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To: Corey Marvin
Subject: RE: library midterm report

From: Julie Cornett
Sent: Monday, May 4, 2015 4:09 PM
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Corey,

Here are the numbers for usage of the Law Library collections:

Total items in print Law Library collection: 42
Total checkouts of all titles (over the past ~10 years): 7

Showcasing this collection by moving it to a more prominent and accessible area of the library will likely increase the usage. That's our goal, at least.

Julie

From: Corey Marvin
Sent: Friday, May 01, 2015 8:52 AM
To: Julie Cornett
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Hi Julie, not sure I responded to this. Yes, if Becky could get those numbers to me, I'd appreciate it.

From: Julie Cornett
Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 10:37 AM
To: Corey Marvin
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Corey,

Yes---the physical collection (kept behind the circ desk) rarely gets used. I'll have to have Becky run the numbers and get those to you. We plan to better publicize this collection (Nolo Press "How To" Law books) by moving it to a more visible location (next to the Law Library computer). Academic libraries typically don't have this type of consumer collection. The only reason the Kern Co. Law Library formed a partnership with Cerro Coso instead of the logical Ridgecrest Public Library (part of the Kern system) was because of physical space issues at the Ridgecrest Public Library. As for usage of the Law Library Computer (with access to LexisNexis and Westlaw databases), it gets used ~5 times per month (usually the same couple users).

Midterm Report for 2012 Actionable Improvement Plan: Library Items

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"Develop evaluation tools for the performance and adequacy of the Kern County Law Library and the Mammoth Lakes joint-use facility"

Kern County Law Library:

Cerro Coso Community College Library is in the process of developing evaluation tools for the performance and adequacy of the Kern County Law Library collections housed in the college library. Certain tools are already in place. For

example, the library currently collects usage data for the print collection as well as usage data for the electronic databases accessible from the Kern County Law computer located within the main campus library. Additionally, data on the currency and scope of the collection is being collected. The college is hiring a full-time Paralegal faculty member in 2015. The library will work with this subject expert to develop evaluation tools that measure the adequacy of the collection as well as the accessibility of the collection. As of now, access to the collection is an issue since only students at the main campus can access both the print and electronic collections.

Mammoth Lakes joint-use facility:

The Cerro Coso Community College Librarian is in the process of developing an evaluation plan for the performance and adequacy of the Mammoth Lakes joint-use facility. Presently, the designated "college room" located in the joint-use facility is not being used by the library to support library programming or collections. The college-purchased print reference collection that is integrated into the Mammoth Public library's collection will be inventoried, weeded, and evaluated in spring, 2015. The college librarian and the Mammoth public library interim director are in discussion about future areas of collaboration, outreach, and promotion that would benefit both joint-use entities. Evaluation of such efforts will be built into planning and will likely include usage statistics and satisfaction surveys.

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