



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES STAFF REPORT

ITEM NO. 4.1

DATE: March 26, 2026
TO: Chairperson and Members of the Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Anwan Baker, Library Director
SUBJECT: Report on the Library's recognition of 2026 Black History Month.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the Library Board of Trustees receive the report.

DECISION TYPE

Not Applicable

SUMMARY

Black History Month is a time to celebrate the contributions and achievements of Black Americans to our country and the world. This is the fifth year the Library has dedicated concentrated programming and crafts for all ages throughout the month of February for Black History Month for this purpose.

DISCUSSION

Events this year included an author visit by Dr. Akilah Cadet, a game night at black owned Longevity Wines, Trivia Night with Tri-Valley for Black Lives, a performance by the Ashley Jemison Quartet and Baba Shibambo, a Take & Make Craft themed around children's picture book *Something, Someday* by Amanda Gorman at the Springtown Branch Library, and Black History Month Trivia Bulletin Boards at each of the three Library locations. The Civic Center Library's gallery was also filled with work from artists from the Art of the African Diaspora which was honored with an art reception, and book displays and booklists made available throughout the month.

ATTACHMENTS

[1. 2026 Black History Month Presentation](#)

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