

Green Valley Friends of the Library Chronology

1965

- 1st Green Valley Library established by volunteers in two closets in the Green Valley Recreation East Center.

1967

- Library moves from East Center to two home units located in the Villas, 133C and 133D Paseo Pena.

1974

- Citizens approve a \$500,000 bond issue to building a county government building in Green Valley with space for a new library
- Tucson Public Library provides funding for a full-time librarian

1976

- Friends of the Library established to support and enhance the Green Valley Branch of the Tucson/Pima County Library
- Pima County Public Service Center Dedicated in October. Building includes county offices, sheriff's office and library with space for staff, a meeting room and an area for 22,000 books

1977

- Friends begin support for library public programs

1980

- Friends begin support for local children's programs during the summer months include crafts and puppet show

1985

- Pima County bond issue approved that will allow for an expansion of the Green Valley library space
- Friends open first bookstore as a money-making project in a 340 square foot section of the Country Fair White Elephant.

1990

- Former Pima County Service remodeled to provide 11,000 square feet of space dedicated to library functions. Renamed Joyner-Green Valley Library

- GV Friends donate outdoor patio reading area and the decorative portals over the front entrance to the building

1993

- Friends begin offering scholarships to support library staff training and development

1999

- Planning begins for an addition to the Green Valley-Joyner library that will include space for a Friends bookstore and a new computer center
- Donation of \$200,000 from the Kohl Foundation toward the library addition

2002

- Library addition completed providing an additional 2000 square feet of space for a Friends bookstore, a computer lab and a small meeting room

2005

- Green Valley Library fully integrated into the Pima County Library system. Staff become Pima County employees

2006

- Friends of the Green Valley Library celebrate their 30th anniversary

2008

- Bookstore begins selling books online

2009

- Sahuarita Library Branch Opens

2010

- Friends open 2nd Bookshop in Green Valley Mall

2011

- Friends annex location opens to catalog, mail and store books for online sales

2016

- Friends of Green Valley Library celebrate their 40th Anniversary