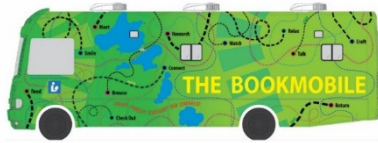




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Bookmobile

The Bookmobile has moved smoothly into a hold pickup model. Patrons knock on the rear door for their holds and the driver hands them out. Patrons have also availed themselves of our new Browse Bundle service.



Bookmobile drivers have Commercial Drivers Licenses and are now required to register in a Federal database that records and tracks everyone with a CDL. Staff will be completing their registration in this database before year's end.

Dream Bus.



We have had a successful first month of bin drops at community centers sites. We have had some centers shut down with little notice due to a COVID outbreak, but otherwise service has been steady.

I was called by the Bookmobile Manager from St. Paul Public Library to discuss their upcoming Bookmobile replacement. It's great to be able to be a resource for other libraries' mobile service!

Beyond the Page Ripple Project.

Cream City Conservation will present on our survey results on December 8. From there, library directors will be selecting 1-2 staff members to participate on their regional equity team.

Our Beyond the Page Coordinator, Ali Trevino-Murphy, Kevin Wamalwa, Center for the Humanities Fellow, Annie Weatherby-Flowers, MPL Community Engagement Coordinator, and I will all facilitate an internal library discussion series for staff on libraries and policing. This idea was born out of the George Floyd murder and the subsequent protests. The first session is a discussion about the history of policing in the U.S.; the second session will discuss how libraries have used the police to deal with a variety of behavioral situations; the third is a "what next" brainstorm.

Staffing.

We continue to stagger staff to provide a safe work environment, as well as the basic safety protocol of distance, masks, hand cleaning, and surface cleaning. We had two staff members who have been exposed to people with COVID; they quarantined for two weeks and are back with no issues.