



City of Arts & Innovation

Board of Library Trustees

TO: BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES **DATE: DECEMBER 12, 2022**
FROM: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY **WARDS: ALL**
SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF SECURITY/INCIDENT REPORTS

ISSUE:

Receive a summary of security/incident reports from October and November 2022.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Library Trustees receive and file the summary of security/incident reports from October and November 2022.

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 in October and November 2022.

Arlanza, SSgt Salvador J. Lara Casa Blanca, Marcy and Orange Terrace

No incidents reported.

Arlington

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| 10/19/22 | Incident reported of graffiti on the exterior of the Library. |
| 10/20/22 | Incident report of individual experiencing homelessness who was camping in front of the library.* |
| 10/27/22 | Incident reported of a rock thrown through one of the Community Room windows. |
| 10/27/22 | Incident reported of graffiti in the parking lot. |

- 11/1/22 Incident reported of drug paraphernalia, trash, and abandoned shopping cart on the exterior of the library.
- 11/2/22 Incident reported of burn marks on the library exterior.
- 11/2/22 Incident reported of graffiti on the library exterior trash enclosure.
- 11/4/22 Incident reported of individual sleeping and drug paraphernalia. Exclusion notice issued for 60 days.
- 11/9/22 Incident reported of abandoned vehicle.
- 11/15/22 Incident reported of graffiti on the exterior of the Library .

Spc. Jesus S. Duran Eastside

- 10/21/22 Incident report of graffiti in the restroom.
- 10/25/22 Incident report of individual pouring alcohol in a cup, harassing another customer, and sleeping. Exclusion notice issued for 180 days.
- 11/1/22 Incident report of individual using women's restroom inappropriately. Exclusion notice issued for 30 days.
- 11/1/22 Incident report of individual using men's restroom inappropriately. Exclusion notice issued for 30 days.
- 11/1/22 Incident report of individual using women's restroom inappropriately. Exclusion notice issued for 30 days.
- 11/5/22 Incident report of individual not able to control their dog.
- 11/10/22 Incident report of individual using the restroom inappropriately and filming staff. Exclusion notice issued for 30 days.*

La Sierra

- 10/20/22 Incident report of individual injecting a substance in their arm outside the library.*
- 11/15/22 Incident report of individual previously excluded on 9/9/22 for open container was issued an extended exclusion notice for 90 days for yelling at staff and having an open container.
- 11/15/22 Incident reported of individual breaking a car window in the parking lot and theft of personal items in the car.* Exclusion notice issued for 365 days.

Main

- 10/15/22 Incident report of individual with an open container of alcohol.

10/22/22	Incident reported of individual was disturbing other, staring, and harassing the security guard when asked to leave. Exclusion notice issued for 30 days.
10/26/22	Incident reported of individual receiving a warning for having a taser.*
10/26/22	Incident reported of individual using the restroom for a prolonged time.
10/28/22	Incident reported of drug paraphernalia in the restroom.
10/28/22	Incident reported of individual using the restroom inappropriately.
11/1/22	Incident reported of individual having an episode and causing a disruption. Individual was previously excluded 180 days and able to return on 10/22/22.
11/2/22	Incident report of individual inappropriate use of restroom.
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11/2/22	Incident reported of male individual harassing and following a female customer.
11/4/22	Incident report of individual interfering and intervening with staff and or security during issues with other individuals.
11/8/22	Incident report of individual requesting 911 for mental health emergency.*
11/8/22	Incident report of repeat individual causing a disruption. Individual was previously excluded 180 days and able to return on 10/22/22.
11/12/22	Incident report of individuals' pet chewing on furniture and barking.

**Indicates police interaction.*

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.

4. **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 of 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: Rules of Library Conduct