



MILTON-FREEWATER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Annual Library Service Plan & Review 2021-2022

LIBRARY VISION

- The Library will help shape a community where everyone is safe to learn, play, create and belong



GOAL #1 FAIL

- Goal: Provide elderly and disabled residents an opportunity to get books delivered at home.
- Liability issues with volunteers doing transport caused us to abandon this goal.

GOAL #1 TAKE-TWO

- Goal: Expand informational displays for the library.
 - Community Needs: Patrons need additional resources or information but sometimes don't know that the library can provide it
 - Objectives: Create list of important issues concerning members of the community
 - Objectives: Find resources to include with the displays of books

DISPLAYS



Black History Month

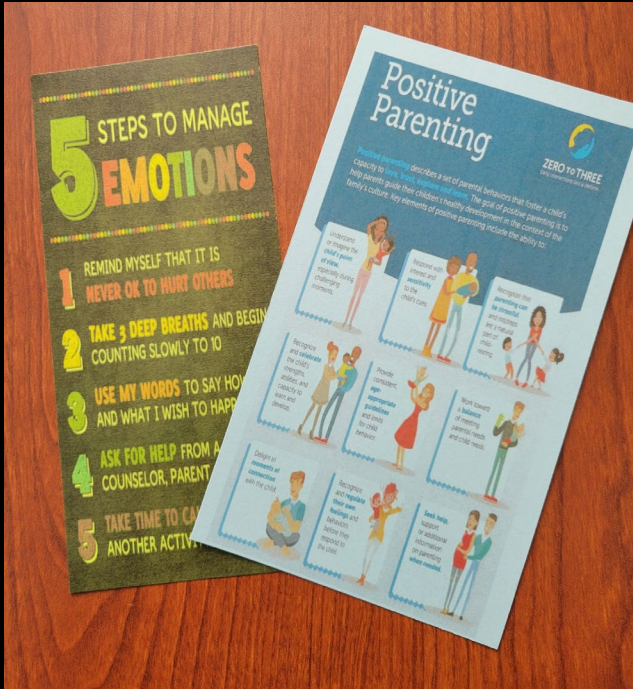


Back-To-School

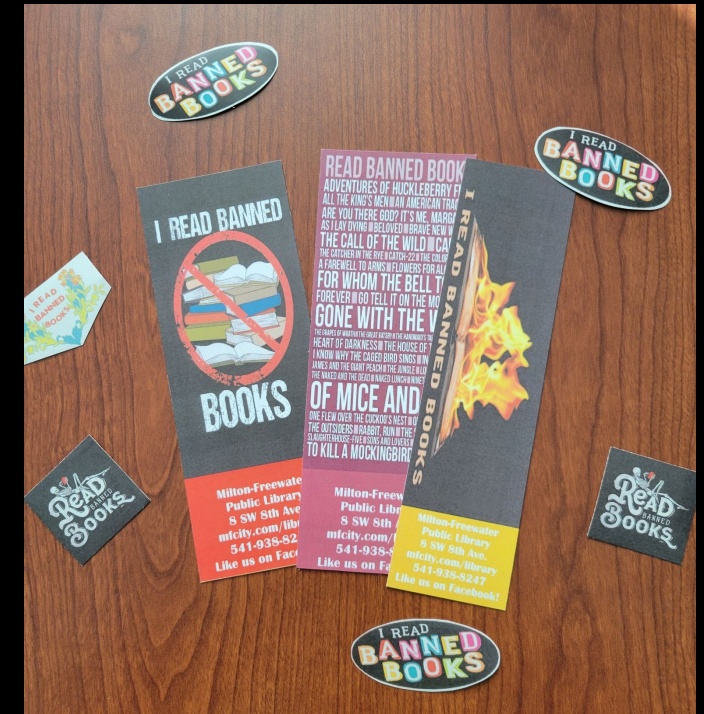


DISPLAYS

Suicide/Mental Health Awareness



Parenting Books/Advice



Banned Books

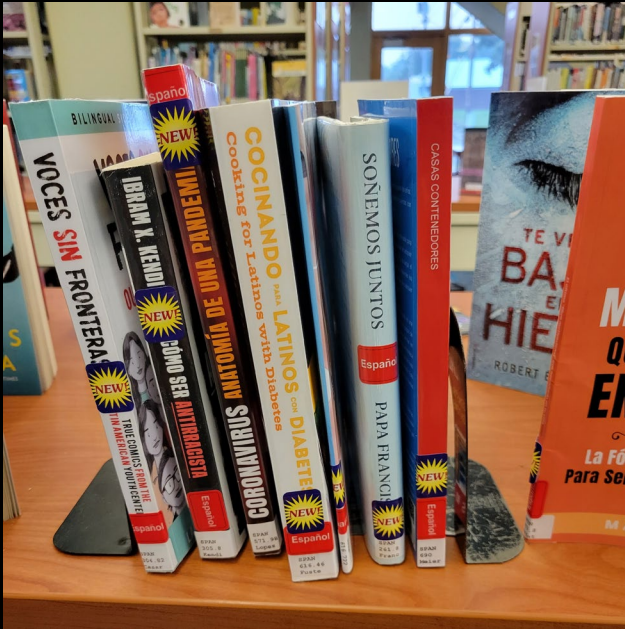
GOAL #2

- Goal: Expand current Spanish Language Collection to contain more high-demand items and increase circulation of Spanish Language Materials
 - Community Needs to be addressed: Community is 52% Latino and the use of our Spanish Language Materials is low
 - Objectives: Target reasons for low circulation. Are items not relevant? Is the community not aware of the library Spanish Collection?
 - Objectives: Find more items to purchase that are more relevant to the needs of our community. Which subjects are of greater interest? Fiction? Non-Fiction?
 - Objectives: More outreach to the Latino Community

GOAL #2

We have two people ordering Spanish Language Materials now for more variety.

We've started ordering manuals for Construction, Home Repair, Plumbing and Electrical repairs upon request by patrons.



Romance and mystery books that are from Spanish Language authors are much more popular than American novels translated into Spanish.



GOAL #2

- Outreach is still a work in progress. We've never quite recovered our Spanish-speaking community members after the COVID-19 closure.
- We are now sending event flyers to the schools again in English and Spanish, hosting in-person Adult Art programs, etc., so hopefully this year will see the return of Latino community members.



GOAL #3

- Goal: Return Library programming to “normal” pre-COVID levels
 - Community Needs to be addressed: Patrons, adults and children alike, are missing library programs that encourage literacy, artistic expression, and a sense of community.
 - Objectives: Children’s programming will resume a weekly preschool story time and 2 evening events per month for school age children.
 - Objectives: Teen programming will resume to once a month activities.
 - Objectives: Adult art programs will resume to 2 events per month (one in English, one in Spanish), and an additional activity.

GOAL #3

- Summer Reading was a huge success this year!
 - Back to in-person events 2 days a week
 - 250+ sign-ups and good weekly attendance!
- Teen Events have been turned to TWEEN events with kids 9-13
 - Once a month
 - Teens are a HARD group to reach, but Tweens aren't "too cool" for us!
- Building Night once a month
 - Legos, K'nex blocks, KEVA Planks, etc.



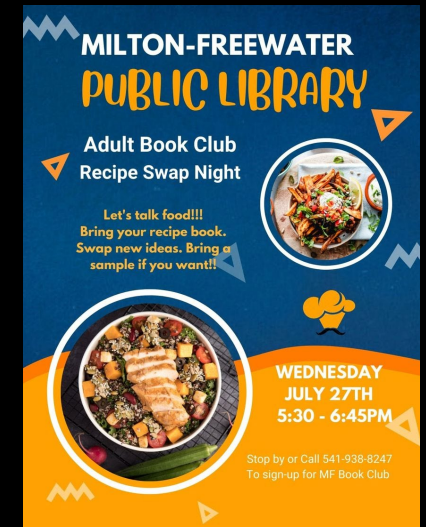
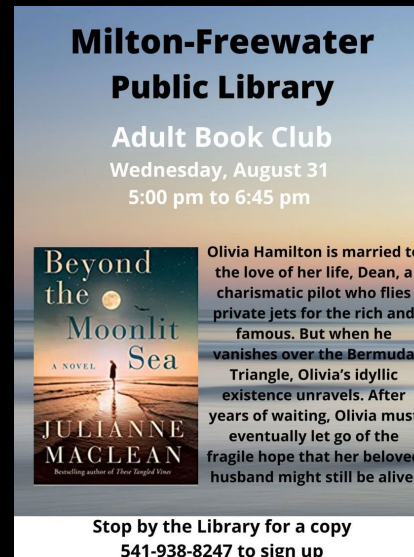
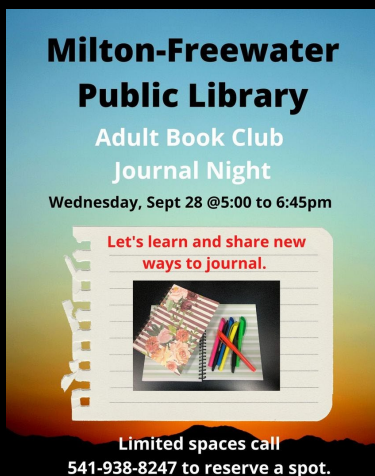
GOAL #3

- Adult Programming
- 1-2 Crafts a month for take home, then both in person and take-home, and we are moving into in-person exclusively



GOAL #3

- Adult Programming
- Book Club
 - Large variation in activities: journal night, recipe share, books of a variety of genres (non-fiction humor, fiction romance, mystery)





PARTNERSHIPS

- UCSLD
 - Financially support us so that we can offer great programming
- Libraries in UCSLD
 - Work together on projects like Reading Road Trip, bouncing ideas off each other for projects
- Milton-Freewater Unified School District
 - They help us spread the word about our events and services
- Friends of the Library
 - Help pay for programs above and beyond what we can normally sponsor.



UMATILLA COUNTY SPECIAL LIBRARY DISTRICT

Strengthening our community libraries

UCSLD

- District offers financial support and guidance on how to best help our communities and patrons.
- Spreading the word to the staff has helped them spread the word to the community. I overheard a staff person explaining to someone the other day how we get our funding!