

# April 2023 Branch Manager's Report

#### Facilities

We received a quote from Higgins Electrical Contractors for LED replacements for the 18 2'x2' fixtures in the main reading room and all of the downstairs lights (kitchen, work area, meeting room, and bathroom). The total cost will be \$9,479 and will be paid for with ARPA funds given to us by Willistown Township. That job will be scheduled sometime during the coming month.

While the electrician was preparing the quote, she noticed that five of our emergency lights were out. When I reported the problem to the township, they promptly sent out someone from Public Works to replace the burned-out bulbs.

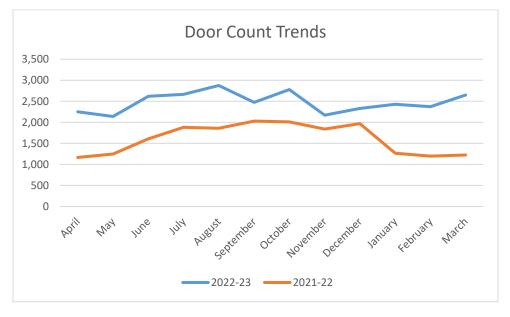
Part of the Willistown ARPA funds were allotted to purchase new monitors for the public computers and to fund the redecorating project in the children's department and the meeting room. That project has now been completed. Stop by and check it out!

## Personnel

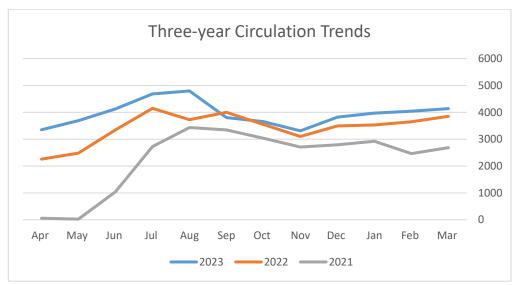
One of our part-time staff has resigned (her last day was April 15) and another expects to be leaving soon, so we are again hiring. We had an unusually strong pool of candidates this time, most of whom applied through Indeed. We interviewed five people and offered part-time positions to two of them.

#### Door Count

The door count for March 2023 was 2,649, 21% higher than for March 2022, and more than double (116%) the March 2021 count.



Circulation March 2023 circulation was up 7% over March 2022 and 54% over March 2021.



## Programming

Children's programming this month included a Peeps Taste Test for teens; "In Monet's Garden," an art class for school-aged children with guest Svetlana Gazman; and an Earth Day Tie-Dye Party for all ages in Greentree Park.

On May 9 we will host a Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange, an opportunity to recycle puzzles you've done and trade with other puzzle aficionados. Participants can take home as many puzzles as they bring, whether it's 10 or just one.

Respectfully submitted by Beverly Michaels Branch Manager April 21, 2023