

ANNUAL REPORT 2025



472,917

ITEMS CIRCULATED

from more than 1,000,000 print and electronic books, movies, and other materials



26,414

WIRELESS SESSIONS

provided and 9258 uses of public computers



43,480

REFERENCE QUESTIONS

answered by staff



26,513

REGISTERED BORROWERS

including 21,978 adults and 4,535 children



818

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

presented with 18,548 in attendance



217,487

VISITS TO THE LIBRARY

including 109,338 visits to DiscoveryWorks



avon lake
PUBLIC LIBRARY

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

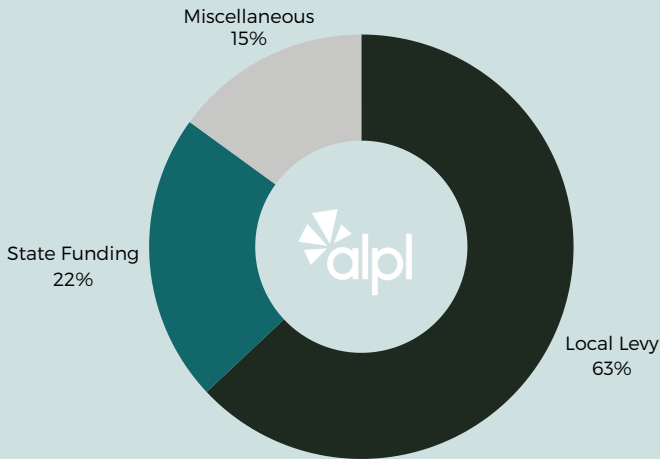
The Library is an environment that welcomes everyone and supports equality, diversity and space for peaceful assembly and the discussion of ideas.

SERVICE

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

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OPERATING REVENUE \$4,079,142



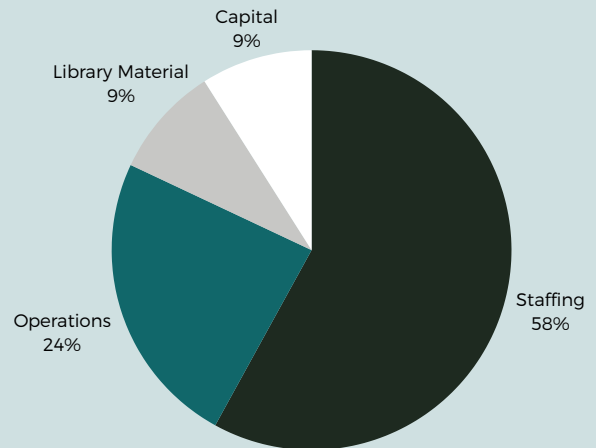
TOP ADULT FICTION EBOOKS

1. *The Wedding People*
by Alison Espach
2. *Great Big Beautiful Life*
by Emily Henry
3. *The God of the Woods*
by Liz Moore
4. *The Women*
by Kristin Hannah
5. *Atmosphere*
by Taylor Jenkins Reid

TOP YOUTH FICTION EBOOKS

1. *Partypooper*
by Jeff Kinney
2. *No Brainer*
by Jeff Kinney
3. *Big Jim Begins*
by Dav Pilkey
4. *The Meltdown*
by Jeff Kinney
5. *Winter Turning*
by Tui T. Sutherland

OPERATING EXPENDITURES \$3,557,978



HIGHLIGHTS

The highlight of our year was the reopening of the newly renovated **DiscoveryWorks**. First opened to the public in 1995, DiscoveryWorks was designed as an inventive, science-based space that included a variety of interactive, multi-sensory, and hands-on learning exhibits. For almost 30 years, DiscoveryWorks served generations of curious minds, visionary thinkers, and daring dreamers. The 2025 renovation stayed true to that original vision, pairing hands-on learning with an open, inviting space that is ready to serve future generations. Elementary students from the Avon Lake City Schools and Saint Joseph Parish School have already taken advantage of the space, visiting for classes and exploration.

With the renovation, the library gained space outside of the Waugaman Gallery that we have devoted to casual, comfortable seating. Families, laptop users, knitters, and more have enjoyed the quiet place to relax and connect.

Throughout the year, we hosted a variety of events that enlightened and educated visitors. Terry Pluto visited to give us his view on Cleveland sports; Jungle Terry shared his menagerie; and adults and teens both learned a little car care in our "What's Under the Hood" programs.