Future Expansion

The American Library Association (ALA) Libraries Transforming Communities (LTC) Accessible Small and Rural Communities grant 2, second round of funding awarded our D. A. Hurd Library the funding for an ADA accessible greenhouse to add to the Sensory Garden area. This will allow for an extended growing season and increased growing capacity for our community.

Example:







ADA Accessible Raised Beds

The American Library Association (ALA) Libraries Transforming Communities (LTC) Accessible Small and Rural Communities grant awarded to fund the purchase of four ADA raised garden beds.





The four raised garden beds are currently located on pavement near the handicap parking spaces allowing easy accessibility to the library, and also on a brick paved walkway with a bench nearby.



- 16 sq. ft. growing space per bed
- These beds are growing: Nasturtium flowers, herbs, spinach, romaine, lettuce, cucumbers, squash, carrots

D. A. Hurd Library's ADA Accessible Raised Beds







We are always
Building on our Past
and planning & planting
for our future.

#HaveYouHurd what's growing on in the Sensory Garden?

192 sq. ft. vegetable garden includes:

- Pole Beans
- Wax Beans
- Jalapenos
- Tomato
- Radish
- Cucumber
- Zucchini
- Kale
- Carrots
- Flowers & Herbs







100 sq. ft. pollinator garden includes:

- Swamp Milkweed
- Common Milkweed
- Northeastern Penstemon
- Sedum
- Jacob's Ladder
- Bee Balm
- Yarrow
- Aster
- Lupine



What is a Sensory Garden?

A Sensory Garden is a garden that provides a restorative experience by focusing on impactful sensory engagement. By encouraging community members to actively use their senses - seeing, touching, hearing, smelling, and tasting - their experience becomes multi-dimensional and deeply immersive.

Our Sensory Garden approach fosters a deeper connection to nature and also promotes mindfulness and appreciation for the world around us.

By offering a diverse range of activities and opportunities for involvement, our library is creating a space where community members of all ages and backgrounds can connect with nature in meaningful ways.



- Read
- Relax
- Renew



D. A. Hurd Library Mission Statement

To offer the resources and encouragement necessary to promote the joy of reading, increase awareness of the world, broaden cultural horizons, and foster life-long learning; to provide a comfortable and welcoming place for all members of the community.

Visit the Sensory Garden



D. A. Hurd Library Sensory Garden

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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday 9:30-5:00
Tuesday 1:00-7:00
Wednesday 9:30-5:00
Thursday 1:00-7:00
Friday 9:30-5:00
Saturday 9:30-1:00
Closed most federal holidays.

When in doubt, call ahead.

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