incentive. These wonderful registration bags were made possible with a grant from META (FaceBook) Altoona Data Center.

ADVENTURE PASS PROGRAM

The Bondurant Community Library continues to have strong participation in the Adventure Pass Program. This program allows Bondurant and Rural Polk County patrons to checkout a pass for two adults and two children to local area venues every 365 days. Those venues include The Science Center of Iowa, Blank Park Zoo, Des Moines Children's Museum, Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden, Reiman Gardens, and the Brenton Skating Plaza-all free of charge. This program is a collaborative effort of Iowa Libraries across the State.



ON-LINE USAGE @ THE LIBRARY

e-Books, Downloadable audio books, eMagazines, Databases, Downloadable music, On-line Children's Books, and streaming video/movies.

The Bondurant Community Library participates in a downloadable audio and eBook consortium called Bridges. This eBook and audio book buying consortium for Iowa public libraries is a very affordable way for libraries to provide a much demanded service to our patrons. The consortium allows patrons of the Bondurant Library and Rural Polk County residents access to 138,933 titles. Bridges is a resource that is easy to use and has consistently added more titles each year for our patrons. It is available 24/7 and is compatible with all devices. 10,562 items were downloaded to devices this year, an increase of 17%.

Other databases the Library offers Bondurant patrons include:

Hoopla—downloadable music. Hoopla has more to offer with no waiting. In addition to music Hoopla also offers eBooks, downloadable audio, eComics, and streaming movies and TV programs. No reserves needed with Hoopla. The Library had 2,608 checkouts with this service in the past year, a 11.2% increase this past year.

Brain Fuse/Help Now—is on-line resource provider for homework help and live tutoring.

Brainfuse/ Job Now/Vet Now—is on-line career services, test prep, software tutorials, and Veteran resources for Iowa public and academic libraries.

Tumble Books— Animated, talking picture books with fiction, non-fiction and foreign language titles, and read-along.

Transparent Language— Language learning database that includes over 100 languages (including English) that patrons learn through listening, speaking, reading, and writing activities. The database also includes a mobile app for learning on-the-go.

Computer Usage

3,046 people used the 24 computers for web searching, word processing, printing and much more. Computer usage showed a 49.1% increase from the previous year. Many library patrons comment that they are glad to be able to print documents at the library rather than maintain a printer at home. Mobile Printing lets Library users email items for printing or utilize the library's printing portal on the website. There were also 11,353 wireless users connected. Wireless connection usage was up 56.7% from the previous year. Many who come to the library to use the computers do not have internet connectivity at home and need a place to print and take care of their on-line needs. Many times this includes submitting job applications, as many employers only accept on-line job applications.

HOTSPOTS AND TABLET USAGE— The Library currently has 143 hotspots available for checkout. 82 owned by the Library and 61 purchased by the Bondurant-Farrar Community Schools. The hotspots have been instrumental for new residents that are having to wait many weeks for Internet connectivity to be installed at home, for students that now have Chrome Books through the school but no Internet at home, and for our rural residents where there is no or limited Internet service available. Library patrons used the hotspots 1,505 times this past year, an increase of 21.9% from the previous year.

The Library currently has 18 tablets for patron usage. 6 were purchased with a Polk County Betterment Grant that was applied for at the beginning of COVID. The balance were purchased with Direct State Aid monies that are received annually from the State of Iowa. Circulation on these tablets has been important to students that are in grades K-3rd as these grades are not issued Chrome Books from the school.

Bondurant Community Library

Mission Statement

The Bondurant Community Library seeks to be an Integral part of its community by providing the residents of the community and surrounding area with a wide variety of popular and educational materials, programs, resources, and services that facilitate their day-to-day lives and extend their personal and intellectual development. The library supports lifelong learning, early literacy development, cultural recreational activities, and the technology and information needs of the people it serves. The Bondurant Community Library seeks to build knowledge, understanding, appreciation, and wisdom in a welcoming environment.

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REACHING THE COMMUNITY

Over the years the Bondurant Community Library has developed strong and important ties with local organizations and our youth.

The Library currently provides early literacy programs to local daycare providers such as Bloom, Bird's Nest, Generation Next, and in-home daycare providers year round, with a concentrated effort during the summer months when the Summer Reading Program is at its height. Outreach during the school year to local preschool facilities include: Bondurant Christian Preschool classes that include monthly activities with an early literacy base.

The Library also continues to provide services to Courtyard Estates. Adult Services Librarian Michell takes materials and programming to the residents once a month.



Total Programming Attendance

For all ages, included: 8,067 patrons. Library staff planned and executed programming throughout the year that included book discussions, story times, early out after school programs, crafting programs for adults & children, Coloring at the Rails, Snap Circuits, virtual reality program, adult low impact exercise classes (Geri Fit) are just a few.