

ANNUAL REPORT

"The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library."

Albert Einstein

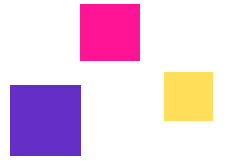
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503 4th Street
Sergeant Bluff, IA 51054
(712) 943-READ (7323)



Letter from the Director



Hello Friends,

Welcome! Welcome! Welcome!

That is the overall theme at the Sergeant Bluff Public Library. We are proud to welcome all of you to the heart of our community.

The Library offers something for everyone. We work hard every day to find the books, programs, dvds, and crafts that appeal to a variety of people. Our goal is to help you continue your journey as a lifelong learner.

Our Mission Statement

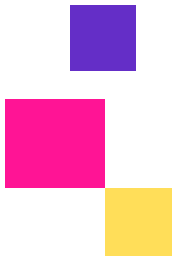
"We are an innovative and responsive community center that supports cultural programming, lifelong learning, literacy, and open access to the world of information and ideas, with a staff committed to excellence and personal service."

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Board Member:	Term:	Expiration:
1 Michael Aguirre (President)	6 year term	June 2029
2 Shannon Maier (Vice President)	6 year term	June 2029
3 Deb Collins	4 year term	June 2027
4 Jane Schaar (Secretary)	4 year term	June 2029
5 Alisha Elder	4 year term	June 2027
6 Lisa Lauters	2 year term	June 2027
7 Shari Zenor Kiple	2 year term	June 2027





Sergeant Bluff Public Library by the numbers

Programs

24-25
Adult-
Attended-
Teen-
Attended-
Children-
Attended-

23-24
Adult-5
Attended- 46
General Interest- 47
Attended- 1097
Teen-24
Attended-343
Children- 113
Attended-2502

Items Checked out

Adult 2024-25 -
Adult 2023-24 - 1952
YA 24-25 -
YA 23-24 - 259
Children 24-25 -
Children 23-24 -1965
DVD 24-25 -
DVD 23-24 - 381

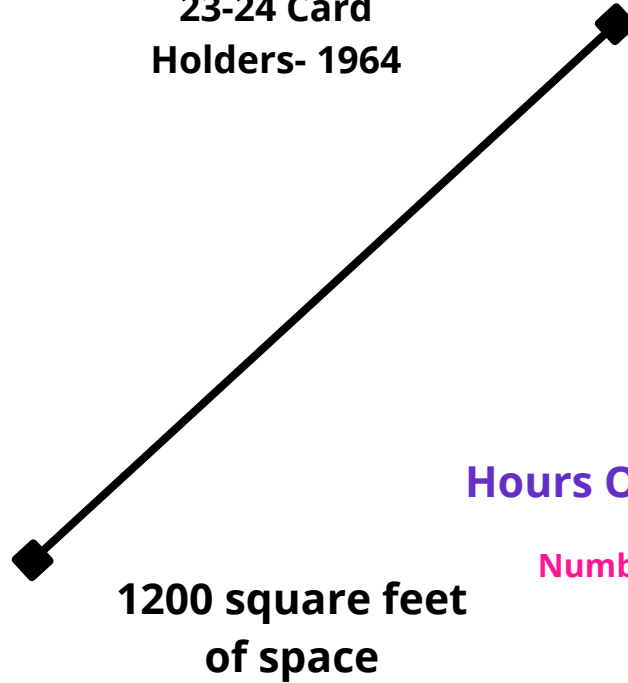
24-25 Number of Cards Holders-

23-24 Card
Holders- 1964

Hours Open- 2407 hours

Number of Computers for
public use - 5

2024-25
Total PHYSICAL
Circulation-4899
2024- 25
Total
DOWNLOADABLE
Circulation-5189



1200 square feet
of space

22-23 Visitors
- 3990

23-24 Visitors
-7787

Visits to our website

Library Size Code - E
Tier 1

Total Collection
24-25 Books-
23-24 Books -8813
24-25 DVDs -
23-24 DVDs -777



Budget Summary

CITY OF SERGEANT BLUFF
EXPENDITURES WITH COMPARISON TO BUDGET
FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 2024

GENERAL FUND

	PERIOD ACTUAL	YTD ACTUAL	BUDGET	UNEXPENDED	PCNT
LIBRARY					
001-410-6010 SALARIES-REG FT	1,615.39	41,192.24	.00 (	41,192.24)	.0
001-410-6020 SALARIES-REG PT	425.00	10,395.00	43,321.80	32,926.80	24.0
001-410-6021 SALARY-PT LIB COORD/CITY LIB	.00	.00	15,600.00	15,600.00	.0
001-410-6110 FICA-CITY CONTRIBUTION	146.43	3,770.95	4,507.52	736.57	83.7
001-410-6130 IPERS-CITY CONTRIBUTION	192.61	4,793.55	5,562.22	768.67	86.2
001-410-6150 GROUP INSURANCE	531.34	12,370.32	15,000.00	2,629.68	82.5
001-410-6170 UNEMPLOYMENT	.00	152.25	200.00	47.75	76.1
001-410-6210 ASSOCIATION DUES	.00	237.00	75.00 (	162.00)	316.0
001-410-6215 SUMMER READING	1,054.05	1,490.53	400.00 (	1,090.53)	372.6
001-410-6373 TELECOMM EXP/CITY LIB	93.61	1,128.53	825.00 (	303.53)	136.8
001-410-6409 JANITORIAL EXPENSE	585.00	3,250.00	.00 (	3,250.00)	.0
001-410-6419 TECH SVCS & SUPP/CITY LIB	179.37	4,111.52	5,100.00	988.48	80.6
001-410-6502 LIBRARY MATERIALS	.00	490.05	500.00	9.95	98.0
001-410-6506 OFFICE SUPPLIES-CITY LIBRARY	.00	601.00	550.00 (	51.00)	109.3
001-410-6507 OPERATING SUPPLIES/CITY LIBR	33.75	594.53	750.00	155.47	79.3
001-410-6511 BOOKS/CITY LIB	315.69	4,536.60	4,500.00 (	36.60)	100.8
001-410-6512 MAGAZINES-NEWSPAPER/CITY LIB	.00	.00	50.00	50.00	.0
001-410-6513 VIDEO-DVDS/CITY LIB	14.69	521.69	750.00	228.31	69.6
001-410-6514 PROGRAMMING EXPENSE	963.31	1,507.34	800.00 (	707.34)	188.4
001-410-6599 MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	.00	105.42	200.00	94.58	52.7
TOTAL LIBRARY	6,150.24	91,248.52	98,691.54	7,443.02	92.5
TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES	6,150.24	91,248.52	98,691.54	7,443.02	92.5
NET REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	(6,150.24)	(83,421.07)	(93,691.54)	(10,270.47)	(89.0)

Programs

Summer Reading
 Preschool Outreach
 1000 books Before
 Kindergarten

Book Club
 Adult Crafting
 Story Time and
 Crafts

Author Talks
 StoryWalk
 Senior Center
 Outreach

Iowa State
 Extension Programs
 Life-long Learning



5pm-6pm Jan. 11, 2025

MEET JODI ADAMS

TRAIL ROLLS ON

The Sgt. Bluff Public Library presents children's author, Jodi Adams. Hear her talk about her creative process and provide a step-by-step presentation showing how a picture book is made.

503 4th Street
 Sgt. Bluff, Iowa

SERGEANT BLUFF PUBLIC LIBRARY

JULY 31, 2025 7:05PM

MEET THE SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS

MERCSTONE FIELD AT LEWIS & CLARK PARK
 3400 LINE DR.
 SIOUX CITY, IA 51106

JOIN US AT THE GAME!

LEVEL UP AT YOUR LIBRARY

Join us at the Sergeant Bluff Public Library's Summer Reading Program 2025
 June 10 to August 5

LEVEL UP AT YOUR LIBRARY!
 See our calendar for details on programs and events for all ages!

Sponsored by Sgt. Bluff Community Action Team

Thursday, June 12, 2025
 1pm-2pm
 503 4th Street

Dragon Trainer Academy with Brock Barnabas

Technology Assistance for

libby by OverDrive

Sgt. Bluff Public Library staff will be at the Sgt. Bluff Senior Center 903 Topaz (East door) offering assistance with your ebook and audiobook needs

Tuesday, January 14th
 10am-11:30am Bring the device (tablet/phone) you intend to read on.

SERGEANT BLUFF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Join us for crochet or knitting, or whatever project you are working on! on the fourth Thursday of every month! 6-7 PM

STITCHES & STORIES

Book Club
 March 31st, 7 PM

THE RIDE OF HER LIFE
 THE TRAGEDY OF A WOMAN WHO DIES AND THEN RE-LIVES HER JOURNEY ACROSS AMERICA
 ELIZABETH LETTS

Friday, December 27th
 Bring your Teddy Bear or favorite stuffed friend to the library by 4:30pm. Your crafty will spend the night playing.

Pick them up Saturday the 28th by 2:30pm and they will share their adventure with you!

TEDDY BEAR SLEEPOVER
 at the Sgt. Bluff Public Library

December 27th and 28th, 503 4th Street, Sgt. Bluff, Iowa

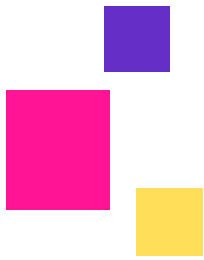
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2024
 3:30PM-5PM

JOIN US AT THE SGT. BLUFF SENIOR CENTER
 903 TOPAZ (EAST DOOR)

Join Iowa Historical Fiction writer Ann Haugen Koltz, as she takes you through the early 20th century in her program, Iowa's Prohibition & Bootlegging Legacy. You'll discover the state's Prohibition journey along with why many families turned to bootlegging. Ann takes you through the distant past, beginning with the murder of a pastor in Sioux City, the fanning of an official by the Iowa City Beer Mafia, the prominence of Iowa's infamous eye whiskey in Temptation, and ending with the current exploits of today's underground whiskey business.

Whiskey tasting follows program





eResources

Libby, by OverDrive

Borrow ebooks, audiobooks, and magazines to read on your phone or tablet using the Libby app by OverDrive. You can even send and read your borrowed ebooks to your Kindle ereader (U.S. only)! It's free and easy to get started for new users and a streamlined experience for current OverDrive app users. Learn more at overdrive.com/apps/libby/.

All you need is to download either the Overdrive app or Libby app from your app store on to your device. You will then be prompted to set up your account and select Sergeant Bluff Public Library as your library. You will also need the last 5 digits of your library card number to access.

If you have problems with your card number not working, send us an email and we will get it activated for Bridges. If you need a library card and you live in Sergeant Bluff, email us and we will get a card set up for you.

Services

Printing
Fax
Notary Public
Meeting Rooms
Interlibrary loan
Computers
Laminating
Niche Academy
Internet Service
Proctoring Service
VetNow
JobNow
BrainFuse



Staff

Mary Torgerson - Library Director
Terri Roche - Librarian
Kimberley Losee - Librarian

Impact Statements

I get to read all my favorite books as fast as I want. I like Story Time. I like to read at the library.
-Jonah Trudeau

Impact of Sergeant Bluff Public Library on Sergeant Bluff Luton Preschool

Miss Mary has been coming to read to our preschoolers for two years. We have found it to be an invaluable resource for our students. The students are excited to see Miss Mary and to listen to her read. Having her come to our school has opened up new learning opportunities and experiences for our students. The kids have gained a greater appreciation for literature and have been able to participate in voting for new books that will be published! The kids have enjoyed offering their opinions on these new books and it teaches them to listen for aspects of books that resonate with them. Through our partnership with the library, we have been able to take our students to visit the Sergeant Bluff Public Library on several occasions. Many of our students would not have otherwise known that the library was available to them. When we visit the library, the children's area is inviting and engaging to our students. They learn what a library is and that it is much more than books. Miss Mary has been able to share information about programs the library offers and many of our students have attended these programs even into the summer. Through our partnership with the library, our students have had more opportunities to engage with stories and literature experiences that have impacted their appreciation for and enjoyment of learning.

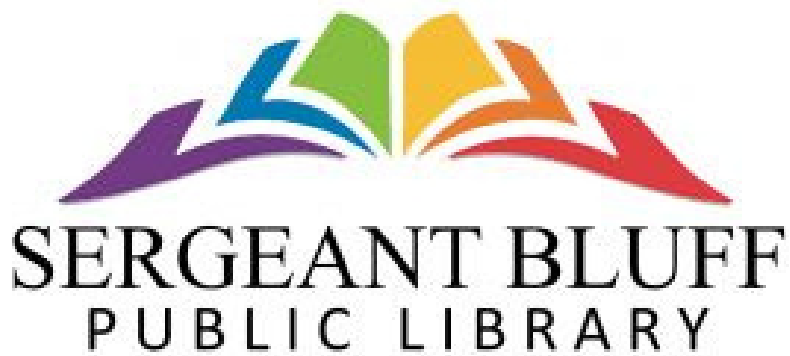
I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the partnership between the Sergeant Bluff Library and the Sergeant Bluff-Luton students. While we can work on employment skills in the school setting, the ability for our students to practice their employment skills in the community is a valuable experience we cannot replicate in the school setting. The opportunity the Sergeant Bluff Library has provided for the students to feel success in a safe community setting has more of an impact on the students' future employment achievement than many comprehend. Even though the partnership is mutually beneficial, the experiences the students receive are invaluable. We are beyond thankful for this partnership and sincerely hope this partnership continues.

Thank you for your support,

Tiffnee Perron
Transition Coordinator

The library is a place to relax, escape and connect. Having access to a library allows my oldest child and I to consume literature at our own pace. I get to share my love of reading with my kids at the library. Libraries are essential community centers where everyone is welcome.

-Mary Trudeau



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LIBRARY HOURS:

MONDAY: 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

TUESDAY: 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY: 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

THURSDAY: 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

FRIDAY: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

SATURDAY: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

SUNDAY: CLOSED

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