

YA Happenings Hillside Public Library Winter 2025

Happy Holidays from HPL

This year has gone by in a flash, hasn't it? Teens, I understand right now is especially a hectic time, but let's finish strong! Trust me, I get it.

Luckily, the holiday season is a time to slow down and spend time with family and friends, and we hope you'll stop by the library to relax with our fun events this winter as well.

We have some upcoming ISAC events here at the library on **November 18**, where ISAC representatives will give a **Financial Aid Process Presentation** that is followed by a **StudentAid.gov Account Creation Workshop**, and on **December 2**, we'll have a **FAFSA Completion Workshop**, where an ISAC representative will be here to assist you with filling out FAFSA. This is ideal for juniors and seniors. Freshmen and sophomores are welcome to join us on Nov. 18; it's never too early to learn about the Financial Aid Process.

We also have a recording with the ISAC Parent Outreach Coordinator where she gives an overview of ISAC services! The video is available on our YouTube and you can get access to it on our Teen page as well.

Stay warm,

Allison Valtierrez-Mojica, *Young Adult Library Assistant*



Winter Programs

Visit our website and view our **Events Calendar** to register for programs.

Activity	Date
FAFSA Completion Workshop	Dec 2, 2025 @ 5:30 - 7:30 PM
Warming Project 2025 Community Event: Free Winter Coats	Dec 6, 2025 @ 9 AM - 1 PM (Sizes 3T to Adult 2XL)
Beyond the Book Box Winter Quarter Opens & Resubscription	Jan 1, 2026 - Feb 28, 2026
DIY Bath Bomb	Jan 3, 2026 @ 1:30 - 2:30 PM
Perler Pod	Jan 20, 2026 Feb 17, 2026 @ 5:30 - 7:00 PM
DIY Sugar Scrub	Feb 10, 2026 @ 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Teen Volunteering



Please fill out and submit a volunteer application to be eligible to receive service hours. Applications are available on our website under the Teen Tab.

For those who want to get actively involved with the library...

We are currently checking to see if there is any interest for a **TAB** at the library. A **Teen Advisory Board (TAB)** is a group led by teens that have direct input into what programs and events we host here at the library for teens. Participation and commitment to TAB will earn teens service hours and help develop confidence and leadership skills.

There is a survey available on our Teen page for those who are interested so we can gauge how many times a week we should meet and when would be an ideal meeting time.

*Please visit our Teen Blog to access the **Teen Volunteer Activities** packet to view other activities.*



Teen Interest Check Survey



We want to hear from YOU!

Assist us by providing feedback on what you'd like to see from the Teen/Young Adult department this upcoming year.

The form is available on our Teen page.

Your response is greatly appreciated.

That's a wrap!

The next YA Happenings will be released for Spring 2026.

Happy Holidays and have a Happy New Year! We'll see you in 2026.



For questions or comments, you may reach out to Ms. Allison at avaltierrez@hillside library.org, contact@hillside library.org or 708.449.7510 ext. 117.