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SUBJECT: 6-month Update of Library Expanded Hours

In April 2019, the Fort Worth Public Library added 202 additional open hours per week across the city. As the library works to break down barriers to access and create a more welcoming and inclusive environment, being open when families are able to visit is extremely important. The purpose of this IR is to give a six-month expanded hours update.

As a reminder, the additional hours were achieved with <u>no additional library FTE and no increase to the library's budget</u>.

The expanded hours provided an additional 20 hours a week for patrons to visit regional libraries, 14 more hours a week at local branches, and an additional 8 hours at the central library downtown. Satellite locations such as BOLD, COOL, and Cambridge Court maintained their original hours. The Central and regional libraries are now open seven days a week and all neighborhood branches throughout the city are open six days a week. Individuals and families can now enjoy more evening hours. Monday through Thursday, all branches are open until 8 p.m. and until 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Locations with Sunday hours are also open until 6 p.m.

While six-months is not long enough to measure ongoing success, it is illustrative of a positive trend. When libraries are open during the times needed, more residents will use this valuable city service.

Increased Library Usage – average across multiple areas

With no additional staff

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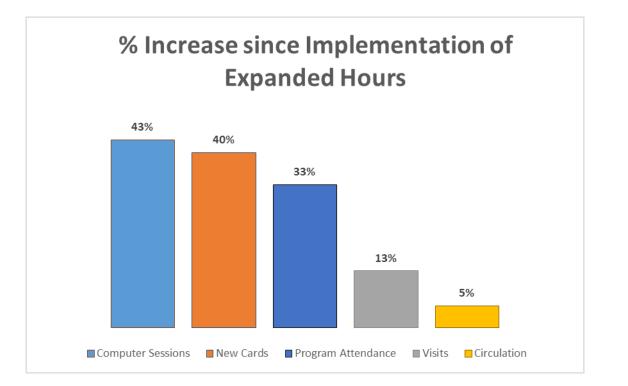
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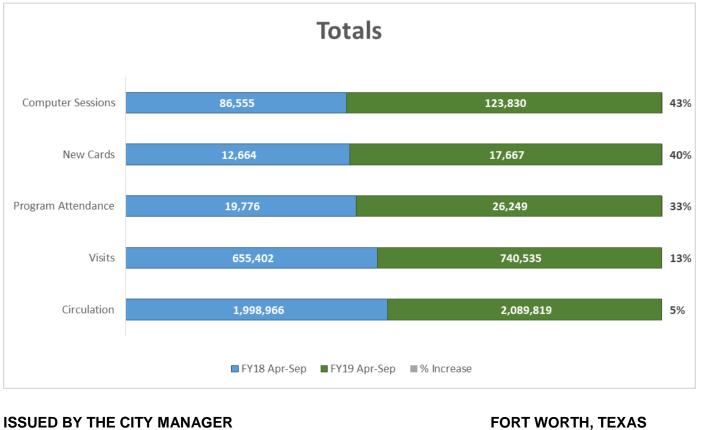
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Circulation				
OverDrive	28,174	41,810	48%	
Southwest Regional	306,979	442,355	44%	
Diamond Hill-Jarvis	37,858	49,170	309	
eSkills Library and	23,123	25,966	129	
Northwest Branch	166,087	181,382	9%	
East Regional Library	137,370	149,208	9%	
Riverside Branch	40,347	42,870	6%	
Summerglen Branch	333,609	340,606	2%	
East Berry Branch	64,513	62,211	-4%	
Ella Mae Shamblee	48,224	45,221	-6%	
Ridglea Branch	209,133	188,299	-10%	
Seminary South	113,502	101,265	-119	
Central Library	296,745	264,032	-119	
Northside Branch	49,526	43,680	-129	
Wedgwood Branch	143,776	111,744	-22%	
	■ FY18 Apr-Sep ■ FY19 Apr-Sep	■% Increase/Decrease		

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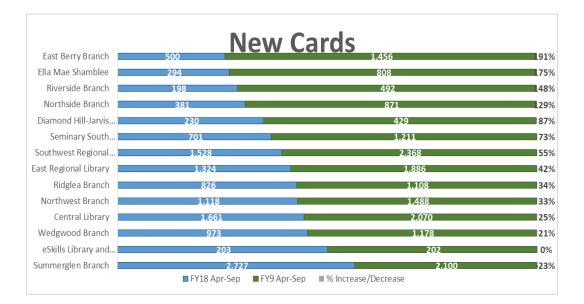
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Southwest Regional	5893	10,376	7
East Regional Library	8034	13,519	6
Central Library	15999	26,166	6
Northwest Branch	2877	4,218	4
Seminary South Branch	6954	9,742	4
amond Hill-Jarvis Branch	3229	4,325	3
East Berry Branch	7014	9,376	3
Ridglea Branch	7408	9,788	3
Summerglen Branch	6138	8,032	3
Northside Branch	3485	4,558	3
Ella Mae Shamblee	4992	6,402	2
Wedgwood Branch	6652	8,170	2
Riverside Branch	3106	3,705	1
eSkills Library and Job	4774	5,453	1

If you have any questions concerning this information, please contact Manya Shorr, Library Director at 817-392-7707 or manya.shorr@fortworthtexas.gov.

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