



Dane County Library Service	March 2025 Director's Report
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Bookmobile

Staff and patrons are excited to have warmer weather for route stops. The change in day and time for Windsor (Saturday) is paying off!

We are looking at working with DC Land & Water Resources to identify parks that would benefit from a book stroll, similar to that at the Zoo.

Bookmobile Jr.

LDV has reported that Bookmobile Junior will be ready sometime in March. We already have plans for the newest member of our fleet – Country Creek Learning Center, Don's Mobile Manor, Out & About Day Camp and Gingerbread Preschool would all like visits during the summer.

Dream Bus

Dream Bus stops have been a bit challenging in the cold; nevertheless, kids and families are visiting and reading. Staff are taking on the challenge of planning summer crafts, along with a possible artist-in-residence. I am also talking with Sun Prairie's Community School coordinators in order to better align our stops with existing after-school programming.

DCLS Staff News

For the summer, we expect to have two Dane County Extension Youth interns, a Boys & Girls Club intern and a library school practicum student. These folks will get first-hand experience with mobile library service for 6-10 weeks of summer reading program.

My proposal *Hiring for Diversity* was accepted as one of the Wisconsin Association of Public Library breakout sessions at the annual WAPL Conference in Oshkosh, April 30-May2. I've been meeting with DEI coordinators at Office of Equity and Inclusion, Sun Prairie, and McFarland to talk about how they approach diversity in recruiting.

Due to expected issues with the 2026 budget, County Administration has recommended that our vacant Clerk I-II position remain unfilled at this time. There will be more direction in the upcoming weeks as budget planning kicks in.