



City of Denton

City Hall
215 E. McKinney St.
Denton, Texas 76201
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Meeting Agenda

Library Board

Monday, May 11, 2026

5:30 PM

Emily Fowler Central Library

After determining that a quorum is present, the Library Board of the City of Denton, Texas will convene in a Regular Meeting on Monday, May 11, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room at the Emily Fowler Central Library at 502 Oakland Street, Denton, Texas at which the following items will be considered:

1. PRESENTATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

This section of the agenda permits a person to make comments regarding public business on items not listed on the agenda. This is limited to two speakers per meeting with each speaker allowed a maximum of four (4) minutes.

2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- A. [LB26-019](#) Consider approval of the minutes of April 13, 2026.
Attachments: [Lib Board Minutes - Apr 13 2026](#)
- B. [LB26-020](#) Receive an informational report and hold a discussion about the Legacy Lab at Emily Fowler Central Library.
Attachments: [Agenda Information Sheet-Legacy Lab](#)
[Legacy Lab Presentation](#)
- C. [LB26-021](#) Receive an informational report and hold a discussion regarding the Friends of the Denton Public Libraries.
Attachments: [Agenda Information Sheet-Friends](#)
- D. [LB26-022](#) Receive an informational report and hold a discussion regarding the Emily Fowler Library Foundation.
Attachments: [Agenda Information Sheet-Foundation](#)
- E. [LB26-023](#) Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding:
- Summer Reading Challenge June 1-July 31
 - Splish Splash Story Time
 - DISD Photography Interns
 - Staffing Update
 - 2026 Game On! Grant from American Library Association
- Attachments:* [Agenda Information Sheet](#)

3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

A. Under Section 551.042 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, respond to inquiries from the Library Board or the public with specific factual information or recitation of policy, or accept a proposal to place the matter on the agenda for an upcoming meeting AND Under Section 551.0415 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, provide reports about items of community interest regarding which no action will be taken, to include: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; an honorary or salutory recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen; a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body; information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the governing body that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the governing body or an official or employee of the municipality; or an announcement involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the municipality that has arisen after the posting of the agenda.

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the official website (<https://tx-denton.civicplus.com/242/Public-Meetings-Agendas>) and bulletin board at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas, on May 5, 2026, in advance of the three (3) business day posting deadline, as applicable, and in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

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MINUTES
CITY OF DENTON
DENTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
South Branch Library – April 13, 2026

After determining that a quorum was present, the Denton Public Library Board convened on Monday, April 13, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the South Branch Library at 3228 Teasley Lane, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Jean Greenlaw, Rebecca Fridley, Patricia Peters, Kerol Harrod, Kathryn Pole, and Ellen Sullivan

ABSENT:

Also present: Jennifer Bekker, Marcella Lunn

1. PRESENTATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None.

2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. LB26-013 Consider approval of the minutes of March 9, 2026.

The Board accepted and approved the minutes. Jean Greenlaw motioned, Rebecca Fridley seconded, all in favor.

B. LB26-014 The Board received an informational report regarding library collection development processes.

Rachel Reeves, Technical Services Manager, provided an overview of collection development processes at Denton Public Library.

Collection development includes a variety of aspects from selection to procurement to collection assessment. Library staff follow the Denton Public Library Collection Development Policy, City of Denton procurement policies and procedures, and industry standards to provide current, relevant, reputable, and appealing materials in a variety of formats within allocated budgets.

C. LB26-015 The Board received an informational report regarding the Friends of the Denton Public Libraries.

The Friends first fundraising ball, An Evening of Friends & Fables is Sunday, April 26 2-5 p.m. Tickets are available online.

D. LB26-016 The Board received an informational report regarding the Emily Fowler Library Foundation.

There are two potential Foundation nominees for Foundation membership. After they confirm their interest, nominee information will be provided to the Library Board for review and a vote regarding their membership at one of the next Board meetings. There have been no other updates since the last meeting.

E. LB26-017

The Board received a report, held a discussion regarding the library's 2026 Summer Classes & Events:

Denton Public Library observes three programming seasons, Winter/Spring, Summer, and Fall. Prior to each programming season, proposed classes and events are presented to the Library Board for discussion and approval. Library programs are developed by professional library staff members and follow the library's mission to transform lives, strengthen community, and inspire imagination. The library offers a wide range of programs for all ages and interests with events representing and responding to the needs of the diverse community it serves.

The proposed draft of 2026 Summer Classes and Events list includes proposed programs for May-August, 2026.

Kerol Harrod motioned, Ellen Sullivan seconded, all in favor.

F. LB26-018

The Board received a report and held a discussion regarding:

Budget Planning - The City's annual budget preparation process kicked off this spring. Staff have been preparing budget reports in alignment with strategic planning and workforce development long range planning exercises. Department submissions will be reviewed with the departments, City Manager's Office, and Budget throughout April and May. A City budget package will be proposed and discussed with City Council in work session presentations throughout the summer, with public hearings and a final budget approval in September.

Annual Report for Accreditation - The annual report for public library accreditation has been completed and submitted to the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC). The report collects information about library facilities, staffing, collections, programming, usage, revenue, and expenditures. The submitted report is reviewed by TSLAC and accreditation status is shared in late summer. At the end of the year all public library report data is available on the TSLAC website. The data can then be used by libraries to compare services and resources to peer or area libraries in the state.

Professional Conferences - Four Librarians attended the Texas Library Association Conference in Houston, TX March 28-31. All four serve on professional committees. Two Librarians attended the Public Library Association Conference in Minneapolis, MN April 1-3. Library staff attending conferences provide written reports of the training they receive to share what they have learned with the rest of the department.

3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

None.

The Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Kathryn Pole, Vice-Chair, acting as Chair

Cynthia Carter, Administrative Assistant
City of Denton, TX

Minutes approved on: _____



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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Library
ACM: Frank Dixon
DATE: May 11, 2026

SUBJECT

Receive an informational report and hold a discussion about the Legacy Lab at Emily Fowler Central Library.

BACKGROUND

Dawn Terrizzi, Special Collections Librarian, and Laura Douglas, Assistant Manager at Emily Fowler Central Library, will provide an overview of the Legacy Lab. The presentation is attached as Exhibit 2.

The Legacy Lab is located at the Emily Fowler Central Library. It includes equipment to digitize multiple types of media, including photographs, photo negatives, 8mm film, VHS, cassette tapes, slides, large documents and certificates, and more. The equipment is free to use with an appointment.

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet
2. Legacy Lab Presentation

Respectfully submitted:
Jennifer Bekker
Director of Libraries

Prepared by:
Jennifer Bekker
Director of Libraries



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Legacy Lab



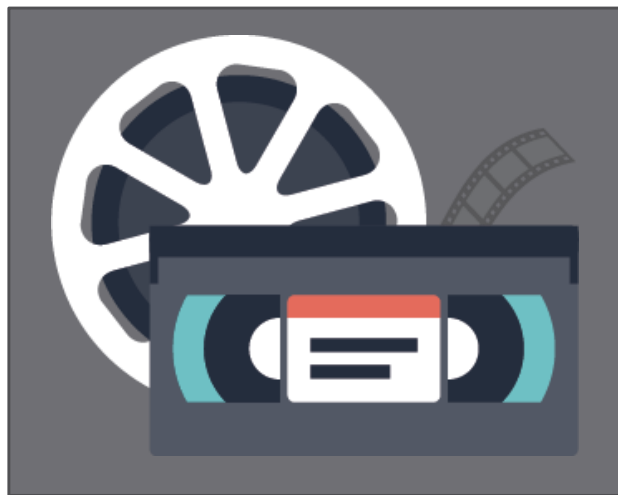
Denton
PUBLIC LIBRARY



What is the Legacy Lab?

- Self-service digital archiving and conversion lab
 - provides users with the tools and the training to digitize their materials independently

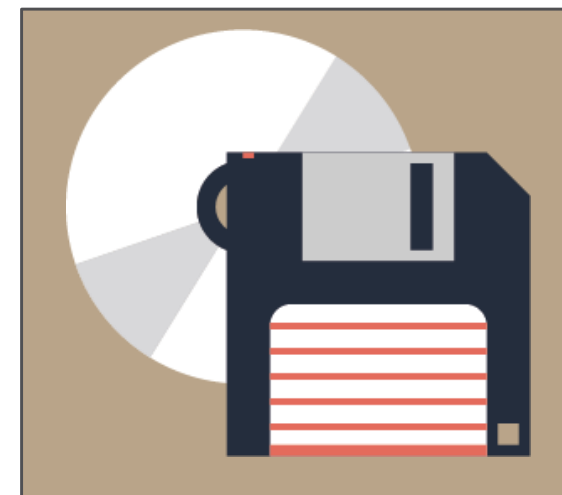
What Can I Convert?



- 8 mm & Super 8 Film Reels
- VHS Cassettes
- VHS-C Cassettes
- Hi-8 / Digital-8 / 8mm Cassettes
- Audio Cassettes
- Records



- Documents up to 11" x 17"
- Photographs
- Negatives
- 35 mm Slides



- 3.5 floppy disks
- Memory cards
- Zip drives

Need to have a DPL card.

Reservations encouraged. Online or by phone.

Available on a walk-in basis.

Read policy and sign agreement.

Training on equipment for first use.

3-hour session.

Real time transfers.

Bring external device to save work.



Epson FastFoto Photo Scanning System



Epson Expression 10000XL Scanner



Wolverine Film2Digital MovieMaker- PRO



Kodak
Slide and
Scan



VHS to DVD Converter



ClearClick HD Video Capture Box



VHS-C Cassette Adapters



TEAC LP/CD/ Cassette Device



Light Box & Slide Viewer



Media Readers



Hi8/
Digital 8/
8mm
Cassette
Converter

Software

Ashampoo
(CD/DVD burning)

Audacity (audio
editor and
recorder)

Cyberlink Power
Director (video
editing)

EZ Grabber (video
editing)

GIMP 2 (graphics
editor)

Handbrake (video
converter)

Adobe Creative
Cloud (graphic
design, video
editing, web
development)

Adobe Lightroom
(photo editor and
organizer)

Adobe Photoshop
(graphics editor)

MS Office
Products

SilverFast 8
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Accessories



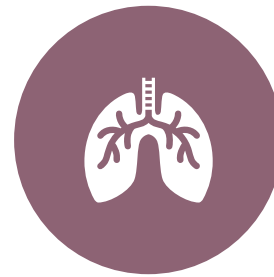
Headphones



Gloves



Microfiber cloths



Air “blower” cleaner



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VITA Tax Assistance

Free tax preparation for households making up to \$15,000 at the North Branch Library. For more information visit our [website](#).

Times

January 27 - April 15

Tuesdays 5 - 7:30pm	Wednesdays 5 - 7:30pm
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 - StoryWalks®
- FACILITIES
 - Meeting Rooms
 - Forge Makerspace
 - Legacy Lab**

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Impuestos gratuita para las familias con ingresos de hasta \$15,000, en la Sucursal del Norte de la Biblioteca. Para más información, visite [la página web de VITA](#).

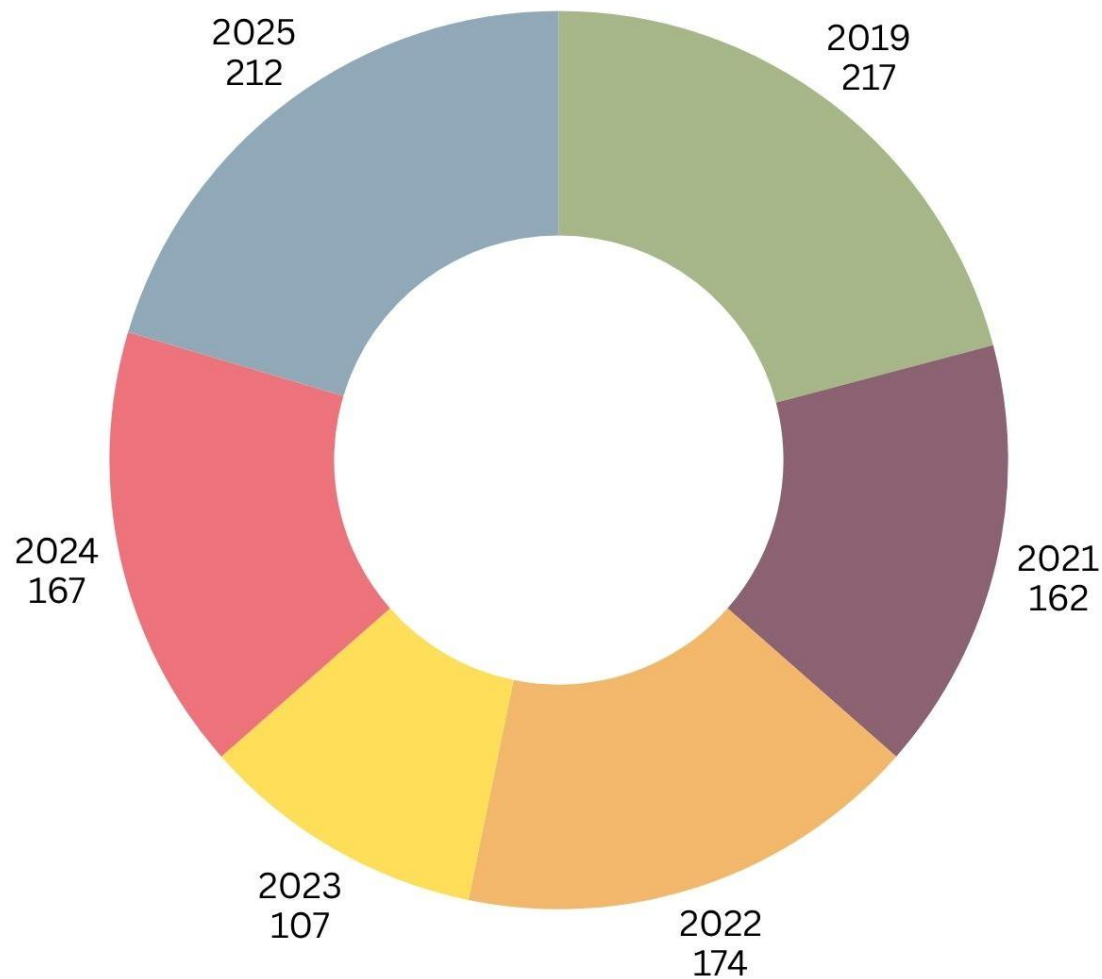
Horarios

Enero a 15 de abril

Miércoles 5 - 7:30pm	Sábados 9:30am - 1pm
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Thank you! Questions?



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Special Collections Librarian

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BACKGROUND

The Friends of the Denton Public Libraries is a nonprofit organization that supports the Denton Public Library through community service and fundraising to provide materials and equipment to improve and extend Library services. This report provides an update on the organization's activities and fundraising efforts.

The Friends cancelled their fundraising ball, An Evening with Friends and Fables, due to low ticket sales. Ticket charges were refunded to those who purchased the tickets. The Friends Big Book Sale is May 8 (members only) and May 9.

2026 Friends Executive Board Meetings (in North Branch Meeting Room at 5:30 p.m.)

Thursday, April 9, 2026

Thursday, July 9, 2026

Thursday, October 8, 2026

2026 Friends Big Book Sales (in North Branch Meeting Room)

Friday, May 8, 2026 (members-only presale) & Saturday, May 9, 2026

Friday, August 7, 2026 (members-only presale) & Saturday, August 8, 2026

Friday, November 13, 2026 (members-only presale) & Saturday, November 14, 2026

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet-Friends

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BACKGROUND

The Emily Fowler Library Foundation is a nonprofit organization that supports the Denton Public Library's mission. This report provides an update on the Foundation's activities, goals, and fundraising efforts.

The Foundation currently has rolled the \$100,000 CD into a brokerage account for \$50,000. The other \$50,000 is set aside in their checking account for Special Collections projects, as the funds were specified for use. The Foundation checking account has a balance of \$11,626.08 as of the latest statements in February, 2026. The Foundation's goal is to focus on bequests or planned giving donations that can be used for large scale Library initiatives or capital projects.

The Foundation meets again on May 13, 2026.

2026 Upcoming Meetings:

Wednesday, May 13, 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 5, 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 4, 3:30 p.m.

RECOMMENDATIONS

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet-Foundation

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BACKGROUND

The 2026 Summer Reading Challenge literacy initiative is in the final stages of planning. The theme is “Unearth a Story,” featuring dinosaurs, paleontology, and archeology. The reading program runs during the months of June and July. Starting June 1, readers can log into the ReadSquared software to register and begin tracking reading. After 5 hours of reading, participants earn a certificate and a drawing entry into a prize pack of their choice. Once participants complete the program by reading an additional 5 hours (10 hours total), they receive a book and another entry for a prize pack of their choice. Readers earn an additional entries for prize pack drawings for each additional 5 hours they read to continue building the habit of reading.

The library is partnering with Denton Water Works Park to offer Splish Splash Story Times each Thursday morning at 10 a.m. in June and July. Admission is waived and attendees can enjoy the Children’s Play Pool until 10:45.

Two photography interns from Denton ISD’s LaGrone Academy spent three weeks photographing the library and editing photos. The photos will be used in various library marketing and informational materials.

The library is in the process of posting, interviewing, and hiring for a variety of positions that will lead to full staffing levels across the system. A full-time Adult Services Librarian at Emily Fowler, a part-time Library Specialists in Technical Services, and six part-time seasonal page positions are in various stages of being filled.

Denton Public Library has been awarded the American Library Association’s 2026 Game On! grant for \$1,000. The grant funds a project to work with teens in the Juvenile Detention Center. The project aims to build communication, collaboration, creativity, empathy, and problem-solving skills in a fun

environment by teaching them to play tabletop role-playing games, like Dungeons & Dragons. The program will also build literacy skills as it requires reading and writing to develop characters and understanding complex rules. The grant program and submittal were developed by Haley Phillips, Outreach Librarian, Ross Scoggin, Teen Librarian at South Branch, and Robbie Sittel, South Branch Manager.

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