

LEON VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY TEXAS MUNICIPAL LIBRARY DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION ACHIEVEMENT OF LIBRARY EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION

CATEGORY 7. INVEST IN COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

A. BEXAR COUNTY & BIBLIOTECH

The Leon Valley Public Library collaborated with Bexar County and BiblioTech to offer WIFI hotspots for checkout to members of the Leon Valley Public Library. Bexar County provided the hotspots through a grant agreement via the CARES Act, and BiblioTech helped us get everything started and ready to circulate. This check-out service offers internet access 24 hours a day, seven days a week during a time that it is greatly needed. Hotspot promotion on our website and on Facebook are in [Attachment 1](#).

B. HEROES TO THE RESCUE

The Leon Valley Public Library collaborated with our local police and fire/ems to put on a Heroes to the Rescue program when a regularly scheduled program fell through due to COVID-19. We had a firetruck, police car, fire and ems staff and police staff join us for our program. Outside of the City, we were joined by two heroes (Spiderman and Captain America) from the Singing Princess of San Antonio and two dancing robots from SAPS Entertainment who jumped in to help us with our last-minute programming switch thanks to funding from the Friends of the Leon Valley Public Library. Marketing and Images from event in [Attachment 2](#).

C. DRIVE THROUGH PROGRAMMING

Due to COVID-19 restrictions many of our regular City events looked a bit different this year.

1. TRUNK OR TREAT DRIVE-THRU: A community drive-thru event where the library handed out candy. We were joined by other city departments and local businesses. A flyer for the event is shown in [Attachment 3](#) with the community sponsors.

2. TREE LIGHTING DRIVE-THRU: A community drive-thru event where the library handed out coloring sheets and crayons with Liber the Lion. Also participating in the event were the Leon Valley Fire Department and Sparky the Fire Dog, the Leon Valley Public Works Department, the Leon Valley Police Department and the Blue Santa, and other community organizations. Marketing for the event from Facebook in [Attachment 4](#).

CATEGORY 7 ATTACHMENTS:

- [Attachment 1: Bexar County & Bibliotech Hotspots](#)
- [Attachment 2: Heroes to the Rescue](#)
- [Attachment 3: Trunk or Treat Drive-thru](#)
- [Attachment 4: Tree Lighting Drive-thru](#)

ATTACHMENT 1: BEXAR COUNTY & BIBLIOTECH HOTSPOTS



Interlibrary Loans (ILLs)

The Interlibrary loans (ILLs) system allows us to order books you're looking for that we don't carry. This is a state-wide and national program that we participate in, and we'll do our best to find you the materials you want!

Your account must be in good standing to participate in the ILL program.

Internet & Hotspots

We offer public computers with internet, serve as a public WiFi access point, and provide internet hotspots available for checkout to members.

To login to a public computer, your USER ID is your library card number, and your password is your nine-digit telephone number on file with the library.

Hotspots are available for checkout on a first-come, first-serve basis for two weeks at a time. Your account must be in good standing to checkout a hotspot.



Programming

We have two storytimes a week, weekly crafts, monthly community coffee, book club, and more! *Unless stated otherwise, all of our programs are now in-person.*

 **Leon Valley Public Library**
October 17, 2020 · 🌐

Bob and Howard have learned about yet another new offering at Leon Valley Public Library, HOTSPOTS! <https://leonvpl.blogspot.com/2020/10/hotspots.html>



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ATTACHMENT 2: HEROES TO THE RESCUE



Leon Valley Public Library

July 27 · 🌐



Our favorite magicians are stuck in the future waiting on us but... HEROES TO THE RESCUE!

Our firemen, police, and superheroes have stepped up to help us out!! Join us for a firetruck, police car, pictures with two of our favorite superheroes, coloring, crafts, and a photo booth! TOMORROW MORNING at 10:30 am at the Leon Valley Public Library.

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July 28th at 10:30am | Leon Valley Public Library



Betty Schmitt and 22 others

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ATTACHMENT 4: TREE LIGHTING DRIVE-THRU

 **Leon Valley Public Library**
December 4, 2020 · 🌐

Libra the Library Lion will be there to wave to as well!

City of Leon Valley

December 4, 2020 · 🌐

Join the City of Leon Valley as we share some holiday cheer! Drive-thru and waive to Santa and Sparky the Fire Dog. This holiday season you will be able to enjoy the festivities safely from your vehicle or watch it live here on Facebook from home! Experience the lighting of the Christmas tree, all the lights and sounds of the holiday, and a blend of Santa's favorite snacks. For your safety, you must stay in your vehicle at all times. Restrooms are not available during this event. No parking available.

What: Leon Valley's First Christmas Tree Lighting Drive Thru

When: December 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Where: Leon Valley Community and Conference Center Grounds (6427 Evers Road)

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