



**Yolo County Library Advisory Board Meeting (In-Person)
Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 6:00 pm.
Meeting Location: Woodland Public Library's First Floor Meeting Room
250 1st St, Woodland, CA 95695**

MINUTES

Land Acknowledgement

Called to order at 6:05 PM

Library Advisory Board Roll Call and Introductions

- District 1: Vacant
- District 2: Nora Brazil
- District 3: Diane Adams, Vice Chair
- District 4: Holly Bishop
- District 5: Esther Vasquez
- City of Davis: Sharon Hallberg
- City of West Sacramento: Kristin Peacock, Chair
- City of Winters: Jeff TenPas
- Diana Lopez, County Librarian and Chief Archivist
- Dana Christy, Assistant County Librarian

Welcome:

Diana Lopez, County Librarian
Introductions

1. Public Comment:

None

- 2. ACTION ITEM:** Reviewed and voted to approve the minutes from February 12, 2025, with the addition of Diane Adams having moved to close the meeting. Moved by Esther Vasquez and seconded by Nora Brazil.

3. Woodland Public Library Report

- a) Greta Galindo, Library Services Director, shared major projects she has overseen during her 13 years including the Square One makerspace, opening spaces in the building by removing tall bookshelves and walls, and most recently adding a bookmobile. She then provided a tour of the building.

4. County Librarian's Report

- a) Diana shared the revised Collection Development policy <https://yolocountylibrary.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/71/2025/03/Collection-Development-Collection-Development-Policy-2025-03.pdf>
- b) Walnut Park Library updates

- 1) Groundbreaking event is scheduled for Friday, April 18 at 11:00 AM.
- c) Staffing Update
 - 1) Updated Organizational Chart
 - 2) Two new Library Assistants started on February 24 as planned, one full-time in Davis and one .50 FTE in Clarksburg.
 - 3) Library Regional Supervisor, East Yolo was hired and will start April 21, 2025.
 - 4) Youth Services Librarian recruitment is closed and screening for best qualified is in process.
- d) Program and Bibliobus updates
 - 1) Diana shared a programs report (attached).
- e) Budget
 - 1) IMLS update and implications of eliminated funding are included in the attached report.
- f) Supervisor Villegas' office said they will soon have someone to fill the District 1 Library Advisory Board vacancy.

5. Yolo County Library Foundation Report

- a) Sharon Hallberg invited the Advisory Board to join the Foundation in presenting a joint statement about IMLS. The Advisory Board agreed.
- b) Big Day of Giving plans are in process.

6. Old Business

None

7. New Business

- a) Nora and Diane are reviewing the bylaws and term limits. They learned there are overarching County guidelines that all advisory boards fall under. Any changes to the LAB bylaws need to be submitted to County Counsel for review and presented to the Board of Supervisors. They shared questions and thoughts about how, if at all, to proceed.

8. Library Advisory Board Member Reports

- a) Holly Bishop reported the Davis Friends of the Library book sales and Logos sales continue to do well.
- b) Diane Adams reported she met with Supervisor Sandy and updated her on the LAB. She continues to work with the Archives.
- c) Esther Vasquez reported on the Yolo Car Show is scheduled for August 23, the Friends of the Yolo Library are making plans for Big Day of Giving, an Eagle Scout is planning to build a bench and a little free library, and shared information on programming at the Yolo Branch.
- d) Nora Brazil reported the Mary L. Stephens-Davis Branch is working on fixing the landscaping irrigation, refreshing the public restroom stall doors, and they recently replaced several task chairs. She regularly attends Mother Goose on the Loose and appreciates the staff and other programming provided at the branch. The artist was selected for creating the Walnut Park Library public artwork.
- e) Kristen Peacock reported the Arthur F. Turner Community Library was closed temporarily. They now have new carpet in the main thoroughfare of the library. The West Sacramento Friends of the Library are working on Big Day of Giving plans and are revising their bylaws.
- f) Jeff TenPas reported the SF Shakespeare theater company performed for the school kids, 975 trees were sold at the Tree Sale, and there will be a Master Gardener's plant sale at the library this Saturday. Youth Day is coming the last Saturday in April and the Winters Friends will be participating. They are also planning for Big Day of Giving.
- g) Sharon Hallberg reported she is on the Words Take Wings committee, and they are selecting their authors for the next multicultural author presentation to 1,400 school children.

9. County and City Officials/Staff Reports and Comments

None

10. ACTION ITEMS

Holly Bishop moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 PM. Seconded by Esther Vasquez.

Next (In-person) Meeting:

Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at the Winters Community Library; 708 Railroad Avenue, Winters, CA 95694

Items for next agenda: Walnut Park Library updates

Concert on the Court

Friday, April 11

4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

The “Old Court House” Lawn, 725 Court Street

In collaboration with the City of Woodland’s Community Services Department, this fun event will include the Yolo County Archives tabling with the Yolo County Historical Collection and the Friends of the Yolo County Archives in front of the Courthouse. Staff will be featuring objects from the Historical Collection, as well as reproductions of photographs, maps, and other historical materials. Attendees will be able to learn about the collections, the work that staff does, and how they, as community members, can engage with the collection as researchers, collaborators, or supporters. You can find more information here: <https://www.cityofwoodland.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?aid=925>

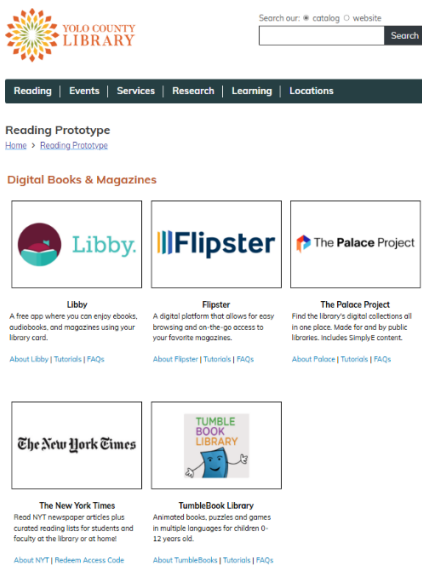
Arab American History Month



We are celebrating Arab American Heritage Month. Each library branch will have a booklet with cultural recipes for patrons to take home, and staff created a reading list:

<https://yclca.patronpoint.com/asset/66:2025-arab-american-heritage-month-bibliographypdf>

Website Refresh



An updated “Reading” page is coming soon to Yolo County Library’s website. The revamped page will have better readability. A unified appearance will be easy on your eyes and increase access to valuable library resources like the TumbleBook Library. Web designer and extra-help staffer Rosaamelia Cordova has led this project with guidance from the Leadership Team. User feedback from staff members and Friends of the Library has been particularly helpful. Keep an eye out in May 2025 for the new Reading page at www.yolocountylibrary.org/reading

National Library Week

April 6-12, 2025, is National Library Week. This year's theme is Drawn to the Library. This National Library Week, take time to rediscover the library and see how it draws us together as a community. Library branches will highlight National Library Week with library-themed book displays, Drawn to the Library bookmarks, and Library Love displays where patrons can write what the library means to them.



Additionally, on Tuesday, 04-08-2025, Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair, Mary Vixie Sandy will present a Resolution recognizing April 7–13, 2025 as National Library Week. You can read the text at this link:

https://destinyhosted.com/yolocdocs/2025/BOS/20250408_3839/15164%5F10D.pdf

Ruby Buentello, Librarian; Areli Duran, ESL Coordinator; Michelle Vidana, Library Associate; and Arturo Villalvazo, Library Delivery Driver, along with Diana Lopez, County Librarian will receive the Resolution. Diana will share some brief remarks. The link to the remarks and the recording of the presentation will be sent to you when available. You can read the County's press release here:

<https://www.yolocounty.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/84149/638793553693707554>

Let's Talk About Race in Storytimes Workshop

Thanks to a Local California Libraries Learn (CALL) grant, Yolo County Library, in collaboration with the Sacramento Public Library, is offering a free, in-person training for storytime presenters. California Libraries Learn (CALL), a joint project of the California Library Association and the California State Library. This all-day in-person workshop with author and library innovator Jessica Anne Bratt will focus on exploring themes of equity, diversity, inclusion, and belonging in children's picture books and the conversations around these themes with very young children and their families during library storytimes. The presenter will share research about the impacts of racism on children through biases, stereotypes, and erasure of identities; tips for selecting diverse and inclusive materials for storytimes; and adaptable storytime activities, tools for self-reflection, and discussion starters to embed equity-focused discussions into library programming.

Jessica Anne Bratt:
Let's Talk About Race in Storytimes



Join us for an all-day in-person workshop with author and library innovator Jessica Anne Bratt. The workshop will focus on exploring themes of equity, diversity, inclusion, and belonging in children's picture books and the conversations around these themes with very young children and their families during library storytimes.

Thursday, May 8, 2025
9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Blanchard Room
Mary L. Stephens
Davis Branch Library
315 E. 14th Street, Davis, CA 95618

This workshop is offered by registration only to library workers in the state of California.

To register scan or go to
<https://forms.office.com/q/p9j6jkhzUk>



This opportunity is brought to you by California Libraries Learn (CALL), a joint project of the California Library Association and the California State Library. CALL is supported in whole or in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

Know Your Rights Workshops



KNOW YOUR RIGHTS ZOOM WORKSHOP

FOR ADULTS FREE

Join us to hear from Clarence E. Mamaril, Managing Immigration Attorney at CCYS, who has over 30 years of experience in immigration law, and the DOJ Accredited Representatives of the CCYS Immigration Legal Services Team, who will provide valuable information on immigration rights. Ask questions and learn about your legal protections, what to do if you encounter immigration enforcement, and how to navigate the system empowered with knowledge.

Tuesday, April 8th: 6-7 PM

Scan the QR code to join the meeting OR use this link:
<https://yolocounty.zoom.us/j/82735225414>

Tuesday, April 29th: 6-7 PM

Scan the QR code to join the meeting OR use this link:
<https://yolocounty.zoom.us/j/89236719477>

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 530-666-8005 | YoloCountyLibrary.org

For Patrons: Clarence E. Mamaril, Managing Immigration Attorney at Catholic Charities Yolo Solano, who has over 30 years of experience in immigration law, and the DOJ Accredited Representatives of the CCYS Immigration Legal Services Team, who will provide valuable information on immigration rights. Patrons will be able to ask questions and learn about their legal protections, what to do if they encounter immigration enforcement, and how to navigate the system empowered with knowledge.

For Staff: Mr. Mamaril will be providing a Zoom workshop for YCL staff on Monday, April 28 at 9 am.

Walnut Park Library Update

Reminder: The groundbreaking will take place on Friday, April 18 at 11 am.



You're Invited

Walnut Park Library Groundbreaking Ceremony

We cordially invite you to join us for the new Walnut Park Library Groundbreaking Ceremony. This event marks the start of an exciting project that will benefit our community for generations to come.

Friday, April 18 • 11:00 a.m.
 2700 Lillard Drive • Davis, CA 95618

This project was supported in whole or in part by funding provided by the State of California, administered by the California State Library.

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Bibliobus



The Bibliobus is currently operating two days a week (Tuesdays and Thursdays) in the Capay Valley, Winters, Dunnigan, and Zamora areas. Around the end of April, we plan to be operating four days a week (Monday-Thursday) in the same rural areas plus Davis, West Sacramento, and Madison and Davis Migrant Centers. For more information on the Bibliobus routes, please visit:

<https://yolocountylibrary.org/locations/yolobibliobus/>

Yolo Reads/Literacy/ESL

Almond Festival Outreach



Yolo Reads engaged with 187 patrons at the Esparto Almond Fair through a variety of activities. Highlights included the Yolo Reads family literacy book giveaways, an AccuCut craft table, and an Archives Spotlight table. The Archives Spotlight featured Esparto's rich history, with a special focus on its connection to the Almond Fair, providing a fascinating glimpse into the community's heritage.

Save the Children Grant

Yolo Reads is making great progress with the Save the Children Grant. So far, we've met virtually with our group of 35 caregivers virtually, and we're set to complete the final three workshops in person. This is a significant achievement for our program, especially considering the challenges of building trust within our Spanish-speaking communities amidst the current political climate. Each caregiver will attend five workshops and graduate with a valuable collection of early learning resources, including books, Montessori materials, puppets, felt storyboards, and much more.

Library Video for Yolo County Children's Alliance

The Yolo County Children's Alliance invited partner organizations to take part in this year's Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) Month campaign. The theme for 2025 is *It Takes a Village*, and they wanted to "highlight the amazing organizations and services that make up our village here in Yolo County." They asked for quick videos that highlighted the services and support available to our communities. Kate Bellock, Library Assistant II at our Arthur F. Turner Community Library in West Sac, and a lead for our social media team created this fun, informative, and engaging video:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1on8s1gFiQKowNu0AjEqGE4TxhfENGLKy/view?usp=sharing>

Staffing Updates

Vicky Findlay has been chosen as the new Library Regional Supervisor for East Yolo. She has been working as an Extra Help Librarian at the West Sacramento and Davis branches. She most recently worked for Placer County at the Auburn and Rocklin branches, and managed staff at the rural Foresthill branch. Prior to that, she worked for the Department of Veteran's Affairs in Yountville. Vicky's first day will be Monday, April 21st.

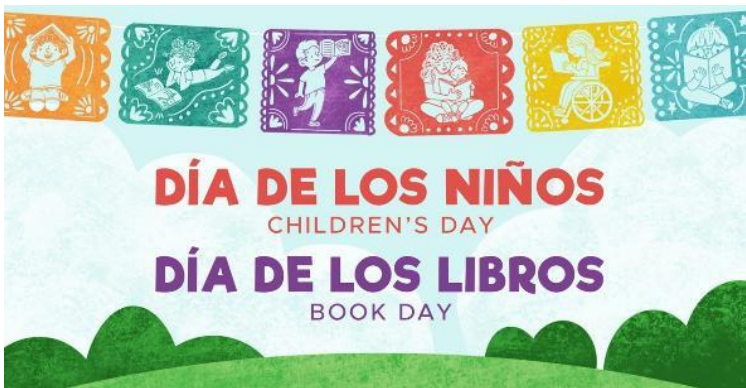
Knights Landing Branch Library's Spring Party

On March 29, over 70 community members enjoyed a Spring Party put on by the Knights Landing Branch Library, in collaboration with the library's Yolo Reads Family Literacy Services. The event included different stations attendees could participate in. The first station was an indoor scavenger hunt, where children searched the library for pictures of

different farm animals; once they found them all they were able to collect a prize and a book. The second station was bird house decorating. Participants chose their own bird house, paint colors, and paint brushes. They then chose a comfortable area to sit, enjoying spring music while unleashing their inner artist. When they were finished, they collected a bird food bag. Outside the library, local business All about a Farm brought chickens, ducks, bunnies, and goats to form a petting zoo and community members of all ages were able to enjoy the animals.



Día de los Niños/Día de los Libros



Día de los Niños/Día de los Libros is a yearly celebration that emphasizes the importance of literacy for children from all backgrounds while encouraging libraries and community organizations to inspire and empower the next generation. Throughout the month of April, family events featuring multicultural performances will be held at all branch libraries. Children who attend will receive a

IMLS

The California State Library issued a press release on April 3, 2025 stating that the CSL was notified by the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) that, effective April 1, 2025, the 2024-25 federal grant awarded under the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) has been terminated. The press release is here:

<https://www.library.ca.gov/uploads/2025/04/California-State-Library-Notice-of-IMLS-Grant-Termination-Press-Release.pdf>

We have started receiving inquiries from patrons asking how they can help support us. We cannot do any political advocating one way or the other in our roles as County employees when we are “on the clock.” However, we can provide patrons with this link as a resource if they want to learn more: <https://www.ala.org/advocacy/show-up-for-our-libraries> Also, you can learn more about the status of IMLS here: <https://www.ala.org/faq-executive-order-targeting-impls> Locally, YCL gets the majority of its funding from property taxes. The California State Library sent out an email on Friday, April 4, 2025 stating:

If federal funding is not restored or backfilled, the services below will be discontinued in the 2025-26 fiscal year along with the State Library's LSTA-funded competitive grant programs.

The services and resources currently provided statewide by the State Library that will be discontinued include:

- *Funds to add titles to California's Bookshelf and statewide access to the materials*
- *Subscriptions to the New York Times*
- *Free access to Cal Matters for Learning*
- *Free access to continuing education and leadership opportunities for library staff through California Libraries Learn (CALL)*
- *Resource guides, collections of books, and training for staff to support summer reading programs*
- *Subscriptions to ProLiteracy and Change Agent, and training and resources for local library literacy programs*
- *Subscriptions to VolunteerMatch, and support for recruiting, training, and working with volunteers*
- *Free access to PolicyMap, mapping and data analytics tool, and training for staff in collecting and using data*
- *Preservation and digitization services for your collections, training for library staff, and support for setting up memory labs*

Please note that this is a continuously evolving situation, and this is the information we have as of this writing on 04-07-2025.

County Budget Update

Department heads and their fiscal administrative teams are continuing to meet with the CAO and Department of Finance. More information is forthcoming after these meetings have been completed.

Branch Reports

Available branch reports starting from January 2024 are at this link:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/17FSUK1V_3QRUEb9BvJDKg6ia32V0pJhO?usp=sharing