ANNUAL REPORT 2022



458,872

ITEMS CIRCULATED

from more than 1.000,000 books. movies, and additional materials



画 35,861

WIRELESS SESSIONS

provided and 9,078 uses of public computers



31,965

REFERENCE QUESTIONS

answered by staff



REGISTERED BORROWERS

including 29,318 adults and 1.813 children



LIBRARY PROGRAMS

presented with 30,535 in attendance



A 166,718

VISITS TO THE LIBRARY

including 40,173 visits to DiscoveryWorks



OUR MISSION

The mission of the Avon Lake Public Library is to foster and enrich the community through collaboration, services and resources.

OUR VISION

The vision of the Avon Lake Public Library is to be the premier community destination and the model for innovation, discovery and lifelong learning.

OUR VALUES

INNOVATION

The Library is a leader of smart and efficient sustainability and forward-thinking uses of technology and programming. The staff are creative problem-solvers and learn from individual and collective challenges.

INTEGRITY

The Library is a reliable source with the highest standards of transparency, responsibility and fiscal stewardship.

LIFELONG LEARNING

The Library is committed to the individual pursuit of learning and discovery by providing equal access to materials, services, resources and programming.

OPENNESS

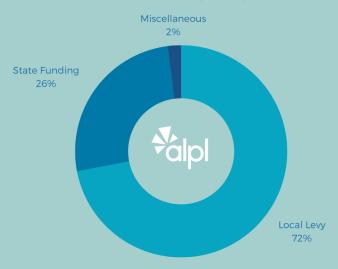
The Library is an environment that welcomes everyone and supports equality, diversity and space for peaceful assembly and the discussion of ideas.

SERVICE

The Library is where people come first, internally and externally. The staff listens, is helpful, collaborative, approachable, friendly and professional.



REVENUE \$3,384,210



TOP ADULT NONFICTION

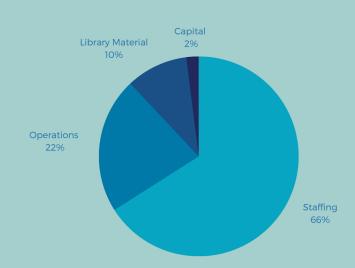
- 1. James Patterson by James Patterson by James Patterson
- 2. Dorothy Day: The World Will be Saved by Beauty by Kate Hennessy
- 3. Killing The Killers by Bill O'Reilly
- 4. Friends, Lovers and the Big Terrible Thing by Matthew Perry
- 5. The Complete Calvin and Hobbes by Bill Watterson

TOP ADULT FICTION

- 1. It Ends With Us by Colleen Hoover
- 2. Blowback by James Patterson
- 3. Carrie DeSoto is Back by Taylor Jenkins Reid
- 4. Long Shadows

 by David Baldacci
- 5. Sparring Partners by John Grisham

EXPENDITURES \$3,171,707



HIGHLIGHTS

This year, the Library launched the *KNITTED KNOCKERS PROJECT*, a community effort to provide breast prosthetics for breast cancer survivors for free. The community support was inspiring, with 213 knitters and crocheters making 604 pairs of knockers and 82 teen and adult volunteers packaging kits. Locally, 40 kits were delivered, with the remaining knockers distributed by the national Knitted Knockers organization. The project was funded with financial support from The Friends of the Library, the Lakeland Community Foundation, and a generous anonymous donor.

The Library also introduced **BOOKS BY MAIL**, our latest outreach service the provides free delivery of library material to Avon Lake residents who cannot physically visit the Library due to age, disability, or mobility issues, permanent or temporary.

ONLINE MATERIAL was extremely popular in 2022 throughout Ohio, with 8 million checkouts from the Ohio Digital Library. ALPL users accounted for 64,997 of those checkouts, up from 63,225 in 2021.