

2022-23

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

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Every year, the Campbell County Public Library publishes an annual report, a reflection of the past year's highlights. Since being founded in 1978, we have adapted and evolved to remain true to our mission statement—connecting you to big ideas wherever you are.

As a library system, we strive to create a safe, inclusive and accessible environment for all of our patrons. It has been a great year full of changes, fun programs and more. Here are a few of the highlights.

How You Used the Library at a Glance

Over 350,000 patrons visited the library this year; thanks for walking through our doors! Whether you came for our Wi-Fi, to browse our collection, attend a program or use a service, we're happy you stopped in.

In the past year alone, we offered 2,966 programs across our branches, with a total attendance of 79,477. That is a 27 percent increase in attendees compared to the previous year! We're proud of the array of programs we offer: craft making, informative speakers, and book clubs. If you went head-to-head in a game night, we're glad you joined us!

Our community also utilized our public meeting rooms, which housed 3,842 meetings across 2,557 groups and a total 17,523 attendees.

And, of course, you checked out items from our collection. Our annual circulation total came in at 903,169 items—that's a 4.5 percent increase from last year.

Newport Got an Express Unit

Have you used the Westside Express yet? The new express unit was added in spring of 2023, joining two other locations in Silver Grove and Melbourne.

The Westside Express is located at the Northern Kentucky Scholar House (402 W 6th St, Newport, KY) and allows patrons to pick up and drop off requested materials.

All you have to do is request items on our website by selecting Westside Express under Pickup Library. You can also call any branch to get set. Once you're notified that your hold is ready, head to the unit and follow the on-screen prompts to get your material.

Along with the Westside Express, the Melbourne and Silver Grove Express received updates. All units now include touch screens and touchless scanners.

Alexandria Expanded Their Hours

A new express unit wasn't the only thing that saw changes this spring. The Alexandria Branch also expanded its hours! The branch is now open seven days a week. We are proud to be able to allow greater access to the branch and all the services it provides, along with access to its collection.

The expanded hours now mean the Alexandria Branch is open from 11 am - 7 pm from Monday to Friday, 11 am - 5 pm on Saturday and 1-5 pm on Sunday.

Book Bus on Tour

The Book Bus hit the roads of Campbell County this summer for its first-ever tour! We loved seeing everyone this summer have fun at local parks and pick out a free book to keep from the bus.

Programs included making DIY Shrinky Dinks at the City Center Park in Wilder; learning all about ladybugs at the Alexandria Community Park; and visiting with the animals of Good Green Earth Farm at Gil Lynn Park in Dayton, KY. Nearly 2,500 visited the Book Bus this summer. The year's total attendance as of August 2023 was 3,604—and 2,429 books have been handed out.

You can catch the Book Bus rolling to events year-round! While the bus primarily stocks books for children, there is also a selection onboard for teens and adults.



More Outreach Services

From visits to schools to Home Delivery Services and more, our outreach department serves Campbell County residents outside of the library's walls. One service outreach provides is developmental screenings for children ages one month to five years. Screenings can help identify a child's strengths as well as any areas they may need support.

There's also Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, which mails a free, age-appropriate book to enrolled children ages newborn-five every month. We are proud to continue to offer Imagination Library in partnership with local schools!

For adults, outreach provides Home Delivery Service, in which homebound residents can request items be delivered directly to their door. Those who cannot visit the branches due to temporary or permanent illness/disability are eligible. Outreach staff also visit senior centers, adult day care facilities and retirement homes.

Friends of the Library

As the fiscal year ends, we'd like to thank the Friends of the Campbell County Public Library, a non-profit, equal-opportunity organization that provides generous financial support for a number of library programs.

Funds generated through membership fees and book sales help pay for building amenities, annual staff scholarships, staff appreciation events and other services. The Friends also serve as library advocates. Interested in joining their ranks? Visit cc-pl.org/friends for more information.

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REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 & BUDGET FOR 2023-24

Numbers below are current for FY22-23 and FY23-24.

2022-23 ACTUAL BUDGET

INCOME		EXPENDITURES	
Donations	\$76,101	Capital	\$319,862
Fees & Services	\$12,294	Collection	\$652,009
Grants & State Aid	\$8,750	Operating	\$1,092,825
Misc. Income	\$222,511	Personnel	\$3,508,414
Taxes	\$5,668,622		
Total Income	\$5,988,278	Total Expense	\$5,573,110

2023-24 ESTIMATED BUDGET

INCOME		EXPENDITURES	
Donations	\$35,000	Capital	\$237,325
Fees & Services	\$38,000	Collection	\$680,000
Grants & State Aid	\$51,000	Operating	\$1,203,775
Misc. Income	\$101,000	Personnel	\$3,723,900
Taxes	\$5,620,000		
Total Income	\$5,845,000	Total Expense	\$5,845,000