



ANNUAL REPORT 2023



MISSION

Our mission is to provide informational, educational, and enrichment services and resources to the community through a comprehensive and efficient library system.

VISION

The vision of Cass County Public Library is to encourage discovery, community, and collaboration through quality collections and connections.

CONNECT



@CassCoLibrary



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VALUES

Patron needs come first:

We place the highest priority on service to our patrons and treat every request with equal value.

Respect for people:

We recognize the contributions of our staff and we treat all our patrons and each other with respect.

Learning organization:

We commit to the professional growth and enrichment of our staff.

Access to information:

We ensure access to information for people of all ages, abilities and means.

Freedom of information:

We protect our patrons' freedom to read and view all library information.

Privacy and confidentiality:

We safeguard our patrons' right to request and obtain information in confidence.

Quality:

We strive to deliver the highest quality service possible. We strive to provide up-to-date library materials for our service population.

Stewardship of community resources:

We respect the contributions of the community to its library. We hold ourselves accountable for the efficient and effective use of all resources – people, time, assets, and funds.

Integrity:

We follow the highest ethical standards, which have been adopted by Cass County Government and our profession.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tonya Long, President
Becky Klein, Vice President
Jessica Levsen, Treasurer
Roger Toomey
Diana Larson

LOCATIONS



Archie



Drexel



Garden City



Genealogy



*Harrisonville &
Administrative Offices*



Northern Resource Center



Pleasant Hill



Bookmobile



Express Library (Kiosk)

CASS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION

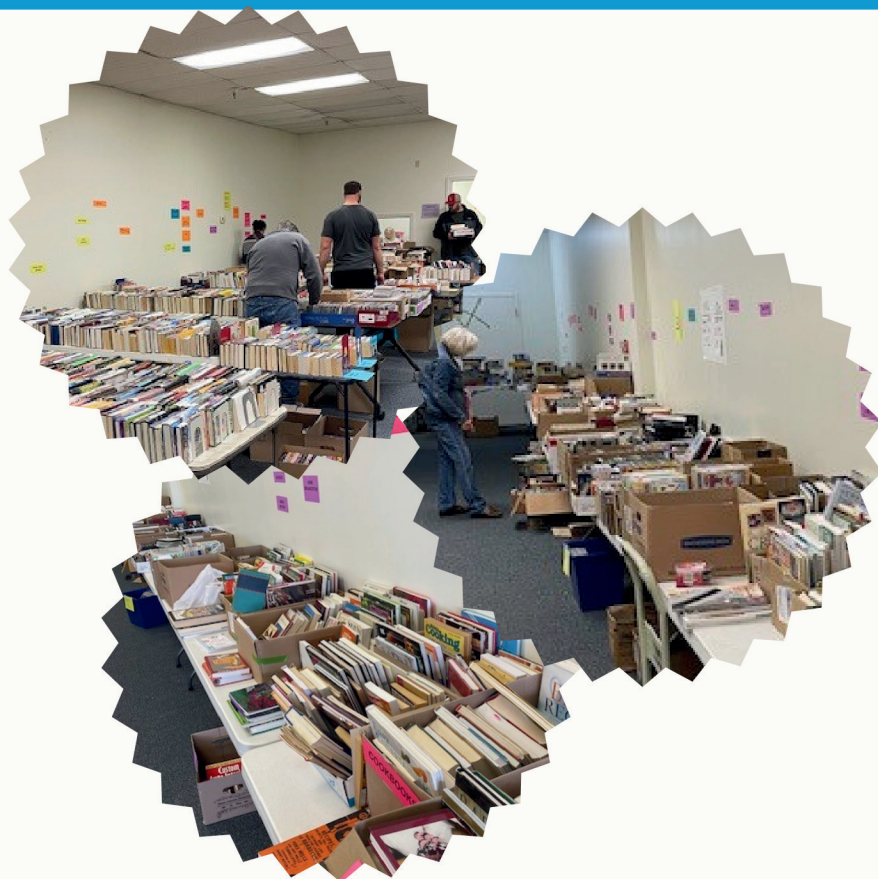
OFFICERS

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Representative
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USED BOOK SALE – NOVEMBER 2023

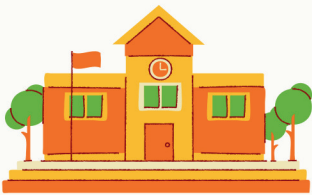
The CCPL Foundation and Friends of the Library were very appreciative of the donations of books, puzzles, and games from residents all over the county. Books not sold during the book sale were donated to nursing homes for residents to read. Other books were sold to a used book seller with proceeds going back to the library directly.

From the book sale, \$2,400 was raised and \$1,500 was awarded to the library by the Foundation for the Youth Services Specialist to purchase award books for the Summer Library Program in 2024.

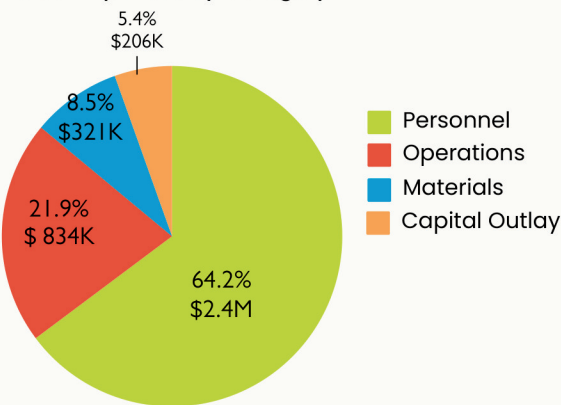
Financials

2023

WHAT DOES IT COST TO RUN THE LIBRARY?



Actual Expenses by Category



EXPENDITURES

Library Materials	\$321,788
Operations	\$834,079
Personnel	\$2,446,909
Capital Outlay	\$206,444
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,809,220
CAPITAL RESERVES	\$300,000

WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM?

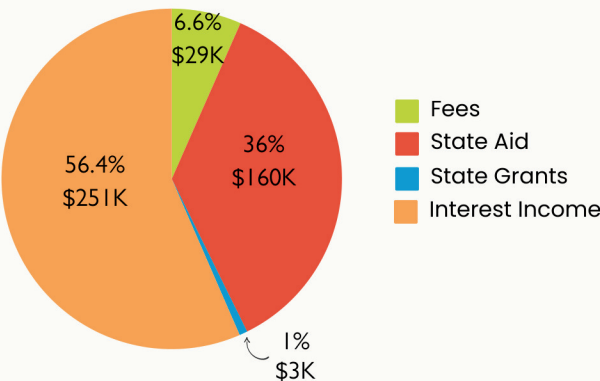


Most funding is sourced by local taxes:

\$5.7 million

Additional funding breaks down into the following categories:

Additional Funding



REVENUE

Property Tax	\$5,704,940
Fees	\$29,688
Interest Income	\$251,693
State Aid	\$160,866
State Grants	\$3,400
TOTAL REVENUE	\$6,150,587

Library Statistics

2023



WHO IS CCPL?

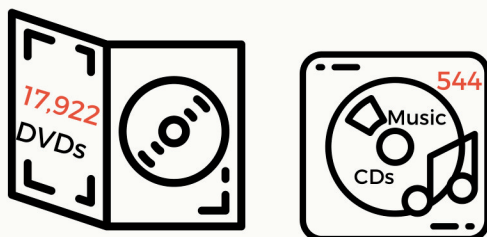
POPULATION SERVED	112,829
CARDHOLDERS	11,825
New Cardholders 2023	3,714
BRANCHES	8
STAFF	
Full-Time	22
Part-Time	71



Cass County,
Missouri



WHAT YOU CAN READ, WATCH, AND DOWNLOAD FROM CCPL

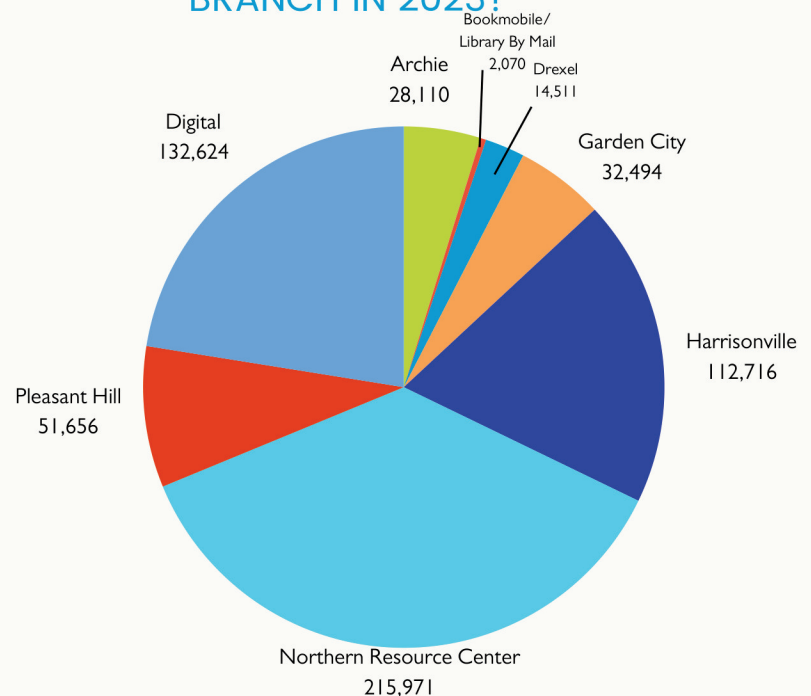


TECHNOLOGY @ CCPL

PUBLIC COMPUTERS	49
WI-FI SESSIONS	10,035
COMPUTER SESSIONS	15,235
WEBSITE VISITS	64,633



HOW MANY ITEMS WERE CHECKED OUT BY EACH BRANCH IN 2023?



Library Statistics

2023



HOW YOU ARE USING CCPL

PROGRAMMING

Youth Programs	1,431
Youth Attendance	26,695
Adult Programs	441
Adult Attendance	4,326

VISITORS	219,836
Curbside Patrons	127
Notary Sessions	601

REFERENCE QUESTIONS	13,367
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DATABASE USAGE	30,273
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CIRCULATION TOTAL	522,647
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Physical Items	436,783
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Digital Items	85,864
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INTERLIBRARY LOAN CIRCULATION

Borrowed Items	33,034
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Loaned Items	12,581
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SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM



Youth Participants	1,784
Youth Completions	891
Adult Participants	685
Adult Completions	339

Resources & Programs

2023



Items added in 2023 include Ukeleles, Ghost Hunting Kits, Pickleball Kits, STEAM Kits, and Board Games.



The Spanish Language Materials Collection was expanded at the Garden City Branch, Northern Resource Center, and Pleasant Hill Branch.

Branch Renovations

HARRISONVILLE BRANCH



IN PROGRESS



COMPLETED

IN MAY OF 2023 THE LIBRARY RENOVATED THE ADULT SECTION WHICH COMPLETELY TRANSFORMED THE SPACE. NOT ONLY WERE PATRONS PROVIDED WITH A MORE INTUITIVE WAY OF BROWSING, THE RENOVATIONS ALSO OPENED UP THE SPACE MAKING IT BRIGHTER AND ALLOWED FOR ADDITIONAL QUIET SEATING.

NORTHERN RESOURCE CENTER



ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2023, THE LIBRARY HOSTED A REDEDICATION CEREMONY FOR NRC RENOVATIONS WITH THE HELP OF THE BELTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, RAYMORE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND PECULIAR CHAMBER.



THE RENOVATIONS INCLUDE A LARGE MULTIPURPOSE PROGRAMMING ROOM, A CONFERENCE ROOM, TWO STUDY ROOMS, ADDITIONAL BATHROOMS, AND A FRESH COAT OF PAINT WITH TWO CCPL-BRANDED ACCENT WALLS.

Branch Renovations

PLEASANT HILL BRANCH



ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2023, THE PLEASANT HILL BRANCH OFFICIALLY OPENED TO PATRONS. A GRAND OPENING FOR THE NEW LOCATION WAS HELD ON SEPTEMBER 22ND WHICH INCLUDED GUEST SPEAKERS, A RIBBON CUTTING, AND A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE BY CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINER, MR. BRAD.

PECULIAR EXPRESS LIBRARY



ON NOVEMBER 30, 2023, THE LIBRARY INSTALLED A SELF-SERVICE LIBRARY KIOSK IN PECULIAR. PATRONS CAN REQUEST ITEMS AND PICK THEM UP AT THE KIOSK AS WELL AS BROWSE A COLLECTION OF BEST SELLERS, CHILDREN'S BOOKS, AND MORE. FREE WIFI IS ALSO ACCESSIBLE WHEN PATRONS VISIT.

VISUAL HIGHLIGHTS



Pioneering Progress.
Gateway to Year One of Our Strategic Journey!