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BRIDGEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT

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Director



A MESSAGE FROM ERIN WEAVER, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

This year was another great year at Bridgeville Public Library. We added two new, highly requested, items to the collection, Wonderbooks and Switch video games.

We were awarded a \$200,000 grant from the state Department of Community and Economic Development for updates to our HVAC and the addition of solar paneling to the building.

In 2024, we signed 470 people up for library cards and are thrilled that so many people have discovered the benefits of a FREE library card.

We are grateful to receive financial support from a variety of sources at the state, county, and local levels. Whether it is making a donation, attending a program, or borrowing materials- the support of our users is felt on a daily basis.

Thank you to our patrons for your commitment to the role of the library in the community.

Sincerely,
Erin Weaver

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LIBRARY USE

	2022	2023	2024
TOTAL CARDHOLDERS	3,576	3,770	3,617
NEW CARDHOLDERS	364	343	470
TOTAL PROGRAMS OFFERED	725	781	696
TOTAL PROGRAM ATTENDANCE	10,207	17,297	19,029
TOTAL COMPUTER & WIFI MINUTES	453,564	498,240	734,443
TOTAL ITEMS BORROWED	90,542	92,490	100,725
TOTAL DIGITAL CIRCULATION	14,039	15,012	16,447
TOTAL PHYSICAL CIRCULATION	75,677	77,478	84,278

2024 INCOME & EXPENSES

INCOME

Bill & Grace McDivitt Endowment	\$265,038
Allegheny Regional Asset District	\$103,161
State & Table Gaming	\$26,664
Bridgeville Borough	\$35,000
Contributions & Grants	\$40,787
Library Fees & Earned Revenue	\$27,263
Friends of the Library	\$10,040
Total Revenue	\$507,953

EXPENSES

Salaries & Benefits	\$249,828
General Operating	\$131,592
Collections & Programs	\$49,586
Mortgage payments	\$138,347.88
Total Expenses	\$519,817.47

*Restricted funds received
State DCED Grant- \$200,000
Mortgage campaign donations- \$16,710.06

Thank you to Bridgeville Borough, the State of Pennsylvania, the Jack Buncher Foundation, the Bill and Grace McDivitt Endowment, and the Friends of the Bridgeville Public Library for their financial support in 2024. Also, a special thank you to our individual donors for their contributions.

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.



Achievements

- Secured \$200,000 in grant funding from the state for the installation of solar panels and upgrades to the HVAC system
- Received an Excellence Award from the Southwest Regional Chamber of Commerce in the category of Best Library
- Partnered with Public Art Bridgeville and the Society of Sculptors to host art exhibitions at the library
- Partnered with Pittsburgh Classic Movie Club to host a summer movie series at the library



BRIDGEVILLE COMMUNITY

CHILDREN'S OUTREACH

Our Children's Outreach Specialist provided outreach activities to local preschools, daycares, and afterschool programs.

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

TEEN OUTREACH

Our Teen & Youth Services Librarian visited Chartiers Valley Middle School to provide a program during lunch periods. She also collaborated with a teacher at the middle school for special projects such as a Poetry Exhibition and our Creepin' It Real Two Sentence Horror Story Competition.



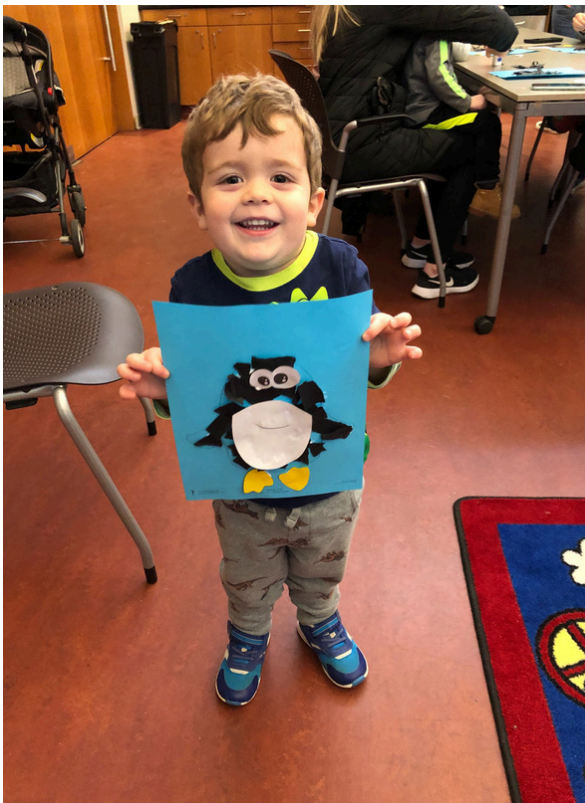
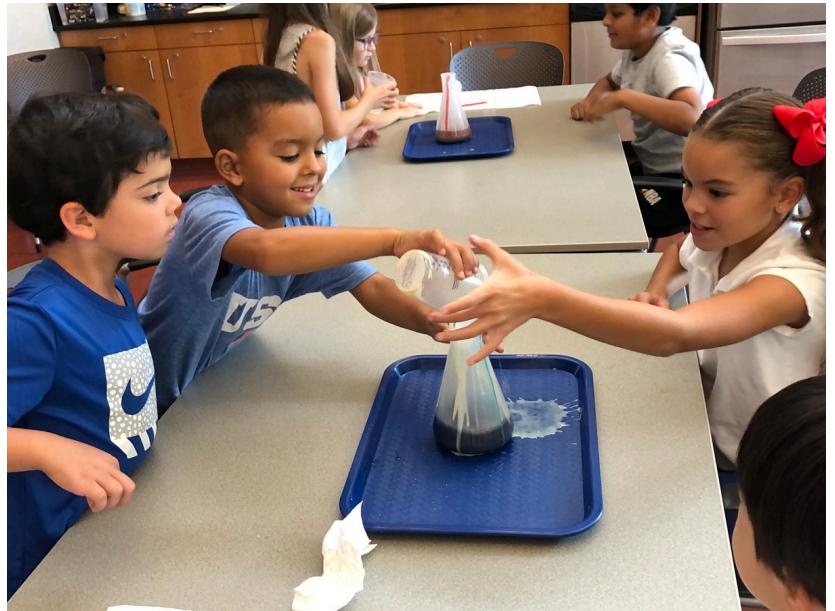
COMMUNITY EVENTS

Bridgeville staff took part in a number of community events including Day on the Avenue, Trunk or Treat, Winter Blast, and the Rotary's Annual Chili Cook-off.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

PARTNERSHIPS

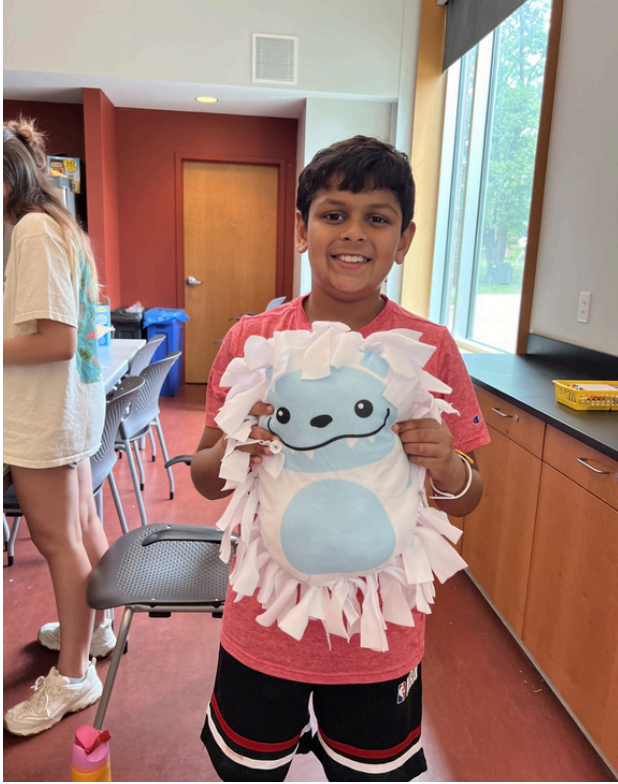
This summer, we partnered with The Pittsburgh Botanic Garden, Alcosan, Covestro, Chartiers Valley Primary School, the Allegheny County Park Rangers, Buffie Bakes, Kare Hartman, and SouthBridge EMT for a fun-filled time! In the fall, My Favorite Sweet Shoppe showed us how to make delicious treats and therapy dog, Oreo stopped by monthly to listen to stories.



STORYTIME, STEAM, AND MORE!

Our year was filled with five weekly story times, a monthly STEAM Club, American Girl Book Club, and monthly Family Fun events. All together, we held 334 children's programs, which were attended by 5,584 people!

Tween & Teen Programs



2024 was filled with tons of fun tween and teen programs. We hosted weekly TweenTastic and Teen Hangout nights, where attendees did everything from circuitry to creating pop art pet portraits. Teens also enjoyed a monthly Teen After Hours program. Themes included: Nerf Wars, a Hocus Pocus Escape Room, and an Interactive Movie.

In total, 101 tween and teen programs were held at the library, and 433 people attended them.



Adult Programs

This year, the library added a monthly Genre Gems book club to our roster of programs.

On top of our ongoing programs for adults, the library hosted a number of special events, including presentations and author talks.



These presentations included a meteorologist from the Pittsburgh National Weather Service, a local author, the Amateur Astronomers Association of Pittsburgh, and the Holocaust Center of Pittsburgh.



In total, the library hosted 145 adult programs, which were attended by 1,625 people.



2024 Friends of the Library Board

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The Friends had a busy year in 2024. 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 Spring Fashion and Vendor Show, Haunted Halloween at the Library, and Festival of Trees events.

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

Thank you to our Friends!



Thank You for a Great Year!

