SAN BENITO COUNTY FREE LIBRARY

FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Our vision is for an informed, culturally-rich, healthy, and economically vibrant San Benito County, where residents are inspired to imagine and prepare for the future together. We share our accomplishments with the community as we are realizing this vision together.

136,177 CHECKOUTS

60% OF SAN BENITO COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE LIBRARY CARDHOLDERS 52% ADULTS AND 48% YOUTH

98,199 LIBRARY VISITS

28,633 COMPUTER USERS

21,134 CLASS & PROGRAM ATTENDEES

95,905 WEBSITE VISITS

1,131 E-BOOKS LOANED

10,685 WIFI USERS

THIS IS OUR IMPACT

The Library provides the community with lifelong educational opportunities and delivers responsive informational, recreational, and cultural Library services within a welcoming learning environment. We connect the community to these opportunities through classes, programs, and resources, both virtually and in person.

THIS IS WHAT WE DO

CLASSES & PROGRAMS

In the 2017-2018 fiscal year, we enhanced our delivery of teen instruction and resources with the development of our College Career Connections program and other classes. In the 2018-2019 fiscal year, we plan to increase our offering of adult classes, events, and resources.

PARTNERSHIPS

Our partners include the Friends of the Library, the California State Library, the City of Hollister, the Community Foundation, the United Way, San Francisco State University, Gavilan College, Youth Alliance, LULAC, First 5 San Benito, and our schools, businesses, and individual community volunteers. These partnerships have allowed us to engage a greater number of community members and to expand the number and variety of classes and programs we offer.

PROGRESSIVE ACTION

The Library website contains multilingual and mobile capabilities - increasing access to resources, services, and education. Instructors and associates are engaged in professional development and work to continuously enhance their technological skills, making them progressively more effective in providing technology, research, and literacy instruction to Library visitors.

THIS IS HOW WE DO IT

We are able to accomplish our vision and mission thanks to the financial support of the County of San Benito and the State of California, the financial contributions of our local partners, and through internal Library revenue.