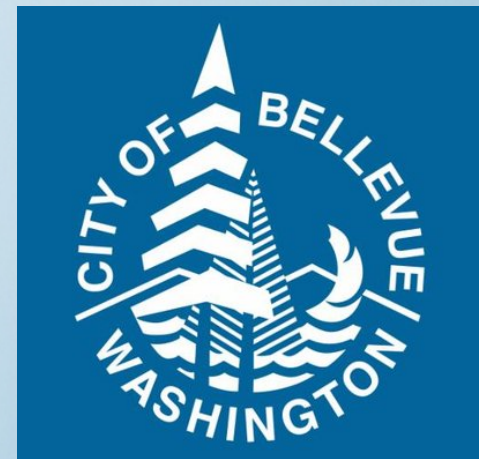


# Bellevue Library Advisory Board Report to Bellevue City Council

February 3, 2020







# KCLS and Library Advisory Board Mission

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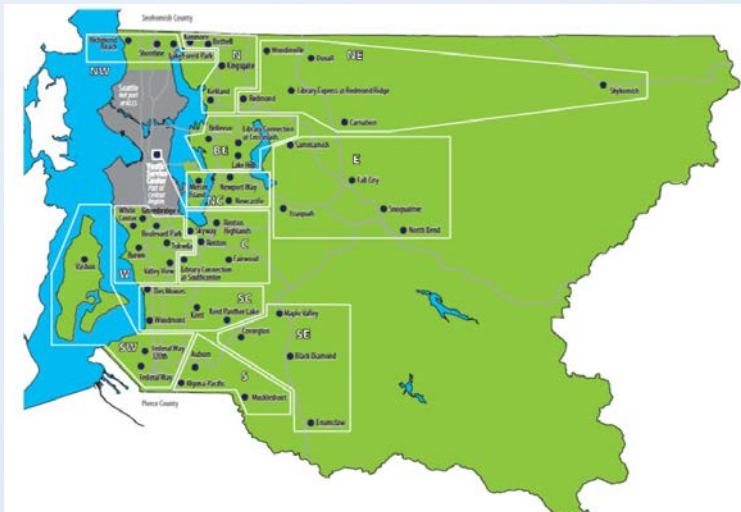
To inspire people through ideas, interaction and information

- **Bellevue Library Advisory Board Mission:**

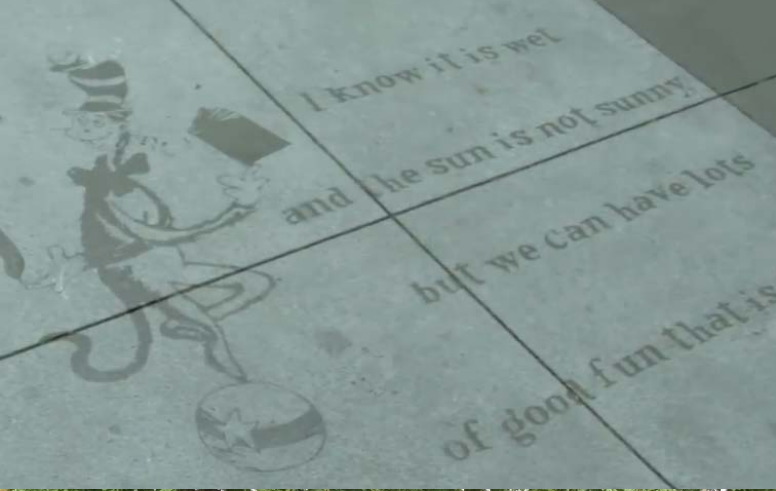
Act as liaison between the residents of Bellevue, Bellevue City Council, and the King County Library System to advocate for library programs and services that are responsive to community needs and interests

# KCLS Regional Reorganization

- From 12 regions to 9 regions, slated for Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, which will allow more efficient use of taxpayer dollars
- Bellevue libraries currently in two regions – Bellevue & Northcentral (Newport Way)
- New single region – All four libraries in Bellevue region
- More seamless coordination among the four Bellevue libraries









# Use and nature of libraries is evolving

- Total circulation in Bellevue for 2019 was over 3 million, that is equivalent of every person in the city checking out 20.7 items in the year
  - Physical circulation was 2.17 million
  - Digital circulation was 840 thousand
- Nature of circulation is changing
  - From 2018, physical circulation has decreased by 4% and digital has increased by 8%\*
  - From 2015, physical circulation has decreased by 14% and digital has increase by 117%\*
- Overall visits in Bellevue libraries are up 4%
  - Downtown branch is up 20% and other three branches together are down 8%
- Bellevue libraries conducted 549 IdeaX programs, attended by 11,300 patrons

# How is KCLS responding?

- Public libraries have a complex role in the community
- Around the country, public libraries attempt to respond to the needs and desires of their communities
- They are not just about books, research and Wi-Fi
- Many public libraries provide a wide array of programming for their patrons, and KCLS is no different
- One initiative forming part of the KCLS 2020 Budget includes expanded programs and services tailored to community needs\*

\*KCLS has several broad strategic goals: Communities of Inclusion and Belonging; Responsive, Inspirational Service; Organizational Excellence; and Strategic Communication

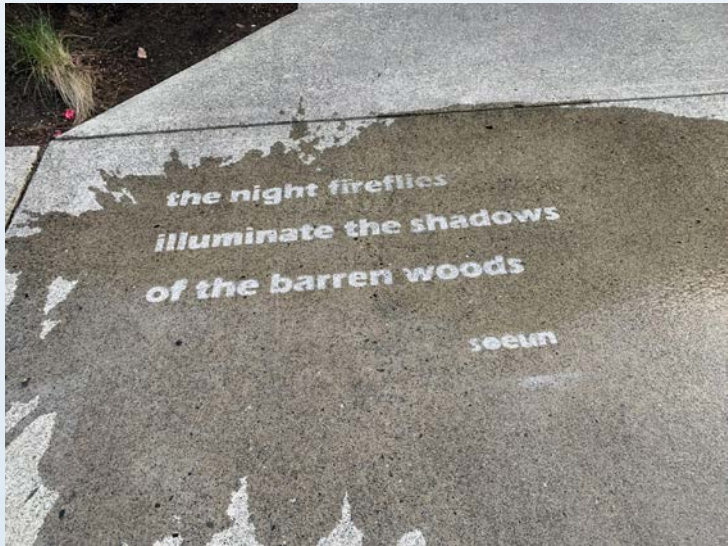


# List of Programs (2018-2019)

1,021 programs in 29 categories with a total attendance of 33,181 patrons

Strategy Area	Program Category	Total Programs	Total Attendance
Access & Assistance	One-On-One Assistance	58	349
	Library-Use Presentation	2	45
	Computer Class	3	25
	Community Presentation	1	18
Diversity	Program in Other Languages for Children	138	2,645
	Play & Learn Session	44	2,003
	Civic Engagement	6	1,220
	Program in Other Languages for Adults	28	300
	Diversity Programming for Children	2	50
	Diversity Programming for All Ages	1	34
	Diversity Programming for Teens	1	8
Early Literacy	English Language Story Time	285	8,877
	Play & Learn Session (in English)	36	1,541
	Early Literacy Programming	11	349
	Library-Use Presentation	1	14
Lifelong Learning	Adult Programming	121	2,522
	All Ages Programming	11	521
	Career & Education	24	285
	Adult Literacy Program	13	283
	Civic Engagement	7	157
	STARS/Merit Training	1	18
Teens & Children	Children's Programming	84	4,500
	Elementary School Visit	33	4,302
	Middle School Visit	7	1,428
	Teen Programming	66	736
	Children's Literacy Program	13	306
	High School Visit	4	218
	Mobile/Off Site Service	1	180
	Library-Use Presentation	4	90
	Teen Literacy Program	5	70
	Career and Education	9	52
	Community Presentations	1	35
Grand Total		1,021	33,181







**STEM Afternoon**  
Sunday, May 15, 2-4pm (drop-in anytime)  
Newport Way Library  
Presented by Newport High School Robotics Club



**TEEN TECH WEEK PRESENTS ROCKETRY**  
Sunday, March 5, 2pm  
Newport Way Library  
Presented by Newport High School Robotics Club



**Teen Tech Week presents Lego Robotics**  
Sunday, March 12, 2pm  
Newport Way Library  
Presented by Newport High School Robotics Club



**Take the Plankton Challenge!**  
Tuesday, April 10, 2pm  
Newport Way Library  
Presented by Newport High School Robotics & Ocean Science Club



**Engineer This: Experiments With Electricity**  
Ages 10 to 14



**Engineer This: Light Up Greeting Cards**  
Ages 8 to 15

