

JANUARY 2020





## CITY COUNCIL

### Agenda Summary

The following items were approved by the Mayor and City Council in January 2019.

### Ordinances Passed:

- Ordinance #01-01-20, Amending Ordinance #09-25-19, which amended the Budget for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and authorized amending expenditures.
- Ordinance #01-03-20 – Amending Ordinance #09-25-19, which amended the Budget for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and authorized amending expenditures.

### Plats Approved:

- Replat of Lot 1R-1 and Lot 1R-2 of Grissom Estates, being 4.996 Acres, and generally located west of Creekview Road and approximately 1200 feet South of the Intersection of Creekview Road and FM 455..

### Other Items:

- Approved a request made by S&J Pharmacy to granting a Variance to the Sign Ordinance for a window sign at 801 Chapman Dr.
- Approved utilizing The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) and approved an agreement with NO-DIGTECH,LLC on a Sewer Replacement Project along Bolivar Street at a cost of \$405,625.00, and authorized Director of Public Works to execute agreement.
- Approved a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Professional Services for a Full-Service Water Storage Maintenance and Asset Maintenance Plan.
- Acknowledgement and Acceptance of the Annual Financial Report and related Audit by Brooks Watson & Co. for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2019.
- Approved authorization to utilize the Interlocal Purchasing Agreement with the City of Grand Prairie for Contract Services with Reynolds Asphalt & Construction Company for street reconstruction of Church Street from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to I-35 Service Road, Bolivar Street from I-35 Service Road to 5<sup>th</sup> Street as well as the Roads Listed on the 2020 Street Rehabilitation Plan: 8<sup>th</sup> Street from Plum Street to 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Elm Street. from 9<sup>th</sup> Street. to 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Pecan Street from 9<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Street from Peach Street to 5<sup>th</sup> Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Street from Bolivar Street. to Elm Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Street from Peach Street. to 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Plum Street from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 5<sup>th</sup> Street, at an amount not to exceed \$ 781,318.40.
- Approved concrete curb and gutter repair work along 7th Street, 6th Street, 5th Street at Peach Street, and 10th Street at Bolivar Street in the amount of \$56,364.



## CITY SECRETARY

### Agenda

- City Council Meeting Agenda Summary Items were, where required; prepared, certified, published and processed. Meeting Minutes prepared, approved by City Council and filed by the City Secretary.

### Election

- Posted May 2, 2020 General Election Information on website.
- Posted Notice of Deadline to File Application for Place on the Ballot – December 10, 2019.
- Prepared election agenda for first meeting in February for notice and order of the May 2, 2020 General Election.

### Open Records

- Processed nineteen (19) Open Record Requests and completed them in ten days or less.

### Solicitor Permits

- One Solicitor Permits was issued.

### Summary of Miscellaneous Items:

- Alcohol permit renewals in process.
- Received Hotel and Motel Quarterly Tax payments.

## *DID YOU KNOW...*

Looking to make a difference? Become involved as a member of a board or commission. Boards and commissions are important in that they enable citizens to participate in the City of Sanger's government processes and help shape and influence public policy. All board or commission members are residents of the City of Sanger who, after filling out an application form are reviewed and appointed by the City Council when a vacancy occurs. Make application for a Board or Commission today and help shape your community! Contact the City Secretary and request and application at [cprice@sangertexas.org](mailto:cprice@sangertexas.org) or obtain an application on the City's website at [www.sangertexas.org](http://www.sangertexas.org) under Government – Boards & Commissions.



### About your Sanger EDC

The City of Sanger has established both a Type A and Type B economic development board to stimulate economic growth. These boards utilize sales tax revenues to stimulate the creation of new primary jobs in the community and to address quality of life issues. Sanger is pro-business and aggressively seeks new and expanded businesses that offer quality jobs for the community.

### Staff Updates

Staff attended the International Council of Shopping Center (ICSC) Red River Conference & Deal Making in Fort Worth. ICSC is the global trade association of the retail real estate and shopping center industry. Members of ICSC include shopping center owners, real estate developers, retailers, franchise owners, brokers, municipalities, chamber of commerce and economic development organizations. Conferences are ideal for networking, business intelligence and deal making in the retail estate sector. ICSC gives us the opportunity to provide awareness and information regarding our city to the masses of retail and the development community. Specific goals in mind when attending these conferences: seek out and meet with potential companies, market Sanger to developers and the retail community, and educate them of our city's history, economy, demographics, affordability and available workforce.

Sales taxes for the month of December were \$44,092. Sales tax totals for FY 19-20 are \$128,128, as compared to \$108,698 for the same period last FY.



*The Sanger mansion has been sold to Bella Mansions, LLC. The new owner plans to convert the property to a wedding and event venue.*

## **DID YOU KNOW...**

Retailers look for opportunities – not just sites. To be successful, a retail site must have these essential location factors:

- Visibility
- Accessibility
- Regional exposure
- Population density
- Population growth
- Operational convenience
- Safety and security
- Adequate parking
- Adequate signage



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**BUILDING PERMITS**

Residential	New	Alteration	Total
# Permits	29	2	31
# Inspections	264	8	272
Fees	\$253,507.45	\$277.40	\$253,784.85

Commercial	New	Alteration	Total
# Permits	1	0	1
# Inspections	18	20	38
Fees	\$15,907.28	\$0	\$15,907.28

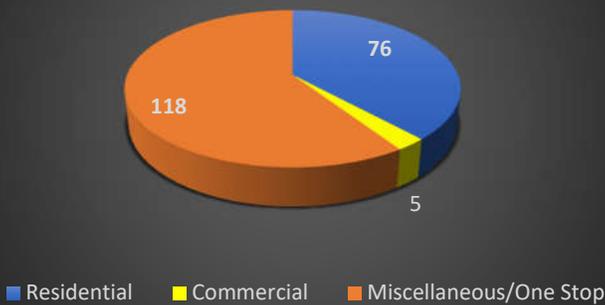
Miscellaneous /One Stop	
# Permits	31
# Inspections	83
Fees	\$1,835.00

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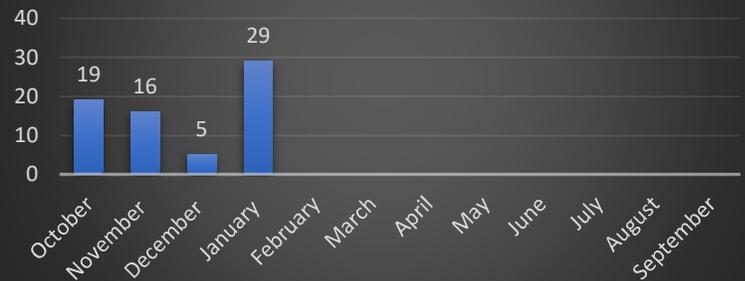
Census data determine how more than \$675 billion are spent, supporting your state, county and community's vital programs.

For further questions please contact our department at 940-458-2059.

**Building Permits YTD**



**New Single-Family Residential Permits FY 19-20**





PLANNING & ZONING

Case # 19SANZON-00043

Conduct a Public Hearing and Consider, Discuss and Act on Ordinance # 01-02-20 Regarding a Specific Use Permit (SUP) for a Trailer/RV Sales or Rental use on a Property Zoned as B-2 (Business District - 2), and Generally located West of I-35 and Approximately 200 Feet South of the Intersection of West Bolivar Street and I-35 Service Road.

Planning and Zoning Commission DENIED

City Council DENIED



Case # 19SANZON-00046

Consider, Discuss and Act on the Final Plat of Lot 1, Block A, of Sportsman 2 Gas Station and Convenience Store Addition, Being 4.108 Acres, and Generally Located South East of the Intersection of Lois Road East and I-35 Service Road.

Planning and Zoning Commission APPROVED

City Council APPROVED





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Case # 19SANZON-00047

Conduct a Public Hearing and Consider, Discuss and Act on the Requested Variance From Side Yard Adjacent to the Street Setback Requirement of 25 Feet and to Allow Side Yard Setback of 15 Feet for 0.195 Acres of Lot 31, Block E, Ranger Creek Estates Phase 2, Zoned as PD- 09-38-07, and Generally Located South of the Intersection of East Willow Street and Ranger Creek Road.

Zoning Board of Adjustment  
Approved



Case # 19SANZON-00048

Consider, Discuss and Act on the Minor Plat of Lot 1, Block A of Heaths Hollow Addition, Being 1.967 Acres, in the City of Sanger, and Generally Located Approximately 300 Feet North of the Intersection of Duck Creek Road and I-35 Service Road.

Planning and Zoning Commission  
APPROVED

City Council  
APPROVED



**DID YOU KNOW...**

*It's the time when the Census Bureau heightens its search for some 500,000 temporary staffers to work door-to-door. But some of those workers will have a different job than in the past. It is expected that some two-thirds of the population will respond online.*



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### Monthly Report

During the month of January 2020 Officers of the Sanger Police Department responded to a total of 587 calls for service having an average response time of 4 minutes per call. The department issued a total of 19 citations and 24 warnings.

The Texas Department of Public Safety Uniform Crime Reporting tracks seven classifications of offenses. You will find below a list of those classifications as well as any of those classifications the Department responded to:

Criminal Homicide 0  
Forcible Rape 1  
Robbery 0  
Assault 5  
Burglary 1  
Larceny/Theft 1  
Motor Vehicle Theft 3  
Officer Assaulted 0



Crime and the fear of crime create special problems for the elderly. Understanding the nature of the problem and knowing what to do to avoid being a victim of crime can help you. The following crime prevention tips for elderly are commonsense advice can be effective when you follow them.

#### WALKING

- Always plan your route and stay alert to your surroundings. Walk confidently.
- Have a companion accompany you.
- Stay away from buildings and doorways; walk in well-lighted areas.
- Have your key ready when approaching your front door.
- Don't dangle your purse away from your body. (Twelve percent of all crimes against the elderly are purse snatchings and street robberies.)
- Don't carry large, bulky shoulder bags; carry only what you need. Better yet, sew a small pocket inside your jacket or coat. If you don't have a purse, no one will try to snatch it.

#### IN STORES

- Don't display large sums of cash.
- Never leave your purse unattended.
- Use checks where possible.



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### IN YOUR CAR

- Always keep your car doors locked, whether you are in or out of your car.
- At stop signs and traffic lights, keep the car in gear.
- Travel well-lit and busy streets. Plan your route.
- Don't leave your purse on the seat beside you; put it on the floor, where it is more difficult for someone to grab it.
- Lock bundles or bags in the trunk. If interesting packages are out of sight, a thief will be less tempted to break in to steal them.
- When returning to your car, check the front seat, back seat, and floor before entering.
- Never pick up hitchhikers.
- If your car should break down, get far enough off the road, turn on your emergency flashers, raise the hood, get back into the car, lock the door, and wait for help.

### BANKING

Many criminals know exactly when government checks arrive each month, and may pick that day to attack. Avoid this by using Direct Deposit, which sends your money directly from the government to the bank of your choice. And, at many banks, free checking accounts are available to senior citizens. Your bank has all the information.

- You should store valuables in a Safe Deposit Box.
- Never give your money to someone who calls on you, identifying himself as a bank official. A bank will never ask you to remove your money. Banks need the use of your money, and they don't want one of their customers to invite crime by having large amounts of cash around.
- When someone approaches you with a get-rich-quick-scheme involving some or all of YOUR savings, it is HIS get-rich-quick-scheme. If it is a legitimate investment, the opportunity to contribute your funds will still be there tomorrow-after you have had time to consider it.

### AT HOME

- Never open your door automatically. Use an optical viewer. At night, draw your blinds or draperies.
- Lock your doors and windows. (Three quarters of the burglaries involving older persons involved unlocked doors and windows; and, less than one half of these robberies are reported.) Keep your garage doors locked.
- Vary your daily routine.
- Use "Neighbor Watch" to keep an eye on your neighborhood. A concerned neighbor is often the best protection against crime because suspicious persons and activities are noticed and reported to police promptly.

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- Don't leave notes on the door when going out.
- Leave lights on when going out at night; use a timer to turn lights on and off when you are away for an extended period.
- Don't place keys under mats, in mail boxes, or other receptacles outside your door.
- Notify neighbors and the police when going away on a trip. Cancel deliveries such as newspapers and arrange for someone – a neighbor's child, perhaps – to mow the lawn if need be. Arrange for your mail to be held by the Post Office, or ask a neighbor to collect it for you.
- Be wary of unsolicited offers to make repairs to your home. Deal only with reputable businesses.
- Keep an inventory with serial numbers and photographs of resaleable appliances, antiques and furniture. Leave copies in a safe place.
- Don't hesitate to report crime or suspicious activities.

This crime prevention information is brought to you by:  
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The Sanger Police Department has positions open for employment.

Chief Curtis Amyx

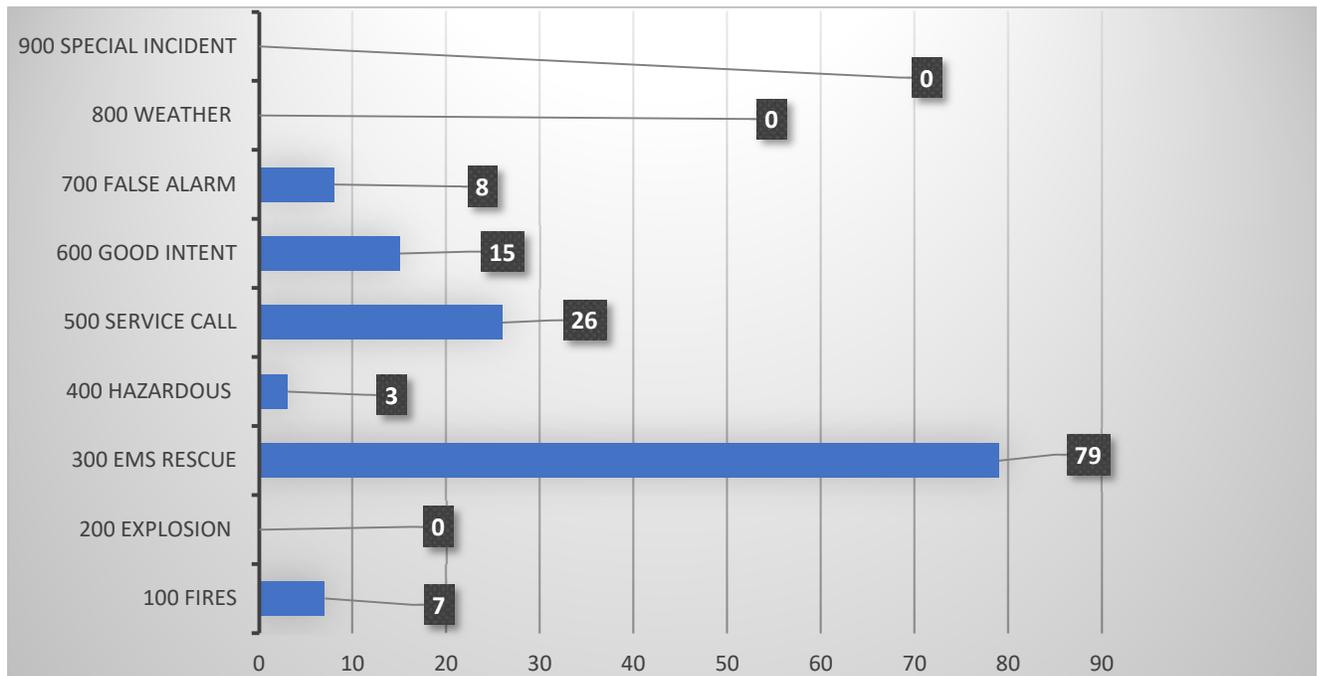


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### Emergency Responses for January

The Sanger Fire Department responded to 138 emergency incidents during the month of January. The top four busiest incident types:

- 79 Emergency Medical Incident
- 26 Service calls
- 15 Good Intent incidents
- 8 False Calls
- The busiest time of the day was 18:00 – 18:59 for January
- The busiest days of the week for EMS transports was Tuesday with 15 transports during the month.
- Emergency Medical calls accounted for 57.25 % of the total call volume.

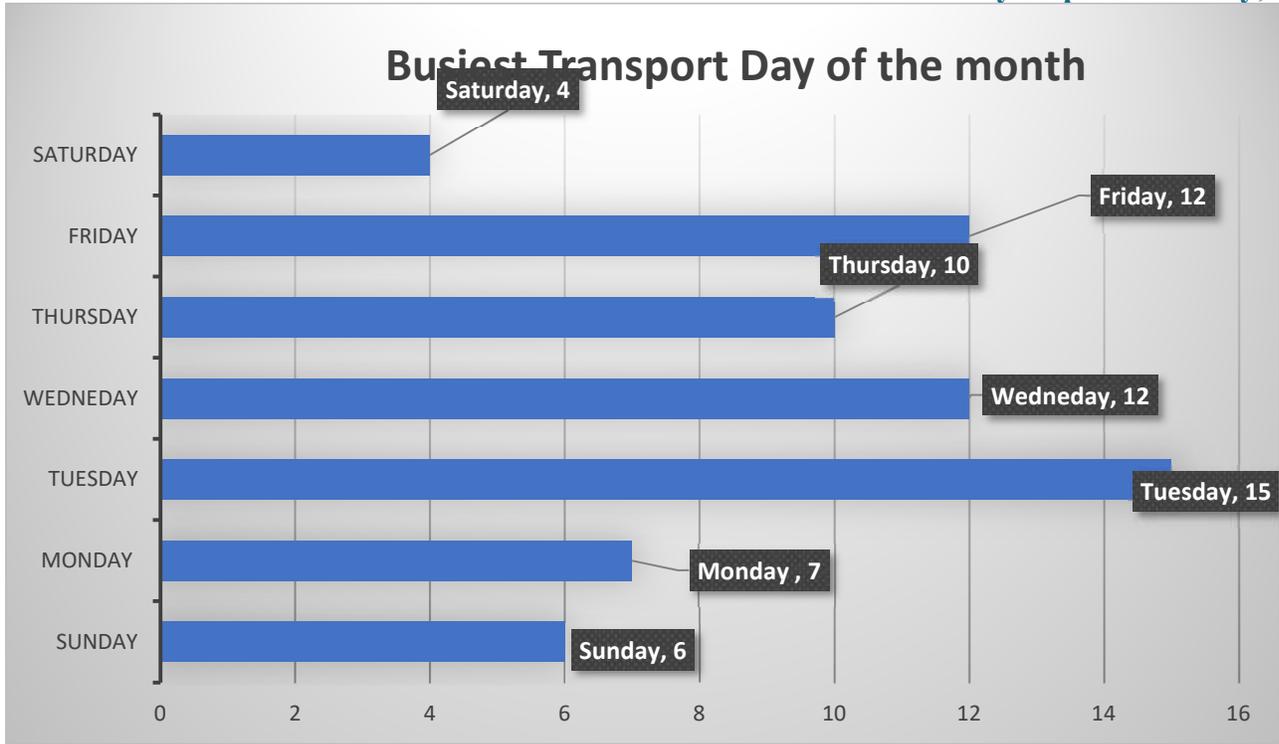




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MOBILE APPS WITH LOCAL ALERT FUNCTIONS

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**FEMA APP:** Stay updated with severe weather alerts from the National Weather Service for up to five locations across the U.S.; learn how to stay safe before, during, and after over 20 types of hazards; save a custom list of the items in your family’s emergency kit; and locate and receive driving directions to open shelters and disaster recovery centers. You can also submit disaster-related photos to a public map using the Disaster Reporter feature. The FEMA App is also available in Spanish. Download the app to your mobile device or smartphone free on iTunes or Google Play. Learn more at [www.fema.gov/mobile-app](http://www.fema.gov/mobile-app).

**AMERICAN RED CROSS APP:** The Red Cross Emergency app combines more than 35 different types of severe weather and emergency alerts. You can choose the alerts that are important to your location or the location of loved ones. The “Family Safe” feature allows you to notify loved ones that an alert has been issued in their area and check to see if they are safe. The app also offers information on what to do before, during, and after severe weather hits and how to find open Red Cross Shelters. All content is also available in Spanish. You can download the app to your mobile device or smartphone free on iTunes (Apple-iOS 6.0 or later) and Google Play (Android). Learn more at [www.redcross.org/prepare/mobile-apps](http://www.redcross.org/prepare/mobile-apps).

**THE WEATHER CHANNEL APP:** Tracks weather and provides local forecasts and push alerts of severe weather to your mobile device. Download the app to your mobile device or smartphone free on iTunes (Apple-iOS 6.0 or later), Google Play (Android), App World (BlackBerry), and Windows Phone at [www.weather.com/apps](http://www.weather.com/apps).



MUNICIPAL COURT

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## MUNICIPAL COURT

### Case Activity:

- For the month of January, 2020, the Municipal Court filed 30 citations.
- There were 3 requests for deferred disposition.
- There were no requests for driver safety course
- There were 3 cases successfully closed by deferred disposition and zero cases successfully closed by driver safety course.
- The court closed 11 cases by payment in full or time served.
- The total fines, court costs and other fees collected were \$3,443.90 with \$858.35 of that being remitted to the State.

## ***DID YOU KNOW...***

The City of Sanger Municipal Court consist of two judges, a prosecutor and two clerks. The judges and the prosecutor are part-time and only present when court is in session. The judges and prosecutor are not allowed to speak with any defendant without being in the court room.

It is against the law to try to contact the judge outside a court room setting.

**Do not attempt to contact a judge - by mail, e-mail, phone, or in person - about any pending or potential cases!  
Doing so may result in serious consequences.**



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### Overview

The Finance Department is responsible for all financial, accounting and utility billing operations of the City. The department is charged with managing the City's resources through budgeting, purchasing, and reporting. Operations of the department include billing and collecting for all utilities, handling all accounts receivable and payable, preparing payroll for all City employees, paying all City obligations, and preparing the annual budget document.

During the month of December 2019, Finance Department staff:

- Prepared, reported and distributed Forms W-2 and 1099 for employee and vendor payments for 2019.
- Performed all of the following normal departmental functions for the City:
  - Accounts Payable
  - Financial Reporting
  - Payroll
  - Purchase Orders
  - Utility Customer Service

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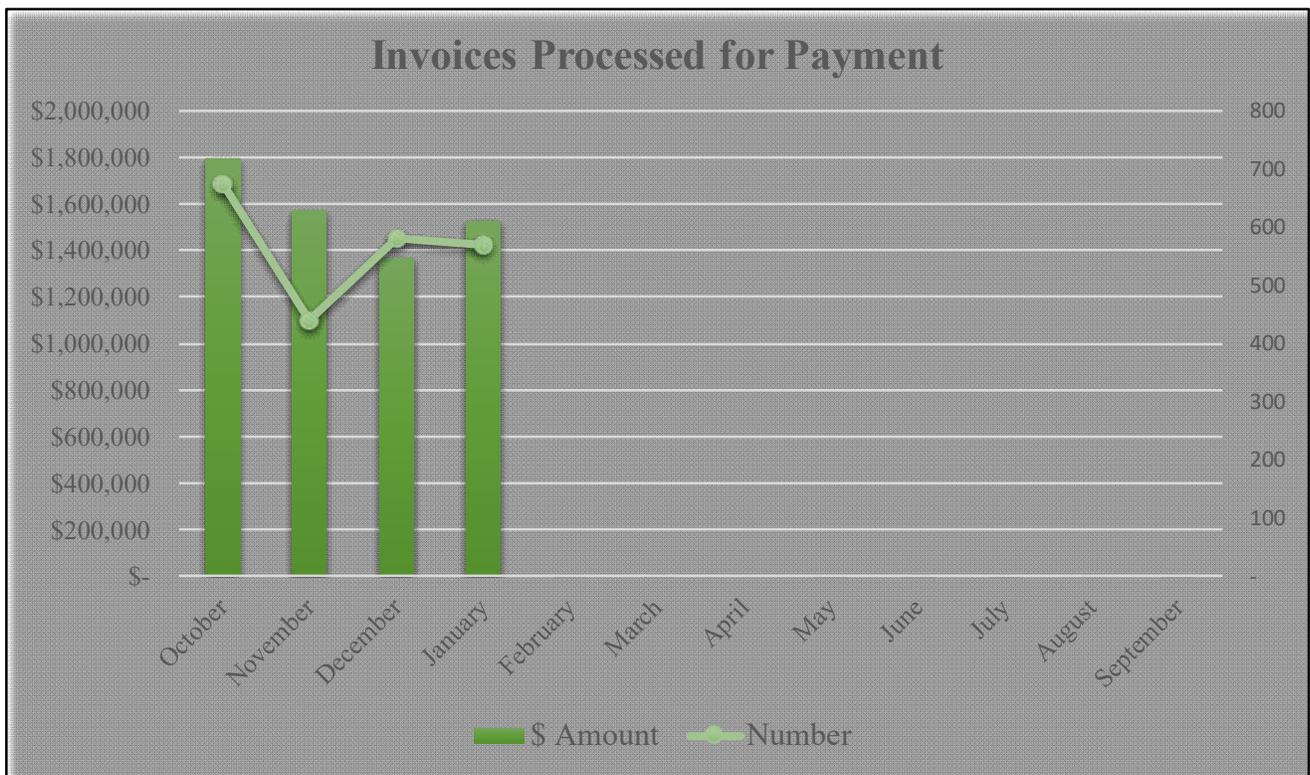
Sanger offers an Average Monthly Payment Plan (AMP) for utility customers? Under AMP, utility bills are averaged so there is less fluctuation in the month-to-month amount of bills. Contact our Customer Service office at 940.458.7930 or email [utilitybilling@sangertexas.org](mailto:utilitybilling@sangertexas.org) to learn more.



Accounts Payable Function

The purpose of the Accounts Payable function is to provide payment processing services for City departments to ensure timely vendor payments for goods and services.

Invoices Processed		
Year	Number	Amount
2019-2020 YTD	2,266	\$ 6,253,282
2018-2019 YTD	2,048	6,802,463
2017-2018 TYD	1,902	5,871,633

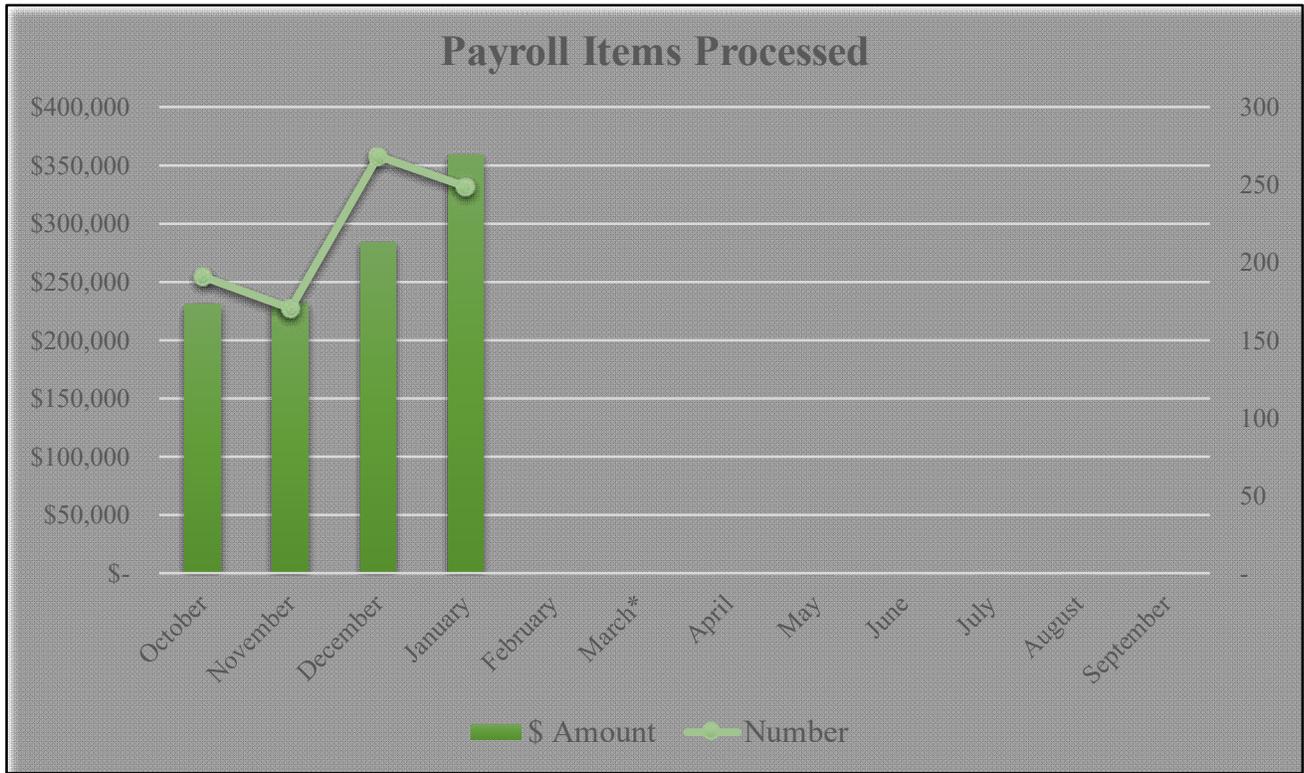




Payroll Function

The purpose of the Payroll function is to provide timely payroll services for City departments to ensure that employees are paid timely and accurately.

Payments to Employees		
Year	Number	Amount
2019-2020 YTD	878	\$ 1,104,946
2018-2019 YTD	815	982,864
2017-2018 TYD	865	1,009,359



NOTE: There are three payroll periods in the monts of January and July 2020.



**Purchase Order Function**

The purpose of the Purchase Order function is to provide purchasing management and support to departments and suppliers so that the City has the resources available to accomplish its mission in a timely and efficient manner.

Purchase Orders Issued		
Year	Number	Amount
2019-2020 YTD	73	\$ 3,357,835
2018-2019 YTD	109	1,109,869
2017-2018 TYD	117	5,069,598



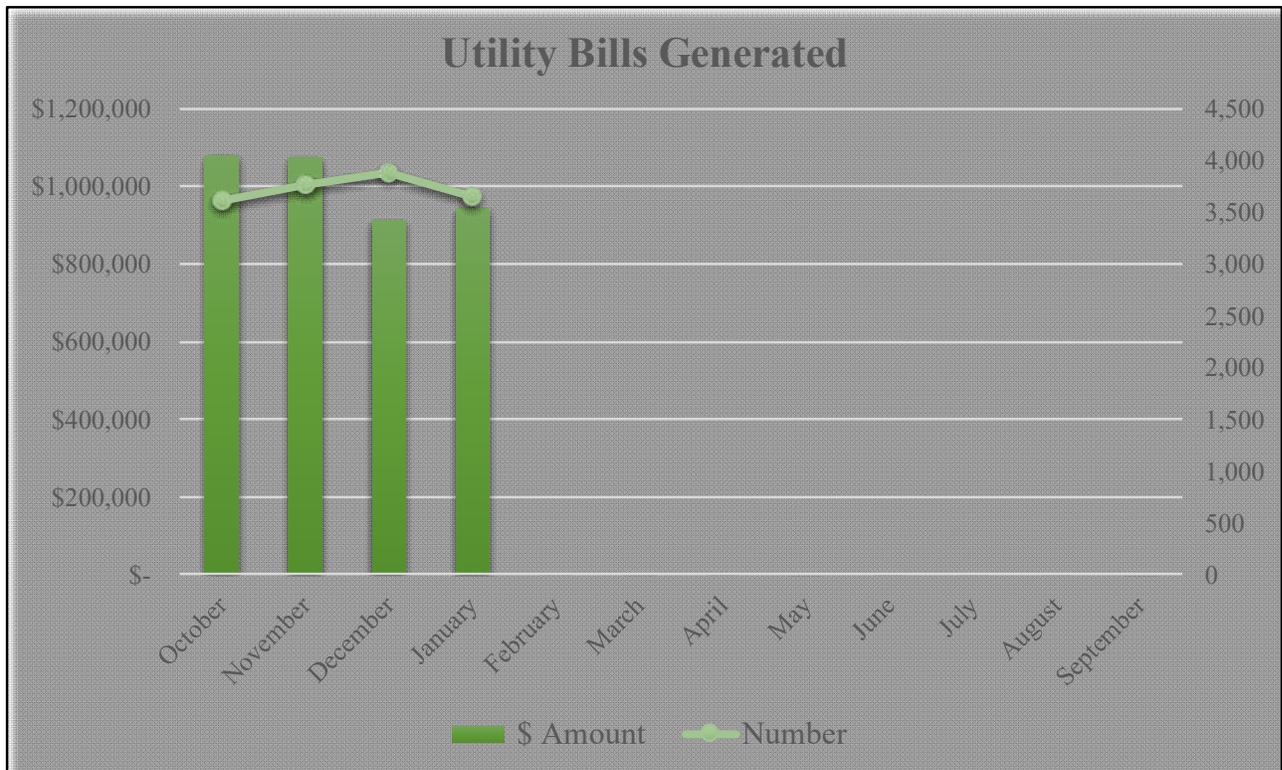


**Utility Customer Service Function**

The purpose of the Utility Customer Service function is to provide billing and revenue collection services for all City of Sanger utilities and to provide excellent customer service and information to all City of Sanger utility customers.

**Billing Activity**

Utility Bills Generated		
Year	Number	Amount
2019-2020 YTD	14,919	\$ 4,006,513
2018-2019 YTD	14,114	\$ 3,959,938
2017-2018 TYD	13,820	\$ 4,092,353



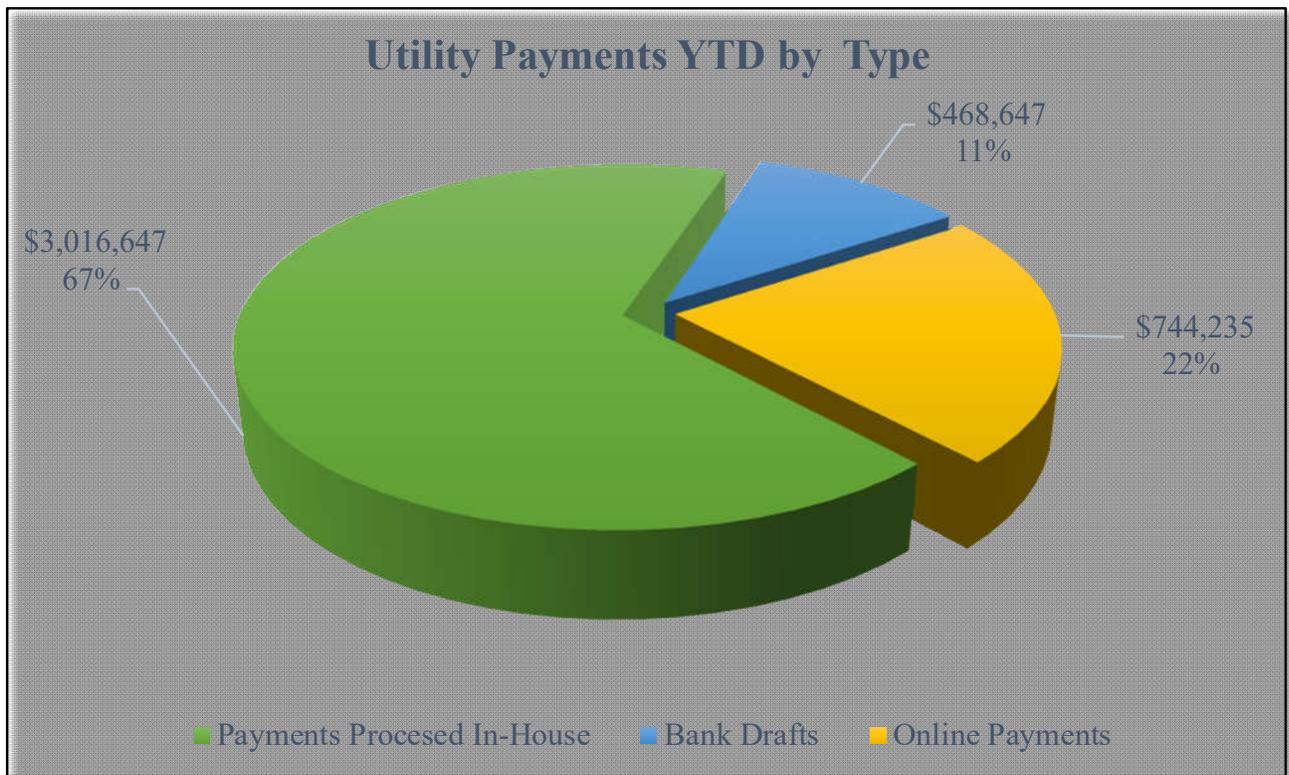


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**Payment Processing Activity**

Utility Payments Processed			
Year	Number	Amount	
2019-2020 YTD	14,247	\$	4,229,529
2018-2019 YTD	14,009	\$	4,216,568
2017-2018 TYD	13,353	\$	4,145,225



**Financial Reporting Function**



FINANCE

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The purpose of the Financial Reporting function is to provide internal controls and financial information to City Council and City departments so that they may manage operations and meet financial reporting needs.

Financial Reports Prepared		
Type	City Council Reports	Departmental Budget Reports
2019-2020 YTD	4	8
2018-2019 YTD	4	8
2017-2018 TYD	4	8



ELECTRIC

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## General Summary

- The Electric department performed mostly construction of new services in Lake Ridge and Arrowhead subdivisions during January.

## Daily Operations

- Collect daily capacitor readings at substation
- Take down Christmas lights and banners
- Perform annual maintenance of storm warning system
- Survey street/security lights for billing records
- Tree trimming maintenance

## Construction

- Temp to perms in Lake Ridge
- Install secondary services Arrowhead Dr.
- Installed new services in Lake Ridge Estates.
- Installed grounds on steel poles along I-35
- Installed new secondary services in Ranger Creek addition

## Service Truck/After Hours combined

- Connects – 22
- Disconnects -19
- Occupant change – 23
- Cutoff – 23
- Reinstates – 27
- Billing rechecks – 45
- Changed out meters – 25
- Re-read – 0
- Pulled meters – 0
- New meters -0

## ***DID YOU KNOW?***

*A lightning bolt can measure 3,000,000 volts. A single lightning bolt has enough electricity to light up 200,000 average homes.*



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### Capital Improvement Projects

- Railroad Avenue Lift Station and Wastewater Pipeline Improvements – 100% Plans & Specs received & under review, anticipate easement acquisition spring 2020
- Outfall Pipeline – 8500+/- linear foot wastewater treatment plant outfall pipe project design completed; on hold, evaluating stream restoration option
- Stream Restoration
  - Meetings held with Property Owners and TCEQ
  - Anticipate meeting early February with US Army Corps of Engineers
- Wastewater Treatment Plant: Continuing with repairs, improvements, and site work. Contractor preparing punch-list items remaining. February amendment to PSA with Plummer for health/safety required catwalk design.
- McReynolds Rd – Consultant contacting contractor regarding channel stabilization repair under maintenance bond. LOMR under FEMA review.

### Development

#### Construction

- Estates at Wind Song Hill – ETJ 57 Lot Single Family Residential Development – grading & turf establishment remaining
- Sanger Circle Phase 3 – Drainage end walls remain to be completed
- Sanger Circle Phase 6 – 250 Lot Single Family & Townhome Residential Development Storm drainage & sanitary sewer installation underway
- Sanger Circle Phase 5 – Sanitary sewer removal and replacement ongoing. (Developer addressing - as not built per approved plans.)

#### Under Review

- Sanger Meadow Addn (Denton County ETJ) Phase 1 & 2 – 134 Lot Residential Development
- Sable Creek Ph 4 & 5 PP
- Sportsman 2 PP – Fuel Station
- Grace Bible Church
- Berkshire 2 Townhomes

### Development Review Committee

- Multiple Residential, Commercial & Planned development meetings with proposed developers.
- Building Permit – Engineering Review



### Flood Study Reviews

- Wright Industrial Park – Review background and developer RFI re: SMH's
- McReynolds Rd Improvements – Ranger Branch LOMR under FEMA review
- Ranger Creek – Developer requested review

### TXDOT

#### TXDOT I-35 Project

- Design underway by Stantec – 30% plans expected January 2020

#### FM 455 Highway Project

- Project Let date 10/2021 or earlier
- TXDOT ~ 95% plans

#### FM 455 Utility Relocation Project

- Additional PSA with Dannenbaum required along IH 35
- Amendment to existing PSA for FM 455
- Utility relocation plans under City review
- Bring to Council Feb work session options of proposed improvements
- Finalize design February 2020

## ***DID YOU KNOW...***

*There is a Very Big Difference Between Concrete, Cement, and Mortar*

*Concrete is cement with a fine and coarse aggregate and that mortar has a higher amount of cement with added fine aggregate like sand. Cement alone is simply the binding material.*

*Also, those trucks that carry concrete aren't called cement mixers. They are called transit mixers.*



STREETS

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### Road Hazards:

- Cleared trash and debris from blocked drainage – Keaton Road South
- Cleared trash and debris from blocked drainage – West Willow Street
- Filled potholes – Cherry Street
- Filled potholes – Southside Drive
- Cleared trash and debris from blocked drainage – Acker Street
- Cleared culvert – Peach Street

### Street and Traffic Signs:

- Repaired street sign – Bolivar Street
- Replaced stop sign – Peach Street
- Repaired stop sign – South Third Street

#### Department Staff:

Street Superintendent – John Henderson

Felipe Ibarra – Utility II

Adrian Tostado – Utility I

Levi Perkins – Utility I

## ***DID YOU KNOW...***

Culverts become clogged when slow-moving or stagnant water deposits a large amount of sediment in the culvert pipe. If this sediment build-up goes unchecked, drainage can slow or stop entirely, leading to flooding and erosion in your yard and driveway or even on your neighbors' or public property.



WATER

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### During January the Water Department was able to:

- Have C & G Electric replace the overloads on Pump #2 at Holt Road lift station and install kill switches to the high-level alarm horns at all lift stations.
- Have No Dig Tech begin the sewer pipe bursting project on Bolivar Street. This project is replacing a deteriorating clay tile line that requires frequent maintenance.
- Install a new valve stack at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Plum.
- Begin completing the Texas Water Development Board annual water use survey.
  
- Make repairs to 5 water service lines.
- Make repairs to 1 sewer service line.
- Install 13 new water meters
- Visually read 990 water meters that were not read by the mobile collector.
- Completed 80 water and sewer service orders.
- There were 3,093 active water connections and 2,887 active sewer connections during the month of January.
- There were 52 water cut-offs and 45 water reinstatements in January.

### ***DID YOU KNOW...***

Pipe bursting is a method by which the existing pipe is opened and forced outward by a bursting tool. A hydraulic or pneumatic expansion head (part of the bursting tool) is pulled through the existing pipeline, typically by using a cable and winch. As the expansion head is pulled through the existing pipe, it pushes that pipe radially outward until it breaks apart, creating a space for the new pipe. The bursting device also pulls the new pipeline behind it, immediately filling the void created by the old, burst pipe with the new pipe.



PARKS AND RECREATION

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### Parks and Recreation

#### Operations:

The parks crew has continued with our annual winter clean up programs within the parks system. 5 acres were mowed in the month of January. The Parks Department completed 26 brush orders with 100% of the orders being completed within ten days on avg. 6.2 days and used an estimated 10 labor hours. The Parks Department also used the month of January to take down the Christmas Decorations and complete many facility projects.

#### Facilities:

Our facilities continue to be in regular use with 21 rentals for the month of January. Facilities include our Community Center and Historical Presbyterian Church as well as park pavilions and ball fields.

#### Recreation:

January is a month of planning due to school starting back and weather worries. January planning including the Mother & Son Dance, Trash Off, Softball and Baseball Contracts, beginning work on our annual bike rides that are held at our parks, a few 5K's, and Easter. There is a lot coming up for 2020!

Our Facebook page is still experiencing a steady growth up to 2,940 likes at the end of January 3,005 followers. If you have not, please go and like our page at Sanger, TX Parks, and Recreation to follow all of the fun events coming up.

#### Department Staff:

Director – Jim Berman  
Recreation & Event Coordinator – Jennifer Shumate  
Crew Leader – James Hunter  
Maintenance Worker II – Dean Mason  
Maintenance Worker II – Brandon Metcalf

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The City Wide Annual Trash Off is held on the second Saturday in March every year. This is a great opportunity to get rid of old items at home!



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### Program Highlights:

- 18 programs were held in January, with a total of 192 people attending.
- The highlight of programs was “Teaching Together: Building Trust and Cooperation” on January 16th. It was the second event co-hosted with SISD’s Jump Start Sanger initiative. Sanger elementary school teachers and administrators led the workshop for preschool age children and their parents, giving parents tools to help their children be more confident, independent, and trusting. 35 people attended.



Future Sanger Indians and their parents at the “Building Trust and Cooperation” workshop.



- Other programs included “Pollinator Planting” with Denton County Master Gardener Carol Rowley on January 10<sup>th</sup>, as well as many recurring programs. Library staff member Cindy Vasquez focused on composting methods for the monthly Homesteading series on 1/14, and Lynne Smiland led the Book Club discussion on *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah the following Tuesday evening, with 9 participating. Attendance has been trending upward for both adult programs.



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Sanger High School's librarian, Christina Moore, invited Sanger Public Library to join her at this year's Indian Showcase. This event gives current 8th grade students and their families the opportunity to meet high school teachers and learn about various services and extracurricular activities available to them in ninth grade. Madonna and Colton joined Christina in representing the libraries at this outreach opportunity on January 30th. Five new cardholders were signed up, an additional five cardholders with expired accounts were renewed, and new teen volunteers were also recruited. This is the second opportunity for library staff to be onsite at Sanger High School this year, and we appreciate Christina and Assistant Principal Andrew Brown for their support and assistance!



A creation from the Kinder Kreators program on January 6<sup>th</sup>.



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### Statistics at a Glance:

- 1,977 items were checked out..
- 25 new cardholders and a total of 3,935.
- 2,422 visits to the library.
- 68 reference questions answered.
- 43 computer-related questions answered.

### ***DID YOU KNOW...***

*The library offers a variety of programs for children that occur weekly and monthly, from preschool Story Time on Wednesday mornings at 10:15 to monthly STEAM-related programs for two different age groups.*

*For details, check out the library's website at [www.sangerlibrary.org](http://www.sangerlibrary.org) and its Facebook page.*