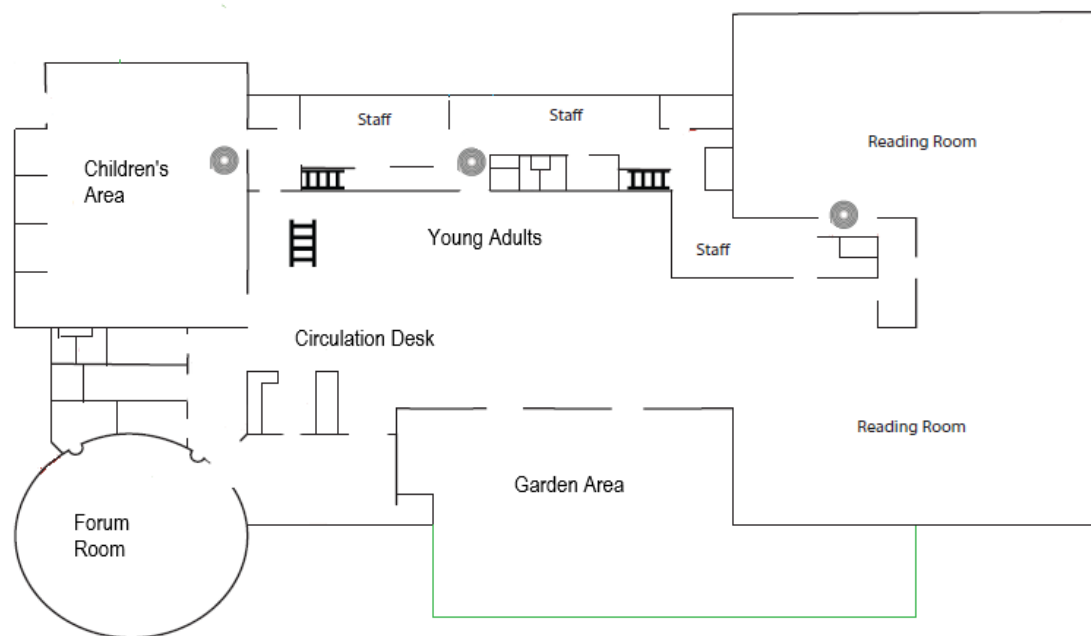
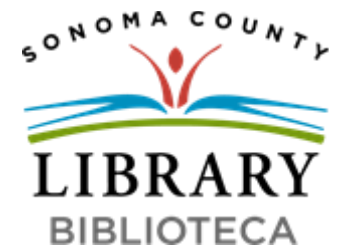


Note to Caregivers: The purpose of this book is to help prepare children for a visit to the Sonoma County Public Library's Central Santa Rosa Library. Reading this book before you visit the library will help your child gain familiarity with the library so they can feel comfortable during their visit.

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Central Main



This is my Library...



This is my library, the Central Santa Rosa Library. I go to the library to access information and services. There are books I can read and programs I can participate in.





I have a statue of Charlie Brown outside my library.

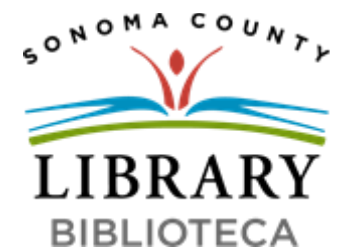


These are the times I can visit my library.

- Monday 10-6
- Tuesday 10-8
- Wednesday 10-8
- Thursday 10-6
- Friday 10-6
- Saturday 10-6
- Sunday 1-5

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The library sometimes closes for holidays. I can call and ask if they will be open.







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When I go inside the library, I am greeted by library staff.



This is where I can get help in my library...



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The librarian wears a nametag. The librarian is very helpful. I can ask the librarian to help me find books, movies and games. The librarian likes answering my questions.



At my library, the room with books for children is on the left. This is area is just for children and their grown-ups. There are many books in my library. They are neat and organized and all have a space on the shelf where they belong. My library has rules. I will talk quietly. I will walk. I will stay with my grown-up.



There are many chairs at my library...



When I find a book I like, I can sit in a chair and read. Sometimes when there are lots of children here, the children's area can be noisy and busy when people are talking and playing.





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If it gets too loud in the library, I can ask for the sensory kit at the same desk where I ask for help...



My library has computers. I can use some of the computers to find books and movies at the library. On the children's computers, I can play games.



This is a restroom at my library. There are two restrooms in the children's area. I wash and dry my hands when I am finished.





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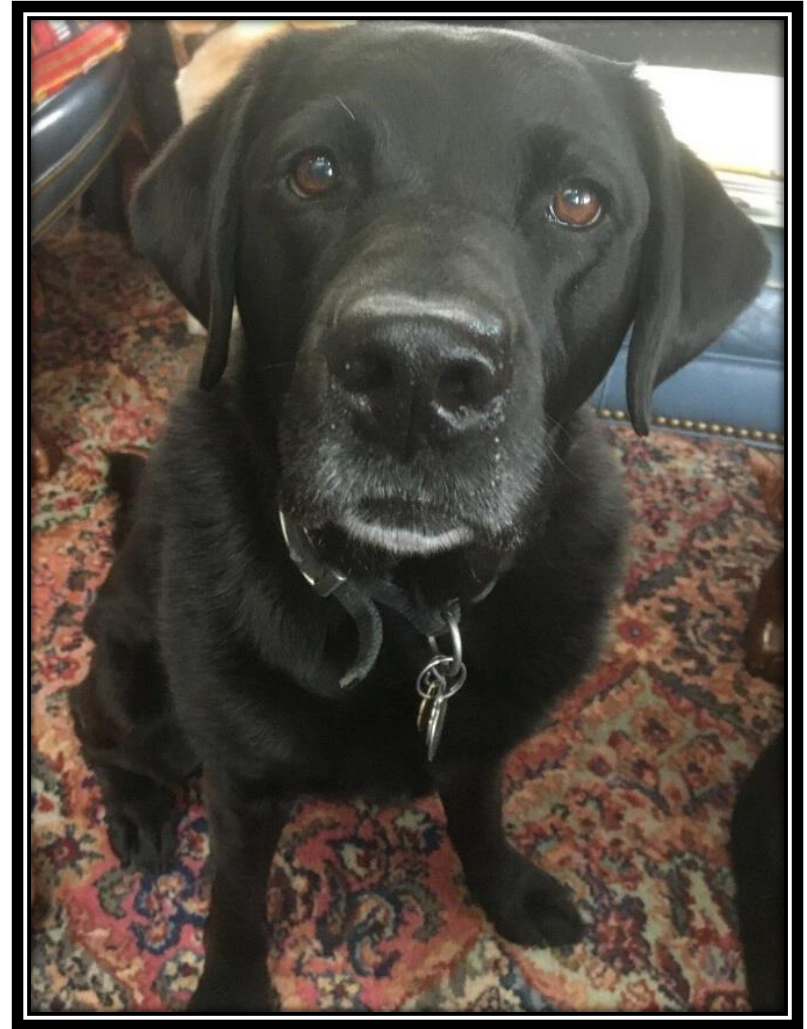
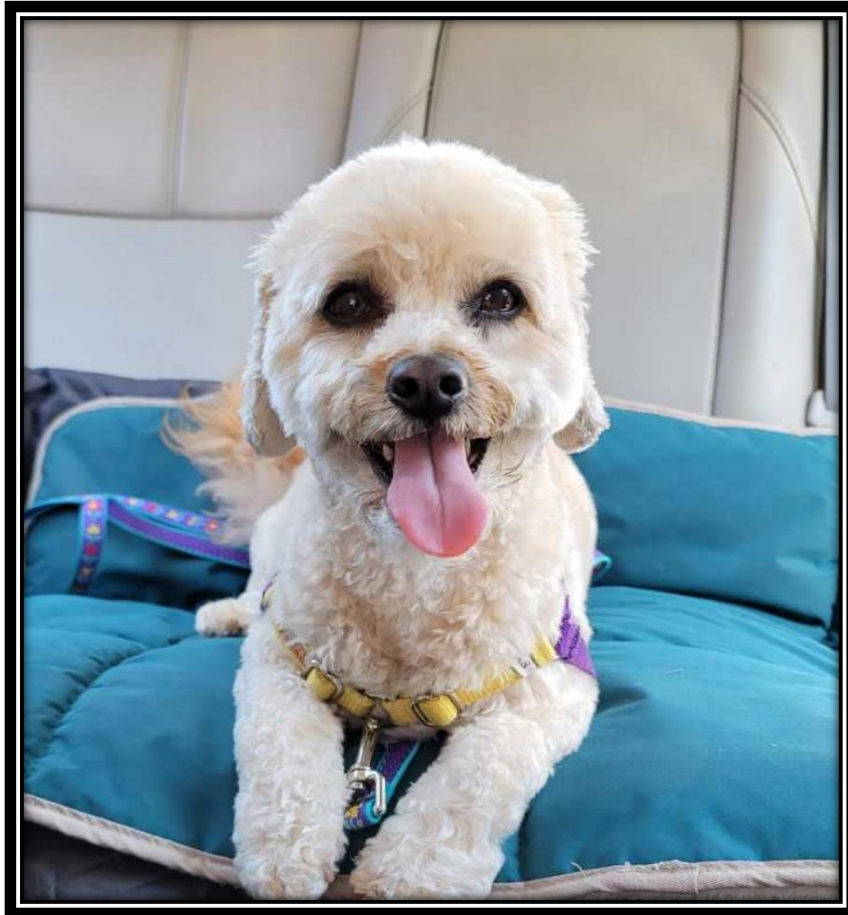
This is the forum room at my library. Some days, there are storytimes at the library. When storytime is inside, this is where I will go. The librarian will read to me, and we will sing songs together.

Storytime is fun and sometimes it is noisy. Some days there are other programs in this room like music and other performers.



Some days storytime is outside in the garden. On those days, this is where I will go. It can get noisy in the garden when everyone sings or a loud truck goes by.





On very special days there is a dog at my library...

I get to read to the dog. The dog is a very good listener.





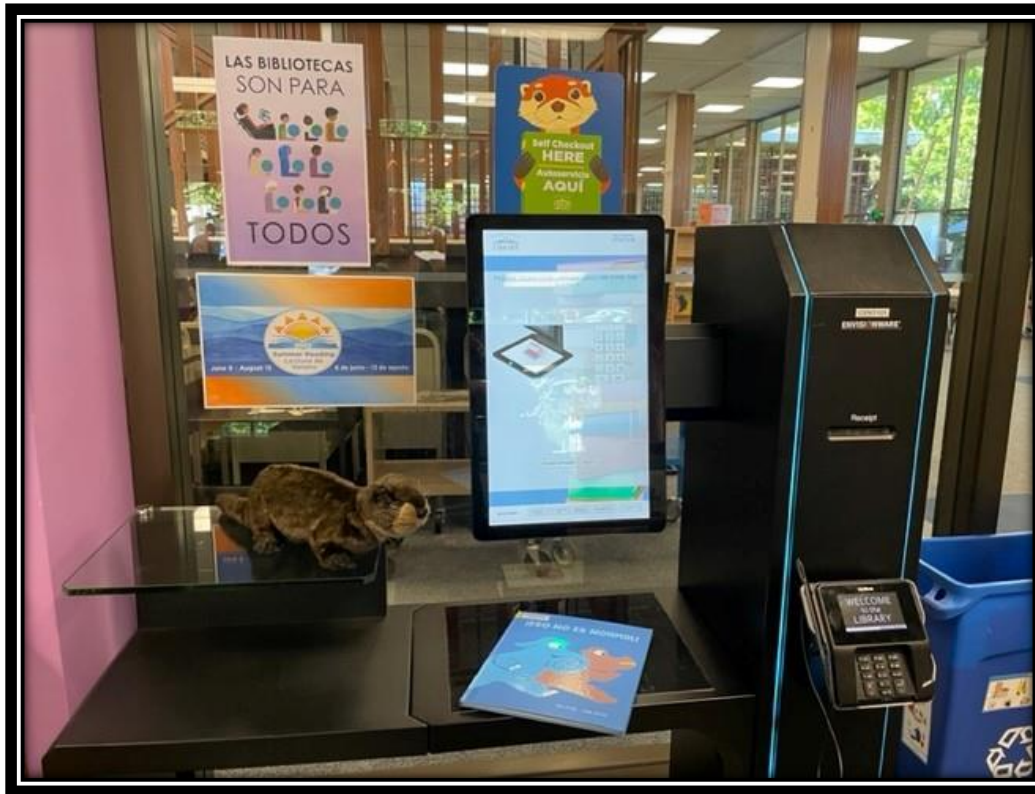
This is a library card...



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Having a library card at my library lets me check out things like books and more. There are rules about getting and using a library card. A librarian can provide me with more information about getting and using my library card.



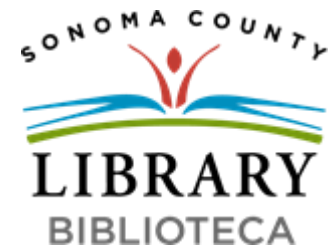


When I am ready to leave the library I need to check out the items I want to borrow. I will use my library card to checkout my items. I can bring them to the Circulation Desk or the Librarian can also check out my books. I can also use the self-checkout machine to check out my own things. Every time I scan a book or movie, it makes a beep. I will hear lots of beeping sounds at this desk. Sometimes there is a line and I will be patient as I wait my turn.

This is the book return at my library...



When it is time to return my items, I will put them carefully in the book drop outside of my library. I can return my items here on days when I'm not going inside.





I had fun at my library. I will come back soon when it is time to return the items I checked out and find new books and movies. I hope to visit again soon!

