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BRIDGEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT

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THANK YOU FROM ERIN WEAVER, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

“ The library is a wonderful community resource! ”



In 2025, Bridgeville Public Library continued to grow and evolve, meeting our community where they are.

We expanded our local partnerships, adding a new outreach location, and continued working with current partners to bring quality services and programs to our patrons.

We were able to accomplish this impactful work thanks to the support of our valuable donors, and we thank them for their investment in the library and the Bridgeville community.

Together, we continue to make our library a vibrant, welcoming, and inspiring place for everyone.

2025 Board of Trustees

Kerry Allen - President
Colleen Miles - Vice- President
Evan Galimberti - Treasurer
Miriam Wilps- Secretary
Jason Ferri - Trustee
Melissa Manzo - Trustee
Rachel Clark-Bogo - Trustee

Notable Achievements

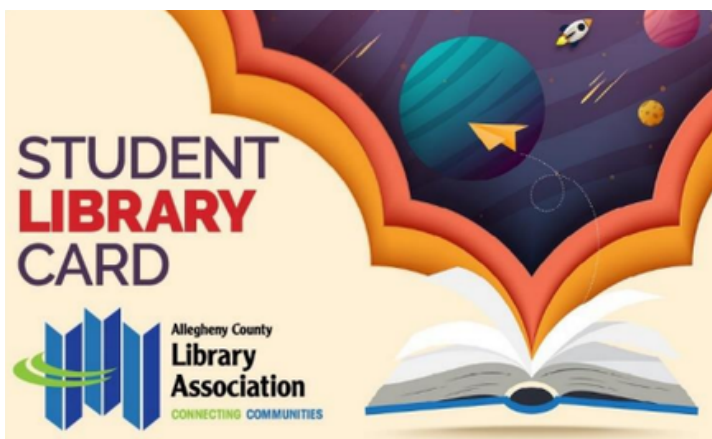
Partnered with **Chartiers Valley School District** and **Allegheny County Library Association** on a School Library Card Initiative, issuing a card to every student in the district

Installed solar paneling on the roof of the library to **off-set 35% of our future energy costs**. Replaced both of our boilers to prolong the life of our HVAC and **ensure comfortable indoor temperatures**. This project was funded by a grant from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development.

Featured on Pittsburgh Today Live's Books and Beyond segment

Partnered with Citizens for Radioactive Radon Reduction to **add radon detectors** to our circulating collection

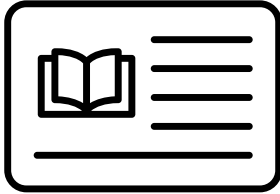
Partnered with **over 40 local businesses, organizations, and individuals** to provide unique programming including My Favorite Sweet Shoppe, Brentwood Bank, Alcosan, Chartiers Valley School District, and Allegheny County Park Rangers



LIBRARY USE

6,678

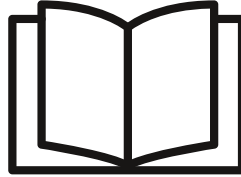
Library cardholders



84.6% increase from 3,617 cardholders thanks to school library card initiative

86,496

Physical items borrowed at Bridgeville



2.6% increase with more than 2,000 more items in 2025

104,403

Total circulation (both digital and physical)



3.7% increase, with 17,907 digital items borrowed

625

New Cards Created

With a library card users can access free print and digital materials. Library cards also provide free access to nontraditional items like board games, WiFi hotspots, and museum passes.

512,111

Computer and Wi-fi Minutes

Bridgeville Public Library has 12 public computers, as well as FREE public Wi-fi. In addition, with a library card, users can borrow Wi-fi hotspots and a Chromebook bundle for 3 weeks.



2025 INCOME & EXPENSES

INCOME

Bill & Grace McDivitt Endowment	\$270,762
Allegheny Regional Asset District	\$106,772
State & Table Gaming	\$26,698
Bridgeville Borough	\$39,500
Contributions & Grants	\$31,148
Library Fees & Earned Revenue	\$18,137
Friends of the Library	\$10,015
Investment Revenue	\$51,105
Total Revenue	\$554,138

EXPENSES

Salaries & Benefits	\$233,692
General Operating	\$161,937
Collections & Programs	\$82,531
Depreciation	\$84,751
Total Expenses	\$562,911

*Restricted funds received
Mortgage campaign donations- \$986.58

*Restricted funds spent
State DCED Grant- \$111,690

Thank you to Bridgeville Borough, the State of Pennsylvania, the Jack Buncher Foundation, the Bill and Grace McDivitt Endowment, the Friends of the Bridgeville Public Library, and our individual donors for their financial support in 2025.



Bridgeville Public Library is supported in part by the taxpayers of Allegheny County through a public grant from the Allegheny Regional Asset District (RAD). RAD works here.



BRIDGEVILLE COMMUNITY

CHILDREN'S OUTREACH

Our Children's Outreach Specialist visited thirteen local preschools, daycares, and afterschool programs every month last year, providing fun literacy programs and bringing the library's services out into the community.

In addition, our Family & Youth Services Librarian partnered with Chartiers Valley School District to provide preschool STEAM programs, co-hosted the annual CVIS / CVMS Battle of the Books events, and visited the schools for family night programs.



TEEN OUTREACH

We continued our collaboration with CVMS's 8th grade English department with an Open Mic Night Poetry Reading and display, and with October's annual Two Sentence Horror Story Competition.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Library staff spread the word about all that the library has to offer at community events like Day on the Avenue and Trunk or Treat.

All together, we provided 501 outreach sessions that reached 9,953 people.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

PARTNERSHIPS

This summer, we partnered with Alcosan, Chartiers Valley Primary School, the Allegheny County Park Rangers, Karen Hartman, Oreo the Therapy Dog, and Goldfish Swim School for a fun-filled time!



STORYTIME, STEAM, AND MORE!

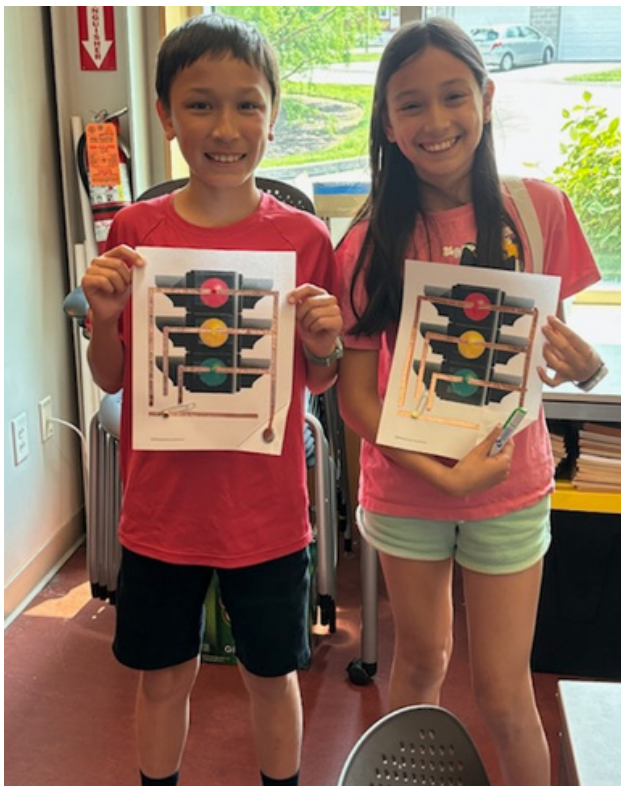
Our year was filled with six weekly story times, a monthly STEAM Club, American Girl Book Club, and Puppy Tales events. All together, we held 286 children's programs, which were attended by 4,462 people!

Tween & Teen Programs



We had tons of fun last year with our tween and teen programs. We hosted weekly TweenTastic and Teen Hangout nights, where attendees did everything from circuitry to creating Squishmallow portraits. We hosted special presenters throughout summer like My Favorite Sweet Shoppe and Pittsburgh Center for Creative Reuse and teens also enjoyed a monthly Teen After Hours program. Themes included: Clue Murder Mystery, Mario Party, and Black Light Paint Night.

In total, 35 tween and teen programs were held at the library, and 291 people attended them.



Adult Programs

This year, the library hosted its first annual Adult Battle of the Books Fundraiser. This event, sponsored by Dee Jay's BBQ Ribs and Grille, saw six teams pitted against each other in a friendly game of book trivia competition.



In 2025, the library once again partnered with the Amateur Astronomer Association of Pittsburgh to provide a star party, where attendees could view the wonders of space through telescopes.



Another special partnership was the summer movies on the patio with Pittsburgh Classic Movie Club. We look forward to hosting them again this year!



In 2025, the library held a wide variety of programs for adults. Ranging from author talks to watercolors to board game miniatures, there was something for everyone at the Bridgeville Public Library.

In total, the library hosted 137 adult programs, which were attended by 1,209 people.



2025 Friends of the Library Board

Cindy Capozzoli - President
Rebecca Berton- Vice- President
Terri Aquilina - Treasurer
Cami Fandry- Secretary

Connie Rucker
Debbie Zupancic
Patricia Lozano
Tara D'Agaro
Colleen Miles

The Friends had a busy year in 2025. Their bi-monthly Crafts with Colleen and Cooking with Eric programs were a great success. They held two book sales, three basket raffles, and hosted their annual Fashion and Vendor Show, Haunted Halloween at the Library, and Festival of Trees events, along with numerous dine-to-donate events throughout the year.

Thanks to these efforts and your support, they were able to donate \$10,000 to the library! Thank you to our Friends!



Patron Feedback

“Warm and welcoming staff. Creative children’s story and art programs. Bright, warm building, very comfortable.”

The best kids programs in Pittsburgh!”

“I like everything about my library. They are: kind, helpful, and always courteous. I love my library and am here often.”

“Best family-friendly library!”

“Awesome staff, welcoming atmosphere! Volunteering opportunities for diverse populations make a meaningful impact.”

“I love how my library has so many great community events and access to a vast array of books and games!”

“Librarians are always friendly and helpful. Many activities and books to choose from.”

“We love the great selection of books! Even if you don’t have it on the shelves, you guys always make sure to get it! Thank you!”



LOVE **YOUR** LIBRARY

Thank You for a Great Year!

