



**Vestavia Hills
Library Board of Trustees Agenda
April 23, 2025
4:00 PM**

Meeting Items

1. Call to Order - April MacLennan, Chair
2. Approval Of The Agenda
3. Approval Of Minutes from February 26, 2025
4. Director's Report - Taneisha Tucker
 - a March and April 2025 Director's Report

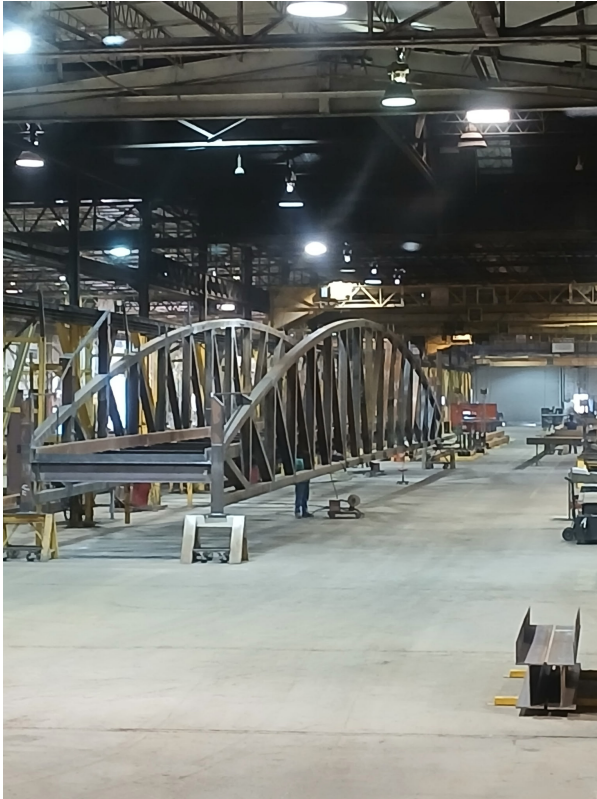
Library Board Packet Items

5. News Articles and Correspondence
 - b News Articles
 - c Correspondence
6. Marketing Report - Todd Richardson
7. Statistical Reports
 - d February 2025 Statistical Report
 - e March 2025 Statistical Report
8. Budget Reports
 - f Monthly Budget Report
 - g Balance Sheets

Unfinished Business

9. Eastside Library Update
10. Pedestrian Bridge / Foundation Donor Event

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New Business

11. Extended Hours - Daniel Tackett
12. Early Closure Request / Teen Department - Daniel Tackett
13. BOT Initiative: Library App Update
14. BOT Initiative: Strategic Planning Update
15. Fines

Committee Reports

Friends Report

Foundation Report

Informational Items

Library Board Meeting Minutes February 26, 2025

I. Call to Order – April MacLennan, Chair

The Vestavia Hills Library in the Forest Board of Trustees met in regular session on Wednesday, February 26, 2025 at 4pm.

Present:

Ms. April MacLennan – Chair
Ms. Susan Swagler – Vice Chair
Mr. Larry Cochran – Member
Mr. Christopher Gerety – Member
Ms. Erica Barnes – Member
Dr. Jimmy Bartlett – Board Emeritus
Mayor Ashley Curry – City Liaison
Ms. Elise Bodenheimer – Friends Chair
Ms. Ann Hamiter – Foundation Chair
Ms. Taneisha Tucker – Library Director
Mr. Daniel Tackett – Deputy Director
Mr. Todd Richardson – Marketing Department Head
Ms. Marie Nash – Administrative Assistant

Absent:

Mr. Jeff Downes – City Manager
Ms. Bethany Mitchell – Recorder

II. Approval of Today’s Agenda

Mr. Gerety motioned to approve the February 26, 2025 agenda. Ms. Swagler seconded the motion. The agenda for today’s meeting was unanimously approved.

III. Approval of Minutes from Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Mr. Gerety motioned to approve the minutes from December 11, 2024. Ms. Swagler seconded the motion. The BOT minutes from December 11, 2024 were unanimously approved.

IV. Director’s Report – Ms. Tucker

Included in the packet. The BOT welcomed new board member Erica Barnes. Regarding community initiatives, the Vestavia Hills Lions Club glasses donation drive is underway. A shoe drive will take place in April in partnership with Grace Klein Community. Staff member Greg Wallace was honored for working at the library for 30 years.

V. Library Board Packet Items

a. News Articles and Correspondence

Included in the packet.

b. Marketing Report – Todd Richardson

Included in the packet. The Teen Art Market will take place on March 15, allowing teens to sell their artwork to the public.

c. Monthly Statistical Reports – December 2024 & January 2025

Included in the packet.

d. Current Budget Report: February 2025

Included in the packet.

e. Balance Sheets, Fund 12 and Fund 13: February 2025

Included in the packet.

VI. Unfinished Business

a. Eastside Library Update – Ms. Tucker

During the city’s strategic planning meeting, Ms. Tucker officially introduced the idea of an Eastside Library to the council. She shared similar information with the BOT, stating that Cahaba Heights residents have requested a library for 18 years and that 70% of growth is in the eastern part of Vestavia Hills. Placer.ai, the database the city uses, found that 51% of Cahaba Heights residents go to other libraries: Hoover (19%), O’Neal (18%), Homewood (13%), and Irondale (1%). Similarly, 78% of Liberty Park residents go to Hoover (52%), Homewood (15%), O’Neal (10%), or Irondale (1%) libraries.

Additionally, the library did a poll and received 237 responses, all of which were favorable for a library in Liberty Park or Cahaba Heights. The city’s citizen survey showed that 97% of residents highly value the Library in the Forest. When asked to rate the priority of city projects, 68% of residents said that they prioritize library services and 32% of residents said they were satisfied with east-side library services (lockers, book drops, outreach). Forty-five percent of residents said they would financially support a new library. Ms. Tucker said she believes that once the project begins, that number will increase.

As part of the community survey, residents said they want and value the following in the east-side library: children’s services (86%), technology (80%), work/study space (76%), and other things like popular materials and reading rooms. The current suggested price for the building is \$10.2 million. That includes the building, furniture, fixtures, and equipment. It does not include any technology. Mayor Curry said the request was very well received by the council. He added that Placer.ai showed that the library is in the top two most visited places on this side of town.

b. Pedestrian Bridge Update – Mayor Curry

The construction of the pedestrian bridge is underway. It will include an elevator. Mayor Curry said it could potentially be finished by the summer.

c. Projector and Sound System Update – Mr. Richardson

The projector and sound system are now set up and ready for use in the Community Room. The final cost was just over \$58,000.

d. APLS Compliance Update – Ms. Tucker

APLS has unofficially approved the library’s compliance policies. While official written word of the approval is still forthcoming, three documents in the board packet demonstrate its approval: a letter stating the library did not receive a LSTA grant this year (which was expected due to not submitting the policies early to confirm they were legal first), and two letters from JCLC stating the library will receive state aid.

VII. New Business

a. Library Board 2025 Committee Assignments and Initiatives – Ms. MacLennan
 The following are the BOT 2025 Committee Assignments:

Responsibility	Primary	Secondary
Budgeting / Finance	Mr. Cochran	Dr. Bartlett
Facilities / Construction	Mr. Cochran	Mr. Gerety
Human Resources / Staff Support	Ms. Swagler	Ms. MacLennan
Policies	Ms. MacLennan	Ms. Barnes
Foundation Liaison	Ms. Swagler	Mr. Gerety
Friends Liaison	TBA	TBA
Junior Board Liaison	TBA	TBA
Grant Writing / Funding Opportunities	Dr. Bartlett	Ms. MacLennan
Outreach to Schools	Ms. Barnes	Ms. Swagler
Strategic Planning	Ms. MacLennan	Mr. Gerety
Outreach to LP and CH	Ms. Swagler	Ms. Barnes
Marketing	Ms. Swagler	

Ms. Tucker reviewed the 2024/2025 initiatives, which are listed in the board packet:

- Replace flooring at the main entrance (Completed)
- Replace outdoor furniture (Assigned for this fiscal year)
- Finish upholstery as needed (Completed)
- New website (Coordinating with Pleximedia)

Ms. Tucker presented the following 2025/2026 proposed initiative ideas, which are listed in the board packet:

- Update the current website
- Purchase new book drops for CH and LP (Friends and Foundation)
- Offer additional outreach and family programming in LP
- Replace furniture items in the Teen Department
- Begin on strategic plan 2026 – select a vendor and secure funding
- Building Maintenance

Initiatives ideas from the BOT include:

- Offer a drive-in movie night in the library’s parking lot
- Purchase a new, customized library app that enables patrons to reserve rooms, register for programs, and more

b. Long Range Planning 2026 – Ms. Tucker

Ms. Tucker stated that the board can research what company they would like to use for the library’s Long-Range Planning. Last time, the library used Barika Hamilton from Samford University. The board recommended that Ms. Tucker contact Ms. Hamilton again.

c. City Council Meeting Attendance – Ms. Tucker

Ms. Tucker stated that she would like the BOT to attend city council meetings when applicable.

VIII. Committee Reports

IX. Friends Report – Ms. Bodenheimer

The Sean Dietrich fundraiser sold out. It takes place March 25. The bookstore earned over \$900 in sales in January.

X. Foundation Report – Ms. Hamiter

The last Foundation Board meeting took place on January 8. Vice Chair Emily Lawrence will head the new recruitment committee. The Foundation is reviewing SeeMyLegacy’s privacy policy with an insurance agent. The board wishes to ensure the Foundation will be protected in case of a third-party data breach if the service is used. Funds as of January 31 total \$219,303. The annual mailer netted approximately \$23,000 in funds. This is a slight decrease from the \$25,000 netted in 2024. The Foundation has budgeted \$12,000 for the new Liberty Park book drops. They are also composing a budget for funding outreach costs for Liberty Park and Cahaba Heights. The next board meeting will be March 12. Ms. Hamiter stated that she will ask the board about changing from PayPal to a more cost-effective donation service. She will also discuss a budget for Partners in Reading for Summer Reading. Ms. Hamiter added that a patron donated \$4,000 to the Children’s Department. Another patron donated \$10,000 towards programs.

XI. Informational Items

a. *American Library Association Conference – June 26-30, 2025, Philadelphia, PA – Ms. Tucker*

Ms. Tucker stated that any board members interested in attending the ALA conference could let her know.

b. *HB4 and SB6 Updates – Mr. Tackett*

HB4 would bring criminal liability to library directors for any perceived obscenity in libraries. It was referred to the House Committee and has not passed yet. SB6 would allow city and county officials to terminate library board members for any reason. It has passed through committee, but it has not been placed on the Senate’s calendar yet.

XII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:50pm. The next BOT meeting is Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 4pm at the Vestavia Hills Library.

Taneisha Tucker
Director’s Report to the Library Board of Trustees
March and April 2025
April 17, 2025

News and Correspondence

News Articles

- March 21, 2025** From compliance to defunding: The case over Fairhope’s library creates confusion | AL.com – John Sharp
- March 22, 2025** Closure of federal library service could have \$3 million impact on Alabama libraries | AL.com – Willesha Morris
- March 27, 2025** Fairhope library considering review of 35 books flagged by Alabama officials as ‘sexually explicit’ | AL.com – John Sharp
- April 02, 2025** Alabama library honored by city after state cuts funding over library complaints | AL.com – John Sharp

Correspondence

- April 07, 2025** **Memo from Alabama Public Library Service (APLS)**
 Administrators’ Meeting planned to discuss federal and state funding and library challenges.

Statistics and Programming Overview Please review reports for details.

February 2025		March 2025	
Visits	39,338 – 3.03% decrease	Visits	42,020 – .57% decrease
Program Attendance	1179% increase 78 programs 17,807 patrons	Program Attendance	192% increase 88 programs 6,772 patrons
Circulation	35,125 items 2.80% decrease	Circulation	39,380 items 1.10% increase

Budgets and Balance Sheets

Budget Report as of April 17, 2025

- General Fund 01 Balance:** \$1,718,333.25
- Fund 12 / State Aid Balance:** \$34,385.00 (no recorded activity)
- Fund 13 / Donations Balance:** \$123,3330.39

Balance Sheets

- Fund 12 / State Aid Balance:** \$0.00 (not updated in In-code)
- Fund 13 / Donations Balance** \$555,344.64

Director's Notes

Library Staff

- Congratulations to **Derek Anderson**, who will be honored by UAB's Department of Political Science and Public Administration as a 2025 Unsung Hero awardee. Derek is being celebrated for his impact as an outstanding public servant.
- **Nathaniel Gilliard** has joined the library staff full-time as our senior custodian. Nate has been on staff part-time for almost a year and has done a great job. Our overnight service, Jani-King, has cleaned the facility since 2012. They recently requested an increase that was beyond the services they provide. Nathaniel will clean the facility on a seven-day flexible schedule until a part-time person can be hired in October to fill his previous position.
- **David Matthews**, part-time paging clerk, accepted a full-time position at Center Point Public Library. **Maggie Zaner** was chosen to fill the position.

Library Happenings

- **Lions Club**—We collected and donated 300 pairs of eyeglasses in February. Our goal was to collect 200 pairs.
- **Grace Klein Community**—The library is partnering with Grace Klein to host a shoe drive this month. We have collected about 40 pairs of shoes so far.
- **Teen Art Market** – March 16, 2025. I am so proud of our Teen Department and the success of this event. The Teen Art Market was postponed due to weather, and 284 visitors attended the event despite that obstacle. This was a first for the Teen Department; they did a phenomenal job!
- **Good Friday Programs** – Eggstravaganza at Wald Park had more than 500 attendees, and Bunny Hop at SHAC had 200. Both events were a success, and Liberty Park attendees were very excited that we provided this event for their little ones.
- **Summer Reading Kickoff** – May 17 at Wald Park, Color Your World.
- **National Library Week:** April 06-12 We celebrated by offering patrons a \$5 off coupon for fines.

Building and Technology Updates

BUILDING

- The boilers have been installed, but additional work is underway. This month, a mixing valve was installed to stabilize the domestic hot water. Trane has begun work on completing the boiler upgrade.
- The refrigerator in the Children's Department has died. We are in the process of replacing it.
- We are tackling capital projects.
 - Chairs and computers for staff have arrived.
 - Requesting and reviewing siding estimates.

Director's Meetings, Events Schedule included:

- Daniel Tackett – facilities, library happenings, personnel updates
- Todd Richardson – marketing, publications, Friends, Foundation, strategic planning
- Library Department Heads
- Alabama Standards Committee
- City Department Heads (4)
- PLDAA Administrators' Meeting (2)
- Library Directors' Meeting
- Jeff Downes – monthly meeting
- Mark Gibbs – Library boilers and repairs
- Billy Conner – Building maintenance
- Daniel Tackett – Liberty Park site visit
- Over the Mountain Library Directors (2)
- City Department Heads with Alan Rosen (Archetype Training)
- Rotary Club presentation with Terri Leslie
- Derek Anderson – Fun Squad and upcoming events
- Eggstravaganza and Bunny Hop Programs
- Nathaniel Gilliard – Personnel matters
- Alabama Library Association Conference – ALLACON 2025
- Alabama Public Library Administrators' Meeting
- Mayor's 75th Anniversary Planning Committee
- Mayor's Prayer Breakfast
- April Moon – annual evaluation
- Daniel Tackett – Library as a safe place
- Cinnamon McCulley- Foundation Donor Lot Party
- Joi Mahand – Opportunities with SLIS
- Friends Meeting with Sean Dietrich and Bobby Horton
- JCLC Cyber Training
- Barika Hamilton – Plans for Strategic Planning

Alabama library honored by city after state cuts funding over book complaints

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An overflow crowd attends the Fairhope City Council meeting on Monday, March 24, 2025, in Fairhope, Ala. The crowd, wearing yellow stickers supportive of the Fairhope Public Library, expressed disapproval of efforts by the Alabama Public Library Service's board to pause or remove funding from the library over concerns raised by representatives with Moms for Liberty over some of the books displayed in sections of the library.

-John Sharp

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Less than two weeks after having its funding temporarily cut by the state, the Fairhope Public Library is getting recognized by city leaders.

The City of Fairhope announced the Fairhope Library Board as its 2025 Volunteer of the Year. The recognition was made official on Monday, one week after a large crowd of library supporters showed up at a Fairhope City Council meeting to rally support for the local board and push back against attempts to cut the library's funding.

The recognition is part of an annual honor by the City of Fairhope. The city selects a volunteer or volunteer group to recognize as part of National Volunteer Week.

“I think it’s more about supporting our volunteers who often deal with controversy,” Fairhope Mayor Sherry Sullivan said, citing other volunteer groups with the city as well such as the historic preservation and planning commission.

“It is about celebrating the people who started volunteering for their love of the library of the city and how their role sometimes takes a dramatic turn, but they continue to serve, and we appreciate them for being willing to serve through adversity,” Sullivan said.

Sullivan, in a news release from the city, said that the Fairhope Public Library Board was selected for their dedication to the library.

She said the board has gone through a capital fundraising campaign, a major renovation and many challenges this year. She said the group’s dedication has “significantly enriched the lives of Fairhope residents.”

She added, “they have devoted countless hours to the Fairhope Public Library, and I appreciate their willingness to serve. The Fairhope Library Board plays an essential role in ensuring that the library remains a well-functioning and invaluable resource for the community, providing a space for learning, growth, and connection.

The Fairhope Public Library saw its state funding cut last month by the Alabama Public Library Services (ALPS) board after hearing complaints about the type of books shelved within the library by the conservative activist group, Moms for Liberty.

It was the first time APLS cut funding to a local library in Alabama since the new administrative code was adopted last year. The APLS board had decided to suspend the funding temporarily to the Fairhope Public Library “due to non-compliance” of the code section that prohibits what is viewed as “sexually explicit” materials within the children’s and teen’s sections.

The Fairhope Library Board, which runs on a budget of more than \$1 million annually, receives approximately \$43,000 from the state. In the days after the state cut, an online fundraiser was able to raise enough money to replace the lost revenue.

The Library Board will consider whether to review approximately 35 titles, most of which are books, during its April 21 meeting. The 35 titles include publications listed by Moms for Liberty and other organizations as problematic for shelving in sections of the library for people under age 18.

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Closure of federal library service could have \$3 million impact on Alabama libraries

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Alabama librarians are worried that more than \$3 million in federal funding will be in jeopardy after President Donald Trump signed an executive order dismantling the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services.

On March 14, Trump ordered the service, along with several other federal organizations, “eliminated to the maximum extent consistent with applicable law.”

The executive order drew concerns from Alabama librarians. In 2024, Alabama’s public library service received 60% of the federal funding, or \$1.9 million, from the institute. Local libraries statewide could lose about \$1.4 million, according to the library service’s annual report. Overall, the service distributes about \$200 million in grants nationwide to libraries, museums and heritage sites.

“If IMLS closes completely, it’ll be detrimental to all public libraries,” said Ryan Godfrey, public relations and communications manager of the Alabama Public Library Service.

Jefferson County received the most funds (\$376,000) out of Alabama counties last year, according to the annual report.

Grants for local museums also may be at risk, such as the Alabama African-American Civil Rights Heritage Sites Consortium, Tuskegee University’s Legacy Museum and the Wiregrass Museum of Art received more than \$350,000 in Inspire Grants funding last year, according to the IMLS website.

Libraries receive these grants through the Library Services and Technology Act for “technology training, enhancing digital literacy, promoting resource sharing, and fostering innovative library services,” according to the public library service’s annual report.

Loss of funding likely would also mean cutbacks on programs like the tutoring service Homework Alabama, which currently has 7,000 subscribers.

Alabama’s Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled could lose funding if the institute is dissolved. The library is the primary source for blind readers to get library materials in Braille or special audiobooks, according to John Paré Jr., the director for advocacy and policy at the National Federation for the Blind.

“Blind people in America don’t have a lot of options to get these things,” Pare said. More than 150,000 Alabamians have visual impairments, according to the National Federation for the Blind.

On March 14th, the Senate passed and the president signed a continuing resolution for fiscal year 2025, which provides funding for IMLS through September 2025.

Although this continuing resolution provides funding for IMLS, President Trump “usurps the intent of Congress’ decision to provide funding,” the American Library Association said in a statement.

Fairhope library considering review of 35 books flagged by Alabama officials as ‘sexually explicit’

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Fairhope Mayor Sherry Sullivan speaks to the city council during its meeting on Monday, March 24, 2025, in Fairhope, Ala. John Sharp

With its state funding at risk, Fairhope city and library officials are contemplating a review of approximately 35 books deemed by state library officials to be “sexually explicit” and inappropriate for teen readers.

The review will have to be approved by the Fairhope Library Board during its April 21 meeting. The review was requested by John Wahl, chairman of the Alabama Public Library Services board of directors as well as the Alabama State GOP.

Wahl met with Fairhope Mayor Sherry Sullivan, City Attorney Marcus McDowell, and representatives of the Fairhope library during a video conference call Wednesday.

“We got some clarification, and we will go back and see if these books need to be moved,” said Fairhope Library board member Randal Wright. “That will be a decision the board makes.”

If the library board approves the review, it could pit differing interpretations over what is considered ‘sexually explicit’ content, which is a concern being raised by groups like Read Freely Alabama. It could also thrust the city into a First Amendment squabble, similar to the [ongoing federal court case over the policies restricting books available inside the Autauga-Prattville Public Library](#).

Fairhope’s review

Sullivan emphasized the importance of the review for maintaining the book courier service with 13 Baldwin County libraries.

Also at risk is state funding the library receives from the Alabama Public Library Service. The Fairhope library gets around \$42,000 annually during a fiscal year that begins Sept. 1.

For this fiscal year, the cut could amount to around \$21,000. However, that amount would not cause any closures of the Fairhope Library which operates on a budget of more than \$1 million a year, Sullivan has said.

The APLS has characterized the cut as a “temporary pause” in the Fairhope Library System’s funding.

“For us to maintain the programming we have with the county and the funding we get from APLS, we have to meet the APLS guidelines,” Sullivan said. “We want to maintain the relationship with the county system. It’s a cooperative effort with the county and it’s quite a bit of services we can offer to our citizens and throughout the county.”

Sullivan said she wants to make sure the library communicates with parents that they can apply for and receive all-access library cards. The cards, with a parent’s approval, gives children of any age access to any section in a public library.

Fairhope library officials report that 51% of parents have applied for all-access cards since the new state administrative code was implemented last summer. These cards, with parental approval, grant children of any age access to all library sections. The other card options are for teens (ages 13-17) and juveniles (ages 3-12).

Sullivan's comments come after a tumultuous week for the library and for Fairhope, which has [received national attention](#) over the library dispute that began last Thursday during the APLS board meeting.

The Fairhope library became the first in the state to have its state funding cut by the APLS over what state library officials said was a violation of the administrative codes adopted last year.

Library supporters fought back [and quickly raised \\$44,000 online to supplant the state funding cut.](#)

Sullivan and Wright both said that neither city nor library officials were given notification that a cut could be forthcoming. The cut did get consideration after Rebecca Watson, the Baldwin County representative for the conservative group Moms for Liberty, raised concerns that Fairhope – despite past pressures to do so – had not moved a host of books the group deemed sexually explicit to an adult section in the library.

On Monday, during the Fairhope City Council meeting, Sullivan said it was important for city and library officials to get more clarity on what constitutes a sexually explicit book.

State requirements

Sullivan said that Wahl, during their conversation, said a sexually explicit book includes sex acts and nudity. She said if any book contains either, Wahl instructed her that it needs to be moved to out of a section dedicated for minors under age 18.

From compliance to defunding: The case over Fairhope's library creates confusion

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Alabama's state library board on Thursday voted to cut Fairhope Public Library's \$42,000 in state funding because it allegedly didn't comply with new library codes. But the decision came a month after the head of the state library board gave Fairhope supporters assurances that the library was in compliance.

John Wahl, chairman of the Alabama State Library Services board of directors and chair of the Alabama State GOP, wrote in a Feb. 7 email that the Fairhope Public Library was in compliance with revisions last year to the Alabama Public Library Services code.

Wahl's email was in response to a letter signed by over 100 Fairhope parents who accused him of prioritizing the concerns of Moms for Liberty, a right-wing group that has pushed to remove or relocate books deemed harmful to children.

Wahl said during Thursday's state library board meeting that Fairhope is refusing to look at books or give parents redress agreements, [according to a report by Alabama Reflector](#). The funding cut was described in a news release as "temporary." Funding would be restored if Fairhope library officials comply by state guidelines, the release states.

"The APLS Board has a strong track record of defending parental rights and safeguarding children from sexually explicit material," Wahl's statement reads. "Recent code changes made it clear that local libraries had to relocate inappropriate content from youth sections. Our goal is not to punish anyone but to ensure that all libraries receiving state funding adhere to the established standards that protect our children."

Surprise cut

Wahl's statement also reads that he looks forward to working with Fairhope officials to resolve the matter so funding can be restored.

The funding cut came as a surprise to Fairhope officials, with Mayor Sherry Sullivan stating she was unaware of the situation and lacked information on why funding was pulled.

"I got notification (Thursday) from the Friends of the Library president that APLS had pulled state funding," Sullivan said. "They didn't know why or what books. They are waiting today to get information apparently from the APLS."

Library board members also said they were unaware of what might happen during the APLS board meeting.

Randal Wright, the board's secretary, said the local library board had "no warning, no idea" that the cut was coming.

"We're all devastated, gobsmacked," she said. "We just can't quite believe it."

Sullivan is asking what kind of appeals process the APLS has in place. She also wants to know how long it will take to come into compliance.

"We were never notified of anything," Sullivan said about the potential violations to the APLS code that could result in a cut of funding.

Sullivan said it's unlikely that the Fairhope City Council will want to provide the funding to supplant the state funding cut.

Fairhope Public Library supporters are launching a grassroots effort to raise funds and are blaming Moms for Liberty for the funding cut.

"The people of Fairhope overwhelmingly support our library, and we will not see it fall victim to censorship," said Elizabeth Williams, the Baldwin County chapter organizer with Read Freely Alabama.

Moms for Liberty

Library supporters are blaming Wahl of conspiring with Moms for Liberty, led in Baldwin County by Rebecca Watson. Wahl said in an email Friday that the accusation that the APLS Board is acting with or on behalf of Moms for Liberty is "ridiculous."

"Our priority is to the people of Alabama and not to any group," Wahl said. "When a concerned citizen comes before the board, they are not asked or requested to be a member of a group. We look at every person who comes before us as a unique individual, regardless of any affiliation."

Watson was at the board meeting Thursday in Montgomery, and read passages of the 2009 novel, "Tricks" by Ellen Hopkins. The book is located in the library's teen section. It's a book that dives into touchy issues like drug and sexual abuse and suicide and was among the 10 most banned books in the U.S. last year, according to PEN America.

Wahl, in the email to AL.com, admitted the state funding cut was the result of what he described as "incredibly vulgar and explicit books" that were presented at the board meeting. He said previous requests to have them relocated to the adult section had been denied.

Other books cited at the Fairhope library, as cited by a representative of Clean Up Alabama, include: "Sex is a Funny Word," "Boy Toy," "Last Night at the Telegraph Club," "Beyond Magenta, Trans+: Love, Sex and Being You."

"This left the APLS board with no choice but to enforce the very clear state code addressing this issue," Wahl said.

The letter to Wahl from the Fairhope parents last month accuses Moms for Liberty of sowing division and undermining individual liberty in Fairhope.

“They do not represent the values of our community,” the letter to Wahl reads. “Their attempts to restrict and control access to words and ideas are wholly antithetical to the spirit of Fairhope, a town founded by utopian free-thinkers who were inspired by an idea they read in a book.”

The letter also states that most parents in Fairhope trust the library and staff to provide safe, welcoming spaces for children to learn, grow and explore. Prior to the libraries becoming hot beds for the national culture wars in recent years, there have been no other issues raised in the past about content within the Fairhope Public Library.

Watson, in an email last month to AL.com, said the APLS policies are clear in that if libraries are not compliant with APLS standards, their funding will be at risk.

“If these policies are not satisfactory, it is the responsibility of those who disagree to address them with APLS,” Watson said. She said the Fairhope library had complied with the tiered library card system implemented by the APLS last year as part of the policy changes. The library also developed a material selection policy, she said.

Fairhope has a three-tiered library card system with restricted access cards for teens (ages 13-17) and juveniles (ages 3-12), as well as all-access cards.

“However, they have refused to move the books that are in violation and that is where the problem lies,” Watson said. It’s unclear exactly what titles are causing the concerns.

“You can develop policies, but that does not make you compliant,” she said. “To be compliant, you have to follow the policies.”

Watson defended Moms for Liberty by saying the group “is supporting our libraries by ensuring they remain compliant, so funding is not jeopardized. We love our libraries and our children, and our request is simple: move the books that violate APLS policies to the adult section so our libraries do not risk losing funding.

Watson also accuses the people who do not oppose the relocation of the books for not reading them, nor visiting the children’s section to see them, including city council members and Sullivan.

“Unfortunately, some librarians have, unbeknownst to parents, shelved inappropriate materials in the children’s section,” Watson said. “We all have the right to voice our opinions, but policies must be upheld. The majority of residents in Fairhope and Baldwin County are in agreement, children should be protected, we have an obligation, and our state and city-funded libraries have a responsibility to listen.”

Policy concerns

The policies drafted and approved by the APLS continue to raise concerns about vagueness and censorship.

Read Freely Alabama has long challenged the policies, claiming they are constitutionally questionable. The group filed a federal lawsuit challenging restrictive policies adopted in 2023 by the Autauga-Prattville Library, alleging they violate the First Amendment. The policies have significant ramifications. Without APLS approval, libraries could lose state aid, creating major budgetary issues. APLS distributes state aid funding to libraries quarterly on a per capita basis.

Libraries have been Ground Zero for the culture wars in the United States in recent years, pitting conservative groups against library proponents. The focus has been mainly on LGBTQ-focused titles in young adult sections, which groups like Clean Up Alabama and Moms for Liberty have argued are more suitable for adult sections in libraries.

Read Freely Alabama and other library proponents say the conservative activists are seeking to censor content inside public venues. Words like “pedophiles,” “groomers” and “authoritarianism” have animated the debate at school board, city council and state legislative body meetings for the past several years.

The issue in Alabama is unlikely to be resolved soon. At the APLS board meeting Thursday, Nancy Pack was terminated as the director of the state library service. She expressed concern about the board’s ideology regarding public libraries in Alabama. However, Wahl said the APLS board is not censoring books and are not banning them. He said the group’s goal is to “put parents back in charge” over access to library materials.

Reporter Williesha Morris contributed to this report. This story was updated with additional comments from John Wahl.



ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM #25-02

April 7, 2025

TO: Library Administrators

FROM: Kelyn Ralya, APLS Interim Director *KLR*

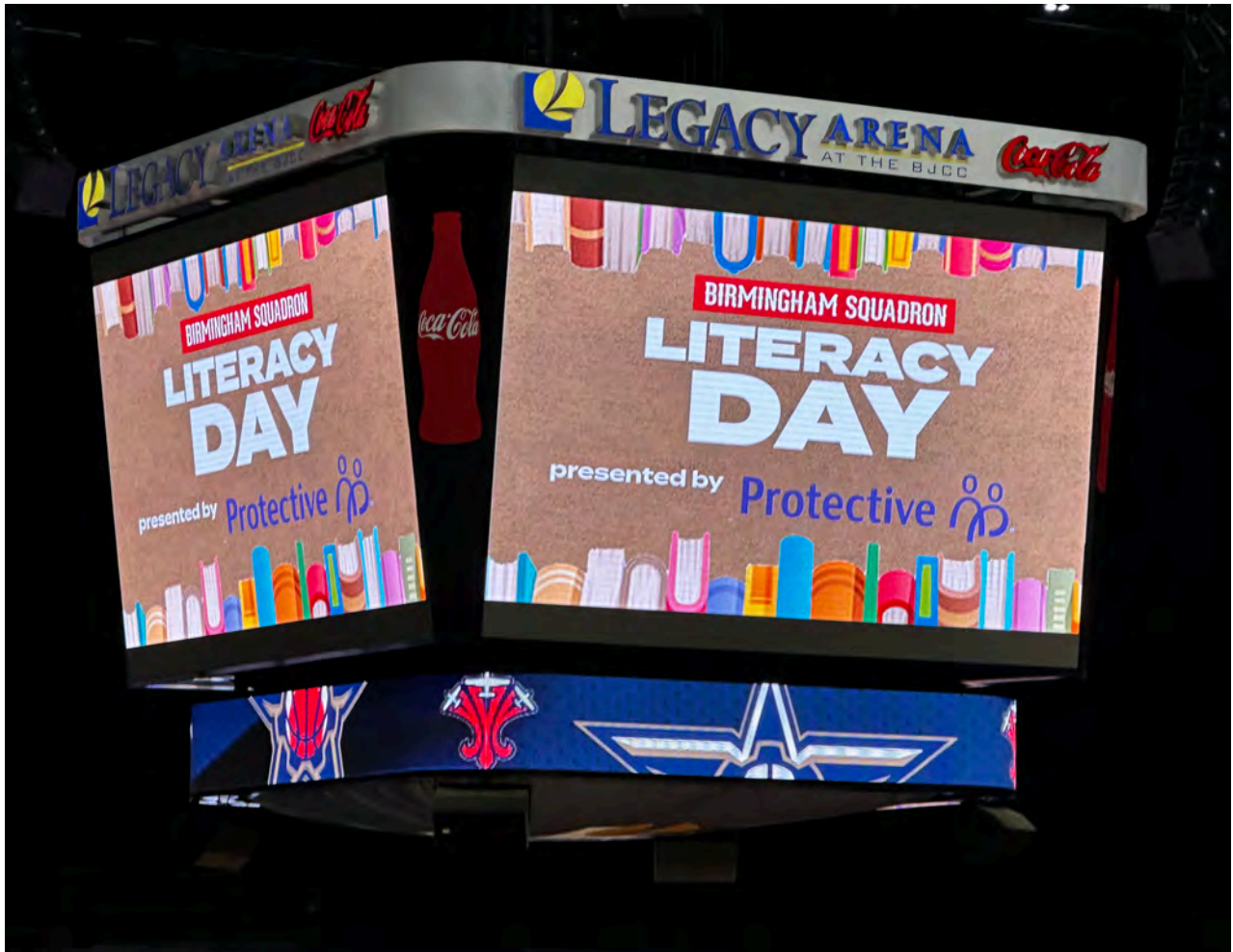
SUBJECT: Administrators' Meeting – April 17, 2025

The Administrators' Meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 17, 2025** starting at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be **VIRTUAL ONLY** due to renovations at APLS. If you plan to access the meeting by phone, please send Vanessa Carr the phone number that you will use (vcarr@apls.state.al.us). If you will be accessing via computer, please be sure your screen name includes the name of your library. (This will help us make sure you receive attendance credit.)

As you are aware, these are challenging times for libraries around the state and around the country especially with the funding uncertainty at both the federal and state level. Our libraries are truly the hubs for our communities. By working together, we can continue to make Alabama's libraries a place where everyone feels welcome and has access to the resources and programs they need.

Please be reminded that to qualify to receive state aid funding, Administrative Code, Chapter 520-2-2-.03(3) - Library Establishment, Policy and Service Requirements states: All Directors, Board members, and/or designated staff of public libraries must attend at least two APLS-sponsored meetings per year either on- site or by videoconference.

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MARKETING REPORT

MARCH 2025

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NEW OUTREACH & PARTNERSHIPS

Squadron | Arts Council | Heart Gallery | Children's of AL



LEADERSHIP VESTAVIA HILLS
LVH visited the Library in March



LVH CLASS OF 2024-2025



TEEN ART MARKET
Partnership with Vestavia Hills Arts Council



TEEN ART MARKET



BOOK BUNK

Sundance Film Festival - Movie Screening (Jan 30)



World Cinema Documentary Competition

How to Build a Library



Two intrepid Nairobi women decide to transform what used to be a whites-only library until 1958 into a vibrant cultural hub. Along the way, they must navigate local politics, raise millions for the rebuild, and confront the lingering ghosts of Kenya's colonial past.

Shiro and Wachuka have never tackled a project like this before, but their determination to redefine what the formerly whites-only McMillan Memorial Library can be pushes them through each challenge. Their friendship gives us a glimpse into their warm personalities, and their candidness about their frustrations draws us into their journey, making us feel like we're right there with them.



BOOK BUNK

Trip Photos (November 2024)



TALK BUSINESS TUESDAYS

One business or organization each week in March



COMMUNITY IN ACTION

Grace Klein Communities - Shoe Drive

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Series

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APRIL 2025

For the month of April, we are accepting new and gently used shoes of all sizes on behalf of Grace Klein Community

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	Current	Previous	% Monthly	Value Mon.	YTD	YTD	% YTD	Value YTD
Hours	2025	2024	2025	2025	2025	2024	2025	2025
Total Days Open	28	29	-3.45%	-1	142	138	2.90%	4
Total Hours Open	248	257	-3.50%	-9	1,266	1,241	2.01%	25

Library Visits

Gate Count	25,395	25,862	-1.81%	(467)	123,329	123,450	-0.10%	-121
Curbside Appointments	14	15	-6.67%	(1)	41	58	-29.31%	-17
Offsite Program Visits (open to the public)	1	0	1.00%	1	3	2	50.00%	1
Children's Outreach (schools, daycares, private facilities)	0	0	0.00%	0	1	3	-66.67%	-2
Adult Outreach	1	1	0.00%	0	6	5	20.00%	1
Teens Outreach	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Marketing Outreach	1	1	0.00%	0	6	13	-53.85%	-7
Website Visits	13,270	13,626	-2.61%	(356)	63,260	66,370	-4.69%	-3,110
Mobile App Sessions	656	1,064	-38.35%	(408)	3,347	5,485	-38.98%	-2,138
Total Library Visits	39,338	40,569	-3.03%	(1,231)	189,993	195,386	-2.76%	(5,393)

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Programs and Events

	2025		2024		2024 YTD		2023 YTD	
	Programs	Attendance	Programs	Attendance	Programs	Attendance	Programs	Attendance
Adult								
In person	12	166	8	84	47	1,046	8	84
Outreach	1	15	1	14	6	15	1	14
Virtual and Passive	1	40	0	0	2	131	0	0
Total Adult Programs	14	221	9	98	55	1,192	9	98
2024 % Change & Value	56%	126%	5	123	511%	1116%	46	1,094
Teens								
In person	12	124	17	143	74	690	17	143
Outreach	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Virtual and Passive	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Teen Programs	12	124	17	143	74	690	17	143
2024 % Change & Value	-29%	-13%	-5	-19	335%	383%	57	547
Children								
In person	29	799	30	733	142	3,702	30	733
Outreach	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Virtual and Passive	2	235	1	200	6	539	1	200
Total Children's Programs	31	1,034	31	933	149	4,241	31	933
2024 % Change & Value	0%	11%	0	101	381%	355%	118	3,308
Makerspace								
In person	10	27	4	10	49	119	4	10
Virtual and Passive	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Makerspace Programs	10	27	4	10	49	119	4	10
2024 % Change & Value	150%	170%	6	17	1125%	1090%	45	109
Technology								
In person	9	79	4	22	19	151	4	22
Virtual and One on one	1	22	1	61	5	142	1	61
Total Technology Programs	10	101	5	83	24	293	5	83
2024 % Change & Value	100%	22%	5	18	380%	253%	19	210
Other								
Tours	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2024 % Change & Value	0%	0%	0	0	0%	0%	0	0
Outreach Events								
Birmingham (Location)	1	16,300	0	0	1	16,300	2	3,700
City of VH (Sponsor & Location)	0	0	1	125	2	2,250	4	707
Chamber of Commerce (Sponsor)	0	0	0	0	2	1,900	3	6,950
Cabaha Heights (Focus & Location)	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2,175
Liberty Park (Focus & Location)	0	0	0	0	1	1,000	2	350
Library (Sponsor & Location)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Neutral (Location)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (Sponsor & Location)	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3,775
Total Other	1	16,300	1	125	6	21,450	16	17,657
2024 % Change & Value	0%	12940%	0	16,175	-63%	21%	-10	3,793
Total Programs and Events								
	78	17,807	67	1,392	357	27,985	82	18,924
2024 % Change & Value	16%	1179%	11	16,415	335%	48%	275	9,061

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Services

	Current	Previous	% Monthly	Value Mon.	YTD	YTD	% YTD	Value YTD
	2025	2024	2025	2025	2025	2024	2025	2025
Borrowed from Other Libraries	1,769	2,137	-17.22%	-368	9,651	10,177	-5.17%	-526
Coffee	51	48	6.25%	3	295	411	-28.22%	-116
Holds for Liberty Park Lockers	135	230	-41.30%	-95	1,062	1,056	0.57%	6
Interlibrary Loans	32	26	23.08%	6	151	111	36.04%	40
Loans to Other Libraries	2,025	1,827	10.84%	198	10,029	9,085	10.39%	944
Notary Service	20	3	566.67%	17	53	26	103.85%	27
Passports	162	129	25.58%	33	706	500	41.20%	206
Public Computer Usage	5,191	5,348	-2.94%	-157	26,211	24,749	5.91%	1,462
Reserves	320	427	-25.06%	-107	1,777	1,899	-6.42%	-122
Self-Checkout Machine Usage	8,902	9,345	-4.74%	-443	45,997	48,828	-5.80%	-2,831
Test Proctoring	7	4	75.00%	3	12	61	-80.33%	-49
Voter Registration	0	9	-100.00%	-9	0	11	-100.00%	-11
Wireless Network Usage	4,401	4,255	3.43%	146	22,452	20,137	11.50%	2,315
Reference Questions Total (Department Breakdown)	2,805	2,576	8.89%	229	2,805	2,576	8.89%	229
Adult	865	1,018	-15.03%	-153	4,825	5,081	-5.04%	-256
Teens	936	705	32.77%	231	4,643	3,377	37.49%	1,266
Children	495	475	4.21%	20	2,438	2,692	-9.44%	-254
Technology	363	285	27.37%	78	1,134	1,125	0.80%	9
Makerspace	146	93	56.99%	53	522	347	50.43%	175
Total Services	25,820	26,364	-2.06%	-315	134,763	132,249	1.90%	2,514

Memberships

Adult Residents	60	84	-28.57%	-24	308	374	-17.65%	-66
Child Residents	13	3	333.33%	10	55	56	-1.79%	-1
Adult Non-Residents	57	65	-12.31%	-8	259	308	-15.91%	-49
Child Non-Residents	3	3	0.00%	0	12	9	33.33%	3
Out of County	2	1	100.00%	1	5	8	-37.50%	-3
Total Memberships	135	156	-13.46%	-21	639	755	-15.36%	2,869

Meeting Room Use

	Rented	Attendees	Rented	Attendees	YTD Rent	YTD Attend	YTD Rented	YTD Attend
	2025	2025	2024	2024	2025	2025	2024	2024
Community Room	7	275	10	454	42	2,072	42	2,108
Historical Room	2	16	0	0	6	53	3	24
Tree House	1	15	5	45	7	80	11	89
Children's Program	8	84	3	62	32	559	16	275
Outdoor Classroom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rooftop Garden	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	50
Total Rental Usage	18	390	18	561	87	2,764	73	2,546

Study Room Use

	Checked Out	Users	Checked Out	Users	YTD Chk Out	YTD Users	YTD Chk Out	YTD Users
	2025	2025	2024	2024	2025	2025	2024	2024
All Rooms	359	518	354	516	1,717	2,623	1,641	2,612
Total Study Room Usage	359	518	354	516	1,717	2,623	1,641	2,612

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Library Materials Usage - Physical

	Current	Previous	% Monthly	Value Mon.	YTD	YTD	% YTD	Value YTD
	2025	2024	2025	2025	2025	2024	2025	2025
Physical Book Circulation								
Adult Books	5,103	5,194	-1.75%	-91	26,769	25,746	3.97%	1,023
Adult Large Print	1,288	1,161	10.94%	127	6,479	6,081	6.54%	398
Teen Books	1,437	1,460	-1.58%	-23	7,564	7,267	4.09%	297
Children's Books	8,796	9,021	-2.49%	-225	42,628	46,660	-8.64%	-4,032
Total Physical Books	16,624	16,836	-1.26%	-212	83,440	85,754	-2.70%	-2,314

Adult Physical Non-Book Circulation

Non-Fiction DVDs / Rokus	55	103	-46.60%	-48	333	570	-41.58%	-237
Audiobooks	197	232	-15.09%	-35	987	1,293	-23.67%	-306
Blu-rays	439	464	-5.39%	-25	2,183	1,777	22.85%	406
DVDs	1,543	1,576	-2.09%	-33	6,649	7,800	-14.76%	-1,151
Games and Puzzles	25	17	47.06%	8	130	118	10.17%	12
Launchpads	4	3	33.33%	1	12	24	-50.00%	-12
Magazines	66	36	83.33%	30	316	188	68.09%	128
Mixed Media	4	10	-60.00%	-6	36	28	28.57%	8
Music	179	202	-11.39%	-23	993	954	4.09%	39
Self-playing Audio	0	0	0.00%	0	0	1	-100.00%	-1
WiFi-Hotspots	40	64	-37.50%	-24	237	300	-21.00%	-63
Other: Kits	0	0	0.00%	0	5	5	0.00%	0
Other: Hammocks	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Other: Walking Sticks	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Total Adult Physical Non-Book Circulation	2,552	2,707	-5.73%	-24	11,881	13,058	-9.01%	-63

Teen Non-Book Circulation

Teen Audiobooks	0	5	-100.00%	-5	29	29	0.00%	0
Teen Blu-rays	91	85	7.06%	6	406	370	9.73%	36
Teen DVDs	197	182	8.24%	15	851	1,077	-20.98%	-226
Teen Games	510	428	19.16%	82	2,504	2,183	14.70%	321
Teen Other: Specify	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Total Teen Physical Non-Book Circulation	798	700	14.00%	98	3,790	3,659	3.58%	131

Children's Non-Book Circulation

Audiobooks	30	48	-37.50%	-18	148	241	-38.59%	-93
Augmented Reality	5	18	-72.22%	-13	22	64	-65.63%	-42
Blu-rays	38	23	65.22%	15	243	206	17.96%	37
DVDs	478	371	28.84%	107	2,970	3,008	-1.26%	-38
Launchpads	27	34	-20.59%	-7	134	193	-30.57%	-59
Magazines	20	23	-13.04%	-3	132	88	50.00%	44
Mixed Media	473	536	-11.75%	-63	2,522	2,748	-8.22%	-226
Music	14	5	180.00%	9	73	90	-18.89%	-17
Self-playing Audio	17	14	21.43%	3	143	130	10.00%	13
Views	6	6	0.00%	0	11	51	-78.43%	-40
Other: Kits	1	1	0.00%	0	11	14	-21.43%	-3
Total Children's Physical Non-Book Circulation	1,109	1,079	2.78%	30	6,409	6,833	-6.21%	-424

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Library Materials Usage - Digital	Current 2025	Previous 2024	% Monthly 2025	Value Mon. 2025	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	% YTD 2025	Value YTD 2025
Adult Digital Usage								
eBooks (Overdrive & Hoopla)	4,063	4,146	-2.00%	-83	21,471	20,656	3.95%	815
Graphic Novel Downloads (Hoopla)	43	45	-4.44%	-2	260	224	16.07%	36
Audiobook Downloads (Overdrive & Hoopla)	5,823	5,842	-0.33%	-19	29,874	28,065	6.45%	1,809
Downloadable Music (Hoopla)	73	62	17.74%	11	299	283	5.65%	16
Movies/Documentaries/TV Downloads (Hoopla & Kanopy)	545	488	11.68%	57	2,190	2,284	-4.12%	-94
Magazine Downloads	1,273	1,526	-16.58%	-253	6,335	7,747	-18.23%	-1,412
Adult Digital Usage Total	11,820	12,109	-2.39%	-289	60,429	59,259	1.97%	1,170
Teen Digital Usage								
Teen eBooks (Overdrive)	458	593	-22.77%	-135	2,474	2,949	-16.11%	-475
Teen Audiobook Downloads (Overdrive)	350	415	-15.66%	-65	1,752	2,017	-13.14%	-265
Teen Digital Usage Total	808	1,008	-19.84%	-200	4,226	4,966	-14.90%	-740
Children's Digital Usage								
eBooks (Overdrive & Hoopla)	741	1,100	-32.64%	-359	4,064	5,825	-30.23%	-1,761
Graphic Novel Downloads (Hoopla)	29	30	-3.33%	-1	182	135	34.81%	47
Audiobook Downloads (Overdrive & Hoopla)	607	540	12.41%	67	3,192	2,746	16.24%	446
Downloadable Music (Hoopla)	3	9	-66.67%	-6	21	42	-50.00%	-21
Movies/TV Downloads (Hoopla)	34	19	78.95%	15	164	187	-12.30%	-23
Children's Digital Usage Total	1,414	1,698	-16.73%	-284	7,623	8,935	-14.68%	-1,312
Circulation Totals (By Category)								
Books	16,624	16,836	-1.26%	-212	83,440	85,754	-2.70%	-2,314
Adult Non-Books	2,552	2,707	-5.73%	-155	11,881	13,058	-9.01%	-1,177
Teen Non-Books	798	700	14.00%	98	3,790	3,659	3.58%	131
Children's Non-Books	1,109	1,079	2.78%	30	6,409	6,833	-6.21%	-424
Adult Digital Usage	11,820	12,109	-2.39%	-289	60,429	59,259	1.97%	1,170
Teen Digital Usage	808	1,008	-19.84%	-200	4,226	4,966	-14.90%	-740
Children's Digital Usage	1,414	1,698	-16.73%	-284	7,623	8,935	-14.68%	-1,312
Total Library Materials Usage	35,125	36,137	-2.80%	-1,012	177,798	182,464	-2.56%	-4,666

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Electronic Retrieval Sessions / Database Usage

	Current 2025	Previous 2024	% Monthly 2025	Value Mon. 2025	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	% YTD 2025	Value YTD 2025
Alabama Virtual Library	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Ancestry	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Creative Bug	4	73	-94.52%	-69	102	212	-51.89%	-110
Niche Academy	0	2	-100.00%	-2	0	15	-100.00%	-15
Reference USA	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Universal Class	108	12	800.00%	96	274	114	140.35%	160
Other Databases	669	2,184	-69.37%	-1,515	2,621	4,425	-40.77%	-1,804
Total Electronic Retrieval Sessions	781	2,271	-65.61%	-1,490	2,997	4,766	-37.12%	-1,769

Marketing

Facebook Reach: Main	16,200	4,300	276.74%	11,900	57,400	34,870	64.61%	22,530
Facebook Reach: Kids	98	107	-8.41%	-9	1,604	451	255.65%	1,153
Instagram Users: Main	2,351	1,999	17.61%	352	11,816	9,725	21.50%	2,091
Instagram Users: Kids	99	63	57.14%	36	479	184	160.33%	295
TikTok: Teens	1,013	7,502	-86.50%	-6,489	6,002	19,658	-69.47%	-13,656

Library Holdings

Book Volumes	66,621	66,910	-0.43%	-289	337,478	342,567	-1.49%	-5,089
Serial Volumes	94	86	9.30%	8	444	430	3.26%	14
Audiobooks	3,201	3,607	-11.26%	-406	16,833	17,860	-5.75%	-1,027
Digital Collections	141,983	119,952	18.37%	22,031	696,032	600,578	15.89%	95,454
Music CDs	2,375	2,377	-0.08%	-2	11,882	11,890	-0.07%	-8
DVDs and Blu-rays	10,252	10,295	-0.42%	-43	52,164	51,516	1.26%	648
Other	177	199	-11.06%	-22	919	972	-5.45%	-53
Library Holdings Total	224,703	203,426	10.46%	21,277	1,115,752	1,025,813	8.77%	89,939

Volunteers

	Volunteers 2025	Hours 2025	Volunteers 2024	Hours 2024	YTD Vol. 2025	YTD Hours 2025	YTD Vol. 2024	YTD Hours 2024
Acquisitions	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Adult	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	0
Children's	4	7	0	0	20	58	1	3
Circulation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Outreach	2	4	0	0	8	16	0	0
Technology	1	10	1	13	4	91	4	27
Teens	4	12	3	12	10	27	13	62
Volunteers Total	11	33	4	25	45	197	18	92

Staff Training By Department

	Staff 2025	Staff 2024	% Monthly	Value Mon.	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	% YTD	Value YTD
Acquisitions	4	5	-20.00%	-1	16	20	-20.00%	-4
Administration	0	0	0.00%	0	5	2	150.00%	3
Adult	3	2	50.00%	1	18	26	-30.77%	-8
Children's	0	5	-100.00%	-5	12	20	-40.00%	-8
Circulation	18	17	5.88%	1	41	62	-33.87%	-21
Technology	6	8	-25.00%	-2	23	19	21.05%	4
Teens	0	2	-100.00%	-2	6	8	-25.00%	-2
Staff Training Total	31	39	-20.51%	-8	121	157	-22.93%	-36

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	Current	Previous	% Monthly	Value Mon.	YTD	YTD	% YTD	Value YTD
Hours	2025	2024	2025	2025	2025	2024	2025	2025
Total Days Open	30	31	-3.23%	-1	172	169	1.78%	3
Total Hours Open	263	270	-2.59%	-7	1,529	1,511	1.19%	18

Library Visits

Gate Count	27,263	26,539	2.73%	724	150,592	149,989	0.40%	603
Curbside Appointments	5	12	-58.33%	(7)	46	70	-34.29%	-24
Offsite Program Visits (open to the public)			0.00%	0	3	2	50.00%	1
Children's Outreach (schools, daycares, private facilities)	0	1	-100.00%	(1)	1	4	-75.00%	-3
Adult Outreach	1	1	0.00%	0	7	6	16.67%	1
Teens Outreach	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Marketing Outreach	7	0	7.00%	7	13	13	0.00%	0
Website Visits	13,895	14,583	-4.72%	(688)	77,155	80,953	-4.69%	-3,798
Mobile App Sessions	849	1,126	-24.60%	(277)	4,196	6,611	-36.53%	-2,415
Total Library Visits	42,020	42,262	-0.57%	(242)	232,013	237,648	-2.37%	(5,635)

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Programs and Events

	2025		2024		2024 YTD		2023 YTD	
	Programs	Attendance	Programs	Attendance	Programs	Attendance	Programs	Attendance
Adult								
In person	10	300	13	379	57	1,346	21	463
Outreach	1	14	0	0	7	29	1	14
Virtual and Passive	0	0	0	0	2	131	0	0
Total Adult Programs	11	314	13	379	66	1,506	22	477
2024 % Change & Value	-15%	-17%	-2	-65	200%	216%	44	1,029
Teens								
In person	13	386	13	113	87	1,076	30	256
Outreach	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Virtual and Passive	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Teen Programs	13	386	13	113	87	1,076	30	256
2024 % Change & Value	0%	242%	0	273	190%	320%	57	820
Children								
In person	36	1,217	32	1,674	178	4,919	62	2,407
Outreach	0	0	0	0	149	4,241	31	933
Virtual and Passive	1	3	0	0	7	542	0	0
Total Children's Programs	37	1,220	32	1,674	334	9,702	93	3,340
2024 % Change & Value	16%	-27%	5	-454	259%	190%	241	6,362
Makerspace								
In person	15	23	6	21	64	142	10	31
Virtual and Passive	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Makerspace Programs	15	23	6	21	64	142	10	31
2024 % Change & Value	150%	10%	9	2	540%	358%	54	111
Technology								
In person	4	32	7	85	23	183	11	107
Virtual and One on one	1	37	1	44	6	179	2	105
Total Technology Programs	5	69	8	129	29	362	13	212
2024 % Change & Value	-38%	-47%	-3	-60	123%	71%	16	150
Other								
Tours (LVH)	1	20	0	0	1	20	0	0
Total Other	0	0	0	0	1	20	0	0
2024 % Change & Value	0%	0%	0	0	0%	0%	1	20
Outreach Events								
Birmingham (Location)	1	4,500	0	0	2	20,800	2	3,700
City of VH (Sponsor & Location)	0	0	0	0	2	2,250	4	707
Chamber of Commerce (Sponsor)	0	0	0	0	2	1,900	3	6,950
Cabaha Heights (Focus & Location)	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2,175
Liberty Park (Focus & Location)	0	0	0	0	1	1,000	2	350
Library (Sponsor & Location)	6	260	0	0	6	260	0	0
Neutral (Location)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (Sponsor & Location)	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3,775
Total Other	7	4,760	0	0	13	26,210	16	17,657
2024 % Change & Value	0%	0%	7	4,760	-19%	48%	-3	8,553
Total Programs and Events								
	88	6,772	72	2,316	594	39,018	184	21,973
2024 % Change & Value	22%	192%	16	4,456	223%	78%	410	17,045

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Services

	Current	Previous	% Monthly	Value Mon.	YTD	YTD	% YTD	Value YTD
	2025	2024	2025	2025	2025	2024	2025	2025
Borrowed from Other Libraries	2,108	2,014	4.67%	94	11,759	12,191	-3.54%	-432
Coffee	47	70	-32.86%	-23	342	481	-28.90%	-139
Holds for Liberty Park Lockers	237	190	24.74%	47	1,299	1,246	4.25%	53
Interlibrary Loans	32	53	-39.62%	-21	183	164	11.59%	19
Loans to Other Libraries	2,034	1,813	12.19%	221	12,063	10,898	10.69%	1,165
Notary Service	23	10	130.00%	13	76	36	111.11%	40
Passports	195	110	77.27%	85	901	610	47.70%	291
Public Computer Usage	6,910	5,373	28.61%	1,537	33,121	30,122	9.96%	2,999
Reserves	452	390	15.90%	62	2,229	2,289	-2.62%	-60
Self-Checkout Machine Usage	9,832	10,418	-5.62%	-586	55,829	59,246	-5.77%	-3,417
Test Proctoring	3	10	-70.00%	-7	15	71	-78.87%	-56
Voter Registration	1	1	0.00%	0	1	12	-91.67%	-11
Wireless Network Usage	6,001	4,383	36.92%	1,618	28,453	24,520	16.04%	3,933
Reference Questions Total (Department Breakdown)	2,951	2,439	20.99%	512	2,951	2,439	20.99%	512
Adult	1,035	915	13.11%	120	5,860	5,996	-2.27%	-136
Teens	965	665	45.11%	300	5,608	4,042	38.74%	1,566
Children	580	560	3.57%	20	3,018	3,252	-7.20%	-234
Technology	246	242	1.65%	4	1,380	1,367	0.95%	13
Makerspace	125	57	119.30%	68	647	404	60.15%	243
Total Services	30,826	27,274	13.02%	4,064	165,735	159,386	3.98%	6,349

Memberships

Adult Residents	76	91	-16.48%	-15	384	465	-17.42%	-81
Child Residents	12	16	-25.00%	-4	67	72	-6.94%	-5
Adult Non-Residents	56	57	-1.75%	-1	315	365	-13.70%	-50
Child Non-Residents	2	1	100.00%	1	14	10	40.00%	4
Out of County	4	2	100.00%	2	9	10	-10.00%	-1
Total Memberships	150	167	-10.18%	-17	789	922	-14.43%	8,569

Meeting Room Use

	Rented	Attendees	Rented	Attendees	YTD Rent	YTD Attend	YTD Rented	YTD Attend
	2025	2025	2024	2024	2025	2025	2024	2024
Community Room	10	540	8	534	52	2,612	50	2,642
Historical Room	0	0	0	0	6	53	3	24
Tree House	3	37	2	16	10	117	13	105
Children's Program	4	47	4	70	36	606	20	345
Outdoor Classroom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rooftop Garden	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	50
Total Rental Usage	17	624	14	620	104	3,388	87	3,166

Study Room Use

	Checked Out	Users	Checked Out	Users	YTD Chk Out	YTD Users	YTD Chk Out	YTD Users
	2025	2025	2024	2024	2025	2025	2024	2024
All Rooms	390	638	343	503	2,107	3,261	1,984	3,115
Total Study Room Usage	390	638	343	503	2,107	3,261	1,984	3,115

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Library Materials Usage - Physical

	Current	Previous	% Monthly	Value Mon.	YTD	YTD	% YTD	Value YTD
	2025	2024	2025	2025	2025	2024	2025	2025
Physical Book Circulation								
Adult Books	5,874	5,603	4.84%	271	32,643	31,349	4.13%	1,294
Adult Large Print	1,321	1,300	1.62%	21	7,800	7,381	5.68%	419
Teen Books	1,872	1,650	13.45%	222	9,436	8,917	5.82%	519
Children's Books	9,532	9,936	-4.07%	-404	52,160	56,596	-7.84%	-4,436
Total Physical Books	18,599	18,489	0.59%	110	102,039	104,243	-2.11%	-2,204
Adult Physical Non-Book Circulation								
Non-Fiction DVDs / Rokus	123	141	-12.77%	-18	456	711	-35.86%	-255
Audiobooks	211	277	-23.83%	-66	1,198	1,570	-23.69%	-372
Blu-rays	506	395	28.10%	111	2,689	2,172	23.80%	517
DVDs	1,667	1,775	-6.08%	-108	8,316	9,575	-13.15%	-1,259
Games and Puzzles	35	21	66.67%	14	165	139	18.71%	26
Launchpads	1	6	-83.33%	-5	13	30	-56.67%	-17
Magazines	75	35	114.29%	40	391	223	75.34%	168
Mixed Media	5	7	-28.57%	-2	41	35	17.14%	6
Music	255	192	32.81%	63	1,248	1,146	8.90%	102
Self-playing Audio	0	0	0.00%	0	0	1	-100.00%	-1
WiFi-Hotspots	52	63	-17.46%	-11	289	363	-20.39%	-74
Other: Kits	0	0	0.00%	0	5	5	0.00%	0
Other: Hammocks	1	2	-50.00%	-1	1	2	-50.00%	-1
Other: Walking Sticks	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Total Adult Physical Non-Book Circulation	2,931	2,914	0.58%	-12	14,812	15,972	-7.26%	-75
Teen Non-Book Circulation								
Teen Audiobooks	0	18	-100.00%	-18	29	47	-38.30%	-18
Teen Blu-rays	102	71	43.66%	31	508	441	15.19%	67
Teen DVDs	244	257	-5.06%	-13	1,095	1,334	-17.92%	-239
Teen Games	664	595	11.60%	69	3,168	2,778	14.04%	390
Teen Other: Specify	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Total Teen Physical Non-Book Circulation	1,010	941	7.33%	69	4,800	4,600	4.35%	200
Children's Non-Book Circulation								
Audiobooks	41	39	5.13%	2	189	280	-32.50%	-91
Augmented Reality	5	13	-61.54%	-8	27	77	-64.94%	-50
Blu-rays	64	59	8.47%	5	307	265	15.85%	42
DVDs	622	694	-10.37%	-72	3,592	3,702	-2.97%	-110
Launchpads	45	47	-4.26%	-2	179	240	-25.42%	-61
Magazines	14	26	-46.15%	-12	146	114	28.07%	32
Mixed Media	531	604	-12.09%	-73	3,053	3,352	-8.92%	-299
Music	13	17	-23.53%	-4	86	107	-19.63%	-21
Self-playing Audio	13	21	-38.10%	-8	156	151	3.31%	5
Views	0	16	-100.00%	-16	11	67	-83.58%	-56
Other: Kits	1	2	-50.00%	-1	12	16	-25.00%	-4
Total Children's Physical Non-Book Circulation	1,349	1,538	-12.29%	-189	7,758	8,371	-7.32%	-613

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Library Materials Usage - Digital	Current 2025	Previous 2024	% Monthly 2025	Value Mon. 2025	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	% YTD 2025	Value YTD 2025
Adult Digital Usage								
eBooks (Overdrive & Hoopla)	4,437	4,424	0.29%	13	25,908	25,080	3.30%	828
Graphic Novel Downloads (Hoopla)	57	25	128.00%	32	317	249	27.31%	68
Audiobook Downloads (Overdrive & Hoopla)	6,387	6,018	6.13%	369	36,261	34,083	6.39%	2,178
Downloadable Music (Hoopla)	56	85	-34.12%	-29	355	368	-3.53%	-13
Movies/Documentaries/TV Downloads (Hoopla & Kanopy)	496	504	-1.59%	-8	2,686	2,788	-3.66%	-102
Magazine Downloads	1,446	1,315	9.96%	131	7,781	9,062	-14.14%	-1,281
Adult Digital Usage Total	12,879	12,371	4.11%	508	73,308	71,630	2.34%	1,678
Teen Digital Usage								
Teen eBooks (Overdrive)	519	602	-13.79%	-83	2,993	3,551	-15.71%	-558
Teen Audiobook Downloads (Overdrive)	378	471	-19.75%	-93	2,130	2,488	-14.39%	-358
Teen Digital Usage Total	897	1,073	-16.40%	-176	5,123	6,039	-15.17%	-916
Children's Digital Usage								
eBooks (Overdrive & Hoopla)	867	1,016	-14.67%	-149	4,931	6,841	-27.92%	-1,910
Graphic Novel Downloads (Hoopla)	45	31	45.16%	14	227	166	36.75%	61
Audiobook Downloads (Overdrive & Hoopla)	762	526	44.87%	236	3,954	3,272	20.84%	682
Downloadable Music (Hoopla)	5	1	400.00%	4	26	43	-39.53%	-17
Movies/TV Downloads (Hoopla)	36	51	-29.41%	-15	200	238	-15.97%	-38
Children's Digital Usage Total	1,715	1,625	5.54%	90	9,338	10,560	-11.57%	-1,222
Circulation Totals (By Category)								
Books	18,599	18,489	0.59%	110	102,039	104,243	-2.11%	-2,204
Adult Non-Books	2,931	2,914	0.58%	17	14,812	15,972	-7.26%	-1,160
Teen Non-Books	1,010	941	7.33%	69	4,800	4,600	4.35%	200
Children's Non-Books	1,349	1,538	-12.29%	-189	7,758	8,371	-7.32%	-613
Adult Digital Usage	12,879	12,371	4.11%	508	73,308	71,630	2.34%	1,678
Teen Digital Usage	897	1,073	-16.40%	-176	5,123	6,039	-15.17%	-916
Children's Digital Usage	1,715	1,625	5.54%	90	9,338	10,560	-11.57%	-1,222
Total Library Materials Usage	39,380	38,951	1.10%	429	217,178	221,415	-1.91%	-4,237

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Electronic Retrieval Sessions / Database Usage

	Current 2025	Previous 2024	% Monthly 2025	Value Mon. 2025	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	% YTD 2025	Value YTD 2025
Alabama Virtual Library	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Ancestry	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Creative Bug	10	30	-66.67%	-20	112	242	-53.72%	-130
Niche Academy	0	10	-100.00%	-10	0	25	-100.00%	-25
Reference USA	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Universal Class	0	95	-100.00%	-95	274	209	31.10%	65
Other Databases	278	1,382	-79.88%	-1,104	2,899	5,807	-50.08%	-2,908
Total Electronic Retrieval Sessions	288	1,517	-81.02%	-1,229	3,285	6,283	-47.72%	-2,998

Marketing

Facebook Reach: Main	10,900	29,400	-62.93%	-18,500	68,300	64,270	6.27%	4,030
Facebook Reach: Kids	335	159	110.69%	176	1,939	610	217.87%	1,329
Instagram Users: Main	2,386	2,398	-0.50%	-12	14,202	12,123	17.15%	2,079
Instagram Users: Kids	101	157	-35.67%	-56	580	341	70.09%	239
TikTok: Teens	1,117	985	13.40%	132	7,119	20,643	-65.51%	-13,524

Library Holdings

Book Volumes	66,901	67,030	-0.19%	-129	404,379	409,597	-1.27%	-5,218
Serial Volumes	94	86	9.30%	8	538	516	4.26%	22
Audiobooks	3,208	3,614	-11.23%	-406	20,041	21,474	-6.67%	-1,433
Digital Collections	141,458	123,401	14.63%	18,057	837,490	723,979	15.68%	113,511
Music CDs	2,375	2,377	-0.08%	-2	14,257	14,267	-0.07%	-10
DVDs and Blu-rays	10,302	10,318	-0.16%	-16	62,466	61,834	1.02%	632
Other	177	198	-10.61%	-21	1,096	1,170	-6.32%	-74
Library Holdings Total	224,515	207,024	8.45%	17,491	1,340,267	1,232,837	8.71%	107,430

Volunteers

	Volunteers 2025	Hours 2025	Volunteers 2024	Hours 2024	YTD Vol. 2025	YTD Hours 2025	YTD Vol. 2024	YTD Hours 2024
Acquisitions	5	0	0	0	6	1	0	0
Adult	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	0
Children's	3	12	1	5	23	70	2	8
Circulation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Outreach	15	20	0	0	23	36	0	0
Technology	1	8	1	4	5	99	5	31
Teens	4	23	2	10	14	50	15	72
Volunteers Total	28	63	4	19	73	260	22	111

Staff Training By Department

	Staff 2025	Staff 2024	% Monthly	Value Mon.	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	% YTD	Value YTD
Acquisitions	0	4	-100.00%	-4	16	24	-33.33%	-8
Administration	0	0	0.00%	0	5	2	150.00%	3
Adult	0	2	-100.00%	-2	18	28	-35.71%	-10
Children's	0	0	0.00%	0	12	20	-40.00%	-8
Circulation	6	5	20.00%	1	47	67	-29.85%	-20
Technology	2	4	-50.00%	-2	25	23	8.70%	2
Teens	3	0	3.00%	3	9	8	12.50%	1
Staff Training Total	11	15	-26.67%	-4	132	172	-23.26%	-40



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Account Summary

For Fiscal: 2024-2025 Period Ending: 04/30/2025

		April Budget	April Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining	YTD Budget	YTD Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining	Total Budget
Fund: 01 - GENERAL FUND										
Expense										
01-70-5010-000-500	COMPENSATION	149,670.00	69,201.95	80,468.05	53.76%	1,012,255.00	878,724.24	133,530.76	13.19%	1,743,988.00
01-70-5015-000-500	PAYROLL TAX EXP	11,556.00	5,210.45	6,345.55	54.91%	77,574.00	66,250.71	11,323.29	14.60%	133,415.00
01-70-5016-000-500	FRINGE BENEFITS EXP	31,411.00	15,926.39	15,484.61	49.30%	213,964.00	200,656.80	13,307.20	6.22%	367,074.00
01-70-5045-000-500	EMPLOYEE TRAINING	547.00	260.00	287.00	52.47%	7,229.00	4,794.46	2,434.54	33.68%	15,000.00
01-70-5050-000-500	MEMBERSHIP & DUES	63.00	0.00	63.00	100.00%	2,120.00	1,155.00	965.00	45.52%	4,000.00
01-70-5051-000-500	TRAVEL & CONFERENCE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	2,215.00	2,181.89	33.11	1.49%	6,000.00
01-70-5055-000-500	UNANTICIPATED EXPENSE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	60,742.00	0.00	60,742.00	100.00%	121,485.00
01-70-5065-000-500	PHYSICALS/DRUG SCREEN	41.00	0.00	41.00	100.00%	202.00	112.00	90.00	44.55%	500.00
01-70-5070-000-500	VEHICLE ALLOWANCE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	250.00	0.00	250.00	100.00%	500.00
01-70-5090-000-500	POSTAGE	75.00	0.00	75.00	100.00%	133.00	73.00	60.00	45.11%	1,150.00
01-70-5100-000-500	SUPPLIES/PRINT & OFFICE	736.00	0.00	736.00	100.00%	2,957.00	1,627.26	1,329.74	44.97%	8,000.00
01-70-5101-000-500	SUPPLIES/LIB PROCESS	0.00	1,217.45	-1,217.45	0.00%	2,207.00	4,406.31	-2,199.31	-99.65%	10,000.00
01-70-5105-000-500	SUPPLIES/OTHER	917.00	0.00	917.00	100.00%	2,570.00	2,246.82	323.18	12.58%	9,000.00
01-70-5110-000-500	SUPPLIES/JANITORIAL	715.00	325.74	389.26	54.44%	6,319.00	4,017.15	2,301.85	36.43%	10,000.00
01-70-5140-000-500	GASOLINE	179.00	0.00	179.00	100.00%	1,021.00	831.62	189.38	18.55%	1,800.00
01-70-5210-000-500	MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS	16,617.00	8,129.98	8,487.02	51.07%	143,248.00	136,748.97	6,499.03	4.54%	220,242.00
01-70-5310-000-500	MAINT/REP-OFFICE EQUIP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	1,000.00
01-70-5350-000-500	MAINT/REP-SMALL EQUIP	224.00	0.00	224.00	100.00%	224.00	1,211.42	-987.42	-440.81%	1,500.00
01-70-5370-000-500	MAINT/REP-VEHICLES	149.00	129.26	19.74	13.25%	974.00	904.82	69.18	7.10%	1,600.00
01-70-5380-000-500	MAINT/REP-BUILDING	5,590.00	0.00	5,590.00	100.00%	23,276.00	18,370.62	4,905.38	21.07%	40,000.00
01-70-5385-000-500	MAINT/REP-HVAC	2,027.00	0.00	2,027.00	100.00%	17,453.00	1,423.46	16,029.54	91.84%	25,000.00
01-70-5390-000-500	MAINT/REP-ELEC & PLUMB	744.00	7,350.00	-6,606.00	-887.90%	8,335.00	12,302.55	-3,967.55	-47.60%	15,000.00
01-70-5700-000-500	UTILITIES	11,069.00	3,530.46	7,538.54	68.10%	81,788.00	74,520.64	7,267.36	8.89%	150,000.00
01-70-5720-000-500	COMM(INTERNET & TELEPHONE)	1,844.00	971.24	872.76	47.33%	11,523.00	8,476.59	3,046.41	26.44%	19,000.00
01-70-5840-000-500	PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	100.00%	7,000.00
01-70-5940-000-500	COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT	5,602.00	2,167.87	3,434.13	61.30%	25,432.00	25,319.24	112.76	0.44%	40,000.00
01-70-5940-002-500	OUTREACH/LIB PARK & CH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	7,000.00
01-70-5940-003-500	MARKETING - LIBRARY	113.00	0.00	113.00	100.00%	2,021.00	4,001.88	-1,980.88	-98.01%	10,455.00
01-70-8150-000-500	PURCHASES-SMALL EQUIP	233.00	0.00	233.00	100.00%	439.00	0.00	439.00	100.00%	700.00
01-70-8205-000-500	PURCHASES/PERIODICAL REPLACE	12,696.00	0.00	12,696.00	100.00%	124,719.00	83,982.37	40,736.63	32.66%	174,230.00
01-70-8610-000-500	PURCHASES/BOOKS	21,962.00	2,157.18	19,804.82	90.18%	111,252.00	66,965.93	44,286.07	39.81%	175,000.00
	Total Expense:	274,780.00	116,577.97	158,202.03	57.57%	1,945,942.00	1,601,305.75	344,636.25	17.71%	3,319,639.00
	Total Fund: 01 - GENERAL FUND:	274,780.00	116,577.97	158,202.03	57.57%	1,945,942.00	1,601,305.75	344,636.25	17.71%	3,319,639.00

Monthly Budget Report

For Fiscal: 2024-2025 Period Ending: 04/30/2025

		April Budget	April Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining	YTD Budget	YTD Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining	Total Budget
Fund: 12 - LIBRARY-STATE AID										
Expense										
13-70-5050-000-500	MEMBERSHIP & DUES	2,864.27	0.00	2,864.27	100.00%	20,049.89	17,192.28	2,857.61	14.25%	34,385.00
	Total Expense:	2,864.27	0.00	2,864.27	100.00%	20,049.89	17,192.28	2,857.61	14.25%	34,385.00
	Total Fund: 12 - LIBRARY-STATE AID:	2,864.27	0.00	2,864.27	100.00%	20,049.89	17,192.28	2,857.61	14.25%	34,385.00
Fund: 13 - LIBRARY-BOOKS/DON										
Expense										
13-70-5045-000-500	EMPLOYEE TRAINING	749.70	0.00	749.70	100.00%	5,247.90	1,119.92	4,127.98	78.66%	9,000.00
13-70-5050-000-500	MEMBERSHIP & DUES	41.65	0.00	41.65	100.00%	291.55	0.00	291.55	100.00%	500.00
13-70-5051-000-500	TRAVEL & CONFERENCE	916.30	0.00	916.30	100.00%	6,414.10	0.00	6,414.10	100.00%	11,000.00
13-70-5052-000-500	EMPLOYEE MISC EXPENSE	41.65	0.00	41.65	100.00%	291.55	0.00	291.55	100.00%	500.00
13-70-5090-000-500	POSTAGE	416.50	0.00	416.50	100.00%	2,915.50	2,442.85	472.65	16.21%	5,000.00
13-70-5100-000-500	SUPPLIES/PRINT & OFFICE	41.65	0.00	41.65	100.00%	291.55	0.00	291.55	100.00%	500.00
13-70-5105-000-500	SUPPLIES/OTHER	166.60	0.00	166.60	100.00%	1,166.20	137.97	1,028.23	88.17%	2,000.00
13-70-5110-000-500	SUPPLIES/JANITORIAL	83.30	0.00	83.30	100.00%	583.10	0.00	583.10	100.00%	1,000.00
13-70-5210-000-500	MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS	416.50	0.00	416.50	100.00%	2,915.50	192.00	2,723.50	93.41%	5,000.00
13-70-5220-000-500	COMPUTER SERVICES	208.25	0.00	208.25	100.00%	1,457.75	0.00	1,457.75	100.00%	2,500.00
13-70-5310-000-500	MAINT/REP-OFFICE EQUIP	166.60	0.00	166.60	100.00%	1,166.20	0.00	1,166.20	100.00%	2,000.00
13-70-5380-000-500	MAINT/REP-BUILDING	333.20	0.00	333.20	100.00%	2,332.40	0.00	2,332.40	100.00%	4,000.00
13-70-5605-000-500	RENTAL/STORAGE FACILITY	333.20	0.00	333.20	100.00%	2,332.40	1,624.75	707.65	30.34%	4,000.00
13-70-5840-000-500	PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS	2,582.30	0.00	2,582.30	100.00%	18,076.10	0.00	18,076.10	100.00%	31,000.00
13-70-5940-000-500	COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT	2,540.65	0.00	2,540.65	100.00%	17,784.55	9,616.85	8,167.70	45.93%	30,500.00
13-70-5990-000-500	BANK CHARGES	208.25	0.00	208.25	100.00%	1,457.75	0.00	1,457.75	100.00%	2,500.00
13-70-5992-000-500	MERCHANT FEES	208.25	0.00	208.25	100.00%	1,457.75	2,578.24	-1,120.49	-76.86%	2,500.00
13-70-8100-000-500	PURCHASE/OFFICE & COMP EQUIP	508.13	0.00	508.13	100.00%	3,556.91	0.00	3,556.91	100.00%	6,100.00
13-70-8150-000-500	PURCHASES-SMALL EQUIP	316.54	0.00	316.54	100.00%	2,215.78	0.00	2,215.78	100.00%	3,800.00
13-70-8205-000-500	PURCHASES/PERIODICAL REPLACE	41.65	0.00	41.65	100.00%	291.55	0.00	291.55	100.00%	500.00
13-70-8500-000-500	PURCHASES-CAP (UNDER \$5K)	3,506.93	0.00	3,506.93	100.00%	24,548.51	36,382.03	-11,833.52	-48.20%	42,100.00
13-70-8600-000-712	PURCHASES-CAP (OVER \$5K)	1,249.50	0.00	1,249.50	100.00%	8,746.50	3,875.00	4,871.50	55.70%	15,000.00
13-70-8610-000-500	PURCHASES/BOOKS	24.99	0.00	24.99	100.00%	174.93	0.00	174.93	100.00%	300.00
	Total Expense:	15,102.29	0.00	15,102.29	100.00%	105,716.03	57,969.61	47,746.42	45.16%	181,300.00
	Total Fund: 13 - LIBRARY-BOOKS/DON:	15,102.29	0.00	15,102.29	100.00%	105,716.03	57,969.61	47,746.42	45.16%	181,300.00
	Report Total:	292,746.56	116,577.97	176,168.59	60.18%	2,071,707.92	1,676,467.64	395,240.28	19.08%	3,535,324.00

Monthly Budget Report

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Group Summary

Account Typ...	April Budget	April Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining	YTD Budget	YTD Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining	Total Budget
Fund: 01 - GENERAL FUND									
Expense	274,780.00	116,577.97	158,202.03	57.57%	1,945,942.00	1,601,305.75	344,636.25	17.71%	3,319,639.00
Total Fund: 01 - GENERAL FUND:	274,780.00	116,577.97	158,202.03	57.57%	1,945,942.00	1,601,305.75	344,636.25	17.71%	3,319,639.00
Fund: 12 - LIBRARY-STATE AID									
Expense	2,864.27	0.00	2,864.27	100.00%	20,049.89	17,192.28	2,857.61	14.25%	34,385.00
Total Fund: 12 - LIBRARY-STATE AID:	2,864.27	0.00	2,864.27	100.00%	20,049.89	17,192.28	2,857.61	14.25%	34,385.00
Fund: 13 - LIBRARY-BOOKS/DON									
Expense	15,102.29	0.00	15,102.29	100.00%	105,716.03	57,969.61	47,746.42	45.16%	181,300.00
Total Fund: 13 - LIBRARY-BOOKS/DON:	15,102.29	0.00	15,102.29	100.00%	105,716.03	57,969.61	47,746.42	45.16%	181,300.00
Report Total:	292,746.56	116,577.97	176,168.59	60.18%	2,071,707.92	1,676,467.64	395,240.28	19.08%	3,535,324.00

Fund Summary

Fund	April Budget	April Activity	Variance		YTD Budget	YTD Activity	Variance		Total Budget
			Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining			Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining	
01 - GENERAL FUND	274,780.00	116,577.97	158,202.03	57.57%	1,945,942.00	1,601,305.75	344,636.25	17.71%	3,319,639.00
12 - LIBRARY-STATE AID	2,864.27	0.00	2,864.27	100.00%	20,049.89	17,192.28	2,857.61	14.25%	34,385.00
13 - LIBRARY-BOOKS/DON	15,102.29	0.00	15,102.29	100.00%	105,716.03	57,969.61	47,746.42	45.16%	181,300.00
Report Total:	292,746.56	116,577.97	176,168.59	60.18%	2,071,707.92	1,676,467.64	395,240.28	19.08%	3,535,324.00



Vestavia Hills, AL

Balance Sheet

Account Summary

As Of 04/17/2025

Account	Name	Balance
Fund: 12 - LIBRARY-STATE AID		
Assets		
12-00-1021-000-000	CASH STATE AID	0.00
12-00-1031-000-000	CLAIM ON CASH	0.00
12-00-1941-000-000	DUE FROM GENERAL FUND	0.00
	Total Assets:	0.00
		0.00
Liability		
12-00-2000-000-000	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	0.00
12-00-2005-000-000	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/OTHER	0.00
12-00-2741-000-000	DUE TO GENERAL FUND	0.00
12-00-2830-000-000	ENCUMBRANCES	0.00
12-00-2840-000-000	RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES	0.00
	Total Liability:	0.00
Equity		
12-00-2831-000-000	PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCE	0.00
12-00-2841-000-000	PRIOR YEAR RESERVE FOR ENCUMBR	0.00
12-00-2950-000-000	FUND BALANCE/RESTRICTED	0.00
	Total Beginning Equity:	0.00
Total Revenue		17,192.28
Total Expense		17,192.28
Revenues Over/Under Expenses		0.00
	Total Equity and Current Surplus (Deficit):	0.00
	Total Liabilities, Equity and Current Surplus (Deficit):	0.00

Balance Sheet

As Of 04/17/2025

Account	Name	Balance
Fund: 13 - LIBRARY-BOOKS/DON		
Assets		
13-00-1010-000-000	PETTY CASH	600.00
13-00-1022-000-000	CASH DONATIONS	0.00
13-00-1022-001-000	DONATION	0.00
13-00-1023-000-000	CASH BOOK ACCOUNT	0.00
13-00-1031-000-000	CLAIM ON CASH	554,744.64
13-00-1131-000-000	INVESTMENTS-WARRANTS	0.00
13-00-1230-000-000	ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	0.00
13-00-1341-000-000	PREPAID EXPENSES	0.00
	Total Assets:	555,344.64
		<u>555,344.64</u>
Liability		
13-00-2000-000-000	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	0.00
13-00-2005-000-000	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/OTHER	0.00
13-00-2741-000-000	DUE TO GENERAL FUND	0.00
13-00-2830-000-000	ENCUMBRANCES	0.00
13-00-2840-000-000	RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES	0.00
	Total Liability:	0.00
Equity		
13-00-2831-000-000	PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCE	0.00
13-00-2841-000-000	PRIOR YEAR RESERVE FOR ENCUMBR	0.00
13-00-2900-000-000	NONSPENDABLE	0.00
13-00-2950-000-000	FUND BALANCE/RESTRICTED	528,068.51
	Total Beginning Equity:	528,068.51
Total Revenue		85,245.74
Total Expense		57,969.61
Revenues Over/Under Expenses		27,276.13
	Total Equity and Current Surplus (Deficit):	555,344.64
	Total Liabilities, Equity and Current Surplus (Deficit):	<u>555,344.64</u>