



Erica Landmann, President
Tricia Bogle, Vice-President
Deborah Hall, Trustee
Carrie Johnson, Trustee
Lisa Long, Trustee

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

7:00 PM

Monday, January 26, 2026, 7:00 PM
City Hall Council Chamber
116 E. Foothill Boulevard, Glendora

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REORDERING OF AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

The City of Glendora encourages community participation at its public meetings. Speakers are limited to three minutes, and time may not be shared or transferred. A total of 30 minutes is reserved for public comment, which may be extended by majority vote of the legislative body. At regular meetings, comments may address both agenda and non-agenda items during the Public Comment portion, with additional opportunities to speak provided during Public Hearings. At special meetings, public comment is limited to agenda items. Residents may participate in person or submit comments by email, phone, mail, or other available methods. Participation options may be adjusted if a State of Emergency, Health Order, or Executive Order limits in-person attendance. For more information, see the Guide to Public Meetings and Participating in Public Meetings on the City's website at www.cityofglendora.gov/citymeetings.

1. Public Comments received

BOARD STATEMENTS/REPORTS

DIRECTOR/STAFF LIAISON AND ATTORNEY STATEMENTS

2. Report of the Library Director and Library Divisions

SPECIAL ITEMS

3. Library Strategic Vision - Update

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the Consent Calendar will be enacted by one motion without individual discussion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the governing body requests specific item(s) be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action. Items removed from the Consent Calendar will be considered after the regular items. Anyone wishing to address a Consent Calendar item should do so during the Public Comment Period

4. Affirm minutes from the September 15, 2025 meeting

Recommended Action for the Board of Library Trustees:

- 1. Affirm minutes as presented.

5. Library Events Calendar

Recommended Action for the Board of Library Trustees:

- 1. Receive and file the report.

BOARD/STAFF CLOSING COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Date Posted: January 16, 2026 10:52 am

October Highlights

Library visitors	15,472
Total number of Facility Rentals: Bidwell & Friends	63
Total City main phone line customers served	361
Total customer interactions	3,327

Library Programs

- ✚ The In-N-Out Cover to Cover reading incentive program runs from October 4-November 15, encouraging reading habits for readers of all ages.
- ✚ *Walk through History* historical walking tours returned this fall with two programs highlighting historical homes in Glendora.



- ✚ Glendorans learned about the migration and habitats of monarch butterflies and other pollinators as they explored Big Dalton Canyon during *Marvelous Monarchs*.



- ✚ The Library celebrated Halloween with programs for various ages:

- Spooky Science for elementary school students.



- Teen After Hours-Haunted Library Edition.
- The Man Behind the Monsters: History Behind Movies' Famous Monsters.

✚ A celebration for Día de los Muertos was held at the Library with crafts, games, and fun!

Library Places

- The new self-checkout machines were installed on November 3, with assistance from the IT department.



✚ Thanks to the generosity of GPL Friends Foundation, the Library purchased and received a Charlie Cart, a fully equipped mobile kitchen designed to assist with food education programs. Stay tuned for details about upcoming programming.



- The Library participated in the statewide “Great Shake Out” earthquake drill, practicing how to evacuate the Library in an emergency. Following the drill, several of the Library managers joined the City team to participate in an Emergency Operations Center exercise.
- **Library Building Updates:**
 - Public Works was on-hand to assist with building maintenance and improvements:
 - Treatment measures for a significant presence of ants.
 - Updated lighting on the main floor and in the lobby, study rooms, and staff areas.
 - The public restrooms received a face lift with new paint and lights.
 - The carillon that controls the Library clock tower and chimes was repaired.
 - Additional charging stations are now located in the lobby and Children’s area.



Library Content

- Staff are completing a collection analysis with the assistance of a newly procured RFID inventory wand.
- Due to the recent closing of the Library’s primary book vendor, staff has been exploring other options.



Library Visibility

- Recent emails were sent to the Library mailing list:
 - Thanking GPL Friends Foundation for their continued support during National Friends of Libraries Week.



- Announcing the Library Closure for Staff Development Day.
- New Library members and students who explore the Library as part of school tours will leave with stickers designed to align with City Brand Standards.



- After connecting with the Library's Envisionware representative at the CLA Conference, Glendora was featured on Envisionware's social media.



Administration

- **Staff Updates:**

- A recruitment is underway to fill a vacant Librarian I position.
 - A recruitment is underway to fill a vacant Library Aide III position.
 - October Star Service winner: Rochelle White, Senior Library Technician.
 - Library Aide I Carlos Martinez resigned effective October 23, 2025. We wish him the best.
- As part of a City-wide emergency preparedness competition, Library staff took the title of “Most Prepared” for the 4th year in a row!



The Department with the highest percentage of participants in the Preparedness Activity of the Week is:




- Library staff and City Administration attended a presentation provided by Jacob Green and Associates highlighting the results of the recent organizational assessment.
- Library Services Managers Donna Dukes and Cindy Romero attended the California Public Library Directors Retreat prior to the California Library Association (CLA) conference.



- Library staff attended the annual CLA conference in Riverside on October 24 and were joined by Board of Library Trustees Tricia Bogle, Carrie Johnson, Debbie Hall, and Lisa Long.



 *Programs and services were supported by the valued affiliation between the City of Glendora and GPL Friends Foundation.*

November Highlights

Library memberships – all ages	23,895
Number of PR emails sent	5,655
Total number of programs	34
Total number of program participants	1,251

Library Programs

- ✚ Dia De Los Muertos was celebrated with crafts, stories, and cultural activities.
- ✚ Dinovember was a roaring good time as dinosaurs came to life at the Library. Hands-on activities and fossils from the A.L.F. Museum in Claremont enhanced the afternoon for families.



- ✚ Geocaching enthusiasts enjoyed an afternoon screening of short films as part of the Geocaching International Film Festival.



- As part of a Holiday Stroll event on the Plaza, the Library joined with GPL Friends Foundation and Visiting Angels to celebrate the season and local community partners.



- Family History expert Ron Chan led an interactive session with attendees learning some tips and tricks for digitizing and documenting their family histories.
- The Annual Stuffed Animal Sleepover was a hit. Children's favorite stuffed animals spent a night in the Library, getting caught in loads of Library shenanigans.





Library Places

Library Building Updates

- Public Works completed a major lighting update on the Library main floor, replacing all light fixtures.



- Library staff played musical shelves, moving mobile shelving and customer seating into a new, easy to navigate arrangement.





- The Public Works maintenance team and Library staff were on storm watch during recent rain events. No new leaks were documented.



Library Visibility

- Bookmarks highlighting December programs are now available (replacing generic bookmarks at Library service points).



- Recent emails sent to the Library mailing list include announcements for the Family History program and new edition of the Library newsletter.



Digitize & Document Your Family History

Are you overwhelmed with binders and bins full of genealogy notes and family photos?

Learn tips and tricks for preserving your family history!

Saturday, November 22nd

12 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Glendora Public Library: Bidwell Forum

Made possible by the Glendora Public Library,

GPL Friends Foundation, and donors like you.

[Events Calendar](#)



Administration

- **Staff Updates:**

- October Star Service winner: Library Technician, Rochelle White.
- Four Library staff members were recognized this year at the City Annual Employee Service Awards for service milestones.

Congratulations to:

- Library Aide V George Waters, 20 years of service
- Library Aide III Michelle Welti, 15 years of service
- Senior Library Technician Rochelle White, 10 years of service
- Library Aide II JJ Gonzalez, 5 years of service.



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Highlights

Library members	24,116
Community Archive views	2,174
Total number of programs	33
Total number of program participants	1,790

Library Programs

- ✚ The Library, in conjunction with Recreation and Human Services, presented the annual Gingerbread House Decorating Party at Finkbiner Park. A huge “Thank you” to GPL Friends Foundation, Glendora Rotary, and Donut Man who helped to sponsor the annual event. Over 500 houses were created this year.



- ✚ Kiddos used their creativity and imaginations as they built traps to capture the “Big Guy,” Santa in a program inspired by the popular book *How to Catch Santa Claus* by Alice Walstead.



- ✚ Holiday traditions live on as the Model Trains for the Holidays returned to Bidwell Forum featuring the trains of Group 160 NTRAK Club.
- ✚ The Battle of the Books winners represented the Library in the Glendora Christmas Parade.



Library Places

- ✚ A new display highlighting past California wildfires while helping to bring awareness and safety information to the community is now available.



- As a result of attendance at the recent California Library Association conference, staff is developing a new “Teen Space” area in the Library. Staff began shifting mobile shelves and the collection and is recommending other enhancements to provide a dedicated space for teens to hang out in the Library.



Library Building Updates

- Public Works and Library staff coordinated the replacement of a broken window in Bidwell Forum.



- The Public Works Facilities Maintenance team and Library staff were on storm watch during recent rain events. No new leaks were documented.



- Following reports of dislodged roof tile mortar falling onto the walkway, Public Works Facilities Maintenance staff conducted an inspection of a portion of the Library's roof. Necessary cleaning, securing, and caulking were completed. All inspected areas of tile and mortar are structurally sound and safe. A big Thank you to the PW Facilities Maintenance team for immediately responding to our call for assistance!





Library Content

✚ The Glendora Community Archive has been updated with local cookbooks, phone books and directories from 1957-1994, and Glendora Rotary newsletters.

Cookbooks

(1976-2015)

2,405 Pages

Glendora City Directories

(1957-1994)

20,524 Pages

Library Visibility



The Glendora Public Library Newsletter is here!

Check out our latest [Library monthly newsletter!](#)

This month, don't miss holiday programs such as:

- The Gingerbread House Decorating Party
- Model Trains for the Holidays
- Create a trap and catch the Big Guy (Santa)

Be sure to mark your calendars for the **Winter Discovery Program** kicking off on January 5 and **Horchata: Sip the Story** on January 24.

Take a peek and stay connected with your community—there's always something new to discover!

Hope to see you soon.

-Your Library Team

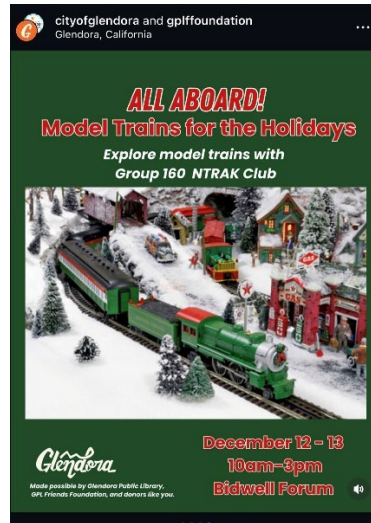
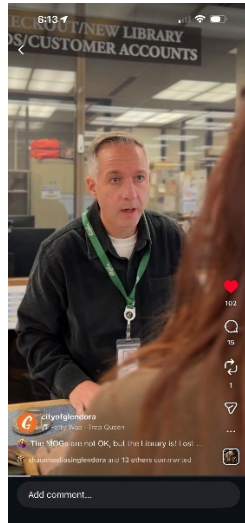
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[Library Newsletter](#)



Library on Social Media



Administration

- **Staff Updates:**

- December Star Service winner: Senior Library Technician Collette Avila.
- Interviews for the vacant Part-time Librarian I position took place on January 7.

Upcoming Items on Board of Library Trustees Agenda:

- Mid-year review of Library metrics

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Glendora Public Library Summary Data for October 2025

	This Year October	Last Year October	Percent Change	This Year-to-date	Last Year-to-date	Percent Change
Library Places						
Total Building Visitors (brick & mortar) [I.]	15,472	14,701	5%	64,744	58,482	11%
Total Virtual Visitors (web page, App page, catalog, reading recommendation views) [V.B., V.D., V.F., V.G., V.H.]	50,256	54,299	-7%	215,218	212,903	1%
Public Computer & AWE Uses [I. C., I.D.]	2,057	686	200%	7,805	3,640	114%
Wi-Fi Uses [I. E.]	206,413	140,653	47%	629,629	475,318	32%
Document handling uses, prints, public copier uses [I.G. & I. G. 1. & I. G. 2.]	5,790	4,687	24%	31,954	20,935	53%
Total Number of Facility Rentals: Bidwell & Friends Room [I.J.] <i>new July 2025</i>	63	n/a		234	n/a	
Total Number of all Programs provided [IV.A.]	40	36	11%	182	145	26%
SUBTOTAL uses of Library Places	280,091	215,062	30%	949,766	771,423	23%
Library Content						
Total Items Loaned [I. H.]	16,454	14,953	10%	66,915	61,889	8%
<i>Electronic Circulation [I. H.4.] (counted as part of Total Items Loaned) ***</i>	<i>6,864</i>	<i>4,787</i>	<i>43%</i>	<i>26,326</i>	<i>19,322</i>	<i>36%</i>
Total Electronic Subscription Resources -Searches [V. A.] <i>used to include AWE</i>	4,329	3,019	43%	14,844	11,809	26%
SUBTOTAL uses of Library Content	20,783	17,972	16%	81,759	73,698	11%
Library People						
Total Customer Interactions [III.A., III.D., III.E.]	3,327	3,513	-5%	14,392	13,044	10%
Total Number of Program attendance - all programs/all ages [IV.A.1.]	1,509	3,093	-51%	8,292	8,032	3%
Monthly volunteers and YTD monthly average [IV.K.]	54	34	59%	19	17	17%
SUBTOTAL interactions with Library People	4,890	6,640	-26%	22,703	21,093	8%
Library Visibility						
Number of publications printed [VI. A.2.1.]	404	856	-53%	2,143	2,913	-26%
Number of emails sent/opt-in PR email [VI. A.2.1.1.]	5,713	18,418	-69%	22,490	42,561	-47%
SUBTOTAL reached by Library Visibility	6,117	19,274	-68%	24,633	45,474	-46%

*** not included in sub/totals

These statistics are subject to verification.

Glendora Public Library Summary Data for November 2025

	This Year November	Last Year November	Percent Change	This Year-to-date	Last Year-to-date	Percent Change
Library Places						
Total Building Visitors (brick & mortar) [I.]	11,586	11,244	3%	76,330	69,726	9%
Total Virtual Visitors (web page, App page, catalog, reading recommendation views) [V.B., V.D., V.F., V.G., V.H.]	41,730	43,268	-4%	256,948	256,171	0%
Public Computer & AWE Uses [I. C., I.D.]	1,447	1,679	-14%	9,252	5,319	74%
Wi-Fi Uses [I. E.]	158,237	162,974	-3%	787,866	638,292	23%
Document handling uses, prints, public copier uses [I.G. & I. G. 1. & I. G. 2.]	5,292	4,123	28%	37,246	25,058	49%
Total Number of Facility Rentals: Bidwell & Friends Room [I.J.] <i>new July 2025</i>	45	n/a		279	n/a	
Total Number of all Programs provided [IV.A.]	37	33	12%	219	178	23%
SUBTOTAL uses of Library Places	218,374	223,321	-2%	1,168,140	994,744	17%
Library Content						
Total Items Loaned [I. H.]	16,596	13,760	21%	83,511	75,649	10%
<i>Electronic Circulation [I. H.4.] (counted as part of Total Items Loaned) ***</i>	<i>8,659</i>	<i>4,430</i>	<i>95%</i>	<i>34,985</i>	<i>23,752</i>	<i>47%</i>
Total Electronic Subscription Resources -Searches [V. A.] <i>used to include AWE</i>	5,854	4,971	18%	20,698	16,780	23%
SUBTOTAL uses of Library Content	22,450	18,731	20%	104,209	92,429	13%
Library People						
Total Customer Interactions [III.A., III.D., III.E.]	2,787	2,836	-2%	17,179	15,880	8%
Total Number of Program attendance - all programs/all ages [IV.A.1.]	1,902	2,035	-7%	10,194	10,067	1%
Monthly volunteers and YTD monthly average [IV.K.]	46	40	15%	23	20	17%
SUBTOTAL interactions with Library People	4,735	4,911	-4%	27,396	25,967	6%
Library Visibility						
Number of publications printed [VI. A.2.1.]	287	469	-39%	2,430	3,382	-28%
Number of emails sent/opt-in PR email [VI. A.2.1.1.]	5,655	4,761	19%	28,145	47,322	-41%
SUBTOTAL reached by Library Visibility	5,942	5,230	14%	30,575	50,704	-40%

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LIBRARY STRATEGIC VISION - UPDATE

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

JANUARY 26, 2026

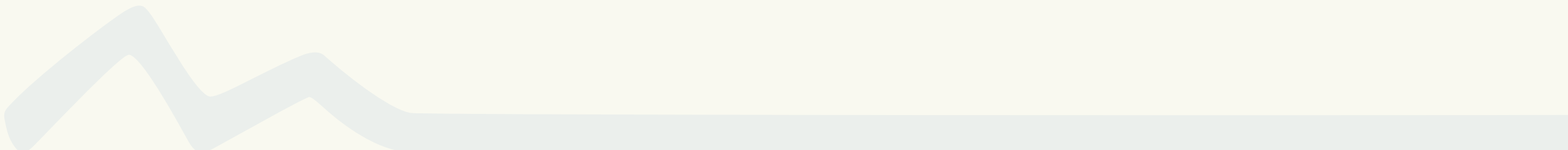
CINDY ROMERO, INTERIM LIBRARY DIRECTOR



CITY OF GLENDORA STRATEGIC PLAN

2025–2027 Two Year Strategic Plan

- PLANS DEVELOPED BI-ANNUALLY TO COINCIDE WITH 2-YEAR BUDGET PROCESS
- INCLUDES CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES
- REFLECTS INITIATIVES FROM ALL DEPARTMENTS



HISTORY OF LIBRARY STRATEGIC PLANNING

1990-1995

Created by community Library planning committee
primary roles of Library, service goals, administrative goals

2006-2010

Community committee consisting of staff, community members, Library Trustees, and GPL Friends Foundation members, led by Director
2 key service areas, annual goals and objectives

2013-2018

Developed by outside consultant with input from community, Library Trustees, GPL Friends Foundation, and staff
Service vision, 5-year strategic initiatives, first year objectives



CURRENT LIBRARY STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

2018–PRESENT

Outlined 8 Strategic Responsibility Areas

- Human Development
- Proximity
- Organization
- Accessibility
- Preservation
- Sustainability
- Interpretation and Context
- Protection and Availability

CHALLENGES

CITY/LIBRARY CONNECTION MISSING

Library Strategic planning has been independent of City planning and initiatives

LIBRARY STAFF CLARITY

Organizational assessment recently completed by Jacob Green and Associates found that there is limited strategic alignment with frustration expressed by staff at all levels.

LACK OF DIRECTION

Strategic Responsibilities do not include clear working goals and objectives

NEXT STEPS

- Simplify and reframe strategic objectives, in accordance with City priorities
- Ensure Library staff at all levels are familiar with Library priorities and direction
- Operationalize the plan, creating work plans with divisional and individual goals





QUESTIONS?



STAFF REPORT

TO: Mayor and Council Members

DATE: January 26, 2026

FROM: City Clerk

DISTRICT(S): Not Applicable

SUBJECT: Affirm minutes from the September 15, 2025 meeting

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Library Trustees:

1. Affirm minutes as presented.

STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS

Not Applicable

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This staff report requests affirmation of the minutes from the previous meetings. The minutes have been prepared and reviewed in accordance with the city procedures and transparency requirements. Affirming these minutes ensures the accuracy and integrity of the official record. Staff recommends approval to maintain proper documentation and compliance with meeting protocols.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY / PREVIOUS ACTIONS

Not applicable.

DISCUSSION

Pursuant to the City's standard practices and the Brown Act, the meeting action minutes are review and affirmed by the legislative body to ensure transparency and accuracy in government proceedings. The action minutes for the September 15, 2025 meeting was compiled based on staff notes and official recordings. No requests for revisions or amendments have been received to date.

By affirming minutes, the legislative body acknowledges their accuracy and preserves them as an official record of the meeting. If any correction or amendments are desired, they can be addressed before the final affirmation.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Prepared By:

Roxanne Breceda, Deputy City Clerk / Records Manager

Concurs With:

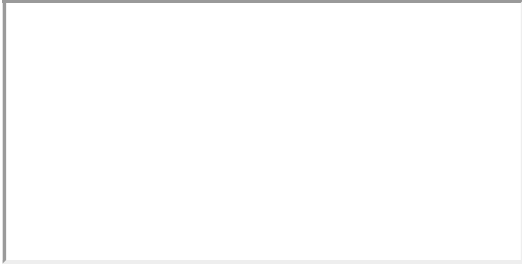
Not Applicable

Reviewed By:

Kathleen R. Sessman, City Clerk / Communications Director

Certified to Availability of Funds: Not Applicable
Approved By: Kathleen R. Sessman, City Clerk / Communications Director
Legal Review: Not Applicable
CEQA Review: Not Applicable

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Attachments

[A_September_15_2025_BLT_Meeting_Minutes.pdf](#)



CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Library Trustees meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Deborah Hall, Carrie Johnson, Lisa Long, Vice-President Tricia Bogle, and President Erica Landmann

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: City Manager Adam Raymond, Library Director Janet Stone, Senior Management Analyst Elke Cathel, Library Services Manager Donna Dukes, Library Services Manager Cindy Romero, Administrative Assistant Gabriela Thompson, Digital Media Specialist Craig Gill, Senior Digital Media Specialist Greg Morton, and Deputy City Clerk/Records Manager Roxanne Breceda

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Landmann.

REORDERING OF AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no requests received.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Public Comments received

There was no one wishing to provide public comment.

COMMISSIONER STATEMENTS/REPORTS

Trustee Landmann requested to adjourn the meeting in memory of Lois Shade; commented on receiving the Glendora Coordinating Council Humanitarian Award; and announced the 2025 Kiwanianes Club Designer Bag Bingo fundraiser scheduled for Saturday, October 18, 2025; and reported on Night on the Plaza event.

Trustee Bogle commented former Library Director Janet Stone retirement gathering the Pomona Library renovation; congratulated Trustee Landmann on the Glendora Coordinating Council Humanitarian Award; and announced that October 5-11, 2025 is Banned Books Week.

Trustee Long commented on her recent tour of the Glendora Library.

DIRECTOR/STAFF LIAISON AND ATTORNEY STATEMENTS

2. Report of the Library Director and Library Divisions

An update was given.

3. Welcome and Introduction of New Trustees Deborah Hall and Lisa Long

Introductions of Trustee Hall and Trustee Long were conducted.

SPECIAL ITEMS

4. Administer Oath of Office and Reorganization for Term 2025-2026

Administration of Oath of Office

Oath of Office was administered to Trustees Deborah Hall and Lisa Long

Reorganization of Board of Library Trustees 2025 – 2026

The positions of President and Vice-President were declared vacant.

Nominations were called for the position of President. Trustee Johnson nominated Trustee Landmann. Hearing no other nominations, Deputy City Clerk Records Manager Breceda closed the nomination period and declared Trustee Landmann President of the Board of Library Trustees for 2025-2026.

President Landmann called for nominations for the position of Vice-President. President Landmann nominated Trustee Bogle. Hearing no other nominations, President Landmann closed the nomination period and declared Trustee Bogle Vice-President of the Board of Library Trustees for 2025-2026.

5. President appoints up to two Representatives to serve as liaison(s) to the Friends Foundation

President Landmann appointed Trustee Long and Vice-President Bogle to serve as the two Trustee Representatives to the Glendora Library Friends Foundation for 2025-2026.

CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by President Landmann, seconded by Trustee Johnson, to approve Consent Calendar Items #6 - #8 as presented, noting the abstention of Trustees Hall and Long due to their absence from the previous meeting. Motion carried 3-0-0-2 as follows: AYES: Johnson, Bogle, Landmann; NOES: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: Hall, Long.

6. Affirm minutes from June 16, 2025 Board of Library Trustees meeting

The Board of Library Trustees affirmed minutes as presented.

7. Library Events Calendar

The Board of Library Trustees received and filed the report.

8. Library Holiday Hours and Annual Cancellation of Board of Library Trustee Meetings

The Board of Library Trustees 1. Approved to cancel Board of Library Trustees meeting annually in July, August, November, and December; follow annual holiday hours set by the City and 3. Annually close the Library at 5:00 PM the day before Thanksgiving.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. Goals Planning for Board of Library Trustees, Fiscal Year 2025-2026

A motion was made by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee Long, that the Board of Library Trustees receive and file the report. Motion carried 5-0 as follows: AYES: Hall, Johnson, Long, Bogle, Landmann; NOES: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None.

COMMISSION/STAFF CLOSING COMMENTS

There were no statements or reports given.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM in memory of Lois Shade.

Roxanne Breceda, CMC
Deputy City Clerk/Records Manager

Kathleen R. Sessman, MMC
City Clerk/Communications Director

Minutes were affirmed on _____.



STAFF REPORT

TO: President and Trustees

DATE: January 26, 2026

FROM: Library

DISTRICT(S): Citywide

SUBJECT: Library Events Calendar

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Library Trustees:

1. Receive and file the report.

STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Calendar of Library or significant community events that include Library staff participation or preparation. All or some Board members might choose to participate; no further group action is required.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY / PREVIOUS ACTIONS

Included in each Trustee packet; no further group action is required.

DISCUSSION

All or some Board members might choose to participate; no further group action is required.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

There is no CEQA impacts associated with the recommendations in this report.

Prepared By:	Gaby Thompson, Administrative Assistant
Concurs With:	Not Applicable
Reviewed By:	Cindy Romero, Interim Library Director
Certified to Availability of Funds:	Not Applicable
Approved By:	Adam Raymond, City Manager
Legal Review:	Not Applicable
CEQA Review:	Not Applicable

Attachments

[A. December 2025 GPL Newsletter.pdf](#)

[B. January 2026 GPL Newsletter.pdf](#)

[C. Library events in the Activity Guide.pdf](#)

Glendora Library Happenings

Presented by the Glendora Public Library and the GPL Friends Foundation.

Upcoming events

DECEMBER

SCHEMING WIVES AND HIGH-STAKES HILARITY

December 2 | 11 a.m. | Online

Author Sue Hincenbergs discusses her darkly humorous novel, *The Retirement Plan*.

NOVEL IDEA BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

December 3 | 5:30 p.m. | Friends Room

Share your favorite reads. Bring the title of your favorite book from the past year to share with the group.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING PARTY

December 6 | 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. |

Finkbiner Park

Run, run, as fast as you can to the Gingerbread House Decorating Party!

CAN YOU TRAP SANTA?

December 11 | 3:30 p.m. | Friends Room

Can you catch Santa in the act? Use craft supplies, imagination, and a little holiday magic to design the ultimate setup to spot the big guy in red.

Save the Date

HORCHATA: SIP THE STORY

January 24 | 11 a.m. | Bidwell

Taste history with Maite Gomez-Rejón.

MODEL TRAINS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

December 12-13 | 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. |

Bidwell Forum

A holiday tradition returns to Glendora! Walk through history and experience the amazingly detailed models of freight and passenger trains from the 1940's to today!

LIBRARY BUILDING CLOSED

DECEMBER 24-25 - CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 31-JANUARY 1 - NEW YEAR'S

eBooks, learning resources, streaming movies, and more are available 24/7 at CityofGlendora.gov/Library.

WINTER DISCOVERY CHALLENGE

January 5 - February 28

Get back into the reading habit as you start a new year. Register online at CityOfGlendora.gov/Library.

READY, SET, SCAVENGER HUNT!

Ongoing | Children's Room

Join our weekly scavenger hunt adventures. New themes every week. Join the fun!

Ongoing programs

WEEKLY STORYTIME

**Tuesdays & Wednesdays | 10 a.m. & 11 a.m.
| Friends Room**

Songs, stories, and early learning fun.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE CONVERSATION CLUB

**1st & 3rd Mondays | 12 p.m. |
Glendora Gardens**

Practice English in a relaxed, supportive space.

FRIENDS BOOK LOFT

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COLORING PAGES

Ongoing | Main Floor & Children's Room

New coloring pages for all ages are available all the time. Color at the Library or take one to go.

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Glendora Library Happenings

Presented by the Glendora Public Library and the GPL Friends Foundation.

Upcoming events

JANUARY

WINTER DISCOVERY CHALLENGE

January 5 - February 28

Get back into the reading habit as you start a new year. Register online at CityOfGlendora.gov/Library.

THE CREATIVE AND COMPASSIONATE ART OF SEEING OTHERS DEEPLY

January 13 | 11 a.m. | Online

David Brooks explores the science of human connections: What parts of a person's story really matters most?

NATURE, ART, AND SERVICE AS MEDICINE

January 20 | 11 a.m. | Online

Become healthier by integrating art, nature, movement, and volunteer services in your daily life.

ANGRY BIRDS: LIVE-SIZE LAUNCH

January 22 | 3:30 p.m. | Bidwell Forum

Experience the popular game Angry Birds like never before. Children TK-3rd grade.

I CAN DO THAT? ACTIVITY KITS AVAILABLE Ongoing | Checkout desk

Check out kits for science projects, hiking and exploring, fixing small electronic devices, and learning needlecrafts.

Save the Date

DR. SEUSS CELEBRATION

February 26 | 3:30 p.m. | Children's Room

Hooray for Dr. Seuss' wacky world!

HORCHATA: SIP THE STORY

January 24 | 11 a.m. | Bidwell Forum

Taste history with Maite Gomez-Rejón as she brings culinary storytelling to life! Explore the origins and variations of horchata while sampling this ancient elixir inspired by the past.

LIBRARY BUILDING CLOSED

January 19 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

HISTORY OF THE FAIRMOUNT PIONEER CEMETERY

January 26 | 7 p.m. | Bidwell Forum

David Fredendall recounts the background stories and the history of Glendora's own Fairmount Pioneer Cemetery.

SECRETS AND SECOND CHANCES WITH LIZ MOORE

January 28 | 4 p.m. | Online

Embark on a tale of thrilling twists and disturbing disappearances as best-selling author Liz Moore shares her latest title, *The God of the Woods*.

Ongoing programs

WEEKLY STORYTIME

Tuesdays & Wednesdays | 10 a.m. & 11 a.m. | Friends Room

Songs, stories, and early learning fun.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE CONVERSATION CLUB

2nd & 4th Mondays | 12 p.m. |

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Winter

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JANUARY 5-FEBRUARY 28
ALL AGES



Read 5 hours
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The Story of Horchata

with **Maite Gomez Rejón**



JANUARY 24 • 11am
BIDWELL FORUM
at the Glendora Public Library

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Featured In

Sunset

FOOD
&
WINE

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HUNGRY
FOR HISTORY



Maite Gomez-Rejón is an educator, writer and cook. She has worked in the Education Departments of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Museum of Modern Art, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and the J. Paul Getty Museum, has taught art history at the college level, worked as a private chef and caterer, and was the recipient of the 2024 Latino Spirit Award.

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GET IT AT HOME - Download or stream e-books, eAudiobooks, music, and more by visiting our website and clicking on eLibrary.

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BOOK LOFT

SUPPORT YOUR LIBRARY - Located on the second floor of the Glendora Public Library, the Friends Foundation Book Loft sells a large variety of used books, magazines, and DVDs at discounted prices. Stop by and purchase hardcover current bestsellers, paperbacks, or your favorite classics. All proceeds benefit the Glendora Public Library.

For additional information on how you can support the Glendora Library, please call the Glendora Public Library Friends Foundation office at (626) 546-1870.



FOR KIDS & FAMILIES

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CELEBRATE THE WORLD OF SEUSS
February 26 | 3:30pm | Children's Room

MARIO MANIA: RACE & PLAY!
March 26 | 3:30pm | Bidwell Forum

FOR ADULTS

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January 24 | 11:00am | Bidwell Forum

THE HISTORY OF GLENDORA'S FAIRMONT PIONEER CEMETERY
January 26 | 7:00pm | Bidwell Forum

MAKE & TAKE SOURDOUGH STARTER CLASS
Online Registration Required
February 21 | 11:00am | Bidwell Forum

OWEN BROWN & THE LEGACY OF ABOLITIONISM
March 23 | 7:00pm | Bidwell Forum

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

STORYTIME

Ages: 0-5 with a parent/caregiver
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TEEN IDEA LAB

PUT YOUR IDEAS INTO ACTION
Ages: 10-12
3rd Thu of the month | 3:30pm | Friends Room

NOVEL IDEA BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Ages: Adult
February 25 & April 22nd | 5:30pm | Friends Room

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