

Thank you to new Library Board member Kelli Primm for reporting the new proposed resolution for the April 10th County Commission meeting in regard to Library Bond fund allocation methods. This new resolution [Request for a Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 4-10-24.11A Defining the Library Bond Process in the best interest of the residents and taxpayers of Sandoval County. \(David J. Heil, Sandoval County Commission Chairman\)](#) calls for transparency in the fund allocation process and for provision of additional information to the County Commission in the decision making process for total Library Bond funding.

- Building updates: The reconstruction contracts are partially complete and were awaiting funding for completion. The funding has recently been received and the reconstruction of the building interior is now in progress. The Jemez Springs Community Presbyterian Church continues to be a generous partner in providing temporary space for the library – thank you!
- Funding updates:
 - The Village Council voted to pursue federal funding via NM legislators for the sewer plant repairs/upgrades. This affects the financial health of the Village as a whole.
 - A follow-up meeting with grants with MRCOG funding grant writer will be scheduled soon to seek funding for goals below.
 - One insurance claim has been addressed (awaiting final payment) and a second claim is awaiting review.
 - There are a lot of great people with many life experiences putting thought into how to bridge this large financial gap towards the expenses to repair and reopen the library. Thanks to all!
- Current overarching goals for the library building, which will involve input from the community (item 4) and assistance from the Library Board, as finances and time allow are:
 - Complete the reconstruction of the library building and reoccupy it. This work may be phased so that we regain use of the conference room/restroom/kitchen area for programming first while the other portion is complete.
 - Find a partner and funds to conduct an engineering study and engineering recommendations to address the presence of a more active hot spring underneath the building and other effects of severe weather.
 - Find funds to follow the recommendations to mitigate the effects of the hot springs and severe weather. AND/OR
 - Decide whether to move library operations to another location if conditions warrant a move.
- **Summer Reading Events** planning is coming along despite staff reductions thanks to many community partners! We anticipate having advertising ready to distribute to students before school is out. In the meantime save your Wednesday mornings of June & July for family events!
- **New books and dvds** are slowly being added to the small collection at the library housed at the church. Ebooks & Eaudiobooks are also continuing to be added to the collection. And Kanopy streaming video has been continued as a service of local patrons. Take a look!
- **March – April Special events**
 - Portugal Travels by Debi Peterson on Saturday March 30th was well attended and appreciated and raised funds for the FOL!
 - Open Mic Poetry hosted by Community as Poet is coming up 2pm Saturday April 13 at JSCPC
 - The library is participating in Earth Day events hosted by Jemez Sustainable Solutions in the morning and in the Health Fair at Rose Center for Integrated Health in the afternoon – Saturday April 20th.

- **Regular programming currently includes** community as poet, aerobics, yoga, stretch & strengthen, storytime (ages 0-5), Friday fun, and book chat. Thank you to staff and volunteers for providing these opportunities to the area!
- In addition to in-person services the library also offers contact-free services such as curbside pickup, lockers for 24/7 hold pickups, laptops to use outside the library, and reference via phone/ email.
- The Friends of the Library continue to be a tremendous support to the library by contributing to operations costs as well as funding all of the programming expenses and some book purchases as well! Thank you to all who contribute as volunteers and as donators of funds!!!