

New Braunfels Public Library

**Highlighting our commitment to
service, innovation, and
community engagement**



Our History

Started in 1928 by the New Braunfels Library Association

1928

Located in the Dittlinger Building (now Sophienburg) from 1969 to 1999

1969

Opened the Westside Community Center and Library in 2016

2016

Located in the Emmie Seele Faust Building from 1938 to 1969

1938

Moved to current location (former Little League Fields) in 1999

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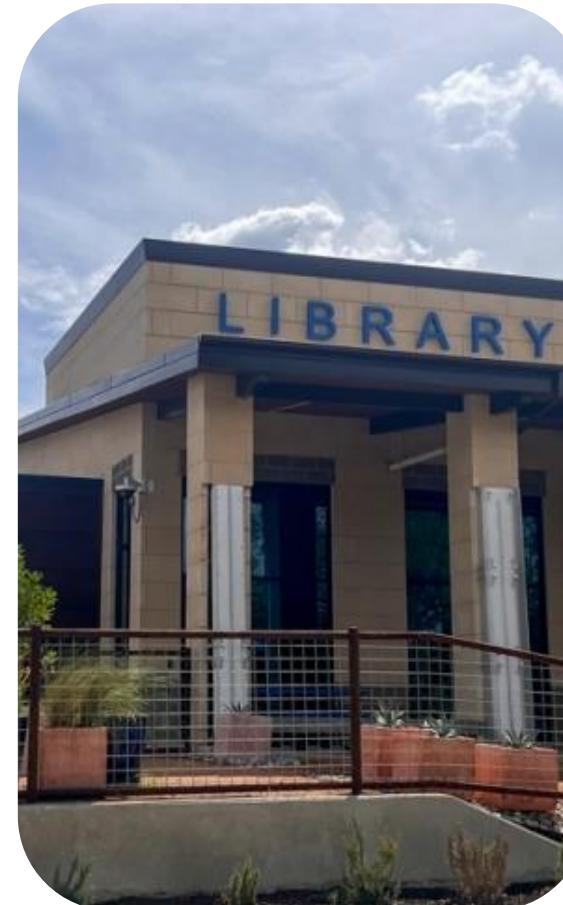
New Westside Library opened in September 2024

2023

2024 by the Numbers



Circulated 925,291 items
in physical and electronic formats.



5,130 programs with
81,743 attendees.

287,096 visitors.

77,575 requests for information.

Programs and Services



Infant Lapsit Storytime
Newborn to 12 months

Baby Rhyme Time
12-18 months

Toddler Time
18-36 months

Preschool Storytime
3-5 years

Family Storytime & Pajama Storytime
All ages



February Storytimes								
02	03	Baby Rhyme Time 9:30 AM NBPL Toddler Time 10:30 AM NBPL	04	Preschool Storytime 9:30 AM NBPL Toddler Time 10:30 AM NBPL	05	Infant Lapsit Storytime 9:30 AM Westside Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Westside	06	Preschool Storytime 9:30 AM Westside Toddler Time 10:30 AM Westside Art Afternoon 4:00 PM NBPL
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							Community Partner Playtime 10:00 AM NBPL	

Programs and Services



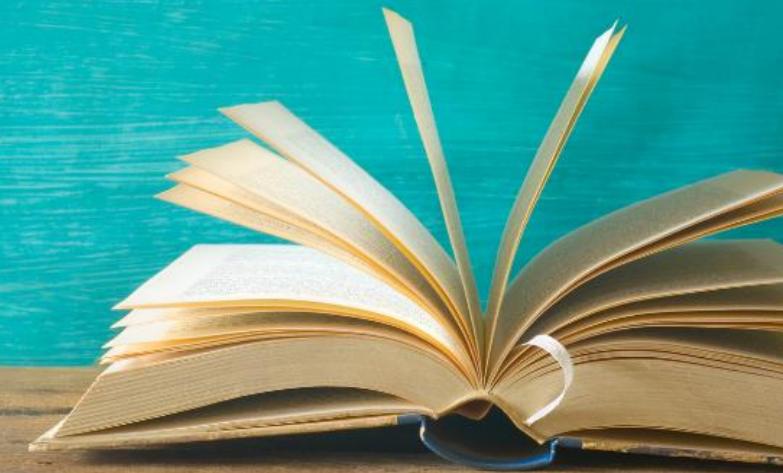
Fiction Book Club
2nd Wednesdays at 2 pm

Mystery Book Club
3rd Thursdays at 3 pm

Books on Tap
3rd Thursdays at 6:30 pm

Romance Book Club
4th Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

Fiction Book Group



Programs and Services



One-on-one help with more complex questions or tasks that need extra time. Get help for up to an hour with topics such as:

- Reference/Research
- Genealogy
- Job Help
- Computer/Technology Assistance

BOOK A
LIBRARIAN

Programs and Services



Receive a book bag, a welcome sheet, a reading log, and a progress card.

Every time you bring in a completed log, your child will receive a sticker with the next log.

At 500 books, your child will receive a small stuffed animal.

At 1000 books, your child will receive a new book and a certificate of completion.



Programs and Services



It can be hard to find great picture books for the kids, so Youth Services staff is here to help.

Fill out the form on our website and knowledgeable staff members will pull some fantastic finds for you to check out and enjoy. Each bundle consists of 8-10 books.

NEW BRAUNFELS PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOOK BUNDLE REQUESTS



Outreach



Summer Feeding Program:
Participated in San Antonio Food Bank's USDA Institute of Child Nutrition program, providing hot lunches to children during summer.

Utility Assistance:
Helped over **800** people apply for utility assistance through the New Braunfels Cares program.



Expanded Outreach:
Continued RIOmobile & RIORover home delivery services and added a Public Services Librarian for outreach efforts.

Bilingual Services:
Added bilingual versions of the Device Advice program, Infant Massage series, and made a Bilingual Storytime weekly.

Collaboration



- **Civic Engagement:** The Library serves as a voting location and partnered with the League of Women Voters for voter registration and education.
- **Collaborations with City and Community Organizations:** The library hosted events for city departments, participated in city events like Meet the Trucks, and worked with organizations such as Connections and the Humane Society for various programs.
- **Vocational Training:** Hosted apprentices through Hill Country MHDD's vocational program, providing job training and skills development.

Collaboration



- **Youth & Family Programs:** Partnered with SJRC Texas for events, ran our Books for Babies program, and provided Play & Learn sessions for young children.
- **Senior & Health Programs:** Worked with the Alamo Area Council on Aging for senior-focused programs and hosted health-related initiatives like the BINGOsize fitness program.
- **Community Engagement:** Participated in CycloVIVA, hosted the Greater New Braunfels Arts Council Poetry Contest, and supported Blue Santa and Be a Santa to a Senior programs.

Literacy Support



Adult Literacy Programs:

- Four active book groups: General Fiction, Mystery, Romance, and Books on Tap (sci-fi, fantasy, and horror discussions at local breweries).
- Librarytime for Adults with IDD provides storytime for adults with intellectual disabilities, in collaboration with local advocates.



Special Events and Initiatives:

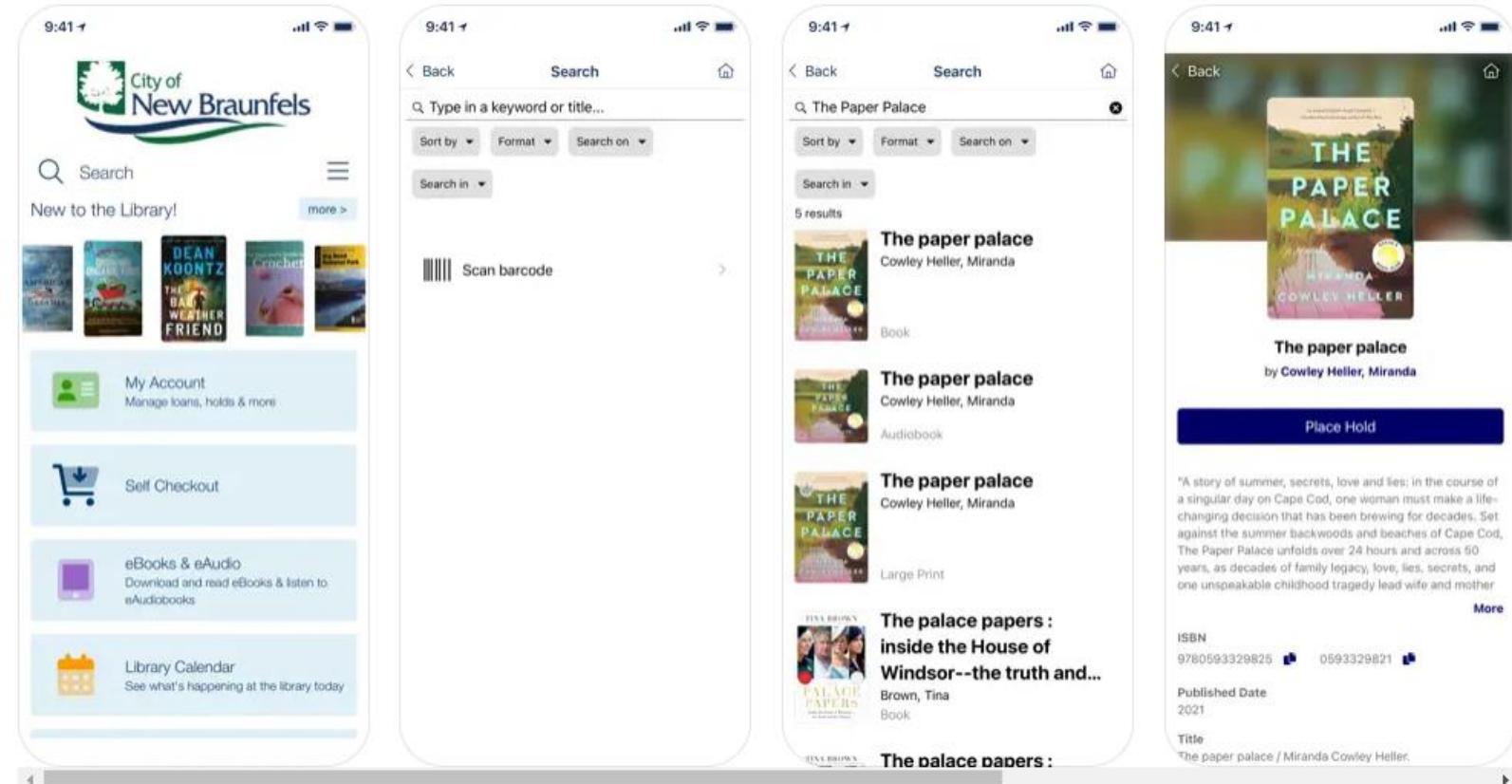
- Author Alliah Agostini shared The Juneteenth Story at a special reading event.
- The library's StoryWalk at Morningside Park combines walking and reading in an interactive, community-focused experience.
- Summer Reading Program attracted **2,300** attendees at the kick-off and featured performances, science shows, and mindfulness sessions. Reading participation included **1,172** children, **132** teens, and **207** adults.

eLibrary



NBPL App

Access your New Braunfels Public Library account from your device any time, any place. Manage your account, search the catalog, renew and reserve items and keep in touch with the Library.



eLibrary



Libby

Access the Lonestar Digital Consortium's digital collection of eBooks, audiobooks, and magazines through Libby. Now with over 5,000 magazine titles to choose from.

Read with Libby

Borrow & read ebooks, audiobooks, magazines, and more online from your local library for free! Libby is the library reading app by OverDrive, loved by millions of readers worldwide!



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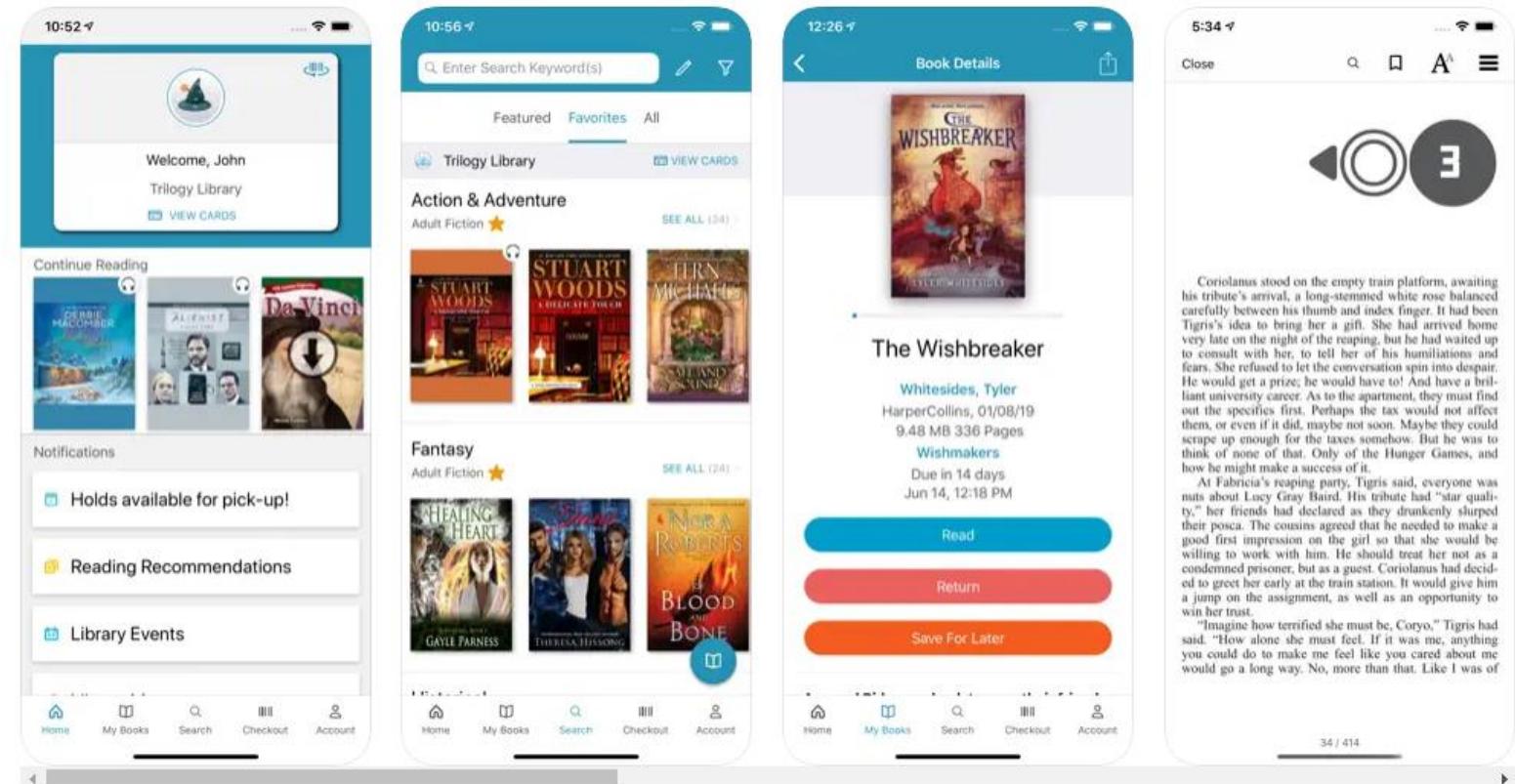
[Learn more about getting started with Libby](#) A small red downward-pointing arrow icon.

eLibrary



cloudLibrary

The cloudLibrary app makes discovering the content you want to read easy. Whether on the web, a tablet, your mobile device, or your library's discovery terminal, you can browse digital shelves curated by your library or filter by genres that interest you.



Main Library

700 E Common Street

Mon-Thu 9 am to 8 pm

Friday 9 am to 6 pm

Sat 9 am to 5 pm

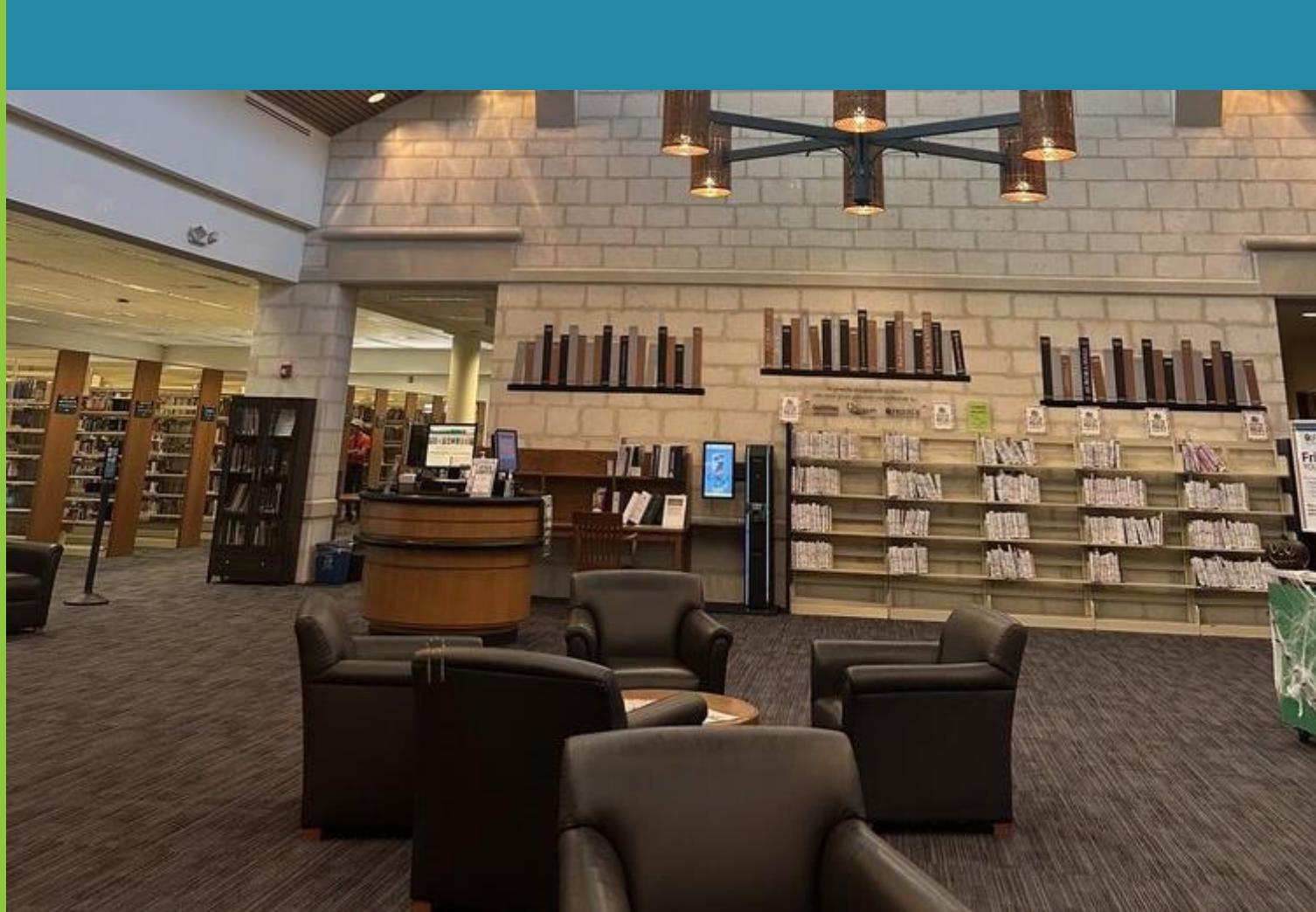
Sun 1 to 5 pm

Branch Manager:
Angie Albright



Main Library

- Built 1999
- 26,700 square feet
- Collection size: 95,910
- Meeting room capacity: 120 standing or 50 seated
- Study rooms: 3
- Public computer stations: 19
- Copy/scan/fax/print Station
- Children's Room
- Teen Area



Westside Library and Community Center

2910 S I-35 South Frontage Rd

Mon-Thu 9 am to 8 pm

Friday 9 am to 6 pm

Sat 9 am to 5 pm

Branch Manager:

Zane Ziebell



Westside Library and Community Center

- Library built 2023
- Library: 8,800 sq. feet
- Community Center: 19,000 sq. feet
- Collection Size: 21,463
- Meeting Room Capacity: 50
- Study Rooms: 4
- Public Computer Stations: 8
- Copy/Scan/Fax/Print Station
- Children's Room
- Teen Area



Westside Library and Community Center

Fitness Instruction

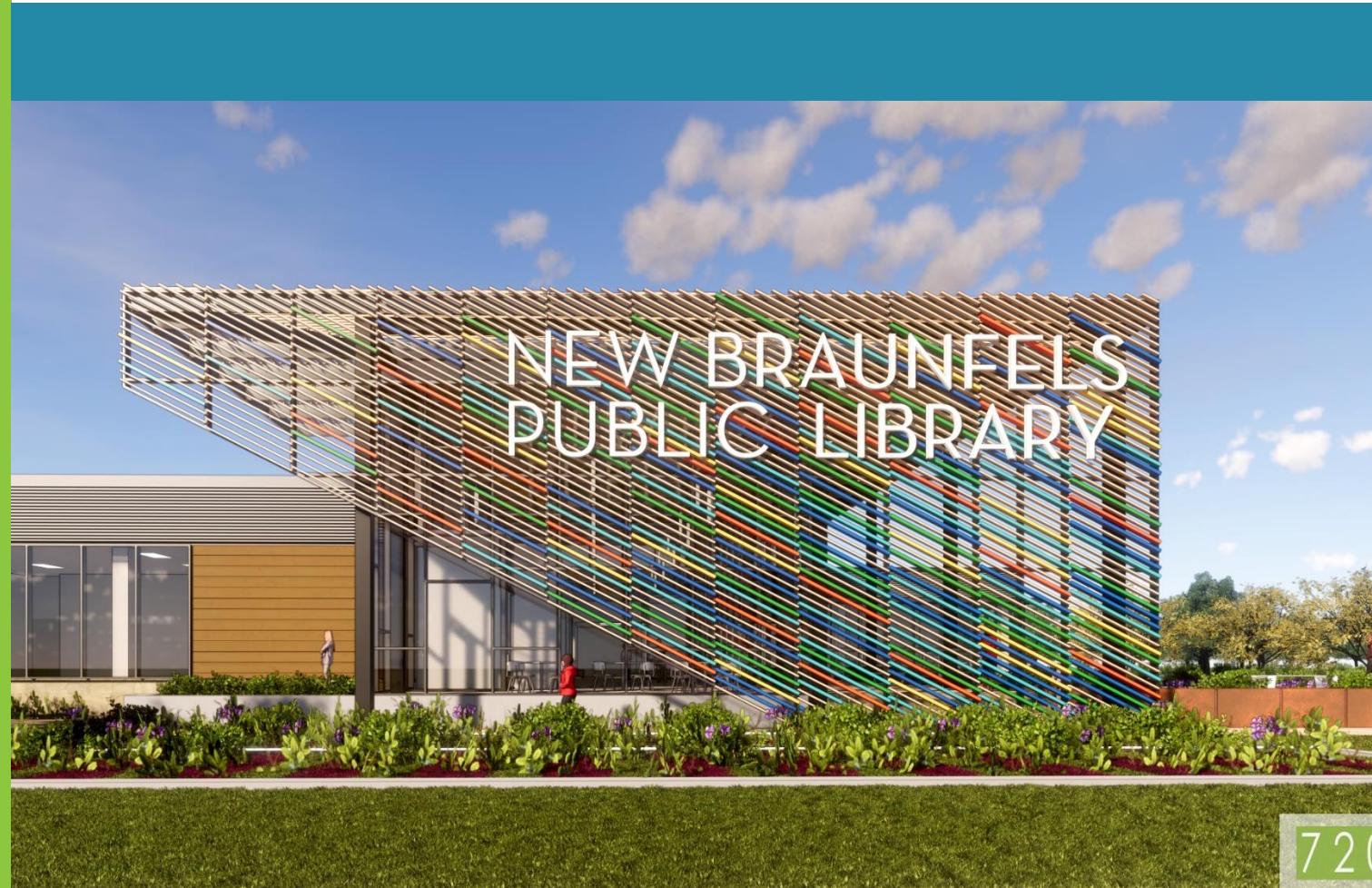
- Beginner/Advanced Line Dancing
- Zumba
- Chair/Gentle Yoga
- Yoga
- Tai Chi
- Basic Strength and Cardio
- Bootcamp Cardio and Strength

Teaching - Hands On/Technical

- Adult Spanish Instruction
- Family Art Classes



Southeast Branch: Looking Ahead



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- Approved in 2023 Bond
- 23,250 square feet
- Walnut and Settlers Crossing
- Near several schools





ACCENT SCREEN



PEDESTRIAN ENTRANCE



MAIN APPROACH



Results

Klein Road Elementary School
4.9 ★★★★★ (12)
Elementary school · 2620 Klein Way
Closes soon · 3:45PM · Opens 6:50AM Mon · (830) 221-1700

Website **Directions**

Walnut Springs Elementary School
5.0 ★★★★★ (1)
Elementary school · Walnut Springs Elementary School, 1900 S Walnut Ave
Closes soon · 3:25PM · Opens 7:55AM Mon · (830) 627-6540

Website **Directions**

New Braunfels Academy
3.6 ★★★★☆ (27)
Preschool · 2065 S Walnut Ave
Open · Closes 6 PM · (830) 221-7434
"He absolutely loves his teachers and all his friends at school!"

Website **Directions**

Voss Farms Elementary School
5.0 ★★★★★ (8)
Elementary school · 2510 Pahmeyer Rd

Website **Directions**

★ Rating **Hours** All filters

Search this area

Walnut Springs Elementary School

Memorial Elementary School

County Line Elementary

New Braunfels Academy

Redemptive Grace Ministries

SOUTHBANK

Toll Brothers at Sunset Ridge

NorthStar Massage Therapy

Small Town Dr

Sungate Dr

Hazelwood Dr - Jerad St

Sugar Land Dr

Stonehaven

NB Clock Services

Dove Crossing

Calvary Baptist Academy

Pro Electrician New Braunfels 24/7

Coops Mobile Mechanics

Rolands Auto Repair

Las Cove

Noel Forest

W County Line Rd

Pahmeyer Rd

Sunstar Rd

Sun Chase Blvd

S Walnut Ave

Divine Way

Fayette Dr

Roadrunner Ave

Quail Ridge Dr

White Wing Way

Lauren St

K9 Citizens Club

Sweet Magnolia's Pet Resort & Spa

Guadalupe Ridge by Rausch Coleman Homes

Two Ass Farms

Triple C Epoxy Flooring

Diamondback Trail

Savannah Hill Cir

Pahmeyer Rd

Legend Pk Bass Ln

PRO TOW

W Zipp Rd

Highland Ridge by View Homes

Advanced Water Googlen

Dao Tam Temple

Layers

Update results when map moves

West River Chase

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Thank you.

Questions?

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