

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

DATE: APRIL 14, 2025

FROM: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY

WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF SECURITY/INCIDENT REPORTS

ISSUE:

Receive a summary of security/incident reports from January and February 2025.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Library Trustees receive and file the summary of security/incident reports from February 2025.

BACKGROUND:

The Riverside Public Library has established Rules of Library Conduct Identified and Prohibited by the Riverside Municipal Code Section 9.75 for successful running of its facilities, to maintain an appropriate library environment, and to ensure customers enjoy their Library visits. Library employees, in consultation with their supervisor, are authorized to issue warning and exclusion notices for violations to the Rules of Library Conduct (attached).

An itemized summary below provides a brief description of the incidents, warning and exclusion notices that occurred at all Riverside Public Library locations from January and February 2025.

Location/Da	te Description
<u>Arlanza</u>	
2/15/25	Incident and exclusion notice issued for 60 days for vandalism of library materials.
<u>Arlington</u>	
1/2/25	Incident report of encampment.
1/2/25	Exclusion notice issued to individual for 60 days for disruption.
1/25/25	Incident report of controlled substance paraphernalia in front of staff entrance.
2/1/25	Incident and exclusion notice issued for 30 days for disturbing others after being

warned to stop.

- 2/4/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 365 days for harassing or threatening staff or customer and disturbing others after being warned to stop. *
- 2/4/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 90 days for using restroom inappropriately, including laundering and bathing and smoking.
- 2/7/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 365 days for theft, vandalizing, damaging or abusing library materials, equipment or facilities. *
- 2/7/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 90 days for alcohol use, intoxication, public urination and indecent exposure.
- 2/9/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 365 days for theft. *
- 2/21/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 90 days for using restrooms inappropriately, including laundering or bathing, harassing or threatening library staff or customer, disturbing others, yelling, open alcohol container, and public intoxication.

<u>Main</u>

- 1/7/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 365 days to previously excluded individual for disturbing others after being warned to stop and for trespassing. *
- 1/15/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 365 days for theft.
- 1/18/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued to individual for 365 days for vandalizing, damaging or abusing Library materials, equipment or facilities. Using restrooms inappropriately, including laundering or bathing and harassing or threatening library staff or customer.*
- 1/18/25 Incident of previously excluded individual that returned and harassed staff. *
- 1/19/25 Incident report of individual harassing or threatening library staff or customers and disturbing others after being warned to stop.
- 1/25/25 Incident report of customers car being broken into.
- 1/26/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 365 days to individual for harassing or threatening library staff or customer and disturbing others after being warned to stop.
- 1/25/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 30 days to individual for disturbing the peace.
- 2/4/25 Incident and exclusion notice for 30 days for disturbing others after being warned to stop.
- 2/6/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 30 days for harassing and threatening

library staff or customer and disturbing others after being warned to stop.

- 2/6/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 60 days for public urination.
- 2/8/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 90 days for harassing and threatening library staff or customer and carrying an open alcoholic beverage.
- 2/9/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 30 days for sleeping and disturbing others after being warned to stop.
- 2/13/25 Incident reported of alcohol spill in the elevator.
- 2/22/25 Incident report and 30-day exclusion notice for theft.

Orange Terrace

2/19/25 Incident report of individuals congregating by the emergency exit with a possible weapon. *

<u>Marcy</u>

- 1/25/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued to individual for 365 days for vandalizing, damaging or abusing Library materials, equipment or facilities and harassing or threatening library staff or customer. *
- 2/26/25 Incident report and 30-day exclusion notice issued to an individual for repeatedly disturbing others after warned to stop.

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- 1/2/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued to individual for 30 days for harassing or threatening library staff or customer and disturbing others after being warned to stop.
- 1/3/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 30 days to individual for disturbing others after being warned to stop.
- 1/8/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 90 days to individual for disturbing others after being warned to stop.
- 1/15/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued for 60 days to individual for vandalizing, damaging or abusing Library materials, equipment or facilities. *
- 1/30/25 Incident and exclusion notice for 30 days issued to individual for disturbing others after being warned to stop.
- 2/1/25 Incident reported of two individuals fighting outside. *
- 2/1/25 Incident report and exclusion notice issued for 365 days for vandalism to restroom.
- 2/1/25 Incident report of vandalism to trash enclosure.

- 2/8/25 Incident report for harassing or threatening library staff or customer and disturbing other after being warned to stop.
- 2/9/25 Incident report for fighting, harassing or threatening library staff or customer and disturbing others.*
- 2/12/25 Incident report and exclusion notice issued for 365 days for harassing or threatening library staff or customer and disturbing others and vandalizing, damaging or abusing Library materials, equipment or facilities.
- 2/20/25 Incident report and exclusion notice issued for 60 days for harassing or threatening library staff or customer and disturbing others after being warned to stop.*

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- 1/9/25 Incident report on graffiti on the dumpster enclosure.
- 2/11/25 Incident report and exclusion notice issued for 180 days for theft of property. *
- 2/26/25 Incident report of individual that hit their head on the baby changing table. Medical assistance was declined.

<u>La Sierra</u>

- 1/7/25 Incident and exclusion notice issued to individual for 90 days for harassing or threatening library staff or customer and disturbing others and refusing to leave the property. *
- 2/2/25 Incident report and exclusion notice issued for 365 days for physical altercation outside the Library.*
- 2/23/25 Incident report and 60-day exclusion notice issued for sleeping, indecent exposure and inappropriate use of library space.

*Indicates police interaction or 911.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This item contributes to Strategic Priority No. 1 *Arts, Culture & Recreation* and Goal 1.4 – Prioritize safety and welfare in City Parks, trails, and cultural and recreation facilities. Strategic Priority No. 2 Community Well-Being: Ensure safe and inclusive neighborhoods where everyone can thrive.

This item aligns with each of the five Cross-Cutting Threads as follows:

- 1. **Community Trust** The incident report is used to identify trends in fluctuations of warnings and exclusions issued to patrons that violate the Rules of Library Conduct identified and prohibited by the Riverside Municipal Code Section 9.75 to enhance security measures for public safety.
- 2. Equity The Library endeavors to provide a safe environment to all its customers.
- 3. **Fiscal Responsibility** The Library's financial resources are not used for the incident report.
- Innovation The Library in collaboration with partnerships with the Riverside Police Department and the City Attorney's Office to coordinate effective enforcement of major violations of the Riverside Municipal Code Section 9.75.
- 5. **Sustainability & Resiliency** The Library, City Attorney's Office and the Board of Library Trustees regularly review the Rules of Library Conduct to ensure that the Rules of Library Conduct are current with local, state, and federal laws.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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Attachment:	RMC Section 9.75 – Rules of Library Conduct