

STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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Stanislaus County Library Fact Sheet

Library Mission: Stanislaus County Library engages all members of the community and offers access to information, knowledge, and the tools for innovation and personal development.

The Stanislaus County Library system consists of libraries located in Ceres, Denair, Empire, Hughson, Keyes, Modesto, Newman, Oakdale, Patterson, Riverbank, Salida, Turlock, and Waterford. In addition, pop-up libraries are located at the United Community Center in Grayson, the WIC (Women, Infants and Children nutrition program) office, and the Juvenile Justice Center. www.stanislauslibrary.org/about-hours.shtm

The Library Advisory Board is appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Members serve in an advisory and oversight capacity. www.stanislauslibrary.org/about_advisory_board.shtm

FY 2018-19 Operating Budget: \$12,199,878

The Stanislaus County Library is funded primarily through a 1/8-cent special sales tax, which expires in June 2030. Other revenue comes from the county, grants, fines/fees, the Stanislaus County Library Foundation and Friends of the Library.

Library Materials:

The library offers books, including large print, magazines, and newspapers, in hard copy and digital formats. Audiobooks and movies are available on CD/DVD or for download. Library databases offer information for all ages and learning materials on a wide range of topics, from basic reading, writing and math, to college and career preparation, including test preparation, resume builders and interviewing advice. www.stanislauslibrary.org/database_main.shtm

Expanded access is offered through collaborative programs such as Link+ and Zip Books. Link+ is a free service which allows customers to borrow from more than 90 public and academic libraries in California and Nevada. Through Zip Books customers can request books and audiobooks the library doesn't already offer, delivered directly to the customer's home, then added to library collection when the item is returned to the library.

The library offers public computers and free wifi at all library branches. Chromebooks are available for use inside the library.

Programming:

Weekly Story Times are offered at all library branches, supporting early literacy development. Special programs, such as puppet shows, magic performances, storytellers and music performances are offered throughout the year, supporting cultural literacy and encouraging the imagination.

Science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM) programs give school-age children hands-on learning opportunities with related library materials incorporated in the programming. Game days, trivia contests and escape room activities also give students fun opportunities to exercise their minds and explore the library.

Programs for adults include one-on-one literacy tutoring, home delivery for homebound residents, and presentations on topics of interest such as estate planning. Modesto and Salida Libraries offer passport application acceptance service.

Stanislaus County Library Apps:



Using the Stanislaus County Library app, customers can search the library catalog, place and renew holds, review library card accounts, pay fines, access library databases and eResources, such as eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, Mango Language Learning and more. The Stanislaus County Library app is available at the App Store and Play Store, or by using the QR code.

www.stanislauslibrary.org offers additional links and resources.