

We budgeted for staffing the Coldwater Branch for being open on Sundays for the entire 2016 year, and set up our 10 paid holidays assuming the same. However, it was mentioned that we would examine the numbers around 6 months to determine if we wanted to continue. I have been asked by staff who work Sundays to seek clarification on whether or not we'll continue these hours after June. These staff members would like enough time to figure out their personal schedules if our Sunday Schedule changes. With that in mind, I bring this issue up with you now instead of in June. To help with your decision, I have collected the following information:

Attendance

In 2016 we are averaging 103 people coming through the doors (min. 48 to max. 195) on Sundays. This compares to an average of 209 on Saturdays and around 475 Mondays through Thursdays.

Circulation

Saturdays and Sundays are nearly the same on this metric. We are seeing an average of 62 checkouts at the desk on Sundays. Saturdays see an average of 69; our high has been Thursdays at 191.

Computer Use

Library-provided computer use shows a similar parity between Saturdays and Sundays. Sunday has 30 uses on average, Saturdays 33. The Monday – Friday average is 87.

Wifi Use

On Sundays we've been averaging 402 uses of our wifi network. Since wifi is on 24-hours a day, the usage isn't entirely dependent on the hours we're open, but we do see a spike corresponding to our open hours Sunday, as you would expect.

Cost

From the budget calculations for this year, we expected to spend about \$9,800 in staffing for a year of Sundays, using generic mid pay-level staff. Our actual numbers for the first 15 weeks of the year have been \$2,290. Projected out to the full year, we would expect personnel costs for Sundays to be about \$8,000. Add a small amount for additional utilities to get the complete picture.

