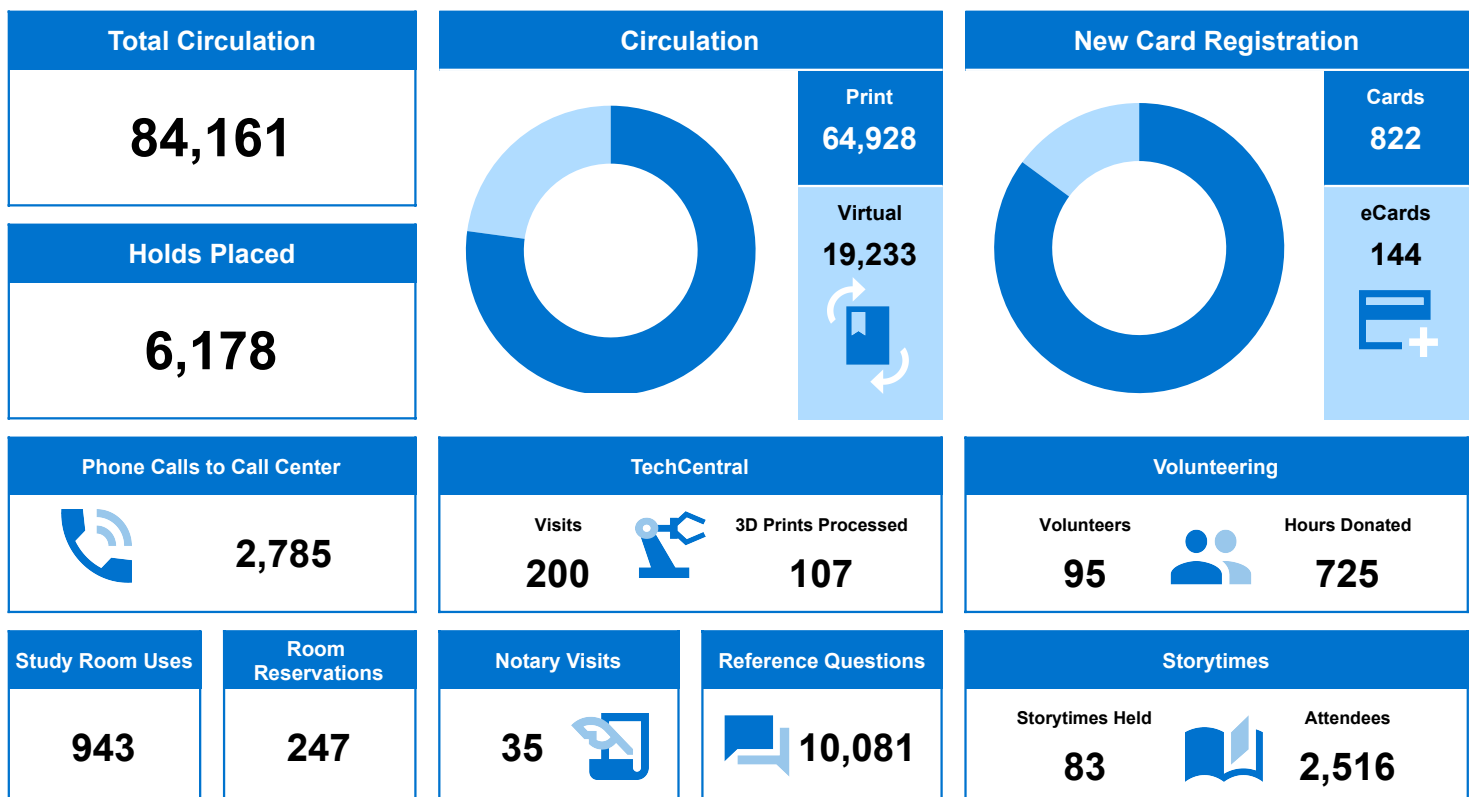


Monthly Report May 2023

Fiscal Year Oct. 2022 - Sept. 2023

Location	Print Circulation	Visitors	Computer Sessions (including WiFi)	Programming
Hart Memorial	15,628	13,743	72,387	62 Events & Activities, 1,429 Participants
St. Cloud	22,060	9,956	19,480	68 Events & Activities, 1,630 Participants
Poinciana	9,162	10,082	34,538	50 Events & Activities, 1,029 Participants
Buenaventura Lakes	4,888	5,477	24,386	47 Events & Activities, 969 Participants
West Osceola	12,802	9,988	28,424	55 Events & Activities, 1,116 Participants
Kenansville	126	69	3,405	N/A
Narccossee	191	14	N/A	N/A
Reunion	71	11	N/A	N/A

System Stats at a Glance



HOPE Partnership at Hart Memorial Library

The Library debuted a new partnership with the HOPE Center, a local nonprofit that links unhoused and struggling individuals and families to important community, government and social services and resources. Community Specialists in the areas of employment and social services set up a welcoming space in a small meeting room and greet Library visitors who might need assistance and support. The drop in schedule is most Thursday and Friday mornings. Having such a valuable resource available reinforces the Library as a community hub where lives can be transformed through connections to information.

Free Comic Book Day + Crafter's Fair

The St. Cloud and Hart Memorial Libraries celebrated the annual event, Free Comic Book Day, held the first Saturday in May. The Hart Memorial Library joined the event with a popular Crafters Fair so families were able to enjoy games, hands-on activities and a costume contest with the opportunity to purchase locally made handicrafts just in time for Mother's Day. The St. Cloud Library distributed copies of comic books to library visitors. Free Comic Book Day helps to promote the notion that reading of any kind is good!

Florida Library Association annual conference

Several Library staff attended the annual Florida Library Association conference held in Daytona Beach. The Library was selected to present an informational poster on the popular Walking Library series and Programming Coordinator Michelle Mosely represented the Library in this event, speaking to attendees about the inventive programming she's implemented. Conference activities included attending workshops, networking, enjoying fundraising events, meeting Library industry leaders and vendors, and joining future committees to help shape the organization in the coming year. Osceola Library staff have joined the Conference Planning, Awards, Scholarships, Membership and Diversity Equity Inclusion Accessibility committees in addition to contributing to the Public Library Managers and Public Library Directors leadership groups.

Other May Happenings:

FLOW Bus: The Florida Licensing on Wheels bus made another stop at the Poinciana Library to help residents with their licensing needs.

One Book, One Community: In partnership with the Orlando Sentinel, *Wish* by Barbara O'Connor is brought to life through activities and a free copy of the title.

Macramé for Beginners: West Osceola patrons learned the basics of this fun craft that uses knots to create beautiful designs.

Simple Soldering: This basic electronics class taught in TechCentral provides the basics of using a soldering iron, necessary for many electronic projects.

Lost at Sea: National Maritime Day was honored at the St. Cloud Library with sea stories and nautical art.



Above: Kids at the St. Cloud Library create works of art inspired by the novel, *Wish* by Barbara O'Connor, 2023 selection for the One Book, One Community reading program promoted by the Orlando Sentinel.



Above and Left: Upstairs at the Hart Memorial Library was a celebration of Free Comic Book Day with games, crafts, costume contest and a make your own comic workshop. Downstairs, crafters of all kinds presented their original creations just in time for Mother's