80 Years of Service

Your East Baton Rouge Parish Library has been honored to serve the community since 1939. From a collection of 5,652 items and 3,448 borrowers, the system has grown to 2.1 Million items covering a broad array of formats, has adopted new technologies, and has extended programs and services far beyond its original total of 40 “Story Hour” offerings in 1939.

14 Library locations are now open daily to offer print, non-print, and digital resources as well as lively, engaging and FREE programming for all ages, throughout the parish.

Special services include:
- Baton Rouge Room/Local History & Archives
- Genealogy Department
- Career Center
- Small Business Services
- Grants Center
- Digital Library, including ebooks, audiobooks, and streaming media, plus online learning platforms
- Literacy Services, including Book Clubs, the Summer Reading Program, Story Time in a variety of formats, 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, Books For Babies, Literacy Links, Prime Time Family Reading Time, and new programs 1,000 Books Beyond Kindergarten and Cultural Gumbo
- Outreach Services to Pre-schools and Learning Centers, Retirement Centers, and Community Centers via the Bookmobile
- Juvenile Detention Center Outreach

Special programs offered annually include the One Book One Community Series, the Baton Rouge Mini Maker Faire®, The Pride-Cheneyville Community History Festival, Authors Row, Artic Treasures, and the Author-Illustrator Series, now in its 42nd year. A new series established in 2015 is the Mid City Micro-Con.

The Library has been locally, regionally, and nationally recognized for overall service as well as special services to children and teens, programming for adults, and new construction.

EEPL has been named one of America's Star Libraries for seven consecutive years by Library Journal's "Index of Public Library Services." Our patrons make this happen!

111.3 Million Items Circulated Since 1939
24.4 Million Questions Answered Since 1939
52.7 Million Visitors Since 1982
153,074 Programs With 2.3 Million Attending Since 1995
555,784 Summer Reading Program Signups Since 1970
261,065 Current Cardholders - 56% of the Parish Population
2.1 Million Cataloged Items Currently in the Collection, Plus Thousands More in Archives

80 Years Young

The East Baton Rouge Parish Library has been funded by a 10-Year, Dedicated Property Tax since 1986, which accounts for almost 100% of the budget.

Since the initial millage was approved by the voters, all Capital Improvements have been planned and completed on a Pay-As-You-Go basis, with no bonds or indebtedness.

As a Special Fund Agency of the City-Parish, the Library works with the Architectural Services Division on all capital construction and renovation projects.

All 14 Library facilities are conveniently located throughout the parish and all are open 7 days per week. These comfortable and inspiring spaces for personal discovery, community meetings and free programs and events all year.

Bookmobile Service augments in-house use, bringing books and other materials to preschools, learning centers, retirement centers, and community centers.

We've come a long way since 1939.

In this current Digital Age, it is increasingly important to offer patrons access and opportunities to engage using online platforms. Whatever we have in the physical collection has a digital counterpart in the Digital Library. So you can research, download or stream from wherever you go.

Our new Innovation Space at Bluebonnet Regional Branch supports the growing Maker Movement, while pop-up maker programs take place throughout the parish. Our shelves are stocked with items to take with you while you are on the go ... check out books, magazines, audiobooks, Playaways, CDs, DVDs, and Blu-rays, Wonderbooks, Auroino Kits, and more. Use free computers, Wi-Fi, and mobile printing at each branch.

Search the Library's robust collection of online databases in house or remotely. Or download and stream from the Digital Library. Check it out!

58,303 Meeting Room Uses Scheduled by Community Groups Since 2004, With 806,888 Attending
99,284 Study Room Uses With 232,446 Attending Since 2014
18,838 Bookmobile Visits Since 2004
17.2 Million Logins to Library Computers Since 2001
24.5 Million Website Hits Since 2002
24.8 Million Database Sessions Since 2001
5.1 Million Wi-Fi Logins Since 2013
958 Hours Open Each Week – 49,816 Hours Yearly
Early Voting Site at Central Branch

4,367 Voters!
Pride-Chaneyville Branch Library
LOOKING BACK
~ 11th Annual Community History Festival ~
Saturday, October 5, 2019
10am - 2pm
Music • Games • Food Crafts • Cake Walk Contests AND LOTS MORE!
Author Illustrator
Matt de la Peña

MATT DE LA PEÑA!
October 3 & 4
Main Library | 7711 Goodwood Blvd. | (225) 231-3760

Have you read to a child today?
ebrpl.com/kids
Get 1:1 Coaching from a Googler

Our Googler coaches are experts in their respective fields, and are eager to give you personalized help in the following areas:

- Google Ads
- Google Analytics
- Google My Business
- G Suite (Google Docs, Sheets, Slides and Forms)
- Gmail and Google Calendar
- Grow with Google Partner Program

Drop by our reservation desk to get paired with a Googler coach for your 1:1 coaching session (20 minutes per session).

Grow with Google
STITCH. STYLE. MAKE!

OCT 19
10 AM – 5 PM
MAIN LIBRARY
@ GOODWOOD

Batrouge.MakerFaire.com

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Join us for the 6th annual
Baton Rouge Mini Maker Faire,
a celebration of creative projects
including tech, crafts, art and
a special focus on fashion!

Saturday, October 19th
10AM - 5PM
Main Library @ Goodwood

batrouge.makerfaire.com
Save the Date: Louisiana Book Festival

The Legendary Louisiana Book Festival 2019

Saturday Nov. 2  9 AM to 4 PM

Free Admission!

Artwork by Rob Guillory; Colors by Taylor Wells

Library and Partner Forum 35 Will Announce Our Spring One Book One Community Title
Young Adult Author
Kathleen Glasgow!

The New York Times Best-Selling author of Girl in Pieces and How to Make Friends with the Dark is coming to the Library!

3 p.m.
Sunday, November 3
Main Library at Goodwood
7711 Goodwood Blvd.
Discover the history of your collectibles!

19th Annual Attic Treasures & Collectibles

Saturday, November 9th
9am to 1pm
Main Library at Goodwood
Save the Date!
November 13

- Census 2020
- River / Watershed Modeling
- LIGO
- Innovation in the Classroom
- And More!

GISday Baton Rouge 2019

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Contact Us at gis@blla.gov

Industry professionals will present their work involving GIS technology on projects such as Census 2020, Innovation in the Classroom, River and Watershed Modeling, LIGO, and other GIS-related applications.

EBRPL Main Library at Goodwood
7711 Goodwood Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806
Wednesday, November 13, 2019
4:00 - 6:00 PM in the Auditorium
The Constantinides New Music Ensemble Concert

LSU School of Music
FREE Performance

Music of New Composers
3 p.m.
Sunday, November 17
Main Library at Goodwood