

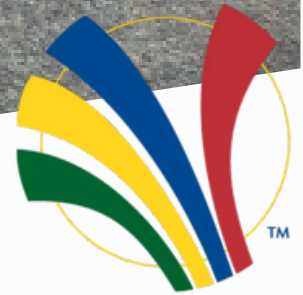
ANNUAL REPORT FY22



BETTENDORF PUBLIC LIBRARY



ABOUT BPL



MISSION STATEMENT:
THE BETTENDORF
PUBLIC LIBRARY
INFORMATION CENTER
IS COMMITTED TO
PROVIDING ACCESS TO
INFORMATION AND
IDEAS FOR ALL.

Vision

The Bettendorf Public Library Information Center will be a recognized free community resource, serving as a gateway to life-long learning which offers a diverse spectrum of innovative service, materials, and programming in support of:

- the pursuit of knowledge and information;
- the joy of reading and importance of literacy; social, educational, and cultural activities experience within inviting gathering spaces
- active engagement and collaboration with the City, schools and organizations

Values

The Bettendorf Public Library Information Center Board of Trustees, staff and volunteers are committed to supporting the following values:

- **Access:** we value free, full and equal access to information and a high quality collection of resources, library programs and services provided within welcoming and comfortable spaces.
- **Learning:** we value literacy, the joy of reading, and life-long learning for users of all ages.
- **Community:** we value the library as a public forum and community meeting space, encouraging open communication on a wide range of diverse ideas and information.
- **Engagement:** we value active engagement and collaboration with residents and community groups, enhancing the quality of life for Bettendorf residents.
- **Service:** we value quality customer service, providing equal, respectful, accurate and friendly service to all.
- **Intellectual Freedom:** we value the privacy of library users to freely access library resources while keeping user transactions and personal information confidential.



BPL ANNUAL STATISTICS

FY22 BY THE NUMBERS

NEW MATERIALS ADDED

15,644

DIGITAL COLLECTION CIRCULATION

41,978

PHYSICAL COLLECTION CIRCULATION

471,938

MATERIALS LOANED TO OTHER LIBRARIES

41,512

TOTAL NUMBER OF PROGRAMS

817

LIBRARY PROGRAM ATTENDANCE:

51,784

VISITS TO THE LIBRARY

179,107

PUBLIC COMPUTER SESSIONS:

18,696

NEW REGISTERED USERS:

2,095





FY22 HIGHLIGHTS

HOT SPOTS

In November 2021, BPL added a wireless hot spot lending service enabling library card holders to have free access to high speed Internet wherever they are.

INN-REACH INTERLIBRARY LOAN

To increase access to materials that are not readily available through RiverShare member libraries, Bettendorf Library card holders can request materials through the library's online catalog to have items shipped from libraries out of state.

STEM & STEAM KITS

In February 2022, the Youth Services Department added 29 STEM & STEAM kits available for checkout. Each kit includes different hands-on activities, experiments, and toys that encourage users to engage in critical thinking and problem-solving as they play.

QC BEATS

In partnership with the Davenport Public Library, St. Ambrose University, Common Chord (formerly River Music Experience) and Planet 93.9 KQCJ, BPL now offers access to an online streaming audio collection featuring local musicians.

SEED LIBRARY

BPL introduced our Seed Exchange Library in May 2022. Patrons are invited to take seeds from our collection and encouraged to harvest and donate seeds back to the library at the end of growing season to build the next year's selection.

GLOBAL GATHERINGS: WORLD TOUR

The 15th year of the Global Gatherings programming series was our largest yet, with over 35 online and in-person events taking participants of all ages on a "World Tour" instead of focusing on one country or region. Global Gatherings will return in 2024.

LIBRARY CARD DESIGN CONTEST

In Spring 2022, library patrons of all ages were invited to submit artwork for a library card design contest. The public voted for their favorite design during the month of June and the winners were made into limited edition cards for National Library Card Sign-Up Month in September.

CREATION STUDIO GRAND OPENING



On October 19th, 2021, the Library finally celebrated the grand opening of the newly expanded Creation Studio on the library's 2nd floor, with remarks from Mayor Bob Gallagher and Bettendorf Library Foundation Vice-President Ann Kappeler.

Today the Creation Studio hosts roughly 10 library-sponsored programs a month and 18 hours of open lab hours each week, encouraging Library users to explore their creativity and learn how to use new emerging technologies. Currently, the Creation Studio has two 3D printers, a heat press, large-format printer, Cricut-Maker, sewing machines, button makers, and more!



OUT & ABOUT

Our Outreach staff works hard to promote library resources and services to everyone in the community, and also to ensure those who are physically unable to visit the facility still have access to our collection and resources.



1,810 items delivered to senior living facilities



174 class visits to PV & Bettendorf Schools



129 individual homebound visits

SUMMER PROGRAMMING

After a two-year hiatus, the Summer Reading Program and our ever-popular Summer Concert Series returned to our regular programming schedule. 2,712 adults, teens, and children registered for the Summer Reading Program, and 4,305 people attended the 11 Summer Concerts hosted in Faye's Field from June to mid-August. These programs would not be possible without the generous support from the Bettendorf Library Foundation, Friends of the Bettendorf Library, and our many sponsors.





The Bettendorf Public Library Foundation is a nonprofit organization established in 1983 to seek private sector support for maintaining the excellence of programs and services offered by the Bettendorf Public Library. While tax dollars support operation costs, private gifts made through the Foundation help to support innovative new programs and services to meet the community's change needs and interests. The Library Foundation strives to ensure that the Bettendorf Public Library can continue to meet the needs of the community, today and tomorrow.

In FY22, the Library Foundation provided funding for our Global Gathering series, Free Comic Book Day, the Summer Concert Series and Summer Reading Program, as well as machines and tools for our newly renovated Creation Studio.

FY22 FOUNDATION GIFTS: \$56,905

The Friends of the Bettendorf Library are members of a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting and promoting the Bettendorf Library. The Friends contribute to the purchase of books, materials, programs for all ages, and other expenditures beyond the Library's budget.

In FY21 the Friends opened a book shop in the old café space. In response to increasing public demand, the book shop expanded its hours in FY22 and is now open from 10am-4pm Mondays-Wednesdays and 11am-3pm on Saturdays.

The Friends of the Library provided funding for our first year's subscription to Kanopy video streaming service; re-upholstering the benches by the fireplace; and sponsored many of our take home crafting kits.



FY22 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GIFTS: \$30,210

A collage of various books and documents. In the foreground, a person with curly hair is writing in a red notebook with a green pen. The background is filled with open books, some showing text, others with diagrams or illustrations. The overall theme is knowledge and learning.

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