

Library Director's Report – March 2026

The Library Director continued holding regular meetings with Library Managers to address library-related matters and ensure clear communication between departments.

Press

On February 17, and February 18, 2026, the Library's *International Mother Language Day Special Storytime* was highlighted in both *The Beach Reporter* and *The Daily Breeze* newspapers, respectively. (Article attached)

Facilities

Maintenance: Library staff continued to address routine maintenance and minor facility issues as they arose.

Redondo Beach Homeless Housing Office: The Library, in collaboration with the City Attorney's Office, is repurposing existing office space at the Main Library to host Redondo Beach Homeless Housing staff.

Services

The Library provides access to Federal and State tax forms, though physical copies are often limited to basic forms and instructions. Patrons can use library computers to download and print forms.

Displays

Library staff curated the following themed book displays: Valentine's Day Display, African American History Month, Lunar New Year, Black Voices Teen Books, and Best Books of 2025.

Programs

Library Lover's Month

For Library Lover's Month, cards were placed at all Library service desks for patrons to provide reasons they love our Library. (Comments attached)

Dining in the South Bay with Richard Foss: Saturday, March 7 and 22 at 2:00pm, the Library will host a two-part lecture series on the history of dining in the South Bay with culinary historian and author, Richard Foss. (Flyer attached)

The Library Ladies of Redondo Beach: Saturday, March 28 at 11:00am, in celebration of Women's History Month, library historian, Lisa Blank, PhD, will share vintage photos and surprising stories of the three dozen women who shaped the Redondo Beach Library between 1910 and 1924. (Flyer attached)

Summer Reading: Summer Reading is almost here! Youth Services continues to coordinate and schedule this year's programs, incentives, and reading logs.

One Book, One Coast (OBOC): The Library is partnering with OBOC. This year's featured selection is George Takei's moving graphic memoir, *They Called Us Enemy*. A program flyer will be available soon.

Outreach

Redondo Beach Police Department's Open House: Youth Librarian, Lisa Juarez, will coordinate Library outreach at the RBPD Open House on Sunday, March 8th.

Open+

The Library continues to offer and promote Open+ (Express Hours) with regular signups. A usage report has been added to the Directors report.

Library Staff update

We are pleased to announce that Lane Butler will be joining us as our new Administrative Coordinator. The Library also onboarded several new part-time Library Pages, Library Clerks, and Librarians.