



# LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, April 02, 2025 at 6:00 PM  
Sandy Public Library Community Room and via Zoom

## AGENDA

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### TO ATTEND THE MEETING IN-PERSON:

Come to the Library Community Room - 38980 Proctor Blvd  
Sandy, OR 97055

### TO ATTEND THE MEETING ONLINE VIA ZOOM:

Please use this link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81564779009>

### ROLL CALL

### PUBLIC COMMENT

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- [1.](#) Approval of Minutes

### NEW BUSINESS

- [2.](#) Library use Infographic for 2024
- [3.](#) Strategic Planning - survey results
- [4.](#) Strategic Planning Staff session with Darci Hanning, State Library of Oregon
5. Strategic Planning: Packet and Presentation for Stakeholder meeting

### OLD BUSINESS

6. Mobile Library - Fundraising  
Attending Farmer's Markets  
Spring programs

### STAFF UPDATES

## **ADJOURN**

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Item # 1.

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## MINUTES

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Or by phone: (253) 215-8782

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### ROLL CALL

#### PRESENT:

Heather Michet, Board Chair

Liz Lopez-Aguado

Lynne Pollard

Teresa Peltier

Betheny Shultz

Sarah McIntyre, Library Director

Lindy Hanley, City Council Liaison

Bruce Heider, President, Friends of Sandy Library

Dale Hauff, Friends of Sandy Library

Darci Hanning, State Library of Oregon

#### ABSENT:

Salia Horsefall

### PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was made.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approval of Minutes from 4 December 2024  
Motion to approve minutes as written. Motion passes unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

2. Strategic Planning Initiative

Presentation by Darci Hanning - State Library of Oregon

Darci Hanning gave a presentation to the Board about the Strategic Planning process, and the Board's role in Strategic Planning.

## **STAFF UPDATES**

3. Strategic Planning Questions

Responses thus far

Sarah discussed the responses the library had received from the online and paper surveys.

4. Mobile Library

Fundraising and Grant writing efforts

Sarah discussed the grants that were possibly available and the fundraising effort that officially started on Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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# Sandy / Hoodland Public Library

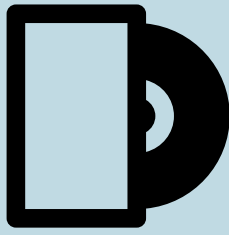
# Snapshot of 2024

ebooks



**Hoodland 9,060**  
**Sandy 41,315**

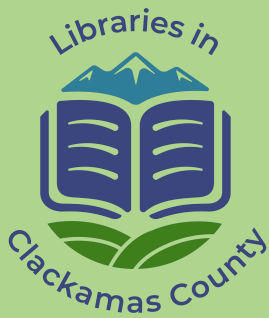
Physical checkouts



**Hoodland 43,904**  
**Sandy 233,185**

*Holds Fulfilled*

**Hoodland 11,301**  
**Sandy 47,101**



*Card Sign-up*

**Hoodland 249**  
**Sandy 1,563**

**Total Programs**  
**Sandy 809**  
**Hoodland 128**

**Attendance**

**Sandy 11,591**  
**Hoodland 1,229**

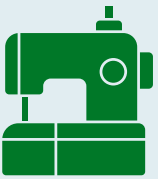
*Our Top Programs*

Trick or Treat Trail	1,254
Stocking Stroll	665
Tree Lighting	500
Longest Day Parkway	309
Harry Potter's Birthday	300

*Library of Things*

**Hoodland 103**

**Items most requested were:**



**Paper Punches 13**  
**Sewing Machine 12**  
**Paper Shredder 9**  
**Loppers 9**



**Sandy 696**

**Items most requested were:**



**WIFI Hotspot 58**  
**Pressure Washer 30**  
**VHS to DVD converter 26**

*Blood Drive*  
**Donors - 577**  
**Units- 497**



*Take & Make*

**Kids 1,574**  
**Teens 1,187**  
**Adult 1,171**

*Mobile Printing*



*Printing*

**Patrons 369**  
**Print jobs 1,073**  
**Pages Printed 2,888**

**Patrons 897**  
**Print jobs 2,006**  
**Pages Printed 7,193**

**Hoodland**  
**Sandy**

**Print jobs 2,507**  
**Pages Printed 8,698**

**Print jobs 6,208**  
**Pages Printed 23,659**



**Hoodland 949**  
**Sandy 5,291**

*Storytime*

**Hoodland 844**  
**Sandy 1,735**  
**Virtual 876**

*Wifi Uses*

**Hoodland 4,732**  
**Sandy 18,930**

*Video Game Checkouts*

**Hoodland 53**  
**Sandy 1,454**

# Sandy / Hoodland Public Library Snapshot of 2024

## Most Popular Checkouts

### ADULT FICTION

#### Sandy

- *The Women* by Kristin Hanna
- *Dirty Thirty* by Janet Evanovich
- *Unnatural Death* by Patricia Daniels Cornwell

#### Hoodland

- *The Exchange* by John Grisham
- *Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride
- *The Other Valley* by Scott Alexander Howard

### TEEN FICTION

#### Sandy

- *Fairy Tail* by Mashima, Hiro
- *One Piece* by Oda, Eiichiro
- *Dragon Ball Z* by Toriyama, Akira

#### Hoodland

- *Dragon Ball Z* by Toriyama, Akira
- *One Piece* by Oda, Eiichiro
- *Blue Exorcist* by Kato, Kazue

### KIDS FICTION

#### Sandy

- *Bone* by Jeff Smith
- *Wings of Fire: the Graphic Novel* by Barry Deutsch
- *Big Nate* by Lincoln Pierce

#### Hoodland

- *Cat Kid Comic Club* by Dav Pilky
- *Artemis Fowl* by Eoin Colfer
- *Warriors: Ravenclaw's Path* by Erin Hunter

### ADULT NON-FICTION

- *Scott 2024 Standard Postage Stamp Catalog*
- *Seed Library*
- *Trail of the Lost* by Andrea Lankford

### TEEN NON-FICTION

- *The Girl Who Sang: a Holocaust Memoir of Hope & Survival*
- *Don't Call Me Crazy: 33 Voices Start the Conversation About Mental Health*
- *Becoming Who We Are: Real Stories About Growing Up Trans*

### KIDS NON-FICTION

- *Minecraft*
- *Hacks for Minecrafters*
- *Weird but True! 9: 300 Outrageous Facts*



**Facebook (Friends) 1,853**  
**Instagram 1,004**



### Overall Sandy

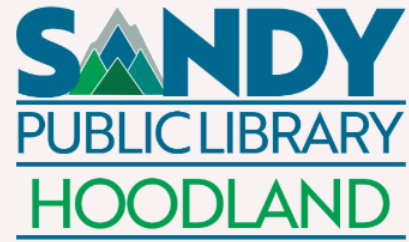
Population	28,376
Value / Cap.	\$132.56
Regular Users	9,216
Value / User	\$408.16
Total value	\$3,761,612.78

### Hoodland

Population	5,815
Value / Cap.	\$112.16
Regular Users	1,840
Value / User	\$354.47
Total value	\$652,231.14

[ilovelibraries.org/what-libraries-do/calculator](https://ilovelibraries.org/what-libraries-do/calculator)





## Strategic Planning survey – raw answers

### Q 1. What do you value most about our community?

- My friends. This Library.
- Having a place with internet to go and work and get out of my house.
- The many resources we have considering we are a rural area and spread out.
- Friendly helpful people; more of a simple small town approach
- Neighbors and community are friends and we look out for each other.
- Despite so much growth and the deluge of visitors during summer, the neighborly spirit generally prevails.
- Community involvement
- Something that would Never happen in my life time. Helping and caring for each other.
- It's focus on sustainable and diverse resources for its people
- It's quiet (mostly) and remains livable for most of the people here.
- Closeness, knowing neighbors, beautiful spaces
- friendly safe atmosphere, many fun and stimulating programs, clubs and groups.
- The majority of people here are very friendly and helpful.
- The number of great services the city offers through its departments (transit, library, community center, parks, SandyNet, and more) as well as the businesses located in the heart of downtown.
- Strong sense of community. People working together to help each other.
- diversity, natural beauty, chill vibes, good food, outdoor activities, library system, cool people
- When people come together for events like farmers market, bazaars, yoga, crafting, classes, etc.
- Support and safety
- Small town feeling
- Supportive
- Living in and around nature and having plenty of ways to access it
- Getting to know people. Helping each other. The library
- That it's a nice town and Sandy makes efforts to improve things for the people who live here.
- The library!
- Close knit know your neighbor vibe
- Community & Cleanliness & Safety
- It feels safe
- How clean it is
- We are finally getting more open minded people moving here

- Safety followed with cleanliness
- the police officers
- Safety and a sense of community. Good people
- Friendly and clean.
- Library
- Resources to help each other out
- Grocery store, library, hardware store, restaurants, medical and dental clinics, gas station , proximity to recreation
- The beauty of the area and the recreation possibilities.
- The small town feel while still having some amenities.
- The nature that surrounds us and the good people that share the community.
- People in the community
- The location.
- I really like having a library close to me
- small town feel
- I like that it's smaller and that you see people you know while you're out and about. I also like that the community seems to come together when people are in need.
- Environment
- A sense of belonging to a group of people with commonality unlike other parts of the county.
- Quiet
- The small town feel (and keeping it that way)
- The small town interconnectedness of the residents.
- Natural beauty of the area and small-town charm
- Some of the nicest and most decent people you will find anywhere and I have some great neighbors across the street!!!!
- Availability of a wide range of books, and the ability to pursue ILL.
- small town feel with good people.
- Hoodland library is the closest library. The opening hours are perfect and ability to put holds on books across the county is just what I need .
- Feeling included, having community activities to embrace everyone from young to old, community members watching out for one another.
- Small town rural feel is the reason I came 37 years ago. I do like that it is still "small" in many ways.
- Our library's access to books.
- This survey should be specific to what we like best or want improved with library services. The Sandy and Hoodland Library District are not responsible for assessing services or issues of other city departments, or things outside the city limits, but within the "community. As far as the library services/facilities go, I value the ability to request holds and download books and audio books anywhere and anytime. I also like the library of things and programs for youth and toddlers story time.
- Walkable community with nice parks and a nice library, solid community events and offerings, and close proximity to the outdoors and the metro.
- The small town feel
- small town feel and knowing a lot of people.
- As a staff member and non-resident, I value the small town feel and mindful independent strength.
- Safety
- It has a small town feel.
- How safe and uncrowded it is.
- I value it's availability without having to take a 35 mile round trip to use the Sandy Library.



- I most value the history and natural beauty.
- I have recently started reading physical books again (giving up on eBooks) I have rediscovered the joy of browsing in a quiet clean library for new material to read. I go with my daughter and granddaughters once a month to help them fill their reading material needs, these toddlers LOVE to be read to, I love this tradition.
- The acceptance of diversity within our community and the ability to keep a safe space for all to educate themselves through books, internet access and community events.
- The "small town" environment.
- Access to necessary needs i.e.. post office, library, grocery store, gas station
- There are many groups that form catered to different interests
- I've lived here for 2 yrs. and the folks seem very caring and concerned about Sandy
- The small town feeling, but enough amenities to be convenient.
- Small but with a variety of services and businesses.
- I like the small community feel.
- Ability to access books from other libraries, and the womens book club
- Right now is a time of tremendous decisiveness in our community. Our library offers a safe, judgement-free zone—and a wonderful assortment of books!
- Fresh air, good outdoor spaces, good schools and a good library system.
- Any services/events for youth. Mt Hood Learning Center has been a life saver, storytime at the library, swim lessons.
- Small town feel
- Activities and accessibility for families. Lots of affordable or free community based resources
- I think Sandy has seen some huge growth lately and I completely welcome that. It's becoming a more friendly and community centered area.
- Small town community
- The proximity to night life (Portland). The fact that we can be to the beach or desert in under 3hours. The mountains and camping in under an hour. The friendliness of the community members.
- I value our communities ambition desire to make Sandy a better place.
- Safety. Access to everyday needs.
- Friendly library staff. The network to borrow books from other county libraries .
- Opportunity to support one another
- Small town vibes.
- Inner connectivity of art in the community. From murals to holiday cards for shut ins to children's day to Sandy Actors Gallery during plays.
- The can do attitude
- I value the transparency of city government and how active the residents of Sandy are when it comes to community events.
- Getting to know staff. They are all friendly and helpful.
- The small town feel
- Having a library in Sandy that participates in the communities and are children. Which is what Sandy Library does.
- Sandy has been our home for most of our lives and our family believes in watching out for one another. Safety, morale and independence are of great value to us.
- Small town near a major city
- Public safety.
- The rich variety of public community resources.
- quality of living and environment
- The parks and trails - especially the new park and Tickle Creek.
- the quality and amount of programs available both for seniors and a vibrant young community!

- Families coming together and supporting each other.
- We have a great location, we just need to take advantage of it.
- tickle creek trail and the library
- the meeting room facility serving the community
- The wide selection of events that you can get involved in. There's something for everyone.
- That our town of Sandy is kid friendly. We have 3 children and have no problem taking them out, letting them play or taking our oldest to the library for tutoring. It's great living here.
- The people; my friends and neighbors here.
- Togetherness
- The people and nature surrounding us
- Kind and helpful people.
- Neighborly vibe
- Small town
- Peace & quiet.
- Access locally without braving highways and sometimes weather for book exchanges
- support and friendliness
- Community events and classes
- Community Events and activities, especially for preteens and teens
- That it's family friendly
- Access to nature
- small town feel
- Unity and conservative families
- Friendliness and open communication.
- That we are small and near Mt Hood. I think the library does a great job with activities. I attend the women's book club and sometimes take craft kits.
- Ease of access to library materials all the activities for kids at the library Helpfulness of the staff
- Volunteer programs and community events.
- Small town feel with great amenities.
- Its "small town" values of kindness and friendship along with its beautification, thanks for planters and hanging baskets.
- The safety and education of our children
- I appreciate the quickness of receiving a hold on a book. I don't have to wait, and it's really nice. Also, the friendliness of the workers at the Sandy library are wonderful.
- Can't think of anything
- Sandy and Hoodland are very different communities
- I like that Sandy still has a "small-town" feel. I like that there are a variety of local businesses, restaurants and cafes.
- Closeness and sense of community
- What I value most about the community is how nice everyone
- The small town feel.
- The small size.
- The turkey and Brie baguettes at Fred Meyer
- The wonderful community events
- The people and nature
- Having natural landscape that blocks out HWY-26 traffic noise & installing move traffic lights going up the mountain (east of downtown).
- I value having support from friendly community people and services.

- The close relationship of people in our community
- small town values the inter-library exchange program with all of Clackamas County Libraries
- Its small size, its friendly people, its closeness to nature, and the cleanliness of the city
- People willing to help each other out
- Absolutely love the Sandy library! Love how it's inclusive, the diversity of events and programs, and how it brings the community together to share in these events. Plus, love all the resources that the library provides and offers.
- Classes
- Small town feeling
- that everybody is friendly and takes of each other
- Small town, safe side walks and parks.
- Splash pad, new skate park and pump track, Christmas lights at the park, mountain days parade
- People helping people
- Small-town values and ability to build connections and hold fun events that aren't overwhelmingly busy
- Location
- Trees and natural areas
- parks
- The small town feel
- Low population, quiet
- Small town vibe.
- Walkable and the small town feel but understand the need for growth.
- The closeness of the community.
- The library and the small town feel
- That its safe and that Sandy police does a great job keeping the community safe
- The resources available and accessible
- I value that people really come together. We live in an incredibly friendly and supportive community, where people really boost one another up.
- I love taking my kids to the library to both check out books, as well as being able to purchase books from the book noon. I also love the kids activities that are offered (Harry potters birthday etc.)
- The library and museum
- Small and friendly.
- The rural vibe, local businesses and our amenities.
- The friendly people and atmosphere.
- local access to services
- People who are warm, friendly, supportive and help neighbors. Low cost, organized community activities. Collaboration between community organizations.
- Mountain Vibe
- My friends. This library.
- Volunteer opportunities and volunteers
- The walk-a-bility. The parks. The trees. Trying to minimize "strip malls"
- Have complete video series
- Books!
- Friendly community members
- #1 The awesome LIBRARY!
- ♥ KODA. The library
- Senior services and programs that are inclusive
- Everything!

- Nice!
- Wonderful library programs
- Parks – trails. Library events, Friends of the Library books, Community Service, Farmer’s Market.
- Community outreach to those in need. Civic pride.
- The books
- Hiking trails in town and easy access to trails on the mountain
- The library!
- All the support programs. The unique celebrations like Christmas lights for night walks at Meinig Park.
- Community events. Willingness to help each other.
- That you consider not developing Sandy anymore. Value that.

## Q 2. What one thing would make our community better?

- More desks / work stations.
- Having a pharmacy.
- More parking and more restaurants with vegetarian, GF, and vegan options.
- Safety on HWY 26 and business accesses.
- STR regulation and better speed/traffic enforcement on the highway
- Service related involvement. Community news and info.
- Libraries hours (Basics of 1 or 2 hours each) and Parents teaching kids respect and Manners but that wont happen.
- A little more kindness and less division
- Removing the highway from the middle of town.
- More connection between resources, a meeting place in times of disaster or hardship
- A better section on diverse spiritual books that include Eastern as well as Western Christian perspectives.
- To have a strong safety net for any community members in need of help and to have social services centralized into one location - eg. combine Ant Farm, Sandy Action Center, Senior Center, (food distribution, housing assistance, job training/assistance, help with taxes, resume writing services, Etc.)
- More good restaurants!
- investment from the county
- more civic engagement and taxpayer commitment to social services and community-building
- More gatherings with diverse offerings and diverse attendance
- Community meeting place
- More efforts among all of us from every side of every question to remember that unity should always prevail. It's fine to have different opinions, in fact, it's good to have a different opinions, but there is never any excuse for failing to listen to each other realizing with the only risk be careful. Listening to opinions that we don't like is that we might learn something.
- More Communication
- Being able to access things even easier, and safer. Growing up on Birdie Lane, riding my bike down Welches road to Thriftway was convenient, but could be sketchy sharing the road with car traffic. I am excited for the planned future path along Welches road, and am hopeful that path is expanded upon further in the future
- More community activities, more library hours
- Resurfacing the futsal court at cedar ridge middle school.
- A sandwich shop to be honest
- Trying to keep the 45MPH at 45MPH
- More live music movies in the Park during summer
- More hiking trails
- art center
- more inclusive to our Latino population
- Community or Youth Center like YMCA or Boys and Girls Club
- adding sidewalks. no homelessness. cheaper rent.
- More police to keep it safe and keep the riff raff out
- Better handling of the homeless camps and loitering. Sometimes there are people that appear to be under the influence of alcohol/drugs hanging around outside the library, and it makes me very nervous any time my daughter is with me.
- Return our swimming pool

- Mom group!
- Veterinarian, affordable grocery store
- More long-term housing and less short term rentals.
- More restaurants/shopping choices.
- Less conflict and negativity
- More community events
- Less traffic through town and better restaurants.
- A space For more community gatherings
- more walking paths; without dogs that are off leash
- I think offering times for the community to get together would be good- ie: maybe that's an open house about keeping our community safer, or a monthly community meeting, or classes that help bring groups together (especially in the Hoodland area). I'd love to see a Spanish class offered out of Hoodland Library.
- less traffic, enforce traffic violators
- Less destructive logging
- services for those who are unhoused, need mental health care.
- Internet via sandy-net like the library
- Get rid of SAM and the homeless.
- If people would not post unkind comments on social media.
- More open-mindedness and diversity
- A little more shopping opportunities!!!!
- If hours extended until 7:00 or 8:00.
- Lower housing cost.
- I like it as-is.
- To see community members engage each other more politely on social media platforms.
- Better parking in the downtown core and more quaint shops to shop at.
- Extended evening hours more often so I can pick up holds on my way home from work.
- Better marketing of library resources, programs, etc. to a younger, more social media savvy audience. I think many folks out there pay for things like Audible, Kindle, etc. would be surprised to know how much money they can save getting similar services for free through our library. Ditto with borrowing things from the library of things, and getting free passes to cultural events/destinations.
- Additional resources put forth for fire resiliency and emergency preparedness. Wildfires are a constant treat and insurance companies will start dropping policy holders in Sandy.
- Lower costs
- More walkability and bicycle paths from east end to west end of town.
- Resolution on hot button civic issues (pool, traffic, & wastewater).
- Mindful growth
- More restaurants.
- More available books online.
- More open hours.
- The Hoodland community would greatly benefit from a community center combining an expanded library, senior center, and meeting rooms.
- More parking! Please make a section for LGBTQ books in the children/toddler room. This would make them easier to find for those who want to have this material to read for their kids. We have found some but only on accident.

- Less hate. We are all different and bring different knowledge and gifts to the world. We are all allowed to exist.
- Compromise. Just because we can improve something doesn't mean we need to.
- A community space specific for community meetings and activities. Maintaining our library space at a minimum
- More community involvement. More group meetups that cater to diverse work schedules
- I wish that the Senior Center was bigger and had an actual building like Mt Hood Fitness . I'm an active 65yr old woman and would love to see a gym with pickleball courts etc.
- A pool
- More diversity.
- Cut back on housing starts until water/sewage issues have been solved.
- a better way to get the word out about what is going on. Maybe an email newsletter?
- Kindness.
- More gathering places, like a concert venue and community areas for kids.
- Sidewalks and trails, safe routes for kids to get to school, make hwy 26 through the villages single lane again. ;)
- Slow growth
- Public pool :-); more disability accessible parks and public spaces
- More accessible community events and better parking. Navigating Sandy is a major block for a lot of people. Arts, music, CULTURE are all really lacking in Sandy also.
- More community engagement events, downtown to look more charming.
- More activities for families, more recreation to attract tourism. More retail for travelers to have a reason to stop. Parking for RV's to stop and eat as they pass through.
- More opportunities to gather, get to know each other, and create a greater sense of community
- More traffic control on highway 26 from the Space Age Gas Station to the Police Station. Cars travel far to fast and it hurts our core business.
- book groups that are in person and zoom so I could participate if not home at the meeting time
- More community events (free)
- More of a small town hub to match the small town vibes.
- Increase involvement in community groups such as Wy'East Artisan Guild. We need to have younger people involved.
- a bigger and newer community center combined with a gym and it would be great to have the library connected as well.
- I think a community pool would be great to have again.
- Can't think of anything.
- Less development until a better strategic plan is established including recruiting large retailers and services for an inclusive community
- Having a pool.
- Listening to intention with a little less judgment.
- Work to build consensus between long time residents and newer residents
- Lower utility rates.
- More music in the park
- pool :)
- Reduce the water and sewer rates.
- A late night place to gather that isn't a bar.
- Bring the community together to, by providing activities in Spanish.
- A bypass road with an investment into our business district. While I appreciate the businesses that are there, we need more to create a better reason for people to stop. Cedar Park is an

excellent first step, but it is a springboard to our future. Needs businesses around it to really maximize its drawing power.

- better shopping-cute gift shops and more grocery store options
- I'm not sure. I've been really impressed with everything I've seen since moving here.
- Any activity that gets people off the couch: whether it be conferences, classes or group activities. The city is doing great at making opportunities available for people. Hopefully the knock-on effect is economic development.
- More activities that would bring us together, like the Christmas tree lighting, Meinig Park lights, etc.
- Community cleanup
- More free places to gather
- Nothing that I can think of.
- Lessen downtown traffic
- More liberal
- Youth programs & resources.
- Earlier hours in welches
- indoor community center
- More fun classes to attend. I definitely miss the paint nights.
- Keep up with the fun activities
- A community park.
- People with generous nature and strength of character
- more foot traffic downtown from residents and visitors
- A community pool
- Expanded community center areas for people to come together and relax.
- Cleaner outside area around the library. Sidewalks sometimes appear filthy.
- Being able to put kindness first.
- A loop around the city to reduce traffic through town. Have on one lane for traffic in both directions through town. The other lane can be used for pedestrians and bike traffic.
- Sometimes I wish that the traffic going through town on the weekends did not have such an impact on locals.
- I would appreciate if the library did not allow homeless people who are clearly under the influence to hangout on the floor near the general reading room. It dumbfounds me that library staff would allow someone clearly on drugs (who is not actively utilizing library services) to be in close proximity to CHILDREN. You cannot predict the erratic behavior of someone on drugs so they should not meander without purpose at a library. Not to mention my children should not have to be exposed to the profanity and senseless words mumbled. I brought my kids to the library for a scavenger hunt and left absolutely stunned and frustrated with library staff who did nothing. I am a nurse who for 10+ years in the hospital have cared compassionately for homeless and many through drug and alcohol withdrawal. I'm just asking you to keep it out of the library near our children!
- More space to work, and more light because it looks dim going inside
- Get rid of the homeless population
- Meeting places
- A development plan which would bring more small businesses to downtown (along with a parking plan)
- I think it's perfect just the way it is
- More community youth programs besides sports. More community center activities.
- A Trader Joe's.



- Getting rid of the asshats
- A pool for all to enjoy
- Less traffic
- Protecting our parks & planting more trees.
- We need to slow down the growth until we have adequate infrastructure to support current residents.
- Do not know
- having a Maker Studio or MakerSpace (craft co-op or Library of Things for Crafting) and Free or Low Cost Art Classes easier understanding of how to drop-in volunteer at the Library with Used Books work
- If motorists would slow down - that seems to be getting worse all the time.
- Businesses that meet the needs of current residents
- Bigger library with more books and more classes for the community.
- Community Center (like a Boys and Girls Club) bigger library with more seating, fun activities around. Ex. Vancouver library
- fix the traffic problems
- nothing i can really think of you built a park maybe movie nights at the park and concerts
- Eliminating the direct access to Sandy via Tri-Met. I now have people going through my trash and recycling and I can't walk with my dog and son through Mining Park without running into homeless people sleeping, rummaging through stuff.
- A community pool
- A public indoor swimming pool
- Awareness of and support for special/extended needs families (autism, adhd, learning difficulties, etc.)
- Interconnected bicycle road path
- Safer drivers
- Restaurants and shopping
- More community events for children of various ages.
- Less construction, police presence in town on highway for speeders
- Less growth
- Lower utility cost, more police presence in town to slow traffic, refreshing the look thru town, more events for families and children, community center, and a pool.
- Taking steps to keep Sandy affordable
- A bigger library and a community center with a gym and activities
- More things for the youth to do. Cedar park was a great start
- More space for the community to come together and meet. More events. Slower traffic on highway 26.
- More book clubs. I tried going to the women's book club and it wasn't right for me. It would be nice if there were different book clubs to choose from
- Add more stuff to the museum
- Less traffic.
- Indoor winter spaces, gatherings and classes.
- A bypass around the city of Sandy to Mt Hood.
- get the freeway out of town, not another survey but doing something; the longer you wait the more expensive it is going to be
- Sustainable funding streams that are equitable to resources received by other branches. More community events and meeting spaces. Increased collaboration with other community organizations.

- More mountain vibe
- Fewer reactionary citizens
- More drumming events in the park
- More live music
- More funding
- We need a public pool + a community center (yes x 2)
- Reinstate first Friday coffee time and live music
- Bring music events like the Oregon Symphony, Big band concerts, etc. to Sandy! The high school would be a nice place to have them. We need more music and theatrical culture here 😊)
- The Hoyt Community Room Can be Used for Special Events. 1. Someone to teach Teens to Dance 2. Poetry and Music Events 3. Fundraisers for the Library. Even Events for Singles to Meet. The Library is a Safe Place for all to Meet and Share there Ideas as well as Talents.

### Q 3. How do you spend your time?

- Reading, adulting, dating
- I'm retired and a caregiver for my husband. I enjoy walking, reading, knitting and volunteering.
- Trying to reduce the amount of stuff and simplify life. Exercise, talking with friends, going to PT and other appointments
- Hiking, fishing, dog walks. Working.
- I work full time, but off times I read, enjoy my home, hike, snowboard.
- Retired. Kiwanis, church, travel, clubs
- Reading, watching/ listening to DVD movies. Learning new or updated things. (Way to much to list there)
- On my farm, working at my job. Recreating (hiking paddling) in our beautiful mt hood area
- Working from home, raising a family, and participating in various community organization boards.
- Working, hiking, volunteering, spending time with family and friends
- Writing, reading, artwork, meditation.
- Gardening, reading, quilting, volunteering
- Working, hiking, reading, gardening, writing, craft projects, hanging out with dear friends, cooking.
- volunteering, walking, hiking, reading.
- work, grad school, volunteering, outdoors, relaxing at home with family, exercise, day trips into Portland, Hood River, etc. to shop, eat, spend time with friends
- Painting, working, hiking, backpacking, interacting with dogs (work and play), relaxing at home, meeting with friends, traveling
- Semi-retired Outside activities- gardening, hiking, group activities
- Work. Work. Work.
- At home
- Hiking, x-country skiing, yoga, getting together with friends, book club, potlucks
- Working full time, raising school age kids, doing outdoor activities, sports and tv.
- Studying & painting & being outside
- Gardening, reading, work, walking & playing with the dog
- With my son and our dog or in school
- Reading, working, cleaning
- reading and crafting and school
- Hiking - talking or meeting friends @ Antfarm for lunch, gardening
- working, sleeping, athletics, socializing
- at the gym
- Skateboarding at our beautiful cedar park .
- Mostly, I'm a mom... I run errands and do all the typical "mom" things. I also work part time. I enjoy reading in my free time.
- Gardening, reading, practicing languages on Duolingo, hiking local trails and the mountain
- working remotely, watching my baby, taking care of our dogs and animals
- Spending time with family and friends. Recreating on the forest.
- Working, relaxing on my own property, hiking.
- Too many possible answers
- Enjoying Nature, exploring and traveling

- Reading and art crafts
- A variety of activities.
- Outdoors as much as possible. With others
- walking, reading, knitting, going to church, neighborhood Bible study, baking sourdough bread, spending time with grandkids and kids.
- I work during the day. In the evenings and weekends, I do house chores, cleaning and gardening, spend time with our dog, and enjoy cooking and baking. I'd love more options to get involved with my local Hoodland community.
- retired, outdoors as much as possible
- yoga in welches (1 x week), hiking within 5 miles (every day), Hoodland Library weekly, mushroom hunting, home cooking.
- Thinking, reading, films, Facebook
- When not working, I like being outside or with friends or my kids.
- Reading, walking, skiing, golf.
- Working, reading, relaxing, hiking, photography, seeing live music and theater, watching films and programs
- Fixing and cleaning our horse watching tv and helping my neighbors when I can!!
- Free time is spent reading, seeing, and spending time with family, particularly at kids' activities.
- I work in Sandy.
- Work, read, sleep, hike.
- Being a parent to school aged kids, attending local events, eating at local restaurants, reading, hiking, skiing.
- Working, working, working! (City employee with a 10 hour shift). But when I am off work I spend my time at my home in my garden and orchard; keeping chickens and bees and growing much of the food we eat, selling the excess at my Farm Stand.
- Reading, playing with my daughter
- I hang out with friends and family, walk and hike, volunteer, read, listen to audio books, garden, camp, travel, and do home/yard improvement projects.
- At work, with my children, and around my house trying to make my yard look better.
- Outdoors
- Walking tickle creek, being active in and around the mountain.
- I enjoy woodworking and sports.
- Hiking
- Work, gym, outdoor activities.
- work, coaching sports, home life, sleep
- Reading, watching movies from the library,
- I spend time writing, hiking, and volunteering.
- Looking for reading materials
- Reading, camping, Renaissance faires
- Resting, reading and dancing
- Reading, hiking, skiing, golf
- Hobbies, community service
- I hike or walk 4-6x a week. I'm also an avid reader. I love sports and watch basketball and baseball on TV depending on the season.
- Working, time at home with family
- Reading and volunteering.

- Working mostly, outdoor walking, readying, drawing.
- With family, friends, farming, reading and writing.
- Reading, gardening, walking, watching television and going on the internet. I also like to travel and play with family.
- Skiing, hiking, running, exercising my dog and/or toddler, working.
- golfing, time with grandkids, reading
- Going to parks with my child, working, going to movies, going out to eat
- Reading, working, raising kids, working out.
- Dancing, out in nature
- We eat out several times a week. Watch sports at local bars/lounges. Camping, hiking\, water sports (kayaking and swimming)
- I spend my time with my kids(enjoying our parks, libraries, playing at home, reading, etc), working, volunteering in the community, eating out, going to markets, and doing work around the house.
- Skiing, hiking, working, and spending time with family and friends.
- Outside walking, crafting, cooking, curled up with books
- Working and socializing
- Motherhood and working. Complete chaos. Maybe a hike or glass of wine. Rare time for a book unless it's audio! Oh. And puzzles.
- Most days I'm painting watercolors.
- a lot of time is spent getting kids to sports and practices
- I spend my time with friends and family. This could include BBQs, meeting at restaurants or game nights.
- Enjoying nature and local eats and events like Mountain festival
- Listening to books while driving to store. Shopping, eating out trying to support Sandy community. I don't use the parks very much because I live in the woods and can walk out here. I do participate in events at the parks, Xmas light, music and a movie nights.
- I watch my grandson 5 days a week, run a small family owned business, write, travel and photograph moments that inspire. Oh and I love to cook and bake!
- Rv travel and cooking
- Grandkids, fishing, reading, writing, learning
- Tending family, home and land. Gardening, reading walking, hiking, visiting friends.
- working and recreating
- Gardening and hiking.
- writing, and producing art
- kids activities. family time.
- For me, I'm transitioning into a new lifestyle with limitations. But I still enjoy watching the excitement and energy that I am sure our community can generate.
- family, crafts, exercise, friends, grange involvement and writing
- at meetings/events
- I spend most of my time writing and working on my goal of becoming a published author.
- Working in accounting, tax, ham radio, helping/technical coaching people.
- I'm semi-retired, very active in my church, volunteer with other organizations
- I work seven days a week and have a 25-year-old and eight-year-old daughter as well as a grandchild who just turned three
- Caring for my children and home
- Crafting, card making, reading.

- Learning and with family
- Cooking, Gardening, working outside, yoga, reading, organizing
- Playing music, creating art, snowboarding & gaming.
- I read daily and work at home
- with family
- With my kids, reading, games, creative outlets.
- Reading, sewing, puzzles, video games
- Reading.
- Working outdoors. Flyfishing. Watching youth activities
- gardening and relaxing
- Homeschooling/lesson planning, reading, art, being with friends
- I work from home. I go to the gym, hike, snowshoe, occasionally ski, enjoy reading and yard work.
- Working, household, reading, outdoors activities
- Working, reading, taking kids to activities.
- Being outside is what we enjoy the most. Being close to downtown Sandy is great!
- I enjoy spending time volunteering, listening to audio books, sharing my life with others, and enhancing the beauty of our area.
- I spend my time reading my Bible, praying, reading, organizing and decluttering, and spending time with family and friends.
- At home
- A lot of time is spent adulting (working, cooking, cleaning) by my self-care time is spent reading, watching movies, and walking in nature.
- reading, woodworking, walking, working out
- Hanging out with my friends or family
- Work, spend time with family and reading.
- Working, eating, napping, spending time with family, reading, playing video games, hiking, camping.
- Breathing mostly but there's other functions as well
- Walking and shopping through town, enjoying the parks in the summer and community activities
- Working, family, gardening, reading, working out, music
- Parks, walking the dog.
- I am older and I stay busy with exercise, maintaining my home, and spending time with friends and activities.
- Working
- Working, Reading, Hiking, Art, watching movies/DVDs
- I work part time and I volunteer for three different organizations that I believe in.
- Working commuting gardening meeting with friends volunteering hiking cooking reading
- Working, reading, watching series of tv shows. I get the DVDs of complete seasons from the library. I also do yard work and take care of my house and vehicles.
- Outdoors, homeschooling , reading to Tanis the dog and the monthly classes at the library!
- Retired. House and yard (1.5 acres) maintenance. Traveling.
- doing yard work and walking around town
- At the parks with my kids.
- Children's section
- I am retired and enjoy walking, going to the library and going to Sandy Cinema

- Working from home and enjoying the tranquility of the Sandy location
- working mostly :-(
- working, hiking, reading, gardening
- Hiking, gardening, reading
- Retired, garden, walks, fixing things etc
- Going to the library, working, working around the house.
- With family and making memories
- Reading
- Reading, Cross Stitching and working.
- Working then my free time Skateboarding at cedar park , snowboarding and mountain biking
- Reading, exercising, doing puzzles.
- I spend a lot of time reading
- Play videogames and pet cats
- Retired. Reading exercise support meetings.
- This box isn't big enough...Gardening, arts/crafts of all kinds, working with non profits, housekeeping, travel. (Too much time on the computer.)
- Mostly quietly at home, sometimes going to town, and taking trips to parks for fun with my dog.
- living
- Working; being outside; reading; cooking; time with friends and family
- Gardening and recreation
- Thriftily – reading – in nature
- Participation
- Reading, watching James Bond movies, waiting on my cat, trying new recipes.
- Reading, hiking, crafting, eating out, going to events + music
- Read a lot
- Work
- Drawing, softball, basketball, crafting, reading, cooking, school, uswc (taekwondo)
- I spend my time reading, baseball, school, drawing, softball, cheer, cooking, jujitsu, art & crafting
- Reading + cooking
- Computers with games
- Knitting, reading (bible & non-fiction), walking, baking sourdough bread, going to the beach, church
- Taking care of baby, reading my bible, reading other books, sewing, hanging out with friends

#### Q 4. What one thing would make your life easier?

- A simple spot on your website to see when the study room is available and not available.
- The medical specialists I take my husband to are in Portland. That's a long drive esp. in winter. I wish we had more specialists in the Sandy area
- not sure
- More safety on HWY 26
- Easy to say Winning The Lottery, but more money would ease things.
- Balanced news reporting
- Aside from a new body? Just that extra 1 or 2 hours at my library in case I have to walk there.
- Good grief. I don't know. Maybe getting our sandy net hooked up out on my road so we can get off of satellite internet
- I'm really struggling to see how this survey ties into library operations and community needs. The questions are incredibly vague.
- Access to more food services, community groups, more space for cultural inclusivity
- better physical health
- don't know
- A larger income
- not having to drive so far for day to day essentials
- affordable grocery store in walking distance
- If I never had to worry about money again lol
- Place for gathering
- Better transportation services and delivery services for seniors on the Mountain.
- Not sure
- Being able to ask for help
- Lower utility and cost of living costs
- childcare
- A dog park
- Affordable day care center for 15 hours per week. 2-3 hours per day. Streetlights out past Tire Guy.
- If the Post Office was open longer and more often
- no homeless people
- Knowing that our City and Police will not come in places of work, school to arrest undocumented.
- better prices
- more bus/transport in town
- Lower water bill!
- Groceries not being so expensive!
- 3-day weekends/4-day workweek, more money, more community connections, requiring a cultural shift, I'm sure.
- mom community group on the mountain
- Hmmm, not sure. My life is pretty easy.
- Better and less expensive internet.
- Winning the lottery
- Being younger again!
- More involvement with community



- More money.
- A time machine
- leash laws enforced
- I think any option to connect and make friends, ends up making life easier. I think a feeling of community, safety, and belonging helps as well.
- na
- Plowing Barlow Trail Rd, and E Mtn Creek Circle in a more timely manner after snowstorms.
- na
- cheaper wood for heating, cheaper internet
- More things for my teenagers to do in town
- Resources to help me do things around the house and yard as I get older.
- Financial security
- A little better health!!
- A money tree.
- If people understood the law and what our Officer's can and cannot do (legally)
- Less work :)
- If the gas station would stay open longer, or allow you to pump your own gas and pay at the pump after hours. If the restaurants would stay open longer. Not everyone can make it to a restaurant before 8:00.
- Working less.
- Having the option to ship library holds to my house
- I have recently found that avoiding national news (papers, TV, social media, etc.) is helping my physical and mental health when I consider the loss of women's and minority rights and the negative impacts to the poor and marginalized that we are facing and experiencing. Turning some of that around to some extent, would make my life easier - or at least not feel like we are losing so much ground that took decades to gain.
- Better schooling and more active days and hours for my children to attend school.
- More healthy options closer to home
- Not sure.
- Finishing home projects.
- More housing in Sandy
- An affordable gym in town with new equipment.
- lots and lots of money.
- More bus stops and more bus trips available to Sandy.
- Life would be easier and safer with dedicated walking and bike paths.
- Better descriptions of the genre on the ends of each section
- Being able to afford healthcare
- If I can afford to retire
- Improved bus schedules
- Nothing
- A bigger community center would be amazing!
- Less homeless people in the downtown core area
- Stop climate change.
- not applicable
- Personally, right now? It'd be great if someone would prune my apple orchard.
- Not sure...

- We're past it now but childcare for <3 year olds, or more generally, networking/support for working families.
- less taxes and utilities cost
- A lot of big things but I think nothing specific at a local level
- Having more amenities accessible in Sandy instead of driving out of town for things.
- Less traffic lol
- Parking can be hard for larger vehicles. More parking and larger parking spaces. Many people drive trucks or large sized vehicles (this happens in a rural town with farms around, as well as the need for four wheel drive vehicles due to weather) in this community and parking spaces are tight for these vehicles. As a person with limited mobility at times, I can't walk a block and carry purchases. I will shop at other places that I can easily and quickly get in and out. (Unfortunately this can be in another communities)
- More Money? More Time?
- Money! lol. More shopping options in town - more variety.
- A housekeeper so I could indulge more in the above activities. Maybe...more copies of the hot titles available so there's less wait time
- Free food and health service
- One day a week that only I get to have. Honestly a more walkable hub in the community. But how the library can help... more kid friendly options (although I am just learning about the stuffed animal sleepover etc. so maybe I just need to pay more attention!)
- My life is very good.
- Having gym space next to the library would be great
- Not having to cut back blackberries in the field behind my house. This is an easement for the power lines.
- Better internet and cell service options
- Not having people turn left at Ten Eyke to turn left into store to get to Dutch Bros. Should have had driveway on back road.
- Financial stability would provide all the time needed to be with family.
- Knee replacement surgery
- Less traffic congestion
- Not having a fascist party dismantling democracy.
- piles and piles of money to throw at things
- A handyman to do home repairs.
- a downstairs apartment that is in nature
- have communication with library staff directly by txt.
- Nothing, my life is pretty perfect already!
- living right in Sandy (nothing you can do about it, but you asked
- Things unrelated to the community or the libraries.
- Having an office in Sandy that is not my work from home location.
- Nothing in particular.
- Traffic
- Support- a "tribe", free/affordable trustworthy childcare
- Nothing, but I really appreciate your curbside service because I have a mobility problem.
- Mental health resources
- More help
- Childcare services
- Nothing at this time

- More activities for teenagers and adults (like moms who work from home and don't get very much socialization)
- A bike path.
- To be 40 years younger 🙄
- neighbors quit using pressure washers and leaf blowers
- A house cleaner
- If my partner could check out my book that's on hold. His schedule is easier than mine but he isn't allowed to do it unless he has my card which is hard to remember.
- Learning to relax to alleviate stress
- Better ways to organize responsibilities.
- Limit off road bikes in neighborhoods. They are noisy and takes away from the peace and quite.
- I can't imagine what it would be! I find living in this area to be characterized by joy and pleasure!
- A non-busy schedule
- Less homeless vagrants
- Rosie, the robot maid from the Jetson cartoon.
- Cheaper groceries of fast food
- Less expensive utilities and housing
- A Trader Joe's.
- Legalizing hand grenades
- A pool
- No student loan
- Road improvements & more traffic lights (East) for safety & speed checks.
- Do not know
- Community Art Classes
- If my hourly wage was higher my life would be easier.
- Not needing to drive a long way for everything (back to businesses!). A bypass would make Sandy a place people could consider stopping.
- Good question? A robot to do all the work for me!
- Community Center with a bigger library
- Knowing more people in Sandy.
- all is good you have buses to get around things are good
- A community pool. I have a disability and desperately need access to a pool that isn't privately owned via club membership.
- No late fees for books
- I'm happy the way things are now
- more free time
- closer shopping stores
- A robot to do my house chores. 🙄
- Lower property taxes
- Better post office.
- Better sidewalks in the older neighborhoods. They are too hard to walk on.
- Remove late fees
- paying off my credit cards and not using them
- Lower water bill. Did you know our water bill is more than the city of Portland?!?
- A walkable community

- Make city more walkable
- Better weather
- A fulltime housekeeper/yard care person :)
- Regaining my health from 20 years ago.
- less traffic
- More public transportation options; lower prices for food; more local businesses
- Less gardening and more recreation
- An economic system with people and life centered priorities
- A house of our own with a garden ♥
- Forgiving myself for all past hurts and live in the moment ♥ (♥ x 2)
- Having that guy like me back (blue eyes are it)
- Stop vilifying white people
- FREEDOM!!!!!!!
- For a better accepting community for POC (people of color)
- More books!!
- More farms
- I don't know
- Minions
- Stuff being less expensive. Also an army of cats to attack the town
- Leaving this bs town
- Grocery store at east end of town
- A stoplight at shorty's corner! (I second this!!) (me too!)
- I want to be able to leave the house. And get out. Less now/ice.

## Q 5. What is your favorite thing about our community?

- The Hoodland Library. Also, wonderful neighbors and community members.
- the open space and mountain
- Access to Nature-- and the local people are great.
- The (relatively) small-town attitude, always seeing folks I know out and about
- The people.
- Books! And my library.
- It's services for its residents. The library. The parks. The public transportation.
- It's relative affordability.
- Been there a long time so feels familial and familiar
- friendships forged through library programs
- Again, how friendly most people are
- The ability to walk to all of the services I use and that includes SAM to take me outside of the community.
- natural beauty, outdoor access.
- natural beauty
- Same question? See first answer
- Nature
- Small town, agricultural town feel.
- Friendly and helpful
- The mountain. the fellowship, the people. Hiking trails, rivers, woods
- Answered that on number one
- all the outdoor fun
- my library!
- The people
- The library
- no world war 3
- It is close to the mountains. +...I love our Library. Free music events, movies, and more!
- Sandy Mtn Festival
- Meinig Park and new skate park and all the trails!! + schools
- Safety
- It has more of a "small town feel" than other places this close to Portland. I'm very glad Tri-met has not been allow to extend into Sandy, and I hope it stays that way! Sandy feels safer than towns in Multnomah County.
- Small town feeling, nature, hiking trails for its beauty and exercise, the swimming pool we used to have
- The people and our proximity to recreation
- The way people look out for and help each other. Lifelong friendships are made here!
- The view of the mountain
- Beautiful surroundings
- Talking with the community members
- The location.
- Close to recreation
- friendly community

- I love that we have a library, community gardens, and a sense of coming together in times of need. The farmers market is great as well.
- library and friendly community
- Natural beauty and people who live here because they appreciate it
- good people
- How we rally when the town or its people need help
- The small town atmosphere where I feel connected and no people when I go out in public.
- Proximity to both the city and untouched wilderness.
- My neighbors?
- People are available who are capable of assisting when needed.
- Great city employees, we seem to work well as a team.
- I really enjoy access to the library.
- The quality of food at the restaurants here.
- The fact that I can live and work in the same community.
- How it still feels like a small town even though it's rapidly growing
- Again - these questions should be focused on the library - you all are not responsible for all things in the "community". My favorite thing about the library resources are the ability to listen to audio books while I do housework, garden, hike, etc. If I try to do that before I go to bed, I quickly fall asleep. And "multi-tasking" helps me stay focused on the activity and not get bored or distracted.
- How easy it is to get to work, my children's schools, shopping and eating establishments, and community amenities.
- The attempts at great community events, the parade, Mt Festival, WinterFest
- It's innovative spirit.
- Great parks
- Small town with less crime.
- small town feel
- Not to many people around here.
- My favorite thing about our community is the close proximity to nature, including the mountains and wildlife.
- It is still a small town
- The small downtown area, able to walk around. Get coffee, enjoy a book, exercise. Also love the community events hosted by our library and city drawing people downtown
- Small cozy environment
- The natural setting we have. The senior citizens in retirement. Access to sports
- Small town = a lot of local knowledge among its people
- Small Ness of our town
- Close to the mountain.
- People
- easy access to so many things
- Small size, close proximity to downtown Portland, an international airport, the beach and the mountain, while still living a rural lifestyle.
- The small town feel, the quiet. The sound of the river outside my front door.
- Self sufficiency: work, school, and all the amenities and outdoor recreation are right here.
- location
- How many options and activities are available for families.

- I haven't found it yet.
- The small town feel!
- The small town feel, even with growth, the people have stayed connected and continue to help their neighbors. Our non-profits are great.
- When it gathers and you see folks greeting friends and neighbors, enjoying themselves, and supporting local businesses.
- The people. And the close access to Mt. Hood.
- Walking distance to the library
- Not sure yet. How small and kind it is.
- That it is small and rural.
- we are a growing city that is bringing more opportunities to Sandy so we don't need to go to the bigger city west of us to do life.
- I really enjoy the family friendly events like Sandy mt days, trick or treating, etc.
- Mountain festival
- Ant Farm and a Library. Sandy businesses trying to serve our community, chainsaw place, auto parts, movie theater.
- Our farmland, the mountain and the people who care for one another.
- Central business corridor
- Recreational opportunities
- The public services--transit, library, parks, recreation, senior services and activities.
- environment and quality of living
- Wasn't this question 1? The parks and trails - especially Cedar Park and Tickle Creek Trail.
- good friends that are engaged in creating a vibrant atmosphere that includes the outdoors, cultural events... could use more live music... and the library which is a hub for so many good things beyond just books.
- everything is very close to me.
- The location near the mountain.
- tickle creek trail
- service to the community
- How inclusive everyone is. I've felt welcomed and appreciated.
- Seeing people get involved with city government. It's amazing how passionate and civic minded some of the people I have met are. As well as welcoming. I didn't run but was appointed and I feel like our town is inclusive (which says a lot for what could be very political and otherwise heated.)
- While small(er), it's a town that pretty much has everything I need.
- We all come together when someone is in need
- The forest and like-minded nature lovers, down to earth people
- Friendly and knowledgeable staff and volunteers
- Family values
- The natural beauty, peace & quiet.
- Options close to home
- people willing to help people
- I like the small town feel and community events.
- It is small.
- Outdoor beauty
- small town feel

- (Wasn't this question 1?) unity and like minded believers/thinkers .... This survey had nothing to do with my in put on library services like advertised ... I would love to see more of a children area to read, do puzzles and make the library enjoyable for kids to go to. It's not that we don't have the space it's how it's laid out.
- Women's book club and beautiful library facilities inside
- Love that most people are genuinely interested in helping others.
- Big community events.
- The small town feeling
- It is so peaceful!
- It was the library
- I love the mountain air and the scenic views as well as the cleanliness of the community.
- Can't think of anything
- Genuine concern for livability
- The coffee shops
- All of the small town activities, the farmers market and Winterfest!
- Love the tickle creek trail and the cute downtown, Meinig Park, and Joe's donuts.
- Gresham
- The togetherness and dedication to keep the town feeling safe and alive
- People and view of Mt Hood
- Christmas lights in the park.
- I enjoy having familiar faces and pleasant people in places like our Library and in local businesses.
- proximity to nature
- Being close to nature
- I love all the parks and the library. I use the library year round and parks the most of the rest of the year, weather permitting!
- Homeschool groups and free/low activities
- Rarely need something not available in Sandy.
- that you can get to everything you need around town and easy to find
- Quiet, small town feel
- Events put on by the city
- We have some good restaurants
- Proximity to Mt Hood
- Trees and natural areas
- Small town charm
- Christmas decorations
- The small town feel, not taking long to get across town.
- The events
- the library
- Safety and clean city. Really appreciate the city's effort to keep the parks clean and safe
- I love our Farmer's Market as it's a great gathering space of all different people.
- That it still has a small town feel even though it is growing rapidly
- The town center area
- Small and friendly
- Enjoying the quiet rural atmosphere with friends.



- Again, the people and the atmosphere. I also like the proximity to the Mt Hood Forest, and the library!
- People and where we live
- Gateway community to Mt Hood.
- This library
- Library and staff. Also volunteers in the community.
- Small-town vibe
- Book nook – Great!
- My library – al the great Librarians and other workers (x2 ♥)
- Our library!! ♥
- Mtn Moka
- Tickle Creek Trail
- SandyNET
- Wonderful people!
- The food
- Smiles

Survey participants:

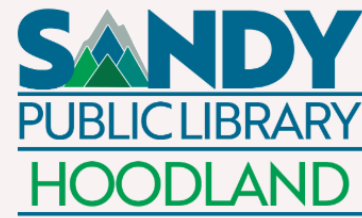
73 people within the City limits of Sandy

41 in unincorporated Sandy

47 Hoodland service area

74 unknown

235 total



## **Staff responses – Strategic Planning 2025 with Darci Hanning**

Community Support

Community Partnerships

We all care about our community

Welcoming

Regular and frequent patrons who love the library

Tech assistance and education

Internet access

Well known/respected in community

Accepting/Acceptance to respect patrons

Lots of programs for all ages

Community groups – Book groups, writing, fiber arts

We take pride in our libraries

Growth (programs, checkouts, usage!)

Gardening classes education

Programs

Fiber arts

Programs

Programs (free)

Kids' programming

Outreach – Vista & Pioneer

Activities off. By library

## **Strengths**

Program variety

Very strong commitment to community

Amazing volunteers

Getting printing back at Hoodland

LINCC app

Computers/Tech

Friendly helpful staff

Offering computer classes to community

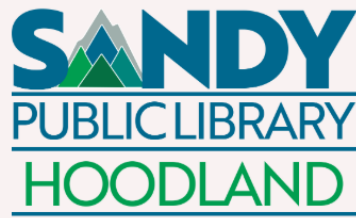
Staff

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Staff that jive

Library staff

Helpfulness of staff to meet patron's questions/needs



## **Staff responses – Strategic Planning 2025 with Darci Hanning**

Support systems & programs

Tech help

Hobbies

More services or activities for seniors

More classes work related or hobby

More programs folks can attend remotely to improve accessibility & participation

More outreach with Mobile Library

A diverse library collection/program

Teen programs

Set-up teen internships w/ community businesses?

Opportunities to promote kinder communication in the community

Connection with other community members

Public calendar access (for spaces/rooms)

Book lockers outside

Community connectivity programs/events

More lib hours in Hoodland

More diverse programming

More networking to connect community to resources

Improved cost of living

## **Opportunities**

More library programs out in the community

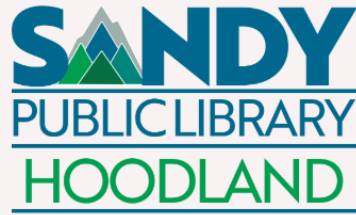
Facilitate community dialogue on issues/challenges facing community

More events +/- or programs that help people connect

Access to information

Offering more Library of Things – Book projector for kids

Offering more games thru Library of Things – Azul



### **Staff responses – Strategic Planning 2025 with Darci Hanning**

Aspire to have patrons be aware, + use, all the things the library already offers

Growth to new patrons who may not know we exist

Create stronger relations w/ community partners so we can use them for more programs

Meeting needs at low cost – utilities, tax prep, food, shelter

Hire a staff person for the Bookmobile

More diverse teen program offerings

Make library a place to explore hobbies

Space for staff to have cubicles

More space

More space (study room) at Hoodland

Create intergenerational programming

Create young readers/get kids excited about learning + reading

Creating engaging programs/events

Making the library a place to connect

Change the name/labels of item in our collection (Easy Reader to Early)

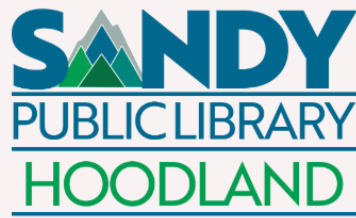
Visit schools to do book talks

Create partnerships w/ senior center + health center to provide senior programs

### **Aspirations**

Increase community engagement

Increase tech equipment for more opportunities for classes



## **Staff responses – Strategic Planning 2025 with Darci Hanning**

County rent funding for Hoodland

Positive feedback from patrons

People raving about our programs

More seniors shop up at the library

There is a dedicated staff person to maintain + run the bookmobile

Have a dedicated team to facilitate bookmobile

Increased registration of patrons as a result of outreach /use bookmobile to deliver checkouts to homebound patrons

Have partnered w/ at least one community organization to put on a unique program or provide an opportunity

When people use more of our Library of Things

Survey or data collection for #s of participants

Building expansion that includes more space for staff cubicles

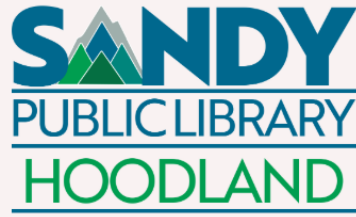
Staff have time to visit all schools and desk are covered in the library

More laptops w/ subscriptions to Canva/MS Office, etc

We have successful programs that bring people of dif ages together

## **Results**

Notice/track for a short period the # of patrons who try something new to them within the library – a club or check-out option, service, etc.



## Summary results – Strategic Planning survey

### Question 1 Community Value

Small town “welcoming feel” connected

Supportive services – Internet, walkable, safety

Surrounding nature trails

Safety

### Question 2 Community Better

Home Security

Safety issues

More indoor

More outdoor

Kindness

Diversity/acceptance

### Question 3 Spend Time

Pets

Community – volunteer, work, socializing, connecting

Health/mental wellness

### Question 4 Life Easier

Financial security & improved cost of living

^ Comm resource – more hours at biz

Childcare/kids activities

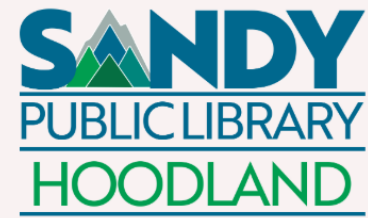
^ Internet services

Transportation/ease of access

Road imp.

^ Safety and security

^ Phys. + mental health



## Vison

World

Encouraging curiosity

Give people power/empower

Build comm

Inspire

Create

Achieve their desires

Customer centric

Change positive

Opportunities for everyone

Sustainable

Basic needs

Connection