

**Research Hours (September through May):**

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM - Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM - Thursday Evening
Call for Summer Hours

Directions to Library from Loop 101:

From the south: exit Grand Ave, west to 111th, south on 111th about one mile
From the north: exit Thunderbird, west to 111th, south on 111th about two miles

Research Donation: Non-Members - \$ 5.00 per day donation required for each non-member. (No charge to members.) The library is staffed with non-paid volunteers who will not do your research for you. However, feel free to ask them for help in locating and using the materials available.

Library Holdings: There are over 14,000 books, over 1,200 periodicals, a large collection of maps (many unique to this library), CD's, microfiche and microfilms, all of interest to the genealogist.

Non-Circulating Library: Our materials cannot be checked out. This is a private non-circulating library and we do not participate in inter-library loans. There are a very few books which are of a general nature which members of the society may check out.

Library Catalog: It is computerized and can be accessed on any library computer OR from your home computer by going to our website, www.azwvgs.org and clicking on the "Catalog" tab.

Re-shelving of Library Materials: Patrons are asked to re-shelve all of the materials they use. There are numbered "paddles" available throughout the library which can be inserted in the space where a book(s) or other materials have been removed to facilitate easy and accurate re-shelving. For your convenience, should you be removing or re-filing a number of books, there is a rolling "bright red library cart" for your convenience.

Copying: There is a self-help copy machine available. Cost is 10 cents per copy and the money should be deposited in the container located at the copy machine (cash & checks only, no credit cards). There is also a printer linked to the computers. Again, the price per copy is 10 cents and this should be deposited in the container located at the copy machine.

Computer Access: There is a "computer room" with computer stations. The computers are linked to the internet and have direct links to the WVGS Library card catalog as well as other popular genealogy non-subscription websites. Members of the society also have access to two subscription genealogy websites: World Vital Records and Fold3. Specific computers run CDs owned by the Library.

Food/Snacks: There is a refrigerator available. Also, we stock soft drinks, water, and snacks for purchase (again, self help with collection containers). However, food should be eaten outside or in the multi-purpose room. At no time should any library materials or equipment be in the vicinity of any food or beverage.

Information Kiosk: There is a kiosk located near the front door with handouts covering various classes, special interest groups, special events, etc.

Libraries Outside The West Valley

Mesa

Mesa Family History Center (genealogical materials)
41 S Hobson
480-964-1200

Phoenix

Arizona State Library, Archives & Public Records - Genealogy Section (State Capitol)
1700 W Washington - Suite 300
602-926-3938

Other Libraries In The West Valley Area

El Mirage

El Mirage Library (emphasis on Spanish language materials)
14011 - 1st Ave.
602-652-3000

Litchfield Park

Litchfield Park Library Assoc.
101 W. Indian School Road
623-935-5053

Peoria

Peoria Public Library
8463 W Monroe Street
623-773-7555

Sun City

Family History Center - Peoria Stake (located in Sun City) (genealogical materials)
15014 N. 108 Ave.
623-947-2749

Sun City Library
16828 N. 99th Ave.
623-974-2569

Sun City Library - Fairway Branch
10600 W. Peoria Ave.
623-933-7433

Surprise

Northwest Regional Library
16089 N. Bullard
623-544-6371

Youngtown

Youngtown Public Library
12035 Clubhouse Square
623-974-3401

