



**MORTON GROVE
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

March 2026

Pam Leffler, Executive Director

The monthly Librarian's Report includes the following reports and tables of information:

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- Access Services Report by Jeffrey Ray, Access Services Manager
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- Business Office Report by Leighton Shell, Business Manager
- Facilities and Maintenance Report by Tim Murphy, Facilities Manager
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Administration

Personnel

- We posted the ad for the Access Services Manager position that will officially be vacant when Jeff Ray assumes Executive Director duties, and we received several applications from well-qualified candidates. Jeff and I held interviews on March 18, 19, and 23, 2026, and I am happy to announce that we have hired Emily Pahl to fill that position. Emily currently serves as the Outreach and Community Engagement Coordinator (which encompasses Access Services and Outreach Services) at the Warren-Newport Public Library. In addition to her experience in libraries, Emily also has experience in conflict resolution and crisis management, and she shares our commitment to public service. Jeff and I both feel she will be an excellent addition to our staff, and she is super excited to be joining MGPL. Emily's first day will be Monday, April 20, 2026.
- I continue to work with Jeff Ray on his transition to the Executive Director role.
- Other personnel news can be found in the Department reports.

Automation & Technology

- OSG, with onsite assistance from Business Manager Leighton Shell, as necessary, continues routine and general maintenance of our computers and other automation systems.
- Jeff, Leighton, and I met with OSG representative Bryan Jones for our 2025 Q4/2026 Q1 quarterly business review. Following that meeting, I approved the replacement hardware purchases for 2026, as per our computer life cycle replacement schedule.

Legal/Financial/Policy

- The collection and distribution of tax monies appear to be taking place as it normally should. We are cautiously optimistic that the collection and distribution problems we experienced last year have been permanently resolved. However, we will continue to monitor this over the remainder of the year and make purchasing adjustments as/if necessary.
- We continue to work with Sikich on the Library's annual audit.

Facilities

- We are still working through the last couple of items on the punch list for the newly renovated restrooms: replacement of a chipped mirror and the large gaps between stall dividers, particularly in the women's restroom. All other punch list items have been addressed.
- As mentioned previously, SMC engineers and other tradespeople made several on-site visits to the Library for an updated facilities assessment, and I received the draft of the assessment at the end of March. Jeff and I have reviewed the draft assessment and will be meeting with John Shales to discuss it further in early April. The Board should receive the final assessment in their May 2026 packets.
- At the March meeting, the Board approved moving forward with the installation of security cameras from FSS after they addressed several outstanding questions from the Board. Facilities Manager Tim Murphy will coordinate and schedule the actual installation with FSS personnel, and Administration staff will work on development of a security camera policy.
- Additional information on the building and grounds can be found in the report by Facilities Manager, Tim Murphy.

Miscellaneous

- We will once again be participating in the Morton Grove Has Pride initiative being spearheaded by MG Pride, the Morton Grove Park District, the Morton Grove Public Library, and the Village of Morton Grove. As part of that, we will also be selling the Morton Grove Has Pride yard signs to residents.
- As this will be my last Librarian's Report, I wanted to take the opportunity to thank the Board for their support not only of me, but of all the Library staff, and to commend your service to the MG community. I have enjoyed working with all of you, and I hope that you share my pride for the positive changes that we have made to the Library and Library services over the last several years. I am confident that Jeff and the entire staff will continue that work and am excited to see what the future holds. Thank you again for being such an amazing group of people to work with and for. While I'm looking forward to being able to spend more time with my family and traveling, I will miss working with all of you.

Events/Programs/Meetings

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| • Department manager meeting(s) | March 11, 25 |
| • Dolly Parton Imagination Library Steering Committee meeting | March 13 |
| • Dolly Parton Imagination Library Outreach Committee meeting | March 13 |
| • ECC/Digital Library of Illinois Annual All Member meeting | March 5 |
| • ILA: Ready, Set, Advocate: eBook Legislation webinar(s) | March 11, 26 |
| • Interviews: Access Services Manager | March 18, 19, 23 |
| • Library Board of Trustees Regular meeting | March 12 |
| • Library Board of Trustees Executive Committee meeting(s) | March 17, 26 |
| • MG Pride meeting | March 12 |
| • Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce Board meeting | March 5 |
| • Outsource Solutions Group: 2025 Q4/2026 Q1 review meeting | March 27 |

Besides the meetings listed above, I had several meetings throughout the month with Department Managers and other staff on a variety of personnel, collection, and building related issues.

MGPL Access Services
March 2026 Report
Jeffrey Ray, Access Services Manager

Library Cards:

- 76 Library Cards registered

License Plate Sticker Renewals/Passport Acceptance:

- 25 License Plate Renewals
- 117 Passport Applications Accepted

Professional Development:

- 3/11/26 Jeffrey Ray attended “Ready, set, advocate: eBook Legislation” webinar presented by ILA.

Other Department Activity:

- 2,290 Morton Grove Public Library items were sent to other libraries to fill hold requests.
- 3,148 hold items were processed by Circulation Staff for patrons to pick up at MGPL.
- 16,781 items were checked in by Circulation Staff.
- Worked with Karina Guico and Courtney Schroeder to complete Bibliocore validation checklist as part of the Bibliocore implementation process through CCS.
- 3/3/26 Jeffrey Ray, Shawn Cherian, Christian Castillo, Dan Russell, Karina Guico, Althea Bibat participated in an Offsite Passport Acceptance event at Northwestern University where 19 passport applications were accepted.
- 3/4/26 Jeffrey Ray, Shawn Cherian, Christian Castillo, Dan Ruseel, Karina Guico participated in an Offsite Passport Acceptance event at Northwestern University where 20 passport applications were accepted.
- 3/18/26 Jeffrey Ray attended CCS Acquisitions Technical Group meeting through Zoom.

MGPL Adult and Teen Services
March 2026 Report
Melissa Mayberry, Adult and Teen Services Manager

Programming

This month, we had 34 programs with a total of 532 attendees.

Marlene and Melissa attended the first Senior Expo hosted by the Village of Morton Grove, where we connected with more than 70 attendees. While many were already familiar with the library, we were able to promote upcoming programs, highlight available services, receive valuable feedback, and connect with other organizations.

Nearly 100 patrons attended the concert by Erik Donner, and the audience absolutely loved his tribute to iconic musicians from the 1960s. Erik seamlessly blended storytelling with his impressive vocals, creating an atmosphere that had patrons dancing both in their seats and in front of the stage. While the crowd skewed older, a few younger patrons stopped in to enjoy the music during study breaks.

One attendee returned to the library the week after the concert to share that her husband, who has dementia, remained engaged for the entire performance and continued talking about it the next day. Moments like this highlight the meaningful impact of our programming.

We are excited to share that one of our teens reached a milestone in our 100 Books Before Graduation program this month by completing 75 books. This self-paced reading challenge is designed to help teens build vocabulary, strengthen writing skills, increase empathy, and find a healthy outlet for stress.

Book/Media Displays

- The Constitution
- She Understood the Assignment
- Super Heroines
- Women's History
- Criterion Collection Showcase
- National Craft Month
- Baseball is Back

Book Rivers and Record Sets

- March in the Books
- Superheroines
- On the Big Screen
- Women's History Month

Library Aware Newsletters

- Best Seller Preview
- New Fiction
- New Non-Fiction
- New Graphic Novels

Continuing Education/Meetings/Webinars

- All ATS staff attended a Department Meeting
- Wynn attended Galley Gab Fest presented by Library Love Fest
- Cailyn attended Sarah J. Maas: The Wait is Over
- Bob attended Generative AI and Collection Development Policies: A Proactive Approach
- Marlene attended Paycom: Communication Skills for Employees and Leading Without Authority
- Cailyn attended ILA Noon Network: Ready, Set, Advocate: eBook Legislation
- Wynn attended Readers' Advisory: Ideas & Practice presented by Booklist
- Bob and Cailyn attended How Libraries are Addressing Mass Incarceration.
- Bob and Marlene attended Navigating Misinformation in One-on-One Patron Interactions

MGPL Business Office
March 2026 Report
Leighton Shell, Business Manager

Business Office

- Typical monthly invoice payment. In March, processed 121 invoices, 38 checks, and 43 ACH payments.
- Assisted Director with final 2025 Financial Audit requests.

Human Resources

- Updated staff benefits one-sheets to include new commuter benefit card information.

IT Liaison

- Worked with OSG investigating a suspected hacked computer. Determined it was only an attempted phishing scam.
- Worked with TBS and OSG attempting to install PC Reservation software on spare laptop for Computer Lab computer reservations. Still troubleshooting errors on laptop.
- Coordinated with OSG on replacing failing hard drive in server drive array.
- Created OSG IT onboarding email templates for managers to use when requesting new staff IT resources.
- Working with K. Guico on digital accessibility committee.

Meetings/Training/Etc.

- On Thursday, March 26th, attended the Human Resources & Administration Forum Zoom call where the topic was Spring.Forward;Best.Practices.for.Performance.Turnarounds.
- On Friday, March 27th, sat in on OSG quarterly business review with P. Leffler and J. Ray.
- On Wednesday, April 1st, attended the HR Source North Suburban Library Peer Hub Zoom call with various topics including active shooter training and security staffing at libraries among other things.
- In between meetings, I also participate in email lists for the North Suburban Library Peer Hub and the Library Administrative Assistant Networking Group (LAANG). I also participate in the Paycom Discussion Group on Facebook and the Niche Academy Users Group on Facebook.

MGPL Facilities Department
March 2026 Report
Tim Murphy, Facilities Manager

- East Restrooms
 - SMC Punchlist Items:
 - Hand soap dispenser in the lady's restrooms is not working. It will be replaced at no cost in the next couple of weeks.
 - Chipped mirror in the lady's restroom will be replaced in the next couple of weeks.
 - I'm following up with SMC and Product Architect regarding the gaps between restrooms partitions.
- Landscaping
 - V & J Landscaping completed our spring clean up and put out new mulch. Weekly landscaping will commence the week of 4/6.
- Projects
 - Hard surface chairs and stools continue to be deep cleaned.
 - Upholstered/fabric chairs are in the process of being cleaned.
 - Emergency lighting **not** controlled by the generator have been repaired and now all are functioning.
 - All restrooms received a deep cleaning on March 25, 2026.
- Daily Operations
 - Set up for several programs
 - Daily cleaning
 - Several work orders completed.
- Upcoming
 - Starting to seek proposals to seal coat and stripe the north parking area. This will also include repairing damaged concrete and replacing damaged parking blocks.
 - Waiting to hear from FSS Technologies on a start date for the security camera system installation.
 - Complete Cleaning will be shampooing carpets on the first floor and the study room loft on April 8th and 9th.

MGPL Marketing & Engagement March 2026 Report

Karina Guico, Marketing & Engagement Manager

Publicity/Promotion

The Marketing Team continues to promote and publicize library events, services, and news.

- Karina sent out weekly e-blast and targetted email to promote upcoming movies.
 - Open rates for weekly e-blast
 - Week of 3/3: 57% open rate (3,743 unique opens of 6,540 emails sent)
 - Week of 3/10: 56% open rate (3,693 unique opens of 6,555 emails sent)
 - Week of 3/17: 54% open rate (3,571 unique opens of 6,572 emails sent)
 - Week of 3/24: 61% open rate (4,017 unique opens of 6,577 emails sent)
- 2025 Annual Review went live online and in-house distribution.
- Bettina created 13 new graphics and updated multiple items for AS and YS staff
 - Finished layout of April-May newsletter. This issue features fun design for our National Pet Month series of events.
 - Created a new design for the 100 Books Before Graduation mug.
 - Started designing the Summer Reading Program logo.
- Jan posted on social media 37 times
 - Several posts with more than 1k views led to a few new followers:
 - Nervous System reel, 4,720 views
 - Green reel, 3,786 views
 - Romance & Audiobook reel, 2,987
 - I Fell reel, 2, 776
 - Facebook profile visits increased by 93%

Other Projects

- Karina helped with the BiblioCore validation process.
- Karina finished designing flyers for the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library and Pride in the Park events.
- Website Accessibility Project started in March. Jan started auditing webpage on our site as a first step. Members of the Web Accessibility Project Team are Karina, Leighton, Jan, and Stephanie.

Community and Staff Engagement

- Karina assisted Access Services staff on a two-day off-site passport event.
- Karina set up the new Land's End Staff Store. Staff store went live in March.

Meetings and Training

- Karina attended the managers meeting
- Karina attended webinar "Navigating Donor Conversations: From Preparation to Partnership" through Niche Academy

MGPL Youth Services

March 2026 Report

Courtney Schroeder, Youth Services Manager

Programming

In March we held 49 programs for 1165 people.

This month's programming lineup included mostly our 'typical' monthly or bi-monthly programs. At **Family Engineering Night**, build teams made bubble windows with a pulley system (like you find in children's museums) and **Mini Music Makers** had kids getting silly while they danced and sang.

With Spring Break at schools in Morton Grove falling on different dates, Jess created a scavenger hunt set up in the department for kids who visited during the last two weeks of the month. Older kids and younger kids with their grown-up searched the department for ducks with letters and numbers on them in order to break a code and answer a fun riddle. Want to see if can you guess the answer? Why don't lions eat clowns? Because they... _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ . (answer below)

Outreach

In March Jessie and Debbie visited 31 groups (665 kids and their adults) at book talks, storytimes, and read-aloud visits at various Morton Grove schools and daycares. We had one facilitated visit with a homeschool group of 11 and welcomed several groups of Jerusalem Lutheran students for their monthly unfacilitated visits. The Youth Services team also put together 2 book bags of 19 items for area schools.

Professional Development/Training/Meetings

In March the Youth Services staff attended the following professional development and training meetings in addition to the Youth Services Department meeting.

- Debbie listened to the podcast, APM Reports: What the Words Say.
- Courtney watched the Booklist webinar, Magnificent Middle Grade: March 2026.
- Jessie attended the C2E2 conference's educators' day.
- Jess attended an IYSI Conference Committee Meeting.
- Jessie and Amy watched the CCS Webinar, What's New in LEAP 8.0?, an update on our catalog interface.
- Debbie watched two parts of the webinar, Literacy Talks: Investing I People, Not Programs: A District's Literacy Transformation and The Story Behind the Reading Leage.

Answer: TASTE FUNNY

March Programming Statistics – Morton Grove Public Library

Adult Programs

Program Name	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance
Tuesday Movies	5	103
Social Seniors: Bingo	1	9
Indie Movie Night	1	8
Because I Matter: Breast Cancer Education	1	2
ESL Games & Gab (Conversation)	1	4
Brush Calligraphy: Basics	1	20
Android Phones for Beginners	1	7
Evening Craft for Adults and Teens	1	8
Social Seniors: Arts & Crafts	1	9
Joyous Japan	1	15
Chair Yoga (In Person)	1	20
MGPL After Dark Movie	1	31
Crafting for Charity	2	36
Social Seniors: Trivia	1	8
Indie Lens Pop-Up	1	3
iPhones for Beginners	1	11
Beyond the Page with Percival Everett (Online)	1	11
Sew a Zippered Pouch	1	6
Social Seniors: Wits Workout	1	5
Chair Yoga (Online)	1	13
Concert: Erik Donner Oldies Show	1	93
Oscar Prediction Ballots	1	35
LitLounge	1	7
Between the Lines	1	10
Between the Lines (Online)	1	9
Book a Librarian	1	1
Senior Activity Kits	1	30
ELS Kits	1	14
Total Adult Programs	33	528

Teen Programs

Program Name	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance
Teen Volunteer Drop-In	1	4
Total Teen Programs	1	4

Youth Programs

Program Name	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance
1000 Books before Kindergarten	1	14
Bedtime Stories & More	1	6
Chess Academy	1	10
Crafty Saturday	1	39
Family Crafting	1	13
Family Engineering Night	1	31
Family Reads Book Club	1	12
Family Storytime	1	18
Goofball Science	1	4
LEGO Builders	1	7
Listen Up	10	294
Mathematics Circus	1	10
Middle School Hangout	1	0
Mini Masterpieces	1	7
Mini Music Makers	1	30
Monday Morning Playgroup	5	132
Motor Skills Morning	1	17
Puzzle Gauntlet / Jr. Puzzle Gauntlet	2	16
Puzzles & Prose	1	8
Read to the Rainbow Dogs	1	13
STEMonade Stand	3	260
Toddler Time	3	65
Tots Dealing with Big Feelings	1	18
Wee Read	8	141
Total Youth Programs	49	1165

Library Wide Programs

Program Name	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance
<i>None</i>	0	0
Total Library Wide Programs	0	0

YS Talks/Tours Inside the Library

Program Name	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance
Prairie View Home School Group	1	11
Total YS Talks/Tours Inside the Library	1	11

ATS Talks/Tours Inside the Library

Program Name	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance
<i>None</i>	0	0
Total ATS Talks/Tours Inside the Library	0	0

YS Talks/Visits Outside the Library

Program Name	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance
Children's Learning World	5	49
Golf	2	46
Hynes	3	189
Jerusalem Lutheran	1	27
Kids Academy	4	61
Melzer	3	58
MG Park District Preschool	4	47
Montessori Academy of Morton Grove	3	42
Park View	5	139
Sunny Bunny	1	7
Total YS Talks/Visits Outside the Library	31	665

ATS Talks/Visits Outside the Library

Program Name	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance
<i>None</i>		
Total ATS Talks/Visits Outside the Library		

Marketing & Engagement Outreach

Program Name	No. of Sessions	Total Attendance
Morton Grove Senior Expo	1	74
Total Marketing & Engagement Outreach	1	74

**Morton Grove Public Library
Monthly Statistics
For 03/2026**

*The Checkout numbers and Renewal numbers exclude in-house cards as well as test cards
The line that reads "Number Of Items Currently Out" counts items with these Item Statuses :
'Checked Out', 'On loan to another library', 'Awaiting Pickup', 'In transit to another library', 'In-Transit to Home Library'
For More Information: <https://www.learning.ccslib.org>*

Transaction Type	Transaction SubType	NUMBER OF PATRONS ITEMS TRANSACTIONS
Checkins at your stations	Checkin Leap In House	1728
Checkins at your stations	Leap Check in	10828
Checkins at your stations	Quick Check in	57
Checkins at your stations	Self Check in	22
Checkins at your stations	Checkin Leap Inventory	13
Checkins at your stations	Normal	1
	Total Checkins	12649
Checkouts at your stations	Leap Checkout and Renewal	4592
Checkouts at your stations	Self check Check out	6729
Checkouts at your stations	Circ Checkout and Renewal	1
	Total Checkouts	11322
Renewals at your stations	Auto-renewal	7904
Renewals at your stations	Self check Check out	34
Renewals at your stations	Power PAC Renewal	101
Renewals at your stations	Third party renewal	69
Renewals at your stations	Leap Checkout and Renewal	267
	Total Renewals	8375
Number of your Library's items checked out system-wide		11001
Number of your Library's unique items checked out system-wide		9996

Holds Placed through your interface		3069
Holds placed for/by your patrons		3377
Holds Held		3148
Holds Located		1
Holds Checkedout		2795
Holds Expired		2
Holds Cancelled		501
Holds Unclaimed		269
Number Of Items Currently Out		11794
Existing "MortonGrove" patron received new barcode		23
Patron Expiration Date Extended More Than 30 Days:		18
Count of physical patron records at beginning of 03/2026		10229
Minus Patron records physically deleted		116
Minus Patron library was changed from "MortonGrove" to some other CCS librar		5
Plus Patron records physically added		76
Plus Patron library was changed from some CCS library to "MortonGrove"		3
Count of physical patron records at end of 03/2026		10187
Minus In-House and Test Cards		10
Minus Expired Cards		289
Unexpired Patrons on file		9888
Leap Registration	Patron Lib=MortonGrove	76
Leap Registration	Patron Lib=CCSL	8
Monthly ILLINET numbers		
Number of items borrowed by your library and supplied by a CCS library		2063
Number of items lent by your library to a CCS library		2290

Morton Grove Public Library
MONTHLY CCS INTERLIBRARY LOAN ACTIVITY
03/2026 - 03/2026

Circulation between a library's branches is excluded from these numbers.

For example, circulation of an Algonquin Main item at Algonquin Branch is excluded.

The columns are labeled as follows:

1. Lending/Borrowing Library
2. Lent Intra-CCS - To CCS Libraries
3. Lent Other Ill. - To Other Libraries or Systems in Illinois; Includes Find More
4. Lent Outside Ill. - To Libraries Outside of Illinois
5. Total Lent - Total Sent by Lending Library
6. Percent Held - Lending Library Holdings to System Wide Holdings
7. Percent Intra-CCS - Lending Library Intra-CCS ILL to System Wide Total Intra-CCS ILL
8. Borrowed Intra-CCS - From CCS Libraries
9. Borrowed Inter-CCS - From Non-CCS Libraries
10. Total Borrowed -

Lending/Borrowing Library	Lent Intra-CCS	Lent Other Ill.	Lent Outside Ill.	Lent Total	Percent Held	Percent Intra-CCS	Borrowed Intra-CCS	Borrowed Inter-CCS
Algonquin	2,998	81	9	3,088	2.75	4.08	1,792	25
Cary	1,296	87	9	1,392	2.34	1.76	2,219	36
CCSL	2	0	0	2	0.00	0.00	384	0
Crystal Lake	1,970	130	25	2,125	2.04	2.68	3,059	34
Des Plaines	4,532	305	266	5,103	4.79	6.17	2,611	183
Ela	2,726	110	1	2,837	2.82	3.71	3,236	10
Evanston	3,049	90	34	3,173	4.00	4.15	4,373	51
Fox River Valley	2,054	78	18	2,150	2.08	2.80	1,708	26
Fremont	1,999	87	25	2,111	1.91	2.72	2,556	31
Glencoe	1,418	55	28	1,501	2.24	1.93	780	17
Glenview	3,550	118	71	3,739	4.05	4.83	2,926	59
Grayslake	2,686	68	18	2,772	2.81	3.66	2,348	24
Highland Park	2,669	151	44	2,864	4.08	3.63	2,372	67
Huntley	1,632	58	3	1,693	2.66	2.22	2,012	20

Lending/Borrowing Library	Lent Intra- CCS	Lent Other III.	Lent Outside III.	Lent Total	Percent Held	Percent Intra- CCS	Borrowed Intra-CCS	Borrowed Inter-CCS
Lake Forest	1,283	86	0	1,369	2.86	1.75	1,393	10
Lake Villa	1,907	116	29	2,052	2.05	2.60	2,430	0
Lincolnwood	982	34	1	1,017	2.67	1.34	625	7
McHenry	1,186	79	12	1,277	2.35	1.61	1,201	0
Morton Grove	1,617	62	11	1,690	2.71	2.20	1,938	36
Mount Prospect	5,051	154	2	5,207	6.17	6.87	2,413	72
Niles	3,658	174	78	3,910	4.91	4.98	2,673	11
Northbrook	2,958	185	122	3,265	4.42	4.03	3,043	88
Palatine Public Library	3,594	117	32	3,743	3.69	4.89	5,202	63
Park Ridge	2,131	122	66	2,319	2.54	2.90	2,721	33
Prospect Heights	1,729	46	35	1,810	2.48	2.35	782	3
Round Lake	902	30	33	965	2.87	1.23	826	0
Vernon Area Library	1,775	70	54	1,899	3.68	2.42	2,271	1
Warren-Newport Public Library	1,361	20	0	1,381	2.82	1.85	2,926	41
Waukegan	1,430	16	0	1,446	2.68	1.95	683	0
Wilmette	2,853	108	65	3,026	4.28	3.88	3,850	34
Winnetka-Northfield	2,372	65	4	2,441	2.89	3.23	1,823	37
Zion-Benton	1,272	102	39	1,413	2.43	1.73	1,092	5
Total	73,477	3,128	1,176	77,781	100.00	100.00	73,586	1,119

2026 Statistics -- Morton Grove Public Library

CIRCULATION

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Prev YTD	Prev YrMo
Total Checkouts (physical material)	11,005	9,617	11,322										31,944	33,564	11,425
Total Renewals (physical material)	8,402	7,905	8,375										24,682	27,318	9,128
Downloads/Streaming															
ebooks	2,433	2,033	2,187										6,653	7,524	2,477
eAudiobooks	2,719	2,409	2,608										7,736	7,250	2,342
Movies	854	697	672										2,223	2,312	702
Music	101	72	62										235	580	211
Magazines	968	910	1,032										2,910	2,527	857
TOTAL	26,482	23,643	26,258										76,383	81,075	27,142
In House Use	1,894	1,642	1,728										5,264	4,827	1,654

PATRONS

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Prev YTD	Prev YrMo
Gate Count	8,208	8,191	9,451										25,850	26,895	9,441
Curbside Appointments	4	1	3										8	6	0
Active Cards	9,922	9,923	9,888										0	0	9,890
Other (NR Fee, Org, etc)													0	0	0
% of MG pop w/active cards	40.00%	40.00%	39.80%										n/a	n/a	39.20%

REFERENCE

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Prev YTD	Prev YrMo
Adult															
Technology and Reference	777	814	1,063										2,654	2,416	965
Directional/General Library Info	1,117	1,114	1,492										3,723	3,053	1,088
Reading Program	4	0	0										4	0	0
Youth															
Technology and Reference	394	429	422										1,245	1,514	489
Directional/General Library Info	426	310	434										1,170	1,207	352
Reading Program	166	4	6										176	244	3
Circulation															
General Info	262	160	201										623	359	132
Directional	189	121	187										497	394	154
TOTAL	3,335	2,952	3,805										10,092	9,187	3,183

2026 Statistics -- Morton Grove Public Library

OUTREACH

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Prev YTD	Prev YrMo
Offsite Visits	28	31	32										91	96	31
Audience	620	801	739										2,160	2,184	798
In Library Visits	0	0	1										1	2	0
Audience	0	0	11										11	31	0
School Deliveries	7	5	2										14	11	3
Items	156	109	19										284	233	46
Homebound Deliveries	11	11	11										33	44	16
Items	103	106	84										293	340	131

TECHNOLOGY/INTERNET USE

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Prev YTD	Prev YrMo
Public Access computers															
Sessions	703	733	839										2,275	1,946	751
Total time (hrs)	764	707	870										2,341	1,718	702
AWE Early Learning computers															
Sessions	329	588	683										1,600	1,247	438
Total time (hrs)	110	186	228										524	416	146
Public Scan Stations															
Scans	841	1,204	1,311										3,356	4,240	2,499
Faxes (pages)	182	381	387										950	721	333
Public WiFi Use															
Sessions	3,144	2,908	3,694										9,746	9,932	3,469
Website Use															
Visits	26,347	16,987	22,325										65,659	22,799	12,043
Databases/Online Resources															
Sessions	2,376	870	612										3,858	3,460	1,200
Searches	5,439	3,630	1,719										10,788	8,775	2,721

LIBRARY PROGRAMMING

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Prev YTD	Prev YrMo
Adult															
Number of Program Sessions	20	38	33										91	120	46
Total Attendance	299	467	528										1,294	1,767	726
Teen															
Number of Program Sessions	1	3	1										5	7	2
Total Attendance	32	25	4										61	14	0
Youth															
Number of Program Sessions	49	44	49										142	104	55
Total Attendance	1,394	1,477	1,165										4,036	2,764	1,510
Library-wide															
Number of Program Sessions	1	0	0										1	1	0
Total Attendance	86	0	0										86	109	0

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SOCIAL MEDIA

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Prev YTD	Prev YrMo
Facebook															
posts	15	18	13										46	56	20
total page likes as of 1st of the month	2,648	2,659	2,660										n/a	n/a	2,596
interactions (engagements+clicks)	166	320	116										602	679	320
Instagram															
posts	30	28	23										81	92	28
total followers as of the 1st of the month	2,054	2,079	2,094										n/a	n/a	1,861
engagements	475	1,197	780										2,452	1,055	441
YouTube															
videos	1	2	1										4	1	2
views	14	26	6										46	6	84
subscribers	289	289	292										n/a	268	272
TikTok															
posts	2	2	1										5	7	5
total followers as of the 1st of the month	874	865	862										n/a	n/a	706

MEETING ROOM USAGE

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Prev YTD	Prev YrMo
Activity Room															
Library	46	37	45										128	126	46
Outside Use	0	0	0										0	0	0
Baxter Auditorium															
Library	0	23	28										51	90	29
Outside Use	0	1	3										4	16	8
Cooperman Room															
Library Use	91	60	82										233	297	95
Outside Use	0	0	0										0		n/a

STUDY ROOM USAGE

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Prev YTD	Prev YrMo
Reservations	359	368	391										1,118	1,053	360
Total time	775.0	754.5	839.5										2,369.0	2,327.0	799.5

OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Prev YTD	Prev YrMo
Volunteer Hours															
Adult	136.1	87.5	118.5										342.1	362.8	109.4
Teen	0.0	8.0	8.0										16.0	7.0	0.0