# 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

## **THIS ISSUE**

a new look for library financial report by the numbers coming soon



# Polk County Library

## A NEW LOOK FOR THE LIBRARY

In addition to the renovated Rayl Family Library, The Polk County Library embarks on a new chapter in its visual identity as it unveils a refreshed logo.

The redesigned logo maintains the library's essence while presenting a contemporary and versatile look. The logo's new colors and dynamic design represent the diversity of resources, programs, and opportunities available to library visitors of all ages and backgrounds.

The unveiling of the new logo is part of a larger initiative to modernize the library's buildings and services while staying rooted in its mission of providing free access to information, education, and cultural enrichment.

"Amidst the changes, our core mission remains unchanged – to provide a welcoming space for learning, exploration, and community engagement," added Colleen Knight, Director. "While our logo evolves, our dedication to fostering literacy, supporting lifelong learning, and being a community hub remains unwavering."

## **2023 FINANCIAL** REPORT



## **Operating Income**

Property Tax	\$883,629
RR & Surtax	\$86,988
Dunnegan Trust	\$16,880
Grants	\$18,040
MO State	\$57,479
Library & Misc	\$19,351
Total	\$1,082,367

### **Operating Expenses**

Capital Purchases	\$3,961
Grants	\$15,516
Ins., Audit, Lease	\$66,613
Maint. & Utilities	\$58,486
Materials	\$96,134
Office Sup. & Misc	\$17,955
Wages & Benefits	\$549,268
Programs	\$5,886
Technology Serv	\$35,521
Total	\$849,270

Capital Improvement Funds	
Starting Balance	\$804,727
Donations	\$51,055
Grants	\$250,000
Interest	\$17,484
Building Loan	\$500,000
Ending Balance	\$330,334

Capital Improvement Expenses		
Architect Fees	\$50,400	
Construction	\$1,195,270	
Furniture	\$44,323	
Total	\$1,289.993	

## GRANTS **RECEIVED: \$268,129** AWARDED: \$ 2,025



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SUMMER PROGRAM GRANT \$5,076 books, performers, staff & supplies

STEAM TO GO GRANT \$5,735 Steam Kits to checkout





TECHNOLOGY GRANT 2022 \$5,205 Children's computers and tablets

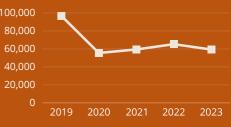
TECHNOLOGY GRANT 2023 \$4,058 All in One Printer/Copier \$2,027 outstanding



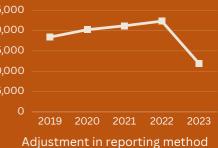


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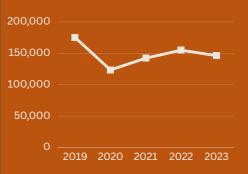
#### **Library Visitors**



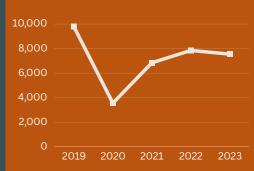
#### **Library Cards**



#### **Items Checked Out**



#### **Program Attendance**



## **2023 BY THE NUMBERS**









wifi users
9678
computer users

146354 items checked out

389

programs

74

attendance

5



items added





## **From the Director's Desk**

Change turns the page, renovation builds the chapters, and within each chapter lies the evolving story of our journey.

This year, the Rayl Family Library in Bolivar underwent extensive renovation. The result is a light, airy, comfortable space with plenty of seating, collaborative spaces, and an outdoor space.

We realize that for our patrons this has been a trying year. Trying to find your materials while we operated in half the space; several weeks of closure. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

Now that the renovation is complete, we invite you to come check us out! Hopefully you will find that the library has improved.

Now that the building and website has been renovated, we will focus this year on renovating our programs and services. You have been asking for more adult programs, and we plan to deliver with adulting, technology, and crafting classes.

We plan on adding to our "library of things" this year. Stay tuned in the coming months as we add more than just books to our items that circulate. Cake pans, small kitchen appliances, gidgets, and gadgits for home maintenance and repair, and much more!



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