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YOUR LIBRARY AT WORK

• There are more than 853,000 books (including large print), books on tape/ cd, videotapes, magazines, newspapers and premium online resources available at the library each day.

• In 2005-2006, there were 20,434 new library cards issued.

• More than 85,027 new items were added in 2005-2006.



BookBabies and StoryTimes to business research and homework, the Stanislaus County Library has what you need. Friendly staff will guide you, helping you find exactly what you're seeking. Last year, area residents checked out more than 2.2 million items at 13 convenient library locations. Visit the Stanislaus County Library – for an adventure down every aisle.



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REFERENCE & COMPUTERS

• Telephone reference/information is available seven days a week at (209) 558-7814.

• The Special Collections Room at the Modesto Library is staffed by volunteers from the Stanislaus County Genealogical Society: Mondays 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

• With 245 public computer stations countywide, the library provides access to office programs, Internet searching and library resources.

• Search the library catalog, place holds, renew items checked out and apply for a library card online.

• Email a librarian with your questions or use Ask Now – 24/7 Reference for immediate assistance through an online chat.

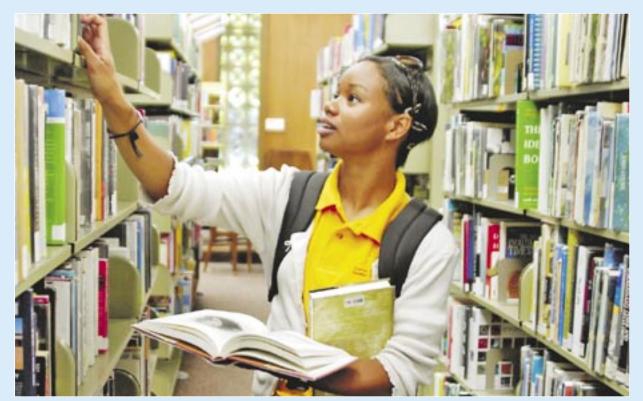
• Find magazine articles, auto repair manuals, business directories, position papers on social issues, biographies and essays on books and authors using the library's online subscriptions.

Get connected at *www.stanislauslibrary.org*



reference

librarians at the Stanislaus County Library are experts at helping people find information. Whether they're helping a student find information for school, helping a business person search for prospects, or recommending books for pleasure reading, they can help customers find the information they need. In fact, last year librarians answered 157,755 reference questions.



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CHILDREN'S SERVICES

• Last summer, 450 teens participated in the Teen Summer Reading Club. They read 2,977 books.

• More than 6,400 children participated in the Summer Reading Club. As a group, they read more than 25,000 hours.

• Through a Children & Families Commission grant, the library established Traveling Tales. This innovative program provides training and storytelling kits for childcare providers serving children ages 0-5. Currently, 106 childcare providers participate, checking out an average of 130 kits per month. This represents a 28 percent increase in circulation over the previous year.





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Libraries make reading and learning fun. Weekly StoryTimes are offered at all 13 libraries – developing pre-reading skills in even the youngest children. Children also participate in craft projects, special storytelling events and musical performances. Last year, children attended StoryTime 39,914 times countywide. Families are reading at home, too. More than 1 million children's books were checked out last year.

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HOME Delivery Service

For more than 30 years, the library's Home Delivery Service has been a vital link for those who cannot come to the library. This nationally recognized, award-winning program operates with the help of 24 friendly volunteers who select and deliver books, large-print books, books on tape/cd, magazines, videos and DVDs to 231 homebound residents in private homes and retirement facilities.

To volunteer or learn more about this service, call (209) 558-7817.





dedicated volunteers

visit their customers faithfully, often developing close friendships. For homebound residents, the books are a blessing that help fill the hours of sometimes lonely days. Volunteer visits and library materials provide a lifeline to the world for homebound borrowers.

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improving literacy skills among Stanislaus Coun-

literacy skills among Stanislaus County's adults is essential to building a stronger, healthier workforce. Through ReadingWorks, a partnership with the Stanislaus Literacy Center, volunteers conduct individual or smallgroup tutoring sessions at libraries, and other training centers. As a result, 1,212 adults improved their reading and writing skills last year. Tutors are always needed and they make a tremendous difference in the lives of their students.





LITERACY

• Last year, 77 percent of students improved their reading skills by one test level.

- 58 percent of employed students improved on their jobs.
- 81 percent read more often to their children.

For more information about becoming a tutor or getting help, call (209) 558-4505.

COMPUTER LITERACY

• Through Bridges to Technology, 161 small-group computer classes were offered countywide in 2005-2006, serving 536 students.

• Each quarter, the library hosts **Web Wednesday** technology classes offered in partnership with modbee.com. Attendees learned about topics such as digital photography, photo editing, digital video and online college and scholarship research.

For more information about computer classes, call (209) 558-7814.



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port their local branch library through advocacy and fundraising for special library needs. Anyone can join the Friends of the Library – annual membership dues, which are minimal, are set and collected by each Friends of the Library group. Most Friends groups hold a used book sale one or more times per year, sharing books with others, while raising funds to support their library.

Friends of the Library groups have purchased shelving, children's books and craft supplies. They often provide funding to bring professional children's performers to the library, support teen programs and offer incentive prizes to encourage children and teens to read. During National Library Week, Friends of the Hughson Library members visit classrooms, reading to children and encouraging them to sign up for a library card.

These are just a few examples of Friends activities. There are Friends of the Library groups in Ceres, Hughson, Modesto, Oakdale, Patterson, Salida, Turlock and Waterford. For more information about each Friends group, visit www.stanislauslibrary.org and click on "About the Library," then "Friends of the Library."



STANISLAUS County Library Foundation

For more than a decade, the Stanislaus County Library Foundation has supported programs throughout the county library system. The Foundation has also secured grant funding from Omega Nu for the children's dinner theater series and from the Modesto Sunrise Rotary for children's programs.

The Foundation raises funds through private donations and special projects, such as:

• The Adult Spelling Bee, next scheduled for April 2007.

• An annual mail campaign, which raised \$22,000 last year.

• A Web site (www.stanislauslibraryfoundation.org) with links to Amazon.com and BarnesandNoble.com that generate revenue for the foundation with each purchase.

The Foundation provides a monthly book review publication called "Book Page" (available at all libraries). In support of literacy, the Foundation is sponsoring a tutor recruitment campaign. Teen programs and a scholarship for staff pursuing careers as professional librarians are also being offered this year.

For more information about the Stanislaus County Library Foundation, please visit www.stanislauslibraryfoundation.org, call (209) 531-3031 or email info@stanislauslibraryfoundation. org.

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CIRCULATION STATISTICS 2005-06

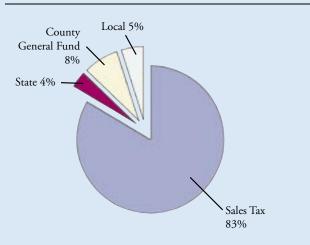
Ceres	104,865
Denair	25,022
Empire	16,158
Hughson	25,363
Interlibrary Loan Keyes	1,484 20,408
Modesto	1,058,262
Newman	38,054
Oakdale	134,126
Patterson	87,370
Riverbank	65,356
Salida	272,590
Turlock	296,421
Waterford	57,445

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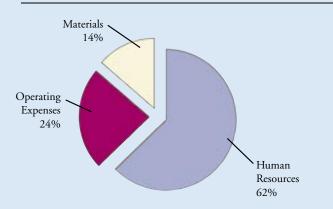
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LIBRARY REVENUE FY 2005-06



LIBRARY EXPENDITURES FY 2005-06



COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Board of Supervisors

District 1	William O'Brien
District 2	Thomas W. Mayfield
District 3	Jeff Grover
District 4	Raymond Clark Simon
District 5	Jim DeMartini

Library Advisory Board

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49-99 Library Cooperative

System Advisory Board Member William Latham

Friends of the Library - Presidents

Chance Carrico – Ceres Joan House – Hughson Mark Heinzinger – Modesto Ada Richards – Oakdale Lynne Robinson – Oakdale Marilynne Allen – Patterson Robert Scheid – Salida Hanna Renning – Turlock Wendy Krier – Waterford

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LIBRARY CARDS

Getting a library card is quick and easy!

1) Complete the application below or online by going to www.stanislauslibrary.org.

2) Visit your library to activate your account. You'll need to show your photo identification and proof of address. There is no age limit to obtain a library card, but children will need a parent or guardian's signature, accepting responsibility for borrowed materials.

Library/ Biblioteca	Monday lunes	Tuesda y martes	Wednesday miércole s	Thursday	Friday viernes	Satur day sabado	Sunday do mingo
Ceres 2250 Magnolia 537-8938	10 - 8	10 - 6	10 - 6	10 - 6	10-5	12 - 5	Closed
Denair 4901 Kersey Rd 634-1283	Closed	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	Closed
Empire 18 South Abble 524-5505	Closed	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	12-6	12 - 6	Closed
Hughson 2412 A Third St 863-2293	Closed	12 - 6	12 - 6	12 - 6	12-6	12 - 6	Closed
Keyes 4420 Maud Ave 664-8006	9-5	8:30-5	8:30-5	8:30-7	8:30-5	12 - 4	Closed
Modesto 1500 St 558-7600	10-9	10-9	10-9	10 - 9	10 - 5	10 - 5	12 - 5
Newman 1305 Kern St 962-2010	Closed	12-8	10 - 5	10 - 5	10 - 5	10 - 5	Closed
Oakdale 151 S. FistAve 847-4204	10 - 6	10 - 8	10 - 6	10 - 0	10 - 5	10 - 5	Closed
Patterson 46 North Salado 892-6473	10 - 6	10 - 6	10 - 8	10 - 6	10 - 5	12 - 5	Closed
Riverbank 3442 Santa Fe 969-7008	10 - 6	10 - 6	10 - 8	10 - 6	10 - 5	12 - 5	Closed
Salida 4835 Sisk Rd 543-7353	Closed	10 - 8	10 - 6	10-6	10 - 5	10 - 5	Closed
Turlock 550 Minaret Ave 664-8100	10 - 9	10 - 9	10-9	10 - 9	10 - 5	10 - 5	Closed
Waterford 324 E St 874-2191	10 - 6	10 - 6	10 - 8	10 - 6	10 - 5	12 - 5	Closed

children's books to cookbooks, sheet music to car repair manuals, novels to online resources, the Stanislaus County Library strives to meet all of our customers' needs. But, if you don't find what you are looking for, please let us know. We'll help you find it.

For more information, contact Reference/Information at (209) 558-7814, visit your local branch or send an email to refquest@scfl.lib.ca.us

Stanislaus County Library Card Application

Name:	Birth Date:
Mailing Address:	Phone #:
Email Address:	Driver's License #:

Please read and sign: I agree to be responsible for all materials borrowed with this card and for all fines incurred, including charges for late, lost and damaged materials. I understand that I/my child must follow all library rules of behavior and that if I, or my child, choose not to comply with these rules, our library privileges may be suspended or revoked.

Signature: _____