



2022 Library Visit Interview Form

Library Name: Sun Prairie Public Library

Certification Grade: 1

Date of visit: 9/9/2022

Library staff present at the visit: Svetha Hetzler

SCLS staff present: Shawn Brommer

Amount of time spent at visit: 1 hour

[Please limit this section to the answers to the specific questions, and include as much detail as possible. Report other information or observations in the “other information” section below.]

1. How are you and your staff doing?

I think we are doing really well! We seem to have returned to pre-pandemic levels of activity since this summer and I think that has been very positive for everyone.

2. What are the next projects (big or small) on your library's to-do list?

We are developing a new three year strategic plan for 2023-2025 and are close to having the plan in place which will help us set priorities for our annual work plan. The next big project for me, the Library Board, and the management team is continuing to advance our expansion and renovation project. In 2023, we begin the full design phase and anticipate to break ground in 2024.

Library staff is looking to add the following for next year:

Artist-in-Residence program (Indigenous/Ho-Chunk)

Affinity programs (Black/African American, Hispanic, and Hmong)

Outdoor lockers for after hours

3. Are there service changes or new services from the last two years that you plan on continuing?

Drive-up pick up

Some virtual programming

Enhancing digital collections (we have a budget initiative to add more funds for Hoopla and the SPPL Foundation is funding Kanopy)

We are also hoping to add a Bilingual Spanish-English position due to a current vacancy

4. How can SCLS help?

We may need assistance in finding presenters and ideas for the affinity programs so that we can successfully attract and meet the needs of our underrepresented community members.

5. Is there anything else you'd like to share or discuss?

Svetha was very appreciative of the support that Shawn and Mark Jochem provided in the creation of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, which helps the library board look at policies, services, practices, and culture through a lens of inclusion and belonging.

Other information gathered at the visit (interesting tidbits, general impressions of the library, or alternative topics):