**El Reno Carnegie Library**

**Strategic Plan 2020-2023**

***Mission***

We enrich lives and strengthen our community through access to information, education, and enjoyment.

***Vision***

To honor our history while empowering our community to pave new routes to the future.

***Primary Objectives***

**Growing Children’s Services**

* Create an inviting Children’s area through updated design and by building an engaging space for both programs and play.
* Develop new programming to engage children of all ages, both inside and outside the library.
* Make the Summer Reading Program accessible to more families by creating an online platform.
* Build strong relationships with local schools and work together on programming and outreach.
* Invest in updating our Children’s collections, both physical and digital – a goal echoed in the primary objective of “revitalizing collections.”

**Creating Accessible Archives**

* Ensure the Edna May Armold Archives collection is well-preserved and easily accessible by investing in furniture and shelving, technology, and climate control.
* Work with the Oklahoma Department of Libraries & Oklahoma Historical Society to organize and digitize our archival collection.
* Review the archival collection for relevancy to El Reno and Canadian County with a focus on genealogical research. Work with outside groups to safely rehome any materials that do not fit the parameters for inclusion.
* Hire an Adult Librarian with a focus on – and preferably experience in – archives, who will maintain the collection, lead on digitization and preservation projects, and develop programming to promote use of the archives.

**Revitalizing Physical and Digital Collections**

* A healthy, well-circulating collection is one which meets the current needs of its community. We will update all areas of the collection for currency & accuracy, while maintaining a balanced selection of materials.
* Our collections will include materials that represent the diversity of interests of groups in the community. They will include materials in languages that represent those spoken in the community.
* Invest in digital resources meeting patrons’ educational and entertainment needs.
* Secure additional funding as needed to support large-scale collection refresh projects.