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Regular Library Board Meeting

**Tuesday,
January 13, 2026
6:00 pm**

Hoffman Community Room
James Kennedy Public Library

Agenda Topics

1. Call to Order
2. Consider Approval of Agenda
3. Consider Approval of Agenda Consent Calendar
 - Correspondence & Communication
 - Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: December 9, 2025 Regular Meeting
 - Approve December Librarian's Report
 - Approve Bills:
 - January Bills
 - Claims Report for December
 - December & January Credit Card Claims
 - Budget Reports
 - December City Report
 - December Library Report
 - Trust Account Reports
 - December Bank Statements
 - December Balance Report
 - Trust Account Expenditure Report
 - December Donations
 - Program Reports
 - December Report of Programs and Attendance
 - December WhoFi Program Overview
 - January Schedule of Events
 - Schedule for Upcoming Programs
 - Quarterly Contract Use Reports
 - Statistics by City / Residence Area
 - Statistics by Contract / Service Area
 - Grant Report
 - Friends of the Library Report
 - JKPL Endowment Report
 - Strategic Planning Report

- Committee Reports
 - Executive Committee
 - Finance Committee
 - Fundraising, Marketing and Public Relations Committee
 - Furnishings, Art & Facilities Committee
 - Personnel Committee
 - Policy Committee
- 4. Library Director Evaluation
- 5. Consider Approval Revised FY26 JKPL Operating Budget
- 6. Consider Approval of FY2027 Library Operating Budget Request
- 7. Consider Approval of FY2027 Library Trust Account Budget Request
- 8. Consider Approval of FY2027 Library Capital Projects Request
- 9. Consider Approval of Internet Use Policy
- 10. Meetings and Training
 - City Council Attendance
 - Upcoming
 - Recently Attended
 - Trustee Training
- 11. Oral Presentations
- 12. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 10, 2026

Hello Board Members!

Here is the Packet for the January 13, 2026 Board meeting. Hope to see you all on Tuesday

1. Call to Order
2. Consider Approval of Agenda
3. Consider Approval of Agenda Consent Calendar
 - Correspondence & Communication
 - Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: December 9, 2025 Regular Meeting - **A**
 - Approve December Librarian's Report - **B**
 - Approve Bills:
 - January Bills - **C**
 - Claims Report for December - **D**
 - December & January Credit Card Claims - **E**
 - Budget Reports
 - December City Report - **F**
 - December Library Report - **G: The purple column labeled Revised December 25 is the revised budget that is being recommended by the Finance Committee. I included it here as the total matches the City Budget Report.**
 - Trust Account Reports
 - December Bank Statements - **H**
 - December Balance Report - **I**
 - Trust Account Expenditure Report - **J**
 - December Donations - **K**
 - Program Reports
 - December Report of Programs and Attendance - **L**
 - December WhoFi Program Overview - **M**
 - January Schedule of Events - **N**
 - Schedule for Upcoming Programs - **O: This document is not ready. I will try to have it for the Board meeting but with Budget prep, meetings and personal matters, I haven't gotten it complete yet. Monday is the Soup fundraiser and the City Planning meeting so I will have limited time to put this together. Added**
 - Quarterly Contract Use Reports
 - Statistics by City / Residence Area - **P**
 - Statistics by Contract / Service Area - **Q**
 - Grant Report - **No Report**
 - Friends of the Library Report - **Used Book Sale is January 23-26.**
 - JKPL Endowment Report - **R: Summary of Fund Activity for November 2025**
 - Strategic Planning Report - **No Report**

- Committee Reports
 - Executive Committee – **No Report**
 - Personnel Committee – **S-1: Notes from meeting; S-2: Proposed personnel budget**
 - Finance Committee – **T-1: Notes from meetings; T-2: Proposed FY27 Operating Budget; T-3: Budget Work Session Schedule**
 - Fundraising, Marketing and Public Relations Committee - **U**
 - Furnishings, Art & Facilities Committee – **No Report**
 - Policy Committee – **The policy committee reviewed the Internet Use Policy and recommend approval. There were no substantive changes. (Action Item 9 below)**

4. Library Director Evaluation
5. Consider Approval Revised FY26 JKPL Operating Budget – **Item 5**
6. Consider Approval of FY2027 Library Operating Budget Request – **See information in Finance Committee Notes for items 6, 7 and 8**
7. Consider Approval of FY2027 Library Trust Account Budget Request
8. Consider Approval of FY2027 Library Capital Projects Request
9. Consider Approval of Internet Use Policy
10. Meetings and Training
 - City Council Attendance - **February 2: Alycia Willenbring**
 - Upcoming - **2026 Iowa Libraries Online Conference (ILOC) on Thursday, Jan. 26 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**
 - Recently Attended
 - Trustee Training
11. Oral Presentations
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Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 10, 2026

A

James Kennedy Public Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes of December 9, 2025, Regular Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the James Kennedy Public Library was held on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, in the Hoffman Community Room. Present: Beth Derr, Alex Wiezorek, Catherine O'Hea, Melissa Kane, Danelle Schroeder, Monika Steffen, and Library Director Shirley Vonderhaar. Absent: Beth Gudenkauf, Alycia Willenbring, and Sally Kelly.

1. President Alex Wiezorek called meeting to order at 6:03 pm.
2. Catherine O'Hea appointed acting secretary by President Alex Wiezorek in Beth Gudenkauf's absence.
3. Consider Approval of Agenda
Steffen MOVED "Approval of Agenda," seconded by Kane.
Ayes: Derr, Wiezorek, O'Hea, Kane, Schroeder, and Steffen.
Nays: None
Motion CARRIED
4. Consider Agenda Consent Calendar
 - Correspondence & Communication
 - Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings: November 11, 2025 Regular Meeting
 - Approve November Librarian's Report
 - Approve Bills:
 - December Bills
 - Claims Report for November
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 - November City Report
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 - November Report of Programs and Attendance
 - November WhoFi Program Overview
 - November Schedule of Events
 - Schedule for Upcoming Programs
 - Grant Report – Discussed items being purchased using LTC Grant funds. Additional LTC Grant opportunity is available and is being reviewed by the Library Director.
 - Friends of the Library Report – Nothing new to report
 - JKPL Endowment Report – reviewed summary of Fund Activity for October 2025
 - Strategic Planning Report – Nothing new to report
 - Committee Reports
 - Executive Committee – nothing new to report.
 - Finance Committee – The Finance Committee shared report from December meetings with City Council members Tom Weshoff, Mike English, Mayor Jeff Jacque, and City Manager Mick Michel.

Meetings resulted in Michel being directed to include a \$10,000.00 budget amendment increase to the library as part of the upcoming City Budget Amendment process.

- Fundraising, Marketing and Public Relations Committee – Committee met prior to Regular meeting. Reviewed past and upcoming events. Seeking volunteers for soup fundraiser.
- Furnishings, Art & Facilities Committee – nothing new to report.
- Personnel Committee – nothing new to report.
- Policy Committee – nothing new to report.

Steffen MOVED "Approval of Agenda Consent Calendar," seconded by Schroeder.

Ayes: Derr, Wiezorek, O'Hea, Kane, Schroeder, and Steffen.

Nays: None

Motion CARRIED

5. Update on Library Director Evaluation – Evaluations were sent to trustees to complete. O'Hea waiting for all to be returned.

6. Consider approval of Library Director Request for payout of one (1) week of outstanding vacation time.

O'Hea MOVED "Approval of Library Director Request for payout of one (1) week of outstanding vacation time," seconded by Steffen.

Ayes: Derr, Wiezorek, O'Hea, Kane, Schroeder, and Steffen.

Nays: None

Motion CARRIED

7. Meetings and Training

- City Council Attendance: January 5: Melissa Kane
- Upcoming
- Recently Attended
- Trustee Training

8. Oral Presentations - None

9. Adjournment

Steffen MOVED to adjourn, seconded by Derr. Meeting ADJOURNED by Wiezorek at 6:27 pm.

Catherine O'Hea, Acting Secretary

Date

JAMES KENNEDY PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY REPORT

Librarian's report to the Board of Trustees

B

Month: December-25

YTD: July-25 to December-25

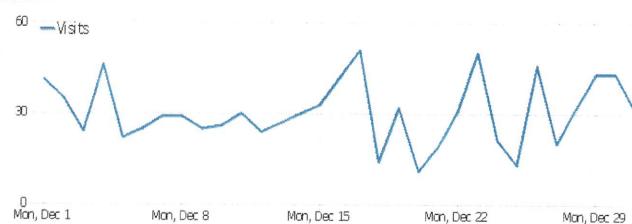
Previous YTD: July-24 to December-24

Month	Library visits		Items loaned		Library cards issued		
	4090	(↑ 10.5%)	7076	(↑ 5.6%)	13	20	(↓ 4.8%)
YTD	30131	(↑ 4%)	47720	(↑ 4.4%)	102	158	(↓ 0.6%)

Website traffic



Visits	Average visit duration
945	1:23



Computer use



Hours			Sessions		
Month	YTD	Prev. YTD	Month	YTD	Prev. YTD
134	1148	1227	329	2494	2548

Wifi use



Sessions		Visits		Unique visitors	
Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
961	6385	827	5386	319	1236

Meeting room use



Month	YTD	Prev. YTD
39	484	348

Online Learning

Sessions: 10
YTD: 678

Mometrix

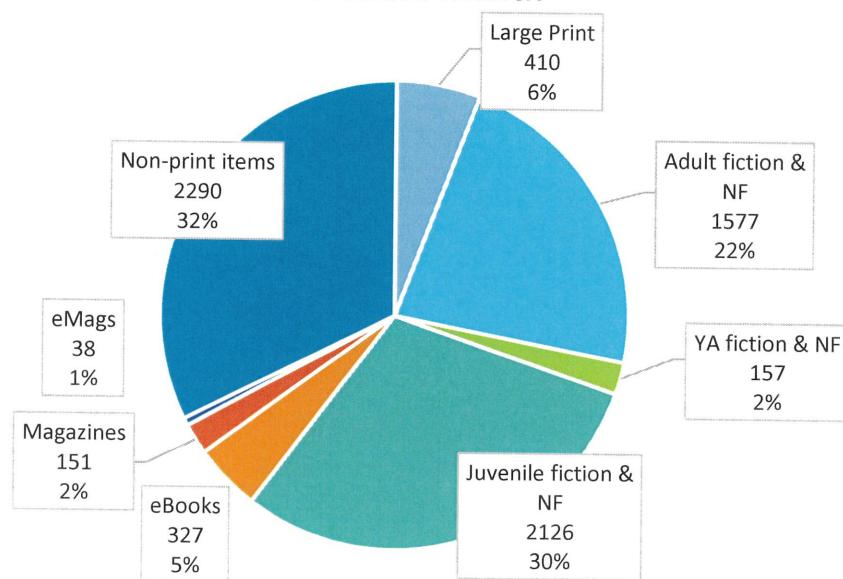
eLibrary

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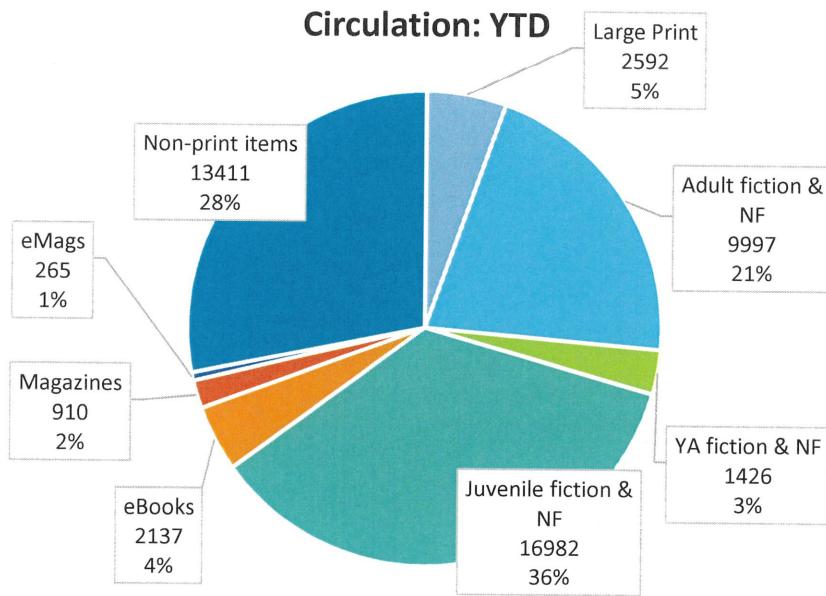
ACADEMY

Circulation

Circulation: Month



Circulation: YTD



Non-print items	Month	YTD
eAudio	644	3985
Adult & YA audio	96	566
Juvenile audio & kits	17	126
Adult & YA video	741	4561
Juvenile video & DVD	391	2023
Games, LoT, etc.	401	2150
2290	13411	

Music

Downloads: 2
Total YTD: 17



Video (film and TV)

Downloads: 9
YTD: 82



Visits: 154
YTD: 999



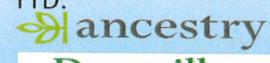
Languages

Sessions: 30
YTD: 233



Genealogy

Visits: 659
YTD: 2079



World Culture

Visits: 0
YTD: 30



Hobbies

Sessions: 21
YTD: 71



Sessions: 0
YTD: 0



Collection

Items purchased	
Month:	218
YTD:	1363

Items donated	
Month:	19
YTD:	217
Prev. YTD:	434

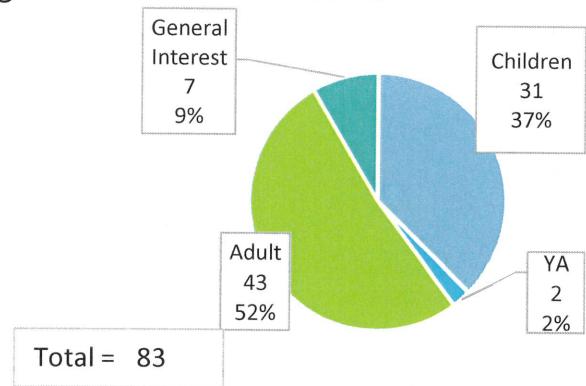
Items withdrawn		
	Month	YTD
Books	83	1310
Audio	0	3
Video	3	444
Other	1	60
Total	87	1817

Summary of additions

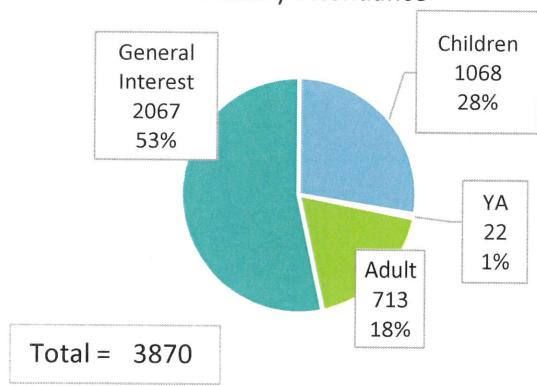
	Large print	Adult fiction	Adult & YA NF	YA fiction	Juvenile fiction	Juvenile NF	eBook & eAudio	Adult & YA audio	Juvenile audio	Adult & YA video	Juvenile video	CDs, games, misc.	Total
Current month	12	69	25	8	67	21	0	3	1	26	1	4	237
Previous month	9	32	17	14	33	0	0	5	1	23	0	7	141
Current YTD	85	429	171	96	418	59	57	20	3	168	31	43	1580
Previous YTD	130	455	213	92	369	91	46	34	2	178	49	32	1691

Programs

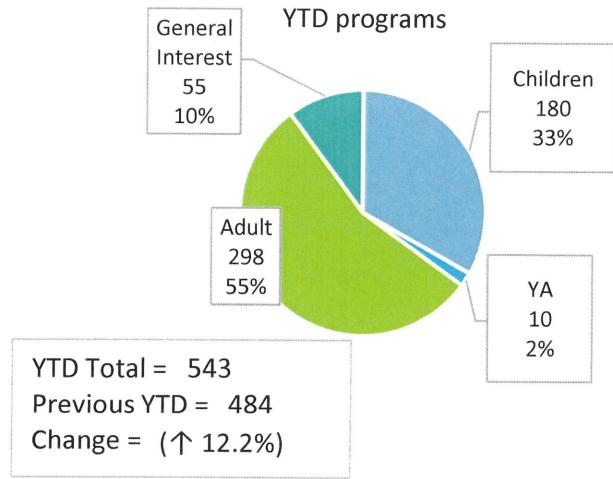
Monthly programs



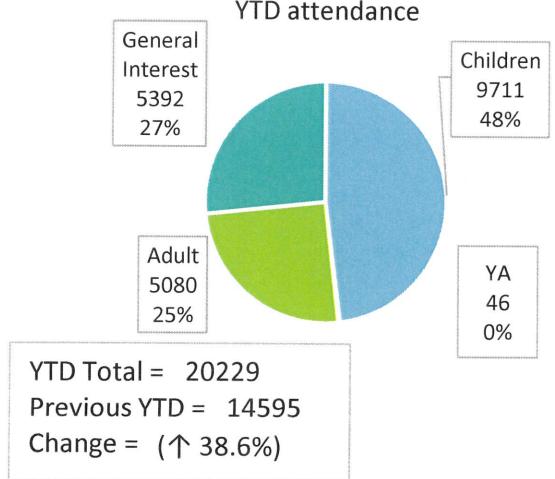
Monthly attendance



YTD programs



YTD attendance





Dyersville, IA

Expense Approval Register

Packet: APPKT02130 - Library Bills - January 2026

Vendor Name	Payable Number	Description (Item)	Account Number	Account Name	Amount
Fund: 001 - GENERAL FUND					
Department: 410 - LIBRARY					
IOWA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION	10645 - Schrandt	ILA Annual Dues	001-5-410-4-62100	DUES	135.00
IOWA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION	10921 - Palm	ILA Annual Dues	001-5-410-4-62100	DUES	35.00
IOWA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION	11000 Vonderhaar	ILA Annual Dues	001-5-410-4-62100	DUES	189.00
IOWA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION	11001 - Zurawski	ILA Annual Dues	001-5-410-4-62100	DUES	132.00
IOWA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION	11005 - Wiezorek	ILA Annual Dues	001-5-410-4-62100	DUES	150.00
MM MECHANICAL	i7127	Water Heater Maintenance	001-5-410-4-63750	MAINTENANCE	442.48
TRI-STATE AUTOMATIC SPRI...	49086	Sprinkler Inspection Contract	001-5-410-4-64316	CONTRACTS	296.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	01.02.26	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	12.05.25	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	12.12.25	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	12.19.25	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	12.26.25	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
POSTMASTER	12222025	Postage Stamps	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	61.00
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	Programs	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	49.27
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	156.50
BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING	2221159	CD Processing	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	14.75
COMPLETE OFFICE OF WISC...	32263	Building Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	28.99
COMPLETE OFFICE OF WISC...	33341	Building Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	83.50
COMPLETE OFFICE OF WISC...	41518	Cleaning Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	57.68
DEMCO EDUCATIONAL CORP	77450259	Processing Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	422.89
LIBRARY IDEAS	121060	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	524.04
AMAZON	16GD-CP1C-T6F1	Books - Returned	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-9.99
AMAZON	1C97-KYWX-RXY3	Books - Returned	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-6.40
AMAZON	1J7N-9QH1-Q6GD	DVD - Returned	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-23.49
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	Games	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	79.79
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	395.09
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	779.46
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	21.19
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	59.24
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	16.80
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	71.60
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	DVD	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	361.93
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	164.64
AMAZON	1LXN-VKPW-QXGG	Books - Returned	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-8.53
AMAZON	1NJ4-FVM4-PJYT	Books - Returned	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-40.00
CENTER POINT PUBLISHING	2216030	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	77.89
BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING	2221159	Audio Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	166.62
CENGAGE LEARNING	999101759528	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	87.98
CENGAGE LEARNING	999101779500	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	32.79
Department 410 - LIBRARY Total:					6,254.71
Fund 001 - GENERAL FUND Total:					6,254.71

Fund: 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND**Department: 410 - LIBRARY**

AFTER-MOUSE.COM	0001259	Play Table - Grant	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	6,890.00
FAREWAY STORES INC	00078984	Refreshments	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	11.06
FAREWAY STORES INC	00300895	Cookie Walk Plates	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	11.94
FAREWAY STORES INC	00301488	Old Fashioned Christmas Sup...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	20.97
FAREWAY STORES INC	00383926 Duplicate	Kids Can Cook Supplies - Dupl...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	-38.45
GUDENKAUF, BETH	01.02.2026	Blind Date Fundraiser	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	50.00
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	LTC Grant	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	70.98
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	1000 Books	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	15.51
AMAZON	1LTY-4KDJ-MN1F	Refreshments	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	12.86

Expense Approval Register**Packet: APPKT02130 - Library Bills - January 2026**

Vendor Name	Payable Number	Description (Item)	Account Number	Account Name	Amount
ACE HARDWARE	270675	Parade Supplies	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	27.87
HERITAGE PRINTING CO	4635	Parade Supplies	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	47.00
HERITAGE PRINTING CO	4654	Parade Supplies	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	84.00
HERITAGE PRINTING CO	4677	Parade Supplies	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	28.00
KANOPI INC	484913-PPU	Streaming Services	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	68.00
HOOPLA BY MIDWEST TAPE	508253200	Streaming Services	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	779.69
PLAYAWAY PRODUCTS	521114	Audio Books/Read Alongs - L...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	982.13
CENGAGE LEARNING	999101759528	Hoffman Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	28.79
CULINARY HELPING HANDS	Woo13833	Streaming Service - Annual	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	809.00
Department 410 - LIBRARY Total:					9,899.35
Fund 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND Total:					9,899.35
Grand Total:					16,154.06

Fund Summary

Fund	Expense Amount
001 - GENERAL FUND	6,254.71
002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND	9,899.35
Grand Total:	16,154.06

Account Summary

Account Number	Account Name	Expense Amount
001-5-410-4-62100	DUES	641.00
001-5-410-4-63750	MAINTENANCE	442.48
001-5-410-4-64316	CONTRACTS	296.00
001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	1,250.00
001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	874.58
001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS...	2,750.65
002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDI...	9,899.35
	Grand Total:	16,154.06

Project Account Summary

Project Account Key	Expense Amount
None	4,589.06
410AB	166.62
410AF	769.47
410AN	355.09
410DVD	338.44
410GAMES	79.79
410LP	204.92
410PF	583.28
410PN	16.80
410TGRANT	6,960.98
410TMEM	28.79
410TPROG	1,824.58
410YAF	164.64
410YAN	71.60
Grand Total:	16,154.06

The above presented claims, which included those covering the invoices attached, were presented and approved by the Board at the above dated meeting. You are directed to pay the same and include in the financial report.

President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Trustees

Date

D

James Kennedy Public Library
December 2025

Utilities and Contractual

Check issued to:	Purpose	Amount
Black Hills	Gas / Heat	372.84
Alliant Energy	Electricity	848.25
Access Systems	Copier contract	175.95
Total		\$1,397.04

Miscellaneous Bills

Check issued to:	Purpose	Amount
Giant Wash	Floor Mats	4.74
Preferred Health Choices	HRA admin fee	15.00
Total		\$19.74

December Budget

December 2025 Claims submitted	5,667.74
Utility and Contractual from Bills above	1,397.04
Miscellaneous Bills from above	19.74
Total wages and benefits	35,187.44
Total December 2025 expenses	\$42,271.96

- **Should match with City Expenditure Report, not including Trust Account Expenditures.**

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Credit Card Claims for December 2025 & January 2026

Date	Vendor	Items	Amount
12/10/2025	ALA	Online workshop fee	89.00
1/7/2025	ALA	Refunded / cancelled	-89.00
12/29/2025	WebstaurantStore	Food containers with lid (Soup fundraiser)	191.43
12/29/2025	WebstaurantStore	Tax refunded	-10.60
12/29/2025	WebstaurantStore	Cutlery sets (Soup fundraiser)	41.10

		Original Total Budget	Current Total Budget	Period Activity	Fiscal Activity	Variance (Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining
Fund: 001 - GENERAL FUND							
Expense							
<u>001-5-410-4-60100</u>	SALARIES	341,663.00	341,663.00	27,430.29	172,460.71	169,202.29	49.52 %
<u>001-5-410-4-61100</u>	FICA	21,183.00	21,183.00	1,653.52	10,409.56	10,773.44	50.86 %
<u>001-5-410-4-61200</u>	MEDICARE	4,954.00	4,954.00	386.74	2,434.73	2,519.27	50.85 %
<u>001-5-410-4-61300</u>	IPERS	32,253.00	32,253.00	2,387.61	15,663.06	16,589.94	51.44 %
<u>001-5-410-4-61500</u>	GROUP INSURANCE	45,536.00	45,536.00	3,319.75	19,810.11	25,725.89	56.50 %
<u>001-5-410-4-61700</u>	SUI	246.00	246.00	9.53	214.71	31.29	12.72 %
<u>001-5-410-4-62100</u>	DUES	850.00	850.00	0.00	-100.00	950.00	111.76 %
<u>001-5-410-4-62300</u>	MEETINGS/TRAINING	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	299.56	2,200.44	88.02 %
<u>001-5-410-4-63710</u>	ELECTRICITY	12,000.00	12,000.00	848.25	7,454.15	4,545.85	37.88 %
<u>001-5-410-4-63711</u>	GAS HEAT	3,000.00	3,000.00	372.84	879.17	2,120.83	70.69 %
<u>001-5-410-4-63750</u>	MAINTENANCE	8,000.00	8,000.00	300.75	486.38	7,513.62	93.92 %
<u>001-5-410-4-64080</u>	INSURANCE PREMIUM	10,500.00	10,500.00	15.00	75.00	10,425.00	99.29 %
<u>001-5-410-4-64316</u>	CONTRACTS	0.00	0.00	175.95	1,219.83	-1,219.83	0.00 %
<u>001-5-410-4-64322</u>	CONTRACTED SERVICES	13,600.00	13,600.00	1,368.00	6,276.00	7,324.00	53.85 %
<u>001-5-410-4-65060</u>	OFFICE SUPPLIES	20,500.00	20,500.00	143.37	4,085.02	16,414.98	80.07 %
<u>001-5-410-4-67274</u>	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS/EQUIPM	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	100.00 %
<u>001-5-410-4-67701</u>	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SUBSCRIP	42,000.00	42,000.00	3,860.36	27,807.82	14,192.18	33.79 %
Expense Total:		558,785.00	568,785.00	42,271.96	269,475.81	299,309.19	52.62%
Fund: 001 - GENERAL FUND Total:		558,785.00	568,785.00	42,271.96	269,475.81	299,309.19	52.62%
Fund: 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND							
Expense							
<u>002-5-410-4-67700</u>	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	40,000.00	40,000.00	4,139.79	15,684.28	24,315.72	60.79 %
Expense Total:		40,000.00	40,000.00	4,139.79	15,684.28	24,315.72	60.79%
Fund: 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND Total:		40,000.00	40,000.00	4,139.79	15,684.28	24,315.72	60.79%
Report Total:		598,785.00	608,785.00	46,411.75	285,160.09	323,624.91	53.16%

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James Kennedy Public Library FY26 Operating Budget							
	FY26	Revised				Received	
ESTIMATED REVENUES:	Requested	Dec-25	November	December	Jan (est)	to date	Difference
Dubuque County Library Agency	8,500.00	8,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,500.00
Fees from copier, R/P, etc.	3,500.00	3,500.00	294.05	449.10	300.00	2,256.91	1,243.09
Open Access	8,500.00	8,500.00	0.00	9,272.81	0.00	9,272.81	-772.81
Access Plus / ILL	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00	1,266.29	0.00	1,266.29	-66.29
Direct State Aid	2,100.00	2,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,023.90	76.10
TOTAL:	23,800.00	23,800.00	294.05	10,988.20	300.00	14,819.91	8,980.09
						14,819.91	8,980.09
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:							
PERSONAL SERVICES							Remaining
Wages	341,663.00	343,000.00	26,934.67	27,430.29	33,000.00	172,460.71	170,539.29
FICA	21,183.00	21,266.00	1,622.78	1,653.52	2,046.00	10,409.56	10,856.44
Medicare	4,954.00	4,974.00	379.59	386.74	478.50	2,434.73	2,539.27
IPERS	32,253.00	32,379.00	2,464.32	2,387.61	3,115.20	15,663.06	16,715.94
SUI	246.00	343.00	10.76	9.53	33.00	214.71	128.29
Group Insurance	45,536.00	45,000.00	3,319.75	3,319.75	3,320.00	19,810.11	25,189.89
Meetings and training	2,500.00	1,000.00	109.90	0.00	0.00	299.56	700.44
Dues and memberships	850.00	850.00	-300.00	0.00	641.00	-100.00	950.00
TOTAL:	449,185.00	448,812.00	34,541.77	35,187.44	42,633.70	221,192.44	227,619.56
						221,192.44	227,619.56
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:							
Utilities (telephone)			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Electricity	12,000.00	15,000.00	976.66	848.25	1,000.00	7,454.15	7,545.85
Gas / Heat	3,000.00	3,000.00	213.57	372.84	400.00	879.17	2,120.83
Insurance (bldg)	10,500.00	10,500.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	75.00	10,425.00
Legal Fees			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Custodial services	13,000.00	13,000.00	1,250.00	1,000.00	1,250.00	5,750.00	7,250.00
Window cleaning	600.00	600.00	0.00	368.00	0.00	526.00	74.00
Service / Maintenance Cont	8,000.00	8,000.00	315.56	175.95	296.00	1,219.83	6,780.17
TOTAL:	47,100.00	50,100.00	2,770.79	2,780.04	2,961.00	15,904.15	34,195.85
						15,904.15	34,195.85
SUPPLIES:							
General library supplies	9,000.00	9,000.00	503.67	88.83	825.31	2,202.82	6,797.18
Program fees & supplies	2,500.00	1,500.00	392.66	54.54	49.27	1,101.51	398.49
Marketing & advertising	1,000.00	1,000.00	26.98	0.00	0.00	780.69	219.31
Maintenance and Repairs	8,000.00	8,000.00	222.70	300.75	442.48	486.38	7,513.62
TOTAL	20,500.00	19,500.00	1,146.01	444.12	1,317.06	4,571.40	14,928.60
						4,571.40	14,928.60
BOOKS AND MATERIALS							
Adult fiction	8,000.00	6,000.00	1,037.93	767.47	769.47	4,772.65	1,227.35
Adult nonfiction	5,000.00	4,500.00	885.70	137.63	355.09	2,315.21	2,184.79
YA fiction	2,000.00	2,000.00	261.96	86.15	164.64	920.48	1,079.52
YA nonfiction	1,000.00	1,000.00	38.49	0.00	71.60	125.55	874.45
Juvenile fiction	8,500.00	7,000.00	1,100.55	768.18	583.28	4,579.23	2,420.77
Juvenile nonfiction	4,000.00	3,373.00	352.88	176.33	16.80	650.68	2,722.32
Large Print	3,500.00	3,000.00	93.01	428.92	204.92	942.66	2,057.34
Electronic media (ebooks, e)	10,000.00	8,000.00	680.47	684.98	0.00	4,439.24	3,560.76
Reference & electronic data	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,519.21	1,480.79
Periodicals and newspapers	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,004.76	995.24
Audiobooks (CD, playaway)	2,000.00	1,500.00	188.24	202.12	166.62	882.27	617.73
Software & Gaming	2,000.00	1,500.00	97.85	69.99	79.79	768.96	731.04
DVDs	5,000.00	4,500.00	673.81	538.59	338.44	2,745.13	1,754.87
SS / Creation Station / LoT	2,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	141.79	858.21
TOTAL:	60,000.00	50,373.00	5,410.89	3,860.36	2,750.65	27,807.82	22,565.18
						27,807.82	22,565.18
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	576,785.00	568,785.00	43,869.46	42,271.96	49,662.41	269,475.81	299,309.19
TOTAL REVENUES:	23,800.00	23,800.00	294.05	10,988.20	300.00	14,819.91	8,980.09
ACTUAL ASKING	552,985.00	544,985.00	43,575.41	31,283.76	49,362.41	254,655.90	290,329.10
						254,655.90	

James Kennedy Public Library FY26 Operating Budget								
	FY26	% Expended To date	FY25 Exp. thru Dec 24	Dec. 25 Expenses	Total FY25 expenses	Budget Projection	Amount Ov/Und	Ov/Und Budget
<u>ESTIMATED REVENUES:</u>	<u>Requested</u>							
Dubuque County Library Agency	8,500.00		0.00	0.00	0.00			
Fees from copier, R/P, etc.	3,500.00		1,560.68	240.59	1,320.09			
Open Access	8,500.00		8,324.01	8,324.01	0.00			
Access Plus / ILL	1,200.00		1,193.29	1,193.29	0.00			
Direct State Aid	2,100.00		2,060.42	0.00	2,060.42			
TOTAL:	23,800.00		13,138.40	9,757.89	3,380.51			
			13,138.40	3,380.51				
<u>ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:</u>								
<u>PERSONAL SERVICES</u>								
Wages	341,663.00	50.5%	163,354.50	26,733.91	136,620.59	408,519.60	-236,059	0.42
FICA	21,183.00	49.1%	9,862.12	1,613.19	8,248.93	25,325.62	-14,916	0.41
Medicare	4,954.00	49.1%	2,306.64	377.30	1,929.34	5,922.80	-3,488	0.41
IPERS	32,253.00	48.6%	14,908.72	2,339.57	12,569.15	38,256.44	-22,593	0.41
SUI	246.00	87.3%	204.24	9.23	195.01	257.64	-43	0.83
Group Insurance	45,536.00	43.5%	27,023.94	3,438.55	23,585.39	52,174.76	-32,365	0.38
Meetings and training	2,500.00	12.0%	1,484.18	0.00	1,484.18	2,500.00	-2,200	0.12
Dues and memberships	850.00	-11.8%	200.00	0.00	200.00	850.00	-950	-0.12
TOTAL:	449,185.00	49.2%	219,344.34	34,511.75	184,832.59	533,056.36	-311,864	0.41
			219,344.34	184,832.59				
<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:</u>								
Utilities (telephone)		NA	0.00	0.00	0.00	Zero	0	NA
Electricity	12,000.00	62.1%	5,726.85	784.11	4,942.74	13,903.66	-6,450	0.54
Gas / Heat	3,000.00	29.3%	664.34	379.16	285.18	6,988.64	-6,109	0.13
Insurance (bldg)	10,500.00	0.7%	328.00	15.00	313.00	11,003.19	-10,928	0.01
Legal Fees		NA	0.00	0.00	0.00	Zero	0	Nothing
Custodial services	13,000.00	44.2%	4,350.00	0.00	4,350.00	13,000.00	-7,250	0.44
Window cleaning	600.00	87.7%	368.00	368.00	0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Service / Maintenance Cont	8,000.00	15.2%	1,226.66	182.08	1,044.58	9,394.47	-8,175	0.13
TOTAL:	47,100.00	33.8%	12,663.85	1,728.35	10,935.50	54,544.13	-38,640	0.29
			12,663.85	10,935.50				
<u>SUPPLIES:</u>								
General library supplies	9,000.00	24.5%	4,401.89	1,579.08	2,822.81	14,034.60	-11,832	0.16
Program fees & supplies	2,500.00	44.1%	211.17	11.98	199.19	2,650.36	-1,549	0.42
Marketing & advertising	1,000.00	78.1%	489.39	35.25	454.14	1,077.62	-297	0.72
Maintenance and Repairs	8,000.00	6.1%	1,988.54	0.00	1,988.54	8,000.00	-7,514	0.06
TOTAL:	20,500.00	22.3%	7,090.99	1,626.31	5,464.68	26,600.88	-22,029	0.17
			7,090.99	5,464.68				
<u>BOOKS AND MATERIALS</u>								
Adult fiction	8,000.00	59.7%	4,485.23	956.74	3,528.49	10,169.18	-5,397	0.47
Adult nonfiction	5,000.00	46.3%	2,011.51	83.58	1,927.93	5,216.76	-2,902	0.44
YA fiction	2,000.00	46.0%	860.55	168.31	692.24	2,486.28	-1,566	0.37
YA nonfiction	1,000.00	12.6%	415.23	59.71	355.52	1,167.95	-1,042	0.11
Juvenile fiction	8,500.00	53.9%	2,784.33	248.91	2,535.42	9,334.47	-4,755	0.49
Juvenile nonfiction	4,000.00	16.3%	2,718.32	2,483.83	234.49	46,369.91	-45,719	0.01
Large Print	3,500.00	26.9%	1,011.41	104.81	906.60	3,904.63	-2,962	0.24
Electronic media (ebooks, e	10,000.00	44.4%	3,156.17	412.91	2,743.26	NA	NA	NA
Reference & electronic data	3,000.00	50.6%	19.06	0.00	19.06	3,000.00	-1,481	0.51
Periodicals and newspapers	4,000.00	75.1%	3,672.04	0.00	3,672.04	4,000.00	-995	0.75
Audiobooks (CD, playaway)	2,000.00	44.1%	973.35	141.83	831.52	NA	NA	NA
Software & Gaming	2,000.00	38.4%	539.99	19.99	520.00	2,076.88	-1,308	0.37
DVDs	5,000.00	54.9%	2,222.27	370.57	1,851.70	6,000.62	-3,255	0.46
SS / Creation Station / LoT	2,000.00	7.1%	484.34	123.59	360.75	2,685.18	-2,543	0.05
TOTAL:	60,000.00	46.3%	25,353.80	5,174.78	20,179.02	75,386.61	-47,579	0.37
			25,353.80	20,179.02				
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	576,785.00	46.7%	264,452.98	43,041.19	221,411.79	688,908.72	-419,433	0.39
TOTAL REVENUES:	23,800.00	62.3%	13,138.40	9,757.89	3,380.51	92,499.04	-77,679	0.16
ACTUAL ASKING	552,985.00	46.1%	251,314.58	33,283.30	218,031.28	637,400.25	-382,744	0.40
			171,689.54					



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Statement Ending 12/31/2025

CITY OF DYERSVILLE

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Account Number: XX4356

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Summary of Accounts

Account Type	Account Number	Ending Balance
BUSINESS MONEY MKT	XX4356	\$11,481.69

BUSINESS MONEY MKT - XX4356

Account Summary

Date	Description	Amount
11/29/2025	Beginning Balance	\$11,469.76
	1 Credit(s) This Period	\$11.93
	0 Debit(s) This Period	\$0.00
12/31/2025	Ending Balance	\$11,481.69

Interest Summary

Description	Amount
Interest Earned From 11/29/2025 Through 12/31/2025	
Annual Percentage Yield Earned	1.16%
Interest Days	33
Interest Earned	\$11.93
Interest Paid This Period	\$11.93
Interest Paid Year-to-Date	\$131.23
Minimum Balance	\$11,469.76
Average Ledger Balance	\$11,469.76
Average Available Balance	\$11,469.76

Other Credits

Date	Description	Amount
12/31/2025	INTEREST	\$11.93

1 item(s) totaling \$11.93

Daily Balances

Date	Amount
12/31/2025	\$11,481.69



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Date 12/31/25
 Primary Account 617571
 Enclosures 4

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CHECKING ACCOUNT

BUSINESS MONEY MARKET		Number of Enclosures
Account Number	617571	Statement Dates 12/01/25 thru 12/31/25 4
Previous Balance	104,656.58	Days in the statement period 31
4 Deposits/Credits	5,455.67	Average Ledger 107,505.73
1 Checks/Debits	4,139.79	Average Collected 107,431.84
Service Charge	.00	Interest Earned 59.30
Interest Paid	59.30	Annual Percentage Yield Earned 0.65%
Current Balance	106,031.76	2025 Interest Paid 469.14

ACTIVITY IN DATE ORDER			
Date	Description	Amount	Balance
12/02	Deposit/Credit	2,591.76	107,248.34
12/09	Deposit/Credit	1,806.45	109,054.79
12/11	Deposit/Credit	468.15	109,522.94
12/22	Transfer from x7571 to x5358 December claims	4,139.79-	105,383.15
12/31	Deposit/Credit	589.31	105,972.46
12/31	Interest Deposit	59.30	106,031.76

DAILY BALANCE INFORMATION					
Date	Balance	Date	Balance	Date	Balance
12/01	104,656.58	12/02	107,248.34	12/09	109,054.79
12/11	109,522.94	12/22	105,383.15	12/31	106,031.76

INTEREST RATE SUMMARY					
Date	Rate				
11/30	0.650000%				

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TRUST ACCOUNT REPORT for December 2025

American Trust / MidWestOne Bank - balance on hand July 1, 2025		Budgeted	Bank Account
July 31, 2025	\$ 11.15		\$ 11,415.35
August 29, 2025	\$ 10.44		\$ 11,426.50
September 30, 2025	\$ 11.53		\$ 11,436.94
October 31, 2025	\$ 11.18		\$ 11,448.47
November 28, 2025	\$ 10.11		\$ 11,459.65
December 31, 2025	\$ 11.93		\$ 11,469.76
			\$ 11,481.69 <i>H-1</i>
Fidelity Bank and Trust			
Balances November 30, 2025		\$ 28,455.51	\$104,656.58
Deposits			
December 2, 2025			
Betty Anne Scherrman donation	\$ 2,000.00		
Wreath-it-up fundraiser	\$ 310.00		
Cookie Walk donations	\$ 315.00		
Cash for making change	\$ (50.00)		
Conscience Box	\$ 1.76		
Friends booksale / donation	\$ 15.00	<u>\$ 2,591.76</u>	
December 9, 2025			
In Memory of John Wade	\$ 320.00		
Blind date with a book fundraiser	\$ 80.00		
Cathy Loecke donation for Old Fashioned Xmas	\$ 15.00		
Cookie Walk donations	\$ 10.00		
Cookie Walk fundraiser	\$ 1,056.00		
Deposit Cash for making change	\$ 100.00		
Candy / Snack sales	\$ 56.00		
Conscience Box	\$ 2.15		
Friends booksale / donation	\$ 6.75	<u>\$ 1,645.90</u>	
GF deposited to Trust / to be corrected	\$ 160.55	<u>\$ 1,806.45</u>	
December 11, 2025			
Blind Date with a Book fundraiser	\$ 130.00		
Wreath-it-up fundraiser	\$ 60.00		
Cookie Walk Fundraiser	\$ 264.00		
Conscience Box	\$ 7.65		
Friends booksale / donation	\$ 6.50	<u>\$ 468.15</u>	
December 31, 2025			
Caryl Willelborg donation for staff refreshments	\$ 25.00		
Cookie Walk fundraiser	\$ 53.00		
Blind Date with a Book fundraiser	\$ 465.00		
Conscience Box	\$ 4.06		
Friends booksale / donation	\$ 42.25	<u>\$ 589.31</u>	
December 31, 2025			
Interest	\$ 59.30	<u>\$ 59.30</u>	<u>\$ 5,514.97</u>

Debits:

December 22, 2025

Kanopy	\$ 43.00
Hoopla	\$ 766.88
Hot spots (annual fee for 10)	\$ 1,522.60
Candy / Snacks for Fundraiser	\$ 157.58
Love My Library - games	\$ 159.97
Cookie Walk Fundraiser supplies	\$ 114.65
Xmas Parade expenses (donations)	\$ 154.01
Hoffman Memorial	\$ 29.59
Books for SRP 2026 (Friends)	\$ 131.80
Books for popup library (Friends)	\$ 289.00
Books for 1000 Bks (Friends)	\$ 500.00
Storywalk (Friends)	\$ 49.00
Cricut annual fee	\$ 102.59
Kids Can Cook Expenses (grant / fundraising / donations)	\$ 119.12 \$ 4,139.79

Balances December 31, 2025

\$ 24,315.72 \$ 106,031.76 H-2

Trust Account Income & Expenditure Report FY26

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as of 7/1/2025		in account	New Deposits	EXPENDITURES:		REMAINING:
Amount in MidWest One		\$11,415.35				
Amount in Fidelity		\$101,989.82				
INCOME:						
DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS:						
Remaining from Fundraisers prior to FY23		\$5,185.54				\$4,352.16
Fundraising total from FY24 - Chair-ity / Wreath, Book Art, Build-a-Basket, Plant, Merch, Quilt & Garage Sale		\$5,550.97				
Estimated for Kanopy: \$600				Jul-25 Kanopy	\$49.00	\$359.00
				Dec-25 Kanopy	\$43.00	
Estimated for Hoopla: \$7000				Jul-25 Hoopla	\$763.93	\$2,429.65
				Dec-25 Hoopla	\$766.88	
Estimated for Facebook / Meta: \$200				Jul-25 Facebook ads	\$15.44	\$149.60
Estimated for annual hotspots \$1500				Dec-25 Hot spots	\$1,522.60	-\$22.60
Fundraising Events	Brought forward					\$28,310.17
Chairity & Wreath-it-up						\$499.03
	Dec-25		\$370.00			
Cookie Walk	FY24	\$1,721.16				\$3,493.08
	FY25	\$1,771.92				
Donations	Dec-25		\$325.00			
Fundraiser	Dec-25		\$1,373.00	Dec-25 Plates & bags	\$114.65	
Soup Fundraiser	FY24	\$938.03				\$2,159.61
Sales	FY25	\$1,221.58				
Love My Library 2025	FY25	\$3,227.00		Aug-25 LML/ebks & bks	\$165.96	\$2,265.55
				Dec-25 LML/ Games	\$159.97	
Mystery Dinner	FY24	\$807.14				\$2,211.14
	FY25	\$1,404.00				
Build-a-basket	FY25	\$2,243.00				\$2,243.00
Snack & Candy Sales	FY23 & 24	\$478.72				\$667.64
	Dec-25		\$56.00	Dec-25 Candy / snacks	\$157.58	
Merchandise sales						\$25.00
Plant Sale	FY25	\$752.00				\$752.00
DTSN fundraiser	FY23 & 24	\$126.00				\$18.99
	FY25	\$47.00		Dec-25 Xmas parade	\$154.01	
Puzzle Tables (Textile)	Oct-25		\$900.00			\$1,195.16
Puzzle Twists (Textile)	Oct-25		\$305.00	Oct-25 Puzzles	\$149.85	
Textile Brewing donation	Nov-25		\$150.00	Nov-25 Jail / twists	\$9.99	
Blind Date with a book	Nov-25		\$110.00			\$785.00
	Dec-25		\$675.00			
Cash to make change	Nov-25		-\$100.00			
Deposit cash back	Dec-25		\$100.00			
Cash to make change	Dec-25		-\$50.00			
Donations	Total Brought forward					\$18,315.24
Unspecified donations brought forward		\$118.50		Nov-25 Parade	\$97.44	\$21.06
William's Chiropractic	16/17	\$197.35		Dec-25 Cricut fee	\$102.59	\$94.76
BA Scherrman	Previous	\$10,818.75				\$12,818.75
	Dec-25		\$2,000.00			
Willenborg - for staff ref.	Dec-25		\$25.00			
Loecke - Olde Fash Xmas	Dec-25		\$15.00			\$15.00
Miscellaneous Donations Total						\$17,547.52
Conscience Box	Remaining	\$2,222.59				\$2,479.45
	Dec-25		\$15.62			
Friends total remaining						\$3,471.29
Friends - bksale	Remaining	\$576.36				\$1,295.51
	Dec-25		\$70.50			

Friends - FY24 SRP carryover		\$1,327.37		Aug-25	Books	\$937.11	\$390.26
Friends - FY25 SRP	Mar-25	\$1,295.19		Aug-25	Children's SRP	\$500.00	\$795.19
Pop-up Library books	Mar-25	\$500.00		Oct-25	books	\$298.00	-\$87.00
				Dec-25	Books	\$289.00	
Kennedy Donation for art or building	Remaining	\$2,185.70					\$2,185.70
Kay Their Bequest	Remaining	\$1,000.00					\$1,000.00
Soppe Bequest - genealogy /	Remaining	\$19,177.53					\$19,177.53
Bequests & Specified donations - Total Remaining							\$22,363.23
Memorials or In Honor of							
Billie B. Rardin	Remaining	\$2,547.19					\$6,472.19
Virgie Hoffman (Schrandt)	Nov-25		\$60.00	Dec-25	Books	\$29.59	\$30.41
John Wade (family)	Dec-25		\$300.00				\$300.00
John Wade (Eick)	Dec-25		\$20.00				\$20.00
Memorials or "In Honor Of" - Total Remaining							\$8,606.96
GRANTS:							
1000 Books (DRA & Friends)	Remaining	\$58.12					\$18,121.45
Books - Friends	Oct-25		\$500.00	Dec-25	Books	\$500.00	\$58.12
StoryWalk® Grant / DRA	Remaining	\$0.00		Aug-25	SW laminating	\$35.99	\$899.61
Ongoing - Friends	Oct-25		\$1,000.00	Nov-25	books	\$15.40	
				Dec-25	laminating	\$49.00	
Kids Can Cook - DACF	Remaining	\$4,607.83					\$4,353.64
				Dec-25	KCC ingredients	\$119.12	
DACF / 26 SLP books	Sep-25		\$1,500.00				\$2,868.20
Friends match	Oct-25		\$1,500.00	Dec-25	SRP Books	\$131.80	
INTEREST DEPOSITS							
remaining from previous years		\$4,918.84					\$4,773.10
	FY25	\$398.60					
	Dec-25		\$59.30				
GF deposited in error	Dec-25		\$160.55				
TOTAL Available		\$113,405.17	\$83,372.25	EXPENDITURES:		\$79,330.31	\$106,031.76

Memorials, Fundraisers, and Donations – December 2025

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From: **Betty Anne Scherrman**
Donation: \$2,000.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Annual donation

From: **Family of John Wade**
Donation: \$300.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: In Memory of John Wade

From: **Cathy Loecke**
Donation: \$15.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Donation for Old Fashioned Christmas refreshments

From: **Caryl Willenborg**
Donation: \$25.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Donation for staff refreshments

From: **Candy / Snacks Fundraiser**
Donation: \$56.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Fundraiser for library collections & services

From: **Miriam Eick**
Donation: \$20.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: In Memory of John Wade

From: **Cookie Walk Donations**
Donation: \$325.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Fundraiser for library collections & services

From: **Cookie Walk Fundraiser**
Donation: \$1,373.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Fundraiser for library collections & services

From: **Wreath It Up**
Donation: \$370.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Fundraiser for library collections & services

From: **Blind Date with a Book Fundraiser**
Donation: \$675.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Fundraiser for library collections & services

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James Kennedy Public Library Monthly Program Report
Report for the Month of December 2025

Adult Crafternoon (1st Monday of each month) – Photo Christmas Ornament (A) December 8, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 2 hrs (pd) Supplies: Plastic ornaments, card stock, copies of instructions	In person/Onsite/ Kit Attendance: 4 Kits distributed: 24
Books for Lunch Book Club (1st Monday) – <i>My Grandmother Asked ...</i> (A) December 1, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hr (pd) Supplies: Books borrowed via ILL, available electronically; Computer, OWL and Zoom software Refreshments	Hybrid (In person & zoom) Participants: 8
Bingo Party - (3 rd Monday of each month) (A) December 15, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 3 hr (pd) Supplies: Bingo cards and machine; Donated items & library swag for prizes	In person / Onsite Participants: 6
Building Creativity one Block at a Time (LEGO® program) (Monthly) (C) December 13, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hrs (pd) Supplies: Legos and snacks	In person / Onsite Participants: 8
Cricut with Christopher (Offered irregularly) – Not held this month	
Dungeons & Dragons Club (Monthly) (GI): December 13, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hrs (pd) Supplies: None ; no participants	Hybrid / Discord Participants: 0
Ellen Kennedy Living Center Program – (4th Friday) (A) : Chicken Soup reading December 29, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1.25 hr (pd) Supplies: None	In person / Offsite Participants: 6
Euchre Party (Fridays of each month) (A) December 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2025 (4 sessions) Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) Supplies: Decks of cards, suit die, scrap paper, refreshments	In person / Onsite Participants: 30
Game Night (4 th Saturday of each Month) (GI): December 26, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 2.5 Supplies: Board games, snacks	In person / Onsite Participants: 8
Genealogy with Ann (Monthly) (A) December 1, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 2 hrs (pd) Supplies: Copies, laptop	In person / Onsite Participants: 3
Health & Wellness 365 (Monthly) (A) : December 4, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) 1 hr (vol) Supplies: Presentation and snack provided by Colleen NEI3A	In person / Onsite Participants: 7
Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith Book Club (2 nd Tues of each month) (A)	Hybrid (In person & Zoom)
December 9, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 2.25 hrs (pd) Supplies: ILL books, Computer, OWL, & Zoom software	Participants: 6

JKPL Writing Group (4th Tuesday of each Month) (A)

December 30, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – .5 hrs (pd)

Supplies: None

In person / Onsite
Participants: 0

Mercy One Senior Care Program (Monthly) (A): Read Stories

December 26, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 1.25 hrs (pd)

Supplies: None

In person / Offsite
Participants: 7

Sit 'n' Stitch (Wednesdays of each month) (A)

December 3, 10, 17, & 31, 2025 (4 sessions)

Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) 8 hrs (vol)

Supplies: Refreshments and Craft supplies provided by participants;
Zoom room set up upon request.

Hybrid (In person & Zoom)
Participants: 47

Strength Training for Older Adults (Mondays & Thursdays @ 9:30 and 10:30) (A)

December 1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, & 29, 2025 (16 sessions / 2 each day)

Time for preparation & performance – 16 hrs (pd)

Supplies: GeriFit DVDs, projection system, water (if needed)
Participants supply stretch band, weights and water for own use

In person / Onsite
Participants: 131

Strings Club (4th Monday of each month) (A) – Not held this month

Elf – All-Abilities Movie Event (A)

December 1, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd)

Supplies: Popcorn & soda

In Person / Onsite
Participants: 6

Tween Craft Afternoons – Button Wreath (C)

December 3, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hr (pd)

Supplies: Old cds, buttons, ribbon, etc.

In person / Onsite
Participants: 4

Celebrate National Cookie Day (GI)

December 4, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 3 hrs (pd)

Supplies: Copies of activities, trivia, etc. Cookie platter for prize
25 kits; 34 voters for favorite cookie

Passive
Participants: 59

Sustainability & Conservation at Home (A)

December 4, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – .25 hr (pd)

Supplies: No one signed up so Dubuque County Conservation cancelled

In Person / Onsite
Participants: 0

Snowball Fight Storytime (PreK)

December 6, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hr (pd)

Supplies: Books, etc.

In Person / Onsite
Participants: 35

Ice Fishing for Kids (C)

December 6, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 5 hr (pd)

Supplies: Craft kits donated by English Insurance; originally schedule for Merry Mingle
Market; moved to JKPL when Market was cancelled.

In person / Onsite
Participants: 57

JKPL Pop-up Library (GI)

December 6, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 5 hr (pd)

Supplies: Free books and pop-up library supplies; originally schedule for Merry Mingle
Market; moved to JKPL when Market was cancelled.

In person / Onsite
Participants: 57

Float in Lighted Christmas Parade (GI)

December 6, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 5.5 hr (pd) 58 hrs (vol)

Supplies: Supplies to create Home Alone theme for float; Alycia W volunteered time to create float; Bill V. pulled and 4 volunteers walked and gave away candy, etc.

In person / Offsite

Participants: 1800

Book Talks @ Xavier – 2nd & 3rd Grade (C)

December 10, 2025 (2 sessions)

Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hrs (pd)

Supplies: Coloring packets, books

In person / Offsite

Participants: 44

Tween Craft Afternoons – Kandinsky Tree (C)

December 10, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hr (pd)

Supplies: Construction paper, glue, markers, etc.

In person / Onsite

Participants: 9

Best Christmas Pageant Ever – Family Movie Event (C)

December 13, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd)

Supplies: Popcorn and soda

In Person / Onsite

Participants: 11

Olde Fashioned Christmas (A)

December 14, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 3 hr (pd) 20 hr (vol)

Supplies: Sponsored by Senior Advisory Group; 9 volunteers worked this event

In Person / Offsite

Attendance: 38

Become a Dementia Friend (A)

December 16, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 (pd) 1 hr (vol)

Supplies: Presented by Nancy Fett, Dementia Friendly Iowa

In person / Onsite

Participants: 11

Create with Audrey – Rubber Band Bracelets: An All Abilities Program (A)

December 18 & 19, 2025 (2 sessions)

Time for preparation & performance – 3.5 hrs (pd)

Supplies: Rubber bands, etc.

In Person / Onsite

Participants: 7

Story Time: (Weekly at 10:30 am and 6:30 pm) (PreK)

December 3, 10, & 17, 2025 (5 sessions) 1 session cancelled

Time for preparation & performance – 5.5 hrs (pd)

Supplies: Library books, songs, etc.

In person / Onsite

Participants: 38

OutReads (Storytimes at area schools and daycares) (PreK)

December 2, 4, 9, 16, 2025 (10 sessions)

Time for preparation & performance – 5.5 hrs (pd)

Supplies: Books and presentation supplies

In person / Offsite

Participants: 194

Tween Craft Afternoons – Ornament Painting (C)

December 17, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hr (pd)

Supplies: Ornaments, paint, etc.

In person / Onsite

Participants: 10

Mock-a-movie Night for Teens (YA)

December 19, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 3 hr (pd)

Supplies: Movie, popcorn and soda

In person / Onsite

Participants: 7

The Last Christmas – Movie Event (A)

December 20, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd)

Supplies: Popcorn and soda

In Person / Onsite

Participants: 4

Nerf War (YA)

December 20, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 4.5 hr (pd)
Supplies: Nerf ammo, etc.In Person / Onsite
Participants: 15**Live Holiday Music (GI)**

December 21, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) 21 hrs vol
Supplies: Strings Club (7 musicians) presented; refreshmentsIn Person / Onsite
Participants: 25**The Mitten Storytime with Dubuque County Conservation (C)**

December 23, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 1 hrs (pd) 2 hrs
Supplies: Presented by Naturalist from DCCIn person / Onsite
Participants: 13**Family New Year's Celebration Activity Kits (C)**

December 26, 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd)
Supplies: Copies, misc. craft suppliesPassive program
Participants: 94Facebook Views / Engagements: 316 / 12
YouTube Views: 8**Upcycled Greeting Cards (A)**

December 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 2 hr (pd)
Supplies: Donated greeting cards, card stock, tape runner and envelopesPassive program
Kits: 66**StoryWalk® - *Snowflakes on our Tongues* (C)**

December 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 4.5 hrs (pd)
Supplies: Books and laminatingPassive / outdoor program
Participants: 50**Kid's Scavenger Hunt: Ice Cream (C)**

December 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 1 hrs (pd)
Supplies: Color copies of scavenger hunt form, laminated pictures, stickers for prizesPassive program
Participants: 144**Pretend Play Station: Ice Cream Shoppe (PreK)**

December 2025

Time for preparation & performance – .5 hrs (pd)
Supplies: Copies, signs (laminated), play sets, etc.Passive program
Participants: 288**Coloring, Creating & Doing (A)**

December 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 3.25 hrs (pd)
Supplies: Copies of coloring pages and activitiesPassive program
Kits: 289**Get Puzzled @ Your Library (A)**

December 2025

Time for preparation & performance - .25 hrs (pd)
Supplies: PuzzlePassive program
Participants: 37**Kids Can Craft: Create a Snow Pet Challenge (C)**

December 2025

Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd)
Supplies: Copies, markers, colors, cotton balls, etc.; Items for prizePassive program
Kits: 50**Creation Station Craft: Beaded Tree Ornament (PreK)**

December 2025

Time for preparation & performance – 1 hrs (pd) 5 hrs (vol)
Supplies: Beads, pipe cleaners, misc. craft suppliesPassive / Recording / Make and Take
Kits distributed: 120
Facebook Views / Engagements: 291 / 4
YouTube Views: 13

Programs held in November but still hosted and available to view or engage with on social media:

December 1-31, 2025 – 1 program

Facebook Views / Engagements: 24/1
YouTube Views: 3

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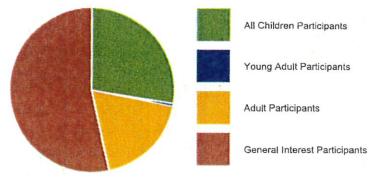
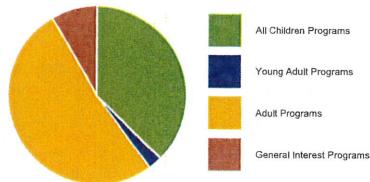
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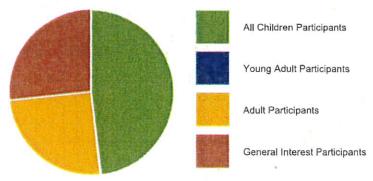
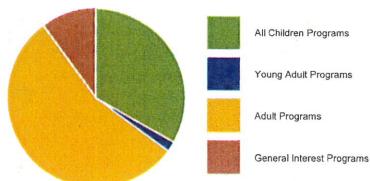
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Young Adult Programs	2	2.41%	Young Adult Participants	22	0.57%
Adult Programs	43	51.81%	Adult Participants	713	18.42%
General Interest Programs	7	8.43%	General Interest Participants	2067	53.41%
Total Programs	83		Total Participants	3870	



Year in Review

Overview

All Children Programs	180	33.15%	All Children Participants	9711	48%
Young Adult Programs	10	1.84%	Young Adult Participants	46	0.23%
Adult Programs	298	54.88%	Adult Participants	5083	25.12%
General Interest Programs	55	10.13%	General Interest Participants	5392	26.65%
Total Programs	543		Total Participants	20232	



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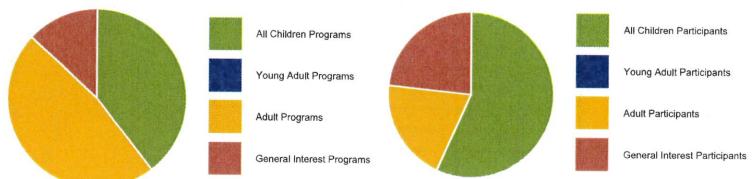
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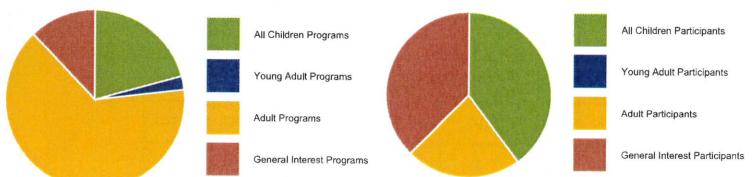
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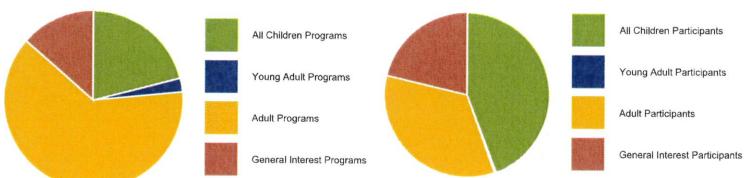
July					
Overview					
All Children Programs	39	39.39%	All Children Participants	2176	56.68%
Young Adult Programs	0	0%	Young Adult Participants	0	0%
Adult Programs	47	47.47%	Adult Participants	766	19.95%
General Interest Programs	13	13.13%	General Interest Participants	897	23.37%
Total Programs	99		Total Participants	3839	



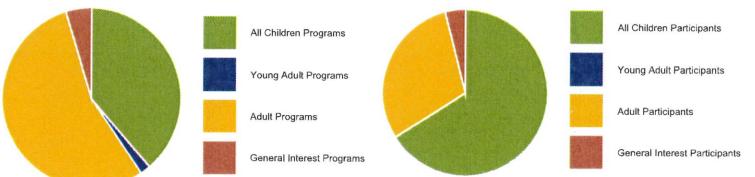
August					
Overview					
All Children Programs	17	20.73%	All Children Participants	1617	39.79%
Young Adult Programs	2	2.44%	Young Adult Participants	3	0.07%
Adult Programs	53	64.63%	Adult Participants	918	22.59%
General Interest Programs	10	12.2%	General Interest Participants	1526	37.55%
Total Programs	82		Total Participants	4064	



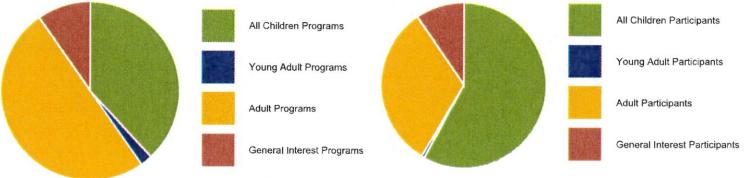
September					
Overview					
All Children Programs	17	20.99%	All Children Participants	1121	44.19%
Young Adult Programs	2	2.47%	Young Adult Participants	8	0.32%
Adult Programs	51	62.96%	Adult Participants	867	34.17%
General Interest Programs	11	13.58%	General Interest Participants	541	21.32%
Total Programs	81		Total Participants	2537	



October					
Overview					
All Children Programs	41	38.68%	All Children Participants	2463	65.96%
Young Adult Programs	2	1.89%	Young Adult Participants	0	0%
Adult Programs	58	54.72%	Adult Participants	1121	30.02%
General Interest Programs	5	4.72%	General Interest Participants	150	4.02%
Total Programs	106		Total Participants	3734	



November					
Overview					
All Children Programs	35	38.04%	All Children Participants	1266	57.86%
Young Adult Programs	2	2.17%	Young Adult Participants	13	0.59%
Adult Programs	46	50%	Adult Participants	698	31.9%
General Interest Programs	9	9.78%	General Interest Participants	211	9.64%
Total Programs	92		Total Participants	2188	



Library closed: Thursday, January 1



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Winter Wonderland Library Challenge: January 2–February 28

The JKPL is once again offering a winter library program. This year, participants will be using a new activity sheet to track their participation.



- Complete activities and read to earn prize entries.
- For each snowflake completed, the participant will earn an entry into the prize drawings (max of 5 entries per person)
- Several prize options, for various ages and interests, will be available to choose from.
- Those that complete the program, will earn a canvas book bag and be able to adopt an item to be added to the library collection.
- All ages of readers are welcome.
- Everyone will get a free book just for signing up!
- Activity sheets are available on or after January 2, or can be printed from the library website.

Creation Station Craft: Cotton Ball Penguin: January 2–31.

Stop in and craft in the Creation Station at the library or grab a kit and create at home! This month's craft uses cotton balls to create a fluffy penguin. Kits include how-to instructions plus all needed supplies except for glue and scissors. A video demonstration will also be available to view on the JKPL Facebook and YouTube channel. Kits available while supplies last.



Upcycled Greeting Card Kits: January 2–31. Want a unique card for someone special? Pick up one of these kits that use the front of an old greeting card combined with glue and cardstock to make an entirely new card. Each card kit includes a greeting card front with coordinating cardstock and an envelope. You will need to supply the glue. Kits are available while supplies last.

Coloring, Creating and Doing @ Your Library: January 2–31. The JKPL is continuing to offer coloring pages, dot to dot, crosswords, sudoku, and other activity pages for you to enjoy at the library or at home. They are intended for adults and teens. Each pack will include at least 10 different items and are available while supplies last. If you want to work on the activities while at the library, colored pencils, markers, and more are available in the Creation Station or to check out from the front desk.

Get Puzzled @ Your Library: January 2–31. Stop in the library this month to help us put together a new jigsaw puzzle. This month's puzzle is *Home Cooking*. The puzzle is located on the table under the skylight and everyone is welcome to add a piece or two or more. Everyone who works on the puzzle is encouraged to put their name into a drawing to win the puzzle. Please stop at the front desk to get your name entered.

Westside Park StoryWalk®: "Snowflakes On Our Tongues" by Mike Ornstein: January 2–31 (dates are dependent on weather). Families are invited to walk the StoryWalk® at Westside Park which begins south of the parking lot by the baseball diamond. Walk the trail and read the story to your children. *The StoryWalk® is made possible by the Dubuque Racing Association, Friends of the Library, and the Richard Osterhaus Memorial Fund. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library.* Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.



Euchre Card Party: Fridays, January 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 1:00–3:30 pm. Join us Friday afternoons for Euchre in the Hoffman Room. Come meet, teach, and play with other players.

Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program: Saturday, January 3 from

10:00–11:00 am. Join us for this monthly LEGO® program that is for children of all ages. Those under the age of 7 must be accompanied by an adult or older partner. Photos of the creations are displayed in the children's area of the library and on the library's social media pages. All children who participate have their names entered into a quarterly drawing for a special LEGO® related prize provided by DuTrac. Sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union.



Teen Quiz Bowl: Saturday, January 3 @ 4:00 pm

Want to test your knowledge and try to win some prizes? Join us for a Library Teen Quiz Bowl! The game will consist of 3 rounds consisting of 2 questions on each of the core subjects which include Arts, Literature, Science, Pop Culture, and History. Participants can sign up for one of three teams (Max 6 players per team). Registration is requested, and walk-ins are welcome if there is space on a team. For ages 13–18 only. Spectators are welcome! This program is sponsored by TACKL.



Children's Pretend Play Station: Pizza Restaurant: January 4–31. Area families are invited to come to the library and explore what it has to offer in Pizza Restaurant play!

Children's Scavenger Hunt: Pizza: January 4–31. Area children and their families are encouraged to participate in our "Pizza" scavenger hunt to earn a sticker! One sticker per child per library visit.

Kids Can Craft: Create a Pizza Person: January 4–31. Kids of all ages are invited to stop in the library to design and color a hilarious pizza person. Pepperoni wearing a wedding dress? Vegetarian in farm overalls? Be creative and have fun! Every design turned in qualifies the artist for an entry into the drawing for a prize basket. The limit is one entry per day. The winner will be announced in early February.

Registration for Kids Can Cook Begins: Monday, January 5

Kids Can Cook will teach kids ages 10-12 basic kitchen skills and how to make healthy food choices. The first ten minutes of each class will focus on kitchen safety and introductory cooking information, such as how to read a recipe. The remainder of each class will be hands-on learning, cooking, and cleaning up. Kitchen safety and cleanliness will be emphasized. At the end of the school year, children who have participated in over half of the classes will receive an apron.



- Classes will be held February 5, 12 & 19; March 5, 12 & 19; and April 2, 9 & 16.
- Registration for each session is required as there is a limit of 12 children per session.
- A waiver signed by a parent or legal guardian must be on file for a child to attend.

This program is funded by Theisen's More for Your Community, Dyersville Area Community Foundation, Jeanne M. Coppola Endowment for Education, the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library, and various library fundraising events.

Strength Training for Older Adults: Mondays and Thursdays, January 5, 8, 15, 19, 22, 26 & 29 @ 9:30 and 10:30 am. Older adults of any age and fitness level are invited to join this special exercise program made possible by a partnership between the Geri-Fit® Company and the James Kennedy Public Library. Participants will exercise to a Geri-Fit® DVD and most of the exercises will be performed seated in a chair. There is no dancing or aerobics involved. Classes are held on Mondays and Thursdays and last approximately 45 minutes. For best results, participants should attend as many of the sessions as possible. Each participant will need a set of 2 or 3-pound dumbbell weights, a medium weight stretch band, and water to drink. Space is limited so registration is required. *NOTE: there will not be classes held on January 12.*



Books for Lunch Book Discussion: Monday, January 5 @ 12:00 noon. This month the group will discuss *The Santa Claus Girl* by Patricia Goodin. Copies of the book are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. The Zoom room is opened upon request. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you plan to attend via Zoom, please email librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 10:00 am on the day of the program and an invitation to the Zoom room will be emailed to you.

Genealogy with Ann: Monday, January 5 from 1:00–3:00 pm. Staff member Ann will be on hand to help you start, or continue to work on, your five-generation ancestor chart. Ann will also share information on free websites good for genealogy research. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own laptop, if they have one. Some library laptops will be available for use. Appointments with Ann can be made if that is more convenient.

"Home Alone"—An All-Abilities Movie Event: Monday, January 5 @ 6:00 pm. Join us for this classic holiday favorite! A mischievous 8-year-old just wants to be left alone—and that's exactly what happens when he gets accidentally left behind in a frenzied rush to the airport for a family vacation in Paris over Christmas. After learning to fend for himself, the boy has to protect his house against two bumbling burglars who are planning to rob it. Rated PG (102 min.) Refreshments provided. Those under the age of 10 need an adult companion. Please note that this film may be shown with closed captioning enabled, ambient light and potentially other sensory friendly adjustments.



Storytime: Wednesdays, January 7, 14, 21 & 28 @ 10:30 am & 6:30 pm. Join Ms. Andrea for Storytime, where children are introduced to two or three books, rhymes, songs and a movement activity. Storytime is open to all ages and abilities but geared for those 1-6 years old. An adult companion is required and participation is encouraged. No registration needed. Storytime will be held weekly through March 25.



Sit & Stitch: Wednesdays, January 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 1:00–3:00 pm. Grab your hobby or craft and join other crafters at this fun gathering. There are lots of laughs, great company, conversation, and even some crafting! Participants are welcome to attend in person in the Hoffman Room or remotely via Zoom. The Zoom room is opened upon request. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you wish to join virtually, please email librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 10 am on the date of the gathering and an invitation will be emailed to you. The same Zoom room link is used each week.

Early Out Afternoons @ The Library: Wednesdays, January 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 3:30–4:30 pm.

School's out early on Wednesdays, so head to the library every week for special activities geared toward kids of all ages! Children under age 7 are welcome, but must attend with a teen or adult companion. The dates and activities are:



January 7: Pom Pom Shooters

January 14: LEGO Club

January 21: Writing, Drawing and Coloring

January 28: Book Bingo

1000 Books Before Kindergarten Party: Wednesday, January 7 @ 7:00 pm

All children who have enrolled in the *1000 Books Before Kindergarten* program in 2025 are invited to attend the *1000 Books* party and graduation. Come for storytime at 6:30 pm and stay for a brief award ceremony after. Or simply come to the ceremony. Kids who attend the party will receive a picture book and Goldfish crackers while graduates of the program will receive a trophy! An email invitation will be sent to participants, and all family members and siblings are welcome to attend. An adult companion is required. *The 1000 Books Before Kindergarten* program is funded by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.



Family Movies @ Your Library presents "Freaky Friday": Saturday, January 10 @ 1:00 pm.

Dr. Tess Coleman and her teenage daughter Anna have one thing in common—they don't relate to each other on anything. Then one night a little mystic mayhem changes their lives and they wake up to the biggest freak-out ever—they are trapped inside each other's body! But Tess's wedding is Saturday and the two must find a way to switch back fast! Literally forced to walk in each other's shoes, will they gain respect and understanding for the other's point of view? Rated PG (97 minutes). Join us January 17 for the sequel!



Dungeons & Dragons Players Club: Saturday, January 10 @ 3:30 pm.

Join us for this monthly gaming event for D & D players that meets in-person or you can join remotely via Discord. This group meets the second Saturday of every month and new players of all ages and skill levels are welcome. The library has materials available but feel free to bring your own. To join via Discord, contact Paul at Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 2:00 pm the day of the program to receive the server invite.

National Hot Tea Day Activity Kits: Monday, January 12.

January is National Hot Tea Month and January 12 is National Hot Tea Day so the JKPL invites you to celebrate! Starting today, activity kits will be available to take home and enjoy. Kits will include tea themed trivia, activities, and coloring pages, plus a couple of tea bags donated by Savvy Salvage. Kits will be available while supplies last.

Soup Lunch and Dinner Fundraiser: Monday, January 12 from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm & 4:30–6:30 pm

Come enjoy a bowl of homemade chili or chicken noodle soup at this library fundraiser! Again this year, we are offering carryout service for lunch as well as dinner.



- Lunch will be available from 11:30 am—1:00 pm and dinner will be offered from 4:30—6:30 pm (or until we run out).
- Price is \$6.00 for a 14 oz bowl of soup with crackers. Quarts of soup are also available for \$12.00 each.
- The soup is made and served by the JKPL staff and Library Board members.
- Limited seating may be available for guests to eat on site.
- Guests can call ahead to have their order ready, or step into the Hoffman Room to order and pick up their soup.
- Proceeds from the fundraiser will be used to support library programs, services and collections.

Adult Crafternoon—Pinecone Gnomes: Monday, January 12 from 1:00–3:00 pm.

Join us this month to make a gnome out of a pinecone and felt. Stop in the library to create and take home your finished project. If you prefer, you can pick up a take-and-make kit and craft on your own at home. A video demonstration will also be available to view on the JKPL Facebook and YouTube channel. Kits will be available while supplies last.



Fun and Games with Paul—“Exploding Kittens”: Monday, January 12 from 3:30–5:30 pm.

Drop in at this monthly gathering to play a game with Paul. Each month will feature a specific game that guests will be able to play while at the library. This month will focus on *Exploding Kittens*, a card game where players blow each other up with cats! Guests are welcome to come and go as they are able. Refreshments provided. This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 10 need an adult companion.



Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith Book Club: Tuesday, January 13 @ 7:00 pm.

Join us for this book club that features a variety of books that weave religious faith into the characters and storylines. For this month we will be reading *Under the Texas Mistletoe* by Karen Witemeyer. Books are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. If you want to attend via Zoom and haven't attended before, please email dschrandt@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 6pm on the day of the program so a link to the Zoom room can be emailed to you.

Create with Audrey: Glow-In-the-Dark Rocks: Thursday, January 15 from 6:00–7:30 pm and Friday, January 16 from 10:00 am–12:30 pm.

Join Audrey at the JKPL on the 3rd Thursday and Friday of each month to create a cool craft or art project. This month we will be decorating rocks with neon, glow-in-the-dark paint. This is a drop-in event so guests are welcome to come and go as they are able. Refreshments provided. This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 10 need an adult companion.



Kobolds Ate My Baby Role Playing Game: Friday, January 16 @ 6:00 pm.

Join us after-hours for *Kobolds Ate My Baby*, a role playing game with simple rules and lots of shenanigans. The library will have completed character sheets available. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Those under the age of 10 need an adult companion.



Family Movies @ Your Library presents “Freakier Friday”: Saturday, January 17 @ 1:00 pm.

22 years after Tess and Anna endured an identity crisis, Anna now has a daughter and a soon-to-be stepdaughter. As they navigate the challenges that come when two families merge, Tess and Anna discover that lightning might strike twice. Rated PG (97 minutes).

Bingo Party: Monday, January 19 from 1:00–3:00 pm. Come enjoy bingo at the JKPL! There is a two-card limit, there is no cost to play, and there are prizes! Registration is recommended as space is limited. Bring your friends!

Evergreens & Tea: Tuesday, January 20 from 6:00–7:30 pm

Join Dubuque County Conservation in learning about evergreen trees found here in Eastern Iowa. Be ready to learn about the differences between cedars, spruces, pines, and other evergreens. We will also be creating a pine needle tea to taste during our presentation and you'll take home another recipe to try on your own. For ages 12 and up. Registration is encouraged as a minimum of 8 participants is required for this event to be held. Register by calling the library or signing up online.



Health & Wellness 365 with the Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging: Thursday, January 22 @ 11:15 am. Join Nutrition Specialist Colleen Lawler who will talk about what the word "healthy" means on food labels and how to identify foods that meet these guidelines. We will also review the nutritional differences between fresh, canned, and frozen foods, helping you make informed and confident choices at the grocery store. There will be food samples to try. All are welcome.



Fit the Pieces Jigsaw Puzzle Fundraiser: Thursday, January 22 from 6:00–8:00 pm

Join us at Textile Brewing Company to celebrate National Puzzle Day at this fundraising event to support the JKPL!

- Teams of up to 4 individuals can buy a table for \$60.00 which includes a 500-piece puzzle.
- Complete the puzzle first to win!
- Prizes will be awarded for 1st and 2nd place.
- Be sure to bring some cash to buy some fun twists like freezing the competition, making them wear gloves, putting them in jail, and more—with all proceeds going to the library!
- Participation is limited to 15 teams and tickets are on sale now.
- Textile Brewing Company will donate 10% of food sales during the event to the JKPL.
- All proceeds will benefit the James Kennedy Public Library.



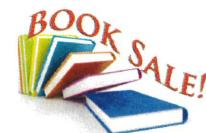
Game Night @ Your Library: Friday, January 23 from 6:00–8:00 pm. Bring your favorite game (card game, board game role playing game, or video game) and meet, teach, and play with others! Game night is held on the 4th Friday of every month. All ages welcome but those under the age of 7 need a teen or adult companion.

Used Book Sale: Friday, January 23 thru Monday, January 26

Join us for the Friends of the Library used book sale in the basement of the James Kennedy Public Library. Come check out the variety of items including books, movies, audios and more! Bags of books are \$2.00 on Monday, the last day of the sale. Hours are:

Friday, January 23: 9:00 am–5:00 pm
Sunday, January 25: 1:00–4:00 pm

Saturday, January 24: 9:00 am–3:00 pm
Monday, January 26: 9:00 am–6:00 pm



Antique Children's Book Sale: Saturday, January 24 from 9:00 am–2:00 pm

Visit the James Kennedy Public Library to peruse a donated collection of antique children's picture books from the 1960s through the late 1990s. Enjoy the memories of bygone books, and support the library by purchasing some for your own collection. Books will be priced to sell at \$5 each (with price reductions on each hour), but the memories, laughs, and potential finds are priceless! The funds raised at this event will help fund a wooden play structure in the library's children's area.

Strings Club: Monday, January 26 @ 6:00 pm. Do you have a ukulele, guitar or other string instrument that you would like to play more often? Do you want to grow your skills by jamming with others? Then come join the JKPL Strings Club! Teen and adult musicians of all skill levels are welcome. NOTE: This is not a class but a jam session so participants should know basic chords. Facilitated by Gary Bramel. This group typically meets on the fourth Monday of each month. Registration is encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome as space allows. Please contact the library to register.

LEGO® Builder Challenge: Tuesday, January 27 from 3:45–4:45 pm. Looking to challenge your LEGO® building skills? Come to the library! This program is for all ages but children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult or older partner. Photos of the creations are displayed in the children's area of the library and on the library's social media pages. The winner will receive a special LEGO® related prize provided by DuTrac. This program is sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union.



JKPL Writing Group: Tuesday, January 27 @ 6:30 pm. Join us this month in person at the library, or remotely via Zoom, for a sharing session with writers of all types including poetry, memoir, fiction, or nonfiction. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you want to participate via Zoom, please contact the library by 5:30 pm on the day of the event.

Free Trees for Earth Day!

The JKPL is celebrating Earth Day again this spring by participating in the Annual Neighborhood Forest free tree program, whose aim is to provide free trees to kids every Earth Day.

- Parents can find more information and sign their children up to receive a tree at this link: <https://bit.ly/FreeTrees24>
- Trees (6 to 12 inches in size) will be delivered to the JKPL and families will be able to pick them up at the library around Earth Day (April 22).
- Planting instructions and species information will be emailed a few days prior to the trees arriving.
- Registration should open sometime in January.

Upcoming EVENTS

Find the latest information on library events and programs at www.dyersville.lib.ia.us or scan the QR code



Take Your Child to the Library Day February 7 from 10:00 am—3:00 pm

Help us celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day, an international day that celebrates libraries, by bringing your children to the library to enjoy the things the library offers. To celebrate, we have the following events planned for kids of all ages in various locations around the library:

- 10:00—11:00 am: LEGOs
- 10:30—11:00 am: Storytime
- 11:15—11:30 am: Indoor Snowball Fight
- 11:00 am—1:00 pm: BeanBoozled and Gummy Candy Tasting
- 1:00—3:00 pm: Movie: *The Mitchells vs. The Machines* (Rated PG)

A huge community poster will also be available to color with BRAND NEW library markers all day long in the Creation Station! Also while here, participate in our donuts scavenger hunt and coffee shop pretend play station, enter our donut poem drawing challenge, and check out books to read in the library or at home.

Fun and Games with Paul: *Magic The Gathering* Monday, February 9 from 3:30—5:30 pm

Drop in at this monthly gathering to play a game with Paul. Each month will feature a specific game that guests will be able to play while at the library. This month will focus on *Magic: The Gathering*—a game where players summon monsters to attack each other strategically. Guests are welcome to come and go as they are able. Refreshments provided. This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 10 need an adult companion.

Virtual Reality with VictoryLabsFX Saturday, February 14 from 10:00—11:30 am

VictoryLabsFX is a virtual reality educational program that the library can access with our Metaquest VR headsets. Join us as we do a little chemistry, check out some planets, and see some museum exhibits—all with VR! Feel free to drop in as you are able. For ages 12 and up.

Miniature Golf @ Your Library Saturday, February 21 from 4:30—6:30 pm

Come to the library for this special after-hours event for all ages. For one night only, we'll turn the library into a mini-golf course! Come tee off between the stacks and navigate our book obstacles which will be designed by library staff and/or volunteers. All ages welcome but those under age 7 must be accompanied by an adult.

Movies @ Your Library

The Mitchells vs. The Machines (Rated PG)
Saturday, February 7 @ 1:00 pm

Tron: Ares (Rated PG-13)
Saturday, February 21 @ 1:00 pm

Free snacks & drinks for all who attend!

Mystery Dinner Theatre Fundraiser *Murder at the Fish Fly Club* Saturday, February 28 @ 6:30 pm

The JKPL is excited to announce the 2026 Mystery Dinner Fundraiser! Join us for a night of mystery and intrigue in the wild and romantic era of the roaring '20's! The show will be performed by the Brew Ha Ha Players, the meal will be catered by J & D Catering, and the event will be held at the Dyersville Social Center. Show date is March 7. Themed dress is welcome! Tickets are \$75.00 per person or a group of six (6) for \$400.00. Seating is limited and tickets must be purchased by February 18. For more details on the show and the meal please visit: www.dyersville.lib.ia.us

Tickets on sale now!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	JANUARY 2026	<u>January 2-31</u> • Coloring, Creating, & Doing • Upcycled Cards kits • Get Puzzled • StoryWalk® • Cotton Ball Penguin craft kits	<u>January 4-31</u> • Create a pizza person challenge • Children's Pretend Play Station & scavenger hunt • National Hot Tea Day Activity Kits (available January 12)	1 Library closes @ 5pm on December 31	2 Euchre Card Party from 1-3:30pm	3 Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program from 10-11am Teen Quiz Bowl @ 4pm
4	5 Strength Training @ 9:30am & 10:30am Books For Lunch @ 12pm Genealogy with Ann from 1-3pm Home Alone (PG) @ 6pm Kids Can Cook Registration begins	6 Storytime @ 10:30am & 6:30pm Sit & Stitch from 1-3pm Early Out Afternoons from 4-5pm 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Party @ 7pm	7 Storytime @ 10:30am & 6:30pm Sit & Stitch from 1-3pm Early Out Afternoons from 4-5pm 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Party @ 7pm	8 Strength Training @ 9:30am & 10:30am	9 Euchre Card Party from 1-3:30pm	10 Freaky Friday (PG) @ 1pm Dungeons & Dragons @ 3:30pm
11	12 Soup Lunch & Dinner Fundraiser from 11:30am to 1pm & 4:30-6:30pm Adult Craftnoon from 1-3pm Fun & Games from 3:30-5:30pm	13 A Novel Approach to Faith book club @ 7pm	14 Storytime @ 10:30am & 6:30pm Sit & Stitch from 1-3pm Early Out Afternoons from 4-5pm	15 Strength Training @ 9:30am & 10:30am Paint glow-in-the-dark rocks from 6-7:30pm	16 Paint glow-in-the-dark rocks from 10am-12:30pm Euchre Card Party from 1-3:30pm Kobolds Ate My Baby RPG @ 6pm	17 Freakier Friday (PG) @ 1pm
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Upcoming Events for FEBRUARY 2026 and Beyond

Free Trees for Earth Day! The JKPL is celebrating Earth Day again this spring by participating in the Annual Neighborhood Forest free tree program, whose aim is to provide free trees to kids every Earth Day. Since 2010, Neighborhood Forest has reached over 100,000 families and planted over 50,000 (mostly urban and residential) trees through the hands of children and parents across North America. The JKPL is excited to be participating in this wonderful program that teaches kids stewardship through the magic and wonder of planting and watching trees grow. Parents can find more information and sign their children up to receive a tree at this link: <https://bit.ly/FreeTrees24>. Deadline to sign up for this program is March 15. Trees (6 to 12 inches in size) will be delivered to the JKPL and families will be able to pick them up around Earth Day (April 22nd). Planting instructions and species information will be emailed a few days prior to the trees arriving. NEW!! Community members without children can also use this link to purchase trees and/or help fund free trees in your community. These purchases and donations help offset the cost of free trees registered for in your community and do not result in additional trees being sent to your institution beyond what is registered for.

Love My Library Giving Tree Fundraiser: February 2026. Do you “Love Your Library”? Then consider participating in this annual fundraising activity that will improve the collections, programs, and services the library is able to offer. Library staff have identified books and other materials, furnishings, equipment, programs, supplies, and more that the library needs. Select one or more items and donate the funds needed for purchase. Or purchase the items yourself and donate them to the library. Donations will be written on a heart and displayed on the library windows as well as acknowledged on the library website and social media. Where appropriate the library will attach a tag or book plate acknowledging the donation and the donor will be the first to check it out. Some items are listed on the bulletin board in the entry to the library as well as being featured on the library webpage and social media. The complete list can be viewed at the front desk or from the home page of the library’s website (www.dyersville.lib.ia.us). Not finding something you want to “love”? Bring your ideas to a librarian!

Winter Wonderland Library Challenge Continues: February 1-28. The JKPL is once again offering a winter library program. This year, participants will be using a new activity sheet to track their participation. Complete activities and read to earn prize entries. For each snowflake completed, the participant will earn an entry into the prize drawings (maximum of 10 entries per person). Several prize options, for various ages and interests, will be available to choose from. Those that complete the program, will earn a canvas book bag and be able to adopt an item to be added to the library collection. All ages of readers are welcome. Everyone will get a free book just for signing up! Stop in the library to register and pick up your activity sheet on or after January 2, or print the sheet from the library website. This Winter Library Challenge will run thru February 28 and all entries must be received by March 6 to be included in the drawings.

Build-A-Basket Fundraiser Begins: Sunday, February 1: Would you like to help raise money for the library? It is fun and easy! Just pick something you love and build a basket of items around that theme. Or pick a favorite book and build a basket around that book. Create your basket and donate it to the library by early March. The baskets will be auctioned off in a silent auction (in person and virtual) that runs March 1 to March 29. The library will provide you with an empty basket if you need one. Or you can just donate your items to the library and we can put them all in a basket for you. All funds raised are used to support library programs, collections, and services.

Children’s Pretend Play Station: Coffee Shop: February 1-28. Area families are invited to come to the library and explore what it has to offer in Coffee Shop play!

Children’s Scavenger Hunt: Donuts: February 1-28. Area children and their families are encouraged to participate in our “Donuts” scavenger hunt to earn a sticker! One sticker per child per

library visit.

Kids Can Craft: Create a Donut Poem: February 1-28. Kids of all ages are invited to stop in the library to write a donut-shaped poem and/or color a donut. Every design turned in qualifies the artist for an entry into the drawing for a prize basket. Limit is one entry per day. The winner will be announced in early March.

Creation Station Craft: February 1-28. Stop in and craft in the Creation Station at the library or grab a kit and create at home! Kits include instructions plus all needed supplies except for glue and scissors. A video demonstration will also be available to view on the JKPL Facebook and YouTube channel. Kits available while supplies last.

Upcycled Greeting Card Kits: February 1-28. Want a unique card for someone special? Pick up one of these kits that use the front of an old greeting card combined with glue and cardstock to make an entirely new card. Each card kit includes a greeting card front with coordinating cardstock and an envelope. You will need to supply the glue. If crafting in the library, glue sticks may be borrowed from the desk for in-library use. Kits are available while supplies last.

Coloring, Creating and Doing @ Your Library: February 1-28. The JKPL is continuing to offer coloring pages, dot to dot, crosswords, sudoku, and other activity pages for you to enjoy at the library or at home. They are intended for adults and teens. Each pack will include at least 10 different items and are available while supplies last. If you want to work on the activities while at the library, colored pencils, markers, and more are available in the Creation Station or to check out from the front desk.

Get Puzzled @ Your Library: February 1-28. Stop in the library this month to help us put together a new jigsaw puzzle. The puzzle is located on the table under the skylight and everyone is welcome to add a piece or two or more. Everyone who works on the puzzle is encouraged to put their name into a drawing to win the puzzle. Please stop at the front desk to get your name entered.

Westside Park StoryWalk®: “The Book that Almost Rhymed” by Omar Abed: February 1-28. Families are invited to walk the StoryWalk® at Westside Park which begins south of the parking lot by the baseball diamond. Walk the trail and read the story to your children. The StoryWalk® is made possible by the Dubuque Racing Association, Friends of the Library, and the Richard Osterhaus Memorial Fund. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

Strength Training for Older Adults: Mondays and Thursdays, February 2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23 & 26 @ 9:30 and 10:30 am. Older adults of any age and fitness level are invited to join this special exercise program made possible by a partnership between the Geri-Fit® Company and the James Kennedy Public Library. Participants will exercise to a Geri-Fit® DVD and most of the exercises will be performed seated in a chair. There is no dancing or aerobics involved. Classes are held on Mondays and Thursdays and last approximately 45 minutes. For best results, participants should attend as many of the sessions as possible. Each participant will need a set of 2 or 3-pound dumbbell weights, a medium weight stretch band, and water to drink. Space is limited so registration is required.

Books for Lunch Book Discussion: Monday, February 2 @ 12:00 noon. This group gathers on the first Monday of each month at noon. This month the group will discuss *This is how it always is* by Laurie Frankel. Copies of the book are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. The Zoom room is opened upon request. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you plan to attend via Zoom, please email librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 10:00 am on the day of the program and an invitation to the Zoom room will be emailed to you.

Genealogy with Ann: Monday, February 2 from 1:00-3:00 pm. Staff member Ann will be on hand to help you start, or continue to work on, your five-generation ancestor chart. Ann will also share information on free websites good for genealogy research. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own laptop, if they have one. Some library laptops will be available for use. Appointments with Ann can be made if that is more convenient.

“Superman” – An All-Abilities Movie Event: Monday, February 2 @ 6:00 pm. As the embodiment of truth, justice and the human way Superman soon finds himself in a world that views these as old-fashioned. This is the 2025 movie. Rated PG-13 (130 min.) Refreshments provided. Those under the age of 10 need an adult companion. Please note that this film may be shown with closed captioning enabled, ambient light and potentially other sensory friendly adjustments.

Storytime: Wednesdays, February 4, 11, 18 & 25 @ 10:30 am & 6:30 pm. Join Ms. Andrea for Storytime, where children are introduced to two or three books, rhymes, songs and a movement activity. Storytime is open to all ages and abilities but geared for those 1-6 years old. An adult companion is required and participation is encouraged. No registration required. Storytime will be held weekly through March 25 and will then resume April 15.

Sit & Stitch: Wednesdays, February 4, 11, 18 & 25 from 1:00–3:00 pm. Grab your hobby or craft and join other crafters at this fun gathering. There are lots of laughs, great company, conversation, and even some crafting! Participants are welcome to attend in person in the Hoffman Room or remotely via Zoom. The Zoom room is opened upon request. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you wish to join virtually, please email librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 10 am on the date of the gathering and an invitation will be emailed to you. The same Zoom room link is used each week.

Early Out Afternoons: Wednesdays, February 4, 11, 18 & 25 from 3:30-4:30 pm. School's out early on Wednesdays, so head to the library every week for special activities geared toward kids of all ages! (Children under age 7 are welcome but must attend with a teen or adult companion). The dates and activities are: February 4- Mini Diamond Art; February 11- LEGO Club; February 18- Writing, Drawing and Coloring; and February 25- Book Bingo. Early out afternoons will be held most Wednesdays until the end of May.

World Read Aloud Day: Wednesday, February 4. World Read Aloud Day is celebrated on the first Wednesday in February. This is a day dedicated not just to reading, but to the art and practice of reading aloud. LitWorld founded World Read Aloud Day in 2010 in celebration of the power of reading aloud to create community, to amplify new stories, and to advocate for literacy as a foundational human right. To celebrate, the JKPL will post a smash cut video of library staff members reading aloud brief excerpts from favorite books. Patrons are also encouraged to celebrate and share a brief video or photograph of them reading aloud. Videos can be posted on the library's social media or emailed to librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us between February 1 and 15.

Kids Can Cook: Thursdays, February 5, 12 & 19 from 4:00-5:30 pm. Kids Can Cook will teach kids ages 10-12 basic kitchen skills and how to make healthy food choices. The first ten minutes of each class will focus on kitchen safety and introductory cooking information, such as how to read a recipe. The remainder of each class will be hands-on learning, cooking, and cleaning up. Kitchen safety and cleanliness will be emphasized. Classes will also be held in March and April. Registration for each session is required as there is a limit of 12 children per session. A waiver signed by a parent or legal guardian must be on file for a child to attend. *This program is funded by Theisen's More for Your Community, Dyersville Area Community Foundation, Jeanne M. Coppola Endowment for Education, the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library, and various library fundraising events.*

Euchre Card Party: Fridays, February 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 1:00-3:30 pm. Join us Friday afternoons for Euchre in the Hoffman Room. Come meet, teach, and play with other players.

Take Your Child to the Library Day: Saturday, February 7 from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm.

Help us celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day, an international day that celebrates libraries, by bringing your children to the library to enjoy the following children's events for all ages:

- 10:00 - 11:00: LEGOs in the Hoffman Room
- 10:30 - 11:00: Storytime with Ms. Andrea in the Children's Area
- 11:15 - 11:30: Indoor Snowball Fight in the Hoffman Room
- 11:00 - 1:00: BeanBoozled and Gummy Candy Tasting in the Creation Station
- 1:00 - 3:00: *The Mitchells vs. The Machines* (Rated PG) with free popcorn and soda.

A huge community poster will also be available to color with *BRAND NEW* library markers all day long in the Creation Station! Also while here, participate in our donuts scavenger hunt and coffee shop pretend play station, enter our donut poem drawing challenge, and check out books to read in the library or at home.

Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program: Saturday, February 7 from 10:00-11:00 am.

Join us for this monthly LEGO® program that is for children of all ages. Those under the age of 7 must be accompanied by an adult or older partner. Photos of the creations are displayed in the children's area of the library and on the library's social media pages. All children who participate have their names entered into a quarterly drawing for a special LEGO® related prize provided by DuTrac. Sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union.

Family Movies @ Your Library presents "The Mitchells vs. The Machines": Saturday, February 7 @ 1:00 pm.

After Katie Mitchell is accepted to the university of her dreams, her father decides that the whole family will drive her to school and have an adventure. However, their plans are ruined when technology—phones, appliances, personal robots, and more—stages a revolution against humanity. The Mitchells now find themselves with two malfunctioning robots working to save the world from destruction! Rated PG (114 minutes).

Nerf War @ Your Library: Saturday, February 7 from 4:00-6:00 pm. Bring your Nerf gun and ammo and head to the library for this bi-monthly Nerf War! Participants must be 13 or older and anyone under 18 must have a signed parental waiver. Registration requested as 10 people are required to hold the program and a max of 20 is allowed. Walk-ins welcome, if space allows. Participants must provide their own Nerf guns and ammo but no modifications to darts or guns to increase range or hitting power will be allowed.

Adult Crafternoon: Scrap Wreaths: Monday, February 9 from 1:00-3:00 pm. Join us this month to make an 8" wreath from scraps of material and ribbon. Stop in the library to create and take home your finished project. If you prefer, you can pick up a take-and-make kit and craft on your own at home. Kits will be available while supplies last.

Fun and Games with Paul - "Magic the Gathering": Monday, February 9 from 3:30-5:30 pm. Drop in at this monthly gathering to play a game with Paul. This month, come learn to play *Magic: The Gathering*- a game where players summon monsters to attack each other strategically. Guests are welcome to come and go as they are able. Refreshments provided. This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 10 need an adult companion.

Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith Book Club: Tuesday, February 10 @ 7:00 pm. Join us for this book club that features a variety of books that weave religious faith into the characters and storylines. For this month we will be reading *Double Indemnity* by Robert Whitlow. Books are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. If you want to attend via Zoom and haven't attended before, please email dschrandt@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 6pm on the day of the program so a link to the Zoom room can be emailed to you.

Virtual Reality with VictoryLabsFX: Saturday, February 14 from 10:00-11:30 am.

VictoryLabsFX is a virtual reality educational program that the library can access with our Metaquest VR headsets. Join us as we do a little chemistry, check out some planets, and see some museum exhibits - all with VR! Feel free to drop in as you are able. For ages 12 and up.

Dungeons & Dragons Players Club: Saturday, February 14 @ 3:30 pm. Join us for this monthly gaming event for D & D players that meets in-person or you can join remotely via Discord. This group meets the second Saturday of every month and new players of all ages and skill levels are welcome. The library has materials available but feel free to bring your own. To join via Discord, contact Paul at Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 2:00 pm the day of the program to receive the server invite.

Bingo Party: Monday, February 16 from 1:00-3:00 pm. Come enjoy bingo at the JKPL! There is a two card limit, there is no cost to play, and there are prizes! Registration is recommended as space is limited. Bring your friends!

Create with Audrey - Sticker Art and Confetti Bookmarks : Thursday, February 19 from 6:00-7:30 pm and Friday, February 20 from 10:00 am-12:30 pm. Join Audrey on the 3rd Thursday and Friday of each month to create a cool craft or art project. This month we will be painting pictures with stickers and making bookmarks filled with confetti. This is a drop-in event so guests are welcome to come and go as their schedule permits. Refreshments provided. This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 10 need an adult companion.

Movies @ Your Library presents “Wicked: For Good”: Saturday, February 21 @ 12:00 pm. Elphaba and Glinda are now estranged, each living with the consequences of their choices. Elphaba, now The Wicked Witch of the West, lives in exile, continuing her fight to expose The Wizard. Meanwhile, Glinda has become a glamorous symbol of Goodness, basking in the perks of fame and popularity. As the angry citizens of Oz rise up against the Wicked Witch, Glinda and Elphaba must reunite and truly see each other—if they are to change themselves, and all of Oz. Rated PG (140 minutes).

Miniature Golf @ Your Library: Saturday, February 21 from 4:30-6:30 pm. Come to the library for this special after-hours event for all ages. For one night only, we'll turn the library into a mini-golf course! Come tee off between the stacks and navigate our book obstacles which will be designed by library staff and/or volunteers. All ages welcome but those under age 7 must be accompanied by an adult.

Strings Club: Monday, February 23 @ 6:00 pm. Do you have a ukulele, guitar or other string instrument that you would like to play more often? Do you want to grow your skills by jamming with others? Then come join the JKPL Strings Club! Teen and adult musicians of all skill levels are welcome. NOTE: This is not a class but a jam session so participants should know basic chords. Facilitated by Gary Bramel. This group typically meets on the fourth Monday of each month. Registration is encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome as space allows. Please contact the library to register.

National Engineers Week City Building Challenge: Tuesday, February 24 from 3:30-5:00 pm. National Engineers Week (February 22-28) is dedicated to ensuring a diverse and well-educated future engineering workforce by increasing understanding of, and interest in, engineering and technology careers. To celebrate, the library is hosting a LEGO building challenge! This year participants will work together using LEGOs to build their own city layout that needs to meet certain requirements to be successful- just like what a city engineer does! Dyersville City Engineer John Wandsnider will be on hand to answer questions, either about the challenge or general engineering questions. This program is designed for those ages 7 and up.

JKPL Writing Group: Tuesday, February 24 @ 6:30 pm. Join us this month in person at the

library, or remotely via Zoom, for a sharing session with writers of all types including poetry, memoir, fiction, or nonfiction. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you want to participate via Zoom, please contact the library by 5:30 pm on the day of the event.

Health & Wellness 365 with the Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging: Thursday, February 26 @ 11:15 am. Nutrition Specialist Colleen Lawler will talk about >>>>> There will be food samples to try. All are welcome.

Game Night @ Your Library: Friday, February 27 from 6:00-8:00 pm. Bring your favorite game (card game, board game, role playing game, or video game) and meet, teach, and play with others! Game night is held on the 4th Friday of every month. All ages welcome but those under the age of 7 need a teen or adult companion.

Murder Mystery Dinner Fundraiser: "Murder at the Fish Fly Club": Saturday, February 28 @ 6:30 pm. Join us at the Dyersville Social Center for a night of mystery, music, and mayhem in the wild and romantic era of the roaring '20's! The show will be performed by the Brew Ha Ha Players. Tickets are \$75.00 each or a group of six (6) for \$400.00. Seating is limited and tickets must be purchased before February 18. Doors open at 5:45 pm and the performance starts promptly at 6:30 pm. Themed dress is welcome! The meal will be catered by J&D Catering. The meal will include: Caesar salad, Red Wine Pot Roast, Parmesan Peppercorn Chicken, Parsley Buttered Potatoes, Green Bean Almandine, and Cupcakes (white with raspberry filling & double chocolate fudge). Note: A vegetarian option is available if requested at the time the ticket is purchased. Water, milk, iced tea, lemonade, and coffee also provided. Soda and alcohol are NOT provided but guests are welcome to bring their own! Show date is March 7. Show description, menu, and more details can be found at <https://www.dyersville.lib.ia.us/events/murder-mystery-dinner-fundraiser>

Description for *Murder at the Fish Fly Club*:

Step back into the wild and romantic world of the Roaring '20s, where the champagne flows, the jazz sizzles, and danger lurks behind every beaded curtain! When Buzz Nessman, the dashing owner of Dyersville's most notorious speakeasy—The Fish Fly Club—is found murdered, the joint goes from jumpin' to downright deadly. Was it the prim and proper prohibitionist N.A. O'Doul? Or Buzz's crooked business partner, Bootleg Willie? Maybe the sultry songbird Bea Sharpe, or Betty Jane - Buzz's "sweet" but not-so-innocent mistress? Grab your pearls, your fedoras, and your flask and join the bumbling, yet oddly charming detective, Jack Slickman as the mystery unfolds right before your eyes!

Celebrate National Reading Month! March is the time to welcome in a new season with warmer weather, the spring equinox, and maybe even a surprise snowstorm. Did you know that March is also National Reading Month in celebration of Dr. Seuss's birthday? It's the perfect excuse to stay home and read, no matter what weather March brings. Activities to be decided.

Dubuque County Reads!: March 5-19: The James Kennedy Public Library is participating in the fourth annual Dubuque County Reads book discussion along with other libraries in the county. The purpose of the Dubuque County Reads program is to facilitate events that encourage productive conversation around a common book, with the selected title aiming to invigorate community members and inspire dialog about important issues and topics. The selected title for 2025 is *The Seed Keeper* by Diane Wilson.

Dubuque County Reads book discussions and events will be offered at various locations around the county. There will be 11 book discussions and 2 special events. Feel free to attend as many sessions, at any location, as you like. The book is available to borrow at each participating library, with the appropriate library card required. Digital copies or audiobooks may be available to borrow through your library as well. Alternatively, you can purchase a copy of the book from River Lights Bookstore in Dubuque for a discount. For more information about the book, a full list of participating libraries, and a schedule of all events go to: www.DBQREADS.org. Book discussion at the JKPL will be: Monday, March 16th @ 6:00 PM

Children's Pretend Play Station: School: March 1-31.

Children's Scavenger Hunt: Letters: March 1-31.

Kids Can Craft: Letter Robot: March 1-31.

Westside Park StoryWalk®: "10 Dogs" by Emily Gravett: March 1-31.

Dementia and Vision Loss: Tuesday, March 3 @1 pm. Description and details tba.

Dubuque Symphony Orchestra's Storytime Symphony: A Musical Journey Down the Mississippi River: Saturday, March 7 from 10:00-11:00 am. Pack your imagination and join us for a musical adventure! Storytime Symphony takes young listeners on a journey down the mighty Mississippi River - from Iowa and Illinois, past frogs and river creatures, through the Mississippi Delta, and all the way to vibrant New Orleans. The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra's Storytime Symphony is geared toward young children and their families but all are welcome; children under the age of 10 need an adult companion.

Adult CrafteRnoon: Sticker Art: Monday, March 9 from 1:00-3:00 pm.

Fun and Games with Paul: Dungeons & Dragons: Monday, March 9 from 3:30-5:30 pm.

Build-A-Basket Fundraiser Silent Auction Begins: Monday, March 2. Join us for the Annual Build-A-Basket Fundraiser! Organizations, businesses, and individuals have donated some amazing baskets this year and now is your opportunity to bid on them. All items are on display in the library and a photograph with a description of contents is posted on both the library's Facebook page and website at www.dyersville.lib.ia.us. Bids can be placed in person at the library, by calling the library, or emailing librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us. The highest bid will be listed along with the photo of the item on the library's website. This list will be updated daily. Bidding in the Silent Auction runs March 2 – March 29 and ends promptly at 3:00 pm on Sunday, March 29. All funds raised are used to support library programs, collections, and services.

St. Patrick's Day parade: Saturday, March 14 @ 1:30 pm.

Create with Audrey - Decorate a Coaster: Thursday, March 19 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm and Friday, March 20 from 10:00 am-12:30 pm.

Bear Creek Carvers Open House and Demo: Saturday, March 21 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Members of the Bear Creek Woodcarving Club will be at the library to demonstrate carving techniques and display their carvings. Questions are welcome! Everyone is invited to stop in during this open house and view the carvers and their work.

Family Movies @ Your Library presents "Zootopia 2": Saturday, March 28 @ 1:00 pm. Brave rabbit cop Judy Hopps and her friend Nick Wilde, the fox, team up again to crack a new case, the most perilous and intricate of their careers. Rated PG (108 minutes).

Build-A-Basket Fundraiser Closing Reception: Sunday, March 29 from 2:00-4:00 pm. Join us for refreshments and one last chance to bid on the baskets donated to the library for the Build-a-Basket Fundraiser! More than forty themed baskets, including puzzles, games, arts and crafts, family and kids activities, and more have been donated by area businesses, organizations and individuals. There is something for nearly every interest so be sure to come and take a peek and bid on your favorite. The silent auction will end at 3:00 pm sharp. These baskets make great gifts - for yourself or someone you love! All proceeds will be used to support library collections and services.

D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything And Read) Month - Dyersville Book Scavenger Hunt: April

1-30. April is Drop Everything and Read (D.E.A.R.) month, a national month-long celebration of reading designed to remind folks of all ages to make reading a priority activity in their lives. To celebrate this year, the JKPL has again partnered with local businesses for a fun D.E.A.R. month scavenger hunt! Can you match the book with the business? Pick up a scavenger hunt form at the library or print one off from the library's website. The scavenger hunt form features pictures of book covers and each participating business in Dyersville has one of the book covers posted in their business window or inside their business. Match the book with the business then turn your completed forms into the library before May 1 to get entered into the prize drawing for one of several gift baskets. You get to choose which basket! Entries with at least 1/2 of the books / businesses identified correctly will receive one entry into the drawing. Get them all right to earn two entries! Other DEAR themed activities may be planned.

Movies @ Your Library presents “Song Sung Blue”: Saturday, April 11 @ 1:00 pm. Rated PG (105 minutes).

Fun and Games with Paul—“Mao”: Monday, April 13 from 3:30—5:30 pm.

Breakfast Burrito Grab and Go Fundraiser: Saturday, April ?? from 9:00-11:00 am.
Date and details to be confirmed.

National Library Week – Find Your Joy: April 19-25. Activities to be decided.

Spring Hike at New Wine: Thursday, April 30 from 6 to 7:30 pm. Details tba.

Westside Park StoryWalk®: “Hen in the Bed” by Katrina Charman: May 1-31.

Sunday, May 10: Library closed for Mother's Day

Fun and Games with Paul—“Tsuro”: Monday, May 11 from 3:30—5:30 pm.

Saturday, May ??: Plant Sale. Date and details tba.

Sunday, May 24 & Monday, May 25: Library closed for Memorial Day

Westside Park StoryWalk®: “Go Get with Rex” by David LaRochelle: June 1-30.

Adult Summer Library Program: Plant a Seed – Read – June 1 to August 31, 2026.
Details tba. Children and teen programs will have same theme. Program dates tba.

Magician Mikayla Oz: Wednesday, June 3 @10:00 am.

Dragon Academy: Tuesday, June 9 at 10:00 am (and 11:00 am???)

Pop-Up at Downtown Summer Nights: Friday, June 12 from 5:30-9:00 pm

Sunday, June 21: Library closed for Father's Day

Children’s Lemonade Stand: Saturday, June 27 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Support kids' volunteer efforts and the library by visiting the Children's Lemonade Stand at the JKPL Downtown Market booth at Legacy Square.

	FY25	FY26	Rolling	December	November	October	September	August	July	June	May	April	March	February	January
				12											
Albert City	162	2	85	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	8	0	8	13	54
Ames	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anamosa	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balltown	2	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cascade	1016	525	1012	76	34	99	100	103	113	94	64	87	60	77	105
Cedar Rapids	10	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Coggan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colesburg	888	234	769	14	27	16	70	52	55	120	48	82	98	126	61
Delaware Co	5261	2807	5420	368	409	404	449	457	720	584	422	401	404	392	410
Delhi	254	94	229	21	0	23	9	14	27	32	15	11	28	32	17
Dubuque	496	349	622	64	50	60	32	52	91	112	7	28	26	32	68
Dbq Co	15514	8284	16397	1217	1019	1325	1238	1487	1998	1772	1307	1253	1283	1225	1273
Dyersville	52470	24166	50634	3679	3300	3834	3864	4380	5109	5588	4274	3692	4404	4016	4494
Earlville	408	611	810	117	87	148	120	54	85	54	18	22	22	41	42
Edgewood	100	19	66	1	1	4	5	4	4	6	0	4	13	17	7
Elkader	11	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Garnavillo	5	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	2
Greeley	NEW	61	61	39	20	0	2								
Guttenberg	954	680	1104	144	170	140	70	82	74	139	71	74	22	76	43
Hopkinton	99	63	114	6	3	33	9	6	6	16	5	3	8	5	14
Independence	21	33	42	15	0	7	5	3	3	3	0	2	2	0	2
LL	1283	506	1117	63	74	98	76	112	83	91	98	101	105	96	120
Ionia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Iowa City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lamont	24	32	46	1	0	0	24	0	7	0	0	0	0	3	5
Luxemburg	1527	763	1685	69	71	80	47	247	249	295	136	142	125	136	88
Manchester	854	377	809	45	70	64	91	26	81	56	50	71	51	72	132
Maquoketa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monticello	113	165	222	0	0	8	44	81	32	30	14	5	0	4	4
Oelwein	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rickardsville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Strawberry Po	61	132	193	2	17	3	26	48	36	52	9	0	0	0	0
Waterloo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wisconsin - PI	98	9	75	0	0	0	0	0	9	14	15	23	0	14	0
Total	81634	39923	81530	5941	5352	6346	6281	7208	8795	9058	6561	6001	6664	6381	6942

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Contract Use Report FY26 - By Area									
Residence Area	No. of Patrons	July Stats	August Stats	Sept Stats	Oct Stats	Nov Stats	Dec Stats	Year to Date	Change to date
Diversville - FY26	2145	5109	4380	3864	3834	3300	3679	24166	
FY25	2171	5378	4824	3801	4605	3896	3498	26002	
FY24	2089	4240	4658	3903	4759	4043	3509	25112	890
FY23	2317	4673	4344	3883	4029	4007	3220	24156	4%
FY22	2528	4831	3794	4164	4462	4233	4357	25841	
FY21	2505	3951	4489	3742	2985	3294	2497	20958	
Del Co. incl Man. (OA)	408	801	483	540	468	479	413	3184	
FY25	438	724	457	545	401	465	478	3070	
FY24	421	600	698	527	618	497	426	3366	14
FY23	400	496	486	335	464	526	464	2771	3.39%
FY22	579	483	369	408	400	491	517	2668	
FY21	585	602	550	265	288	174	320	2199	
Dba Co. Lib. Sys. (OA)	833	1998	1487	1238	1325	1019	1217	8284	
FY25	844	1623	1284	1112	1118	1202	1062	7401	
FY24	791	1154	1128	795	974	1029	1048	6128	8.83
FY23	725	1340	1247	813	921	990	1018	6329	12%
FY22	1009	1157	657	850	856	812	777	5109	
FY21	957	829	1019	801	597	602	635	4483	
County Agency	50	256	247	47	80	71	69	770	
FY25	50	156	64	94	109	118	66	607	
FY24	53	182	200	107	172	150	156	967	163
FY23	59	171	95	135	124	98	91	714	27%
FY22	69	181	128	81	86	95	57	628	
FY21	70	124	78	46	117	35	52	452	
ILL.	543	83	112	76	98	74	63	506	
FY25	541	115	117	115	104	123	98	672	
FY24	535	95	98	95	117	97	74	576	-166
FY23	524	73	82	83	84	56	85	463	-25%
FY22	509	31	36	40	30	23	30	190	
Open Access	326	530	499	516	541	409	500	3004	
FY25	346	472	406	387	394	327	289	2275	
FY24	313	283	349	297	391	325	361	2006	729
FY23	284	295	359	304	266	264	189	1677	32%
FY22	427	340	279	289	305	315	306	1834	
FY21	396	207	231	208	136	220	153	1155	
FY26 Totals	4305	8786	7208	6281	6346	5352	5941	39914	
FY25	4390	8468	7152	6054	6731	6131	5491	40027	
FY24	4202	6554	7131	5724	7031	6141	5574	38155	-113
FY23	4309	7048	6613	5553	5888	5941	5067	36110	0%
FY22	5098	7023	5263	5832	6139	5969	6044	36270	
FY21	5017	5740	6406	5086	4156	4348	3688	29424	

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Summary of Fund Activity
James Kennedy Public Library Endowment - # 01372

Fund Statement: 11/1/2025 through 11/30/2025

*Investment returns and admin fees are usually updated by the 20th day of the following month.

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	21,602.73
Gifts	0.00
Interest/Dividend Income	16.51
Realized Gains (Losses)	0.33
Unrealized Gains (Losses)	304.65
Other Income	0.00
Grants Approved	0.00
Investment & Admin Fees	(31.52)
Credit Card Fees	0.00
ENDING FUND BALANCE	21,892.70
Available to Spend	630.00

This fund balance is comprised of gifts and corresponding earnings, grants or fees which individual donors, other than your organization, have contributed to the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque. This is an asset of the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque for the support of your organization.

Personnel Committee Notes: Electronic Discussion January 2-5, 2026

The Personnel Committee discussed the FY27 Personnel Budget proposal via email. Participants were: Catherine O'Hea, Sally Kelly, Monika Steffen and Karen Kramer.

The proposed personnel budget is included in the attached spreadsheet. The top segment is the FY26 personnel budget. The second segment is the recommendation from the committee for FY27 – which includes the following:

- Staff pay increases based on JKPL compensation plan. Some staff may have step increases anticipated on July 1; some staff may have step increases anticipated on their hire dates. Step increases require a positive review and are typically give at 6 months for new hire and annually thereafter.
- FICA, Medicare, IPERS and SUI are based on FY26 information. We anticipate no changes to these percentages.
- Health Insurance amounts are based on information provided by the City Clerk in December.
- Adjusting Maiers to include 3 hours of programming responsibilities (no change in total hours)
- Adjusting Alm mid-year to 23 hours per week – at his request; new clerk hired in fall scheduled for 10 hours, instead of 8, to cover shelving hours
- The overtime / sick leave column includes funds to pay out 1 week of vacation for the library director (based on past practice); and the equivalent of 1 week of paid hours for regular part-time staff (those who get paid time off) to accommodate paying staff to cover extra hours for vacations, sick leave, special programming needs, etc.

This proposal results in an increase of 3.3% to the Personnel Budget.

FY27 Personnel Budget Proposal

Approved Budget Process]

Name	Hrs/ Week	Total Hours	FY25 as of 7/1/24	FY25 as of 6/30/25	Pay Plan adjustment	FY26 Adjustment OR FY25 hrly	FY26 Proposed	OT/ Coverage Leave	Gross Wages	SUI - CY22 .1% up to \$39 2025 - 6.2%	FICA (Soc Sec) 2025- 1.45%	MED 2025 - 9.44%	IPERS	Insurance	Total		
Shirley Vonderhaar	40	2,080	\$ 85,425.00	\$ 85,425.00	Step I	\$ 88,842.00	\$ 88,842.00	\$ 1,708.50	\$ 90,550.50	\$ 39.50	\$ 5,614.13	\$ 1,312.98	\$ 8,547.97	\$ 24,924.00	\$ 130,989.08		
Dawn Schrandt	40	2,080	\$ 63,925.00	\$ 63,925.00	Step I	\$ 65,203.00	\$ 65,203.00	\$ 39.50	\$ 4,042.59	\$ 945.44	\$ 6,155.16	\$ 8,337.00	\$ 84,722.69				
Christa Palm (8/29/23)	20	160	\$ 23.52	\$ 23.99	Step C	\$ 23.99	\$ 3,838.40		\$ 3,838.40	\$ 237.98	\$ 55.66	\$ 362.34			\$ 4,494.38		
annual step 8/29/24	20	880			Step D	\$ 24.47	\$ 21,533.60	\$ 611.75	\$ 22,145.35	\$ 25.98	\$ 1,373.01	\$ 321.11	\$ 2,090.52		\$ 25,955.97		
Paul Zurawski (6/1/15)	40	2,080	\$ 26.49	\$ 26.49	Step I	\$ 27.01	\$ 56,180.80	\$ 270.10	\$ 56,450.90	\$ 39.50	\$ 3,499.96	\$ 818.54	\$ 5,328.96	\$ 5,275.00	\$ 71,412.86		
Ann Boeckensstedt (5/15/18)	9	351	\$ 16.12	\$ 16.64	Step C	\$ 16.64	\$ 5,840.64		\$ 5,840.64	\$ 5.84	\$ 362.12	\$ 84.69	\$ 551.36		\$ 6,844.65		
potential pay adjustment 4/1/25	9	117			Step D	\$ 17.16	\$ 2,007.72		\$ 2,007.72	\$ 2.01	\$ 124.48	\$ 29.11	\$ 189.53		\$ 2,352.85		
Children's Programmer (4/2025)	10	120			Step A	\$ 15.60	\$ 1,872.00		\$ 1,872.00	\$ 1.87	\$ 116.06	\$ 27.14	\$ 176.72		\$ 2,193.80		
6 month step (10/2025)	10	180			Step B	\$ 16.12	\$ 2,901.60		\$ 2,901.60	\$ 2.90	\$ 179.90	\$ 42.07	\$ 273.91		\$ 3,400.39		
1 year step (5/2026)	10	220			Step C	\$ 16.64	\$ 3,660.80		\$ 3,660.80	\$ 3.66	\$ 226.97	\$ 53.08	\$ 345.58		\$ 4,290.09		
Jo Amunson	25	1300	\$ 15.08	\$ 15.08	Step I	\$ 15.60	\$ 20,280.00	\$ 390.00	\$ 20,670.00	\$ 20.67	\$ 1,281.54	\$ 299.72	\$ 1,951.25		\$ 24,223.17		
Sarah Keffeler-Gibson	11	572	\$ 15.08	\$ 15.08	Step I	\$ 15.60	\$ 8,923.20		\$ 8,923.20	\$ 8.92	\$ 553.24	\$ 129.39	\$ 842.35		\$ 10,457.10		
Deb Gudentkauf (5/30/15)	11	572	\$ 15.08	\$ 15.08	Step I	\$ 15.60	\$ 8,923.20		\$ 780.00	\$ 9,703.20	\$ 9.70	\$ 601.60	\$ 140.70	\$ 915.98		\$ 11,371.18	
Brian Alm (7/28/15) - Blended	25	1300	\$ 15.34	\$ 15.34	Step I & D	\$ 15.86	\$ 20,618.00		\$ 396.50	\$ 21,014.50	\$ 21.01	\$ 1,302.90	\$ 304.71	\$ 1,983.77		\$ 24,626.89	
Audrey Maiers (6/20/23)	25	1300	\$ 12.48	\$ 12.48	Step C		\$ history		\$ history	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
setting step adjustment to 7/1	25	1300			Step D	\$ 13.00	\$ 16,900.00	\$ 325.00	\$ 17,225.00	\$ 17.23	\$ 1,067.95	\$ 249.76	\$ 1,620.04		\$ 20,185.98		
Carley Hillebrand (1/6/2025)	8	208	NA	\$ 11.44	Step A		\$ history	\$ history	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -					
6 month step (7/6/2025)	8	208			Step B		\$ 11.96	\$ 2,487.68		\$ 2,487.68	\$ 2.49	\$ 154.24	\$ 36.07	\$ 234.84		\$ 2,915.31	
annual step (1/6/2026)	8	208			Step C		\$ 12.48	\$ 2,595.84		\$ 312.00	\$ 2,907.84	\$ 5.40	\$ 180.29	\$ 42.16	\$ 274.50		\$ 3,410.19
Kimshiro Herm森	6	108	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	temp		\$ 25.00	\$ 2,700.00		\$ 2,700.00	\$ 167.40	\$ 39.15	\$ 214.88			\$ 3,161.43	
Summer Assistance	10	120			Step E		\$ 13.00	\$ 1,560.00		\$ 1,560.00	\$ 96.72	\$ 22.62	\$ 147.26			\$ 1,826.60	
TOTALS											\$ 341,662.33	\$ 246.19	\$ 21,183.06	\$ 4,954.10	\$ 32,252.92	\$ 445,834.61	
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name	May	Total	FY26	FY26	Pav Plan	FY27 Adjustment	OT/ Coverage	Gross	SUJ - CY22	FICA (Soc Sec)	MED	IPERS	Insurance	Total
	Week	Hours	as of 12/1/25	as of 6/30/26	adjustment	OR FY27 hrly	Proposed	Leave	Wages	.1% up to \$39	2025 - 6.2%	2025 - 1.45%	2025 - 9.44%	
Shirley Vondelaar	40	2080	\$ 88,837.00	\$ 88,837.00	Step J	\$ 92,396.00	\$ 92,396.00	\$ 1,776.85	\$ 94,172.85	\$ 39.50	\$ 5,838.72	\$ 1,365.51	\$ 8,899.92	\$ 26,643.00
Dawn Schrandt	40	2080	\$ 65,187.00	\$ 65,187.00	Step J	\$ 66,507.00	\$ 66,507.00	\$ 39.50	\$ 66,507.00	\$ 39.50	\$ 4,123.43	\$ 964.35	\$ 6,278.26	\$ 9,074.00
Christa Palm (8/29/23)	20	160	\$ 24.47	\$ 24.47	Step D	\$ 24.47	\$ 24.47	\$ 3,915.20	\$ 3,915.20	\$ 3,915.20	\$ 242.74	\$ 56.77	\$ 369.59	\$ 4,584.31
step adjustment 8/29/26	20	880			Step E	\$ 24.96	\$ 24.96	\$ 21,964.80	\$ 21,964.80	\$ 26.50	\$ 1,400.51	\$ 327.54	\$ 2,132.38	\$ 26,475.73
Paul Zurawski (6/1/15)	40	2080	\$ 27.01	\$ 27.01	Step J	\$ 27.56	\$ 57,324.80	\$ 275.60	\$ 57,600.40	\$ 39.50	\$ 3,571.22	\$ 835.21	\$ 5,437.48	\$ 5,435.00
Ann Boeckerstedt (5/15/18)	9	351	\$ 16.64	\$ 16.64	Step D	\$ 17.16	\$ 6,023.16	\$ 6,023.16	\$ 6,023.16	\$ 6,023.16	\$ 373.44	\$ 87.34	\$ 568.59	\$ 7,058.54
step adjustment 4/1/27	9	117			Step E	\$ 17.68	\$ 2,068.56	\$ 2,068.56	\$ 2,068.56	\$ 2,068.56	\$ 2.07	\$ 128.25	\$ 29.99	\$ 195.27
Andrea Lepley (9/2/2025)	10	100	\$ 17.16	\$ 17.16	Step E	\$ 17.68	\$ 1,768.00	\$ 1,768.00	\$ 1,768.00	\$ 1.77	\$ 109.62	\$ 25.64	\$ 166.90	\$ 2,071.92
step adjustment 9/2/2026	10	420			Step F	\$ 18.20	\$ 7,644.00	\$ 7,644.00	\$ 7,644.00	\$ 7.64	\$ 473.93	\$ 110.84	\$ 721.59	\$ 8,958.00
Jo Amunson	25	1300	\$ 15.60	\$ 15.60	Step J	\$ 16.12	\$ 20,956.00	\$ 403.00	\$ 21,359.00	\$ 21.36	\$ 1,324.26	\$ 309.71	\$ 2,016.29	\$ 25,030.61
Sarah Keffeler-Gilson	11	572	\$ 15.60	\$ 15.60	Step J	\$ 16.12	\$ 9,220.64	\$ 9,220.64	\$ 9,220.64	\$ 9.22	\$ 571.68	\$ 133.70	\$ 870.43	\$ 10,805.67
Deb Gudenkau (5/30/15)	11	572	\$ 15.60	\$ 15.60	Step J	\$ 16.12	\$ 9,220.64	\$ 806.00	\$ 10,026.64	\$ 10.03	\$ 621.65	\$ 145.39	\$ 946.51	\$ 11,750.22
Brian Atn (7/28/15) - Blended	23	1196	\$ 15.94	\$ 15.94	Step J & E	\$ 16.46	\$ 19,686.16	\$ 82.30	\$ 19,768.46	\$ 19.77	\$ 1,225.64	\$ 286.64	\$ 1,866.14	\$ 23,166.66
Audrey Maters (6/20/23)	25	1300	\$ 13.00	\$ 13.21	Step B & E	history	history	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
setting step adjustment to 7/1	25	1300			Step C & D	\$ 13.83	\$ 17,979.00	\$ 345.75	\$ 18,324.75	\$ 18.32	\$ 1,136.13	\$ 265.71	\$ 1,729.86	\$ 21,474.77
Luke Robbins (8/11/25)	10	60	\$ 11.44	\$ 11.96	Step B	\$ 11.96	\$ 717.60	\$ 299.00	\$ 1,016.60	\$ 1.02	\$ 63.03	\$ 14.74	\$ 95.97	\$ 1,191.35

step adjustment 8/11/26	10	460		Step C	\$ 12.48	\$ 5,740.80		\$ 5,740.80	\$ 5.74	\$ 355.93	\$ 83.24	\$ 541.93		\$ 6,727.64	
Kimshiro Hernsen	6	108	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	temp	\$ 25.00	\$ 2,700.00		\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2.70	\$ 167.40	\$ 39.15	\$ 254.88		\$ 3,164.13
Summer Assistance	10	120		\$ 11.96	Step C	\$ 11.96	\$ 1,435.20		\$ 1,435.20	\$ 1.44	\$ 88.98	\$ 20.81	\$ 135.48		\$ 1,681.91
TOTALS													\$ -	Insurance deal	\$ 7,000.00

2026	Medical Cost	Employee Contribution	Medical City Contribution	Dental City Contribution	Total Monthly	Annual								
Dawn Schrandt	\$797.49	\$71.00	\$726.49	\$29.66	\$756.15	\$9,073.80								total city cost
Shiley	\$2,321.80	\$202.00	\$2,119.80	\$100.44	\$2,220.24	\$26,642.88								\$41,211.60
Vonderhaar														
Paul Zurawski	\$499.25	\$71.00	\$428.25	\$29.66	\$457.91	\$5,494.92								

Increase \$ 14,645.85

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Finance Committee Meetings

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December 2025 Email Discussion Notes

Shirley prepared a proposed revised FY26 Operating Budget to accommodate the final amount allocated by the City Council. This proposal reflects the \$10,000 Budget Amendment that was approved on December 15, 2025 – giving the JKPL a total appropriation for FY26 of \$568,785. This proposal recommends the following adjustments from the original FY26 Budget Request:

- Increasing the personnel / wages line item as they are running higher than projected due to changes in staff and payout for sick leave
- Reducing meetings and training due to scholarship covering ARSL costs
- Increasing Electricity as it is running about 30% over what was budgeted
- Reducing Program fees; will request support from Friends or cover with donations and fundraising income out of Trust as needed
- Reducing Books and Materials; will request support from Friends, reduce expenditures, and/or cover with donations and fundraising income out of Trust as needed

The Committee reviewed this proposal via email and are recommending approval.

January 7, 2026 Committee Meeting Notes

The Finance Committee of the JKPL met at 5:30 pm on Wednesday, January 7, 2026. In attendance were chairperson Sally Kelly, members Catherine O’Hea and Danelle Schroeder, and library director Shirley Vonderhaar.

FY27 Operational Budget Proposal: After discussion, the committee agreed to recommend a total operational budget request of \$592,649 for FY27. This budget request is based on maintaining the current levels of service, including funding most materials needed from the operating budget. The breakdown for this request is documented in the attached spreadsheet and explained below.

The budget spreadsheet includes columns for FY25 requested, FY25 actual, FY26 proposed, and FY26 updated – for comparison and history. The final number column in red is the recommended budget proposal for FY27, followed by a brief note. More explanation of where the proposed numbers came from in below.

Estimated Revenues:

- Agency amount for FY26 won’t be confirmed until February as is dependent on circulation at other Dubuque County Libraries during CY2025. FY24 was \$7,804 and FY25 was \$7,394 so estimating \$7,500
- Fees appear to be holding steady so estimating \$3,500
- Open Access, Access Plus, and Direct State Aid are projecting based on what we received in FY25 & FY26. As always, this is dependent on what the State Legislature approves for library funding. Estimating total of \$12,700

Expenditures:

Personnel Services:

This proposal incorporates the recommendations of the Personnel Committee.

- Wages – Based on following the Compensation Plan
- Group Insurance – Based on information received from city clerk.
- Meetings and training – no change from FY26 proposed
- Dues & memberships – no change from FY26 approved

Contractual Services:

- Utilities (phone and internet) – We no longer budget for this line as we are part of city services for phone and internet.
- Electricity – Proposing increase based on FY26 YTD costs.
- Gas / Heat – Proposing no change
- Insurance (bldg.) – No information provided by City Staff. Research indicates Insurance is stable so proposing no change
- Legal Fees – no change
- Custodial services – The current contract is \$250 per week which is \$13,000 for a year of service.
- Window cleaning – Proposing no change.
- Service / Maintenance Contracts – Proposing no change

Supplies:

- General library supplies – Proposing no change
- Program Fees and Supplies – Proposing no change from the FY26 original ask of \$2500. Marketing – Proposing no change
- Maintenance and Repairs – Proposing no change

Books and Materials – Proposing an amount similar to that requested for FY24, FY25, and FY26 (\$60,000). We have been supplementing using Trust account funds (donations and fundraising) and support from the Friends, but best practice would be to fund from operating budget. (Operating Budget for this line item in FY22 was \$62,730.)

Trust Account: The committee recommends requesting \$50,000.00 be appropriated for potential expenditures from the Trust Account for FY27. This is an increase of \$10,000 but more accurately reflects current expenditures due to grants received.

Capital Projects: Based on the Capital Projects Plan, the committee recommends requesting \$30,000 for capital projects in FY26. This isn't included in the JKPL operating budget but is managed as part of the city capital projects.

Shirley shared the City Council Budget Work Schedule. The JKPL is scheduled to present the budget request on Monday, February 16, 2026. Finance committee chairperson Sally Kelly will attend to present the budget.

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FY26 Budget proposal		FY25 Original	FY25	FY26	FY26	FY27	FY27
		Request	Actual	Proposed	Updated 12-25	Proposed	Notes
ESTIMATED REVENUES:							
Dubuque County Library Agency	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 7,393.66	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 7,500.00		
Fees from copier, R/P, etc.	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,365.41	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00		
Open Access	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,324.01	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 9,300.00	Adjusted due to FY26	
Access Plus / ILL	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,193.29	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,300.00	Actual	
Direct State Aid	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,060.42	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00		
TOTAL:	\$ 24,600.00	\$ 22,336.79	\$ 23,800.00	\$ 23,800.00	\$ 23,700.00		
		\$ 22,336.79					
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:							
PERSONAL SERVICES							
Wages	\$316,281.00	\$ 325,516.69	\$341,663.00	\$ 343,000.00	\$ 351,880.00	Based on comp plan	
FICA	\$ 19,424.00	\$ 19,633.12	\$ 21,183.00	\$ 21,266.00	\$ 21,266.00		
Medicare	\$ 4,543.00	\$ 4,591.83	\$ 4,954.00	\$ 4,974.00	\$ 4,974.00		
IPERS	\$ 29,574.00	\$ 29,770.02	\$ 32,253.00	\$ 32,379.00	\$ 32,379.00		
SUI	\$ 228.00	\$ 474.76	\$ 246.00	\$ 343.00	\$ 500.00	Est. based on FY26 & FY25	
Group Insurance	\$ 48,145.00	\$ 37,129.43	\$ 45,536.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 49,000.00	Info from Tricia; est inc in 2027	
Meetings and training	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,612.98	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	No change from orig FY26 budget	
Dues and memberships	\$ 750.00	\$ 906.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00		
TOTAL:	\$421,445.00	\$ 419,634.83	\$449,185.00	\$ 448,812.00	\$463,349.00		
		\$ 419,634.83					
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:							
Utilities (telephone)		\$ -					
Electricity	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 11,977.40	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	Est. based on FY26 YTD	
Gas / Heat	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,293.03	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	No change	
Insurance (bldg)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,321.11	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	Research ind. rates should be stable	
Legal Fees		\$ -				will adjust if hear from Mick	
Custodial services	\$ 10,400.00	\$ 12,300.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$250 / week - no change	
Window cleaning	\$ 600.00	\$ 368.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00		
Service / Maintenance Contract	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,277.13	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	No change / see spreadsheet	
TOTAL:	\$ 45,500.00	\$ 45,536.67	\$ 47,100.00	\$ 50,100.00	\$ 50,100.00		
		\$ 45,536.67					
SUPPLIES:							
General library supplies	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,638.71	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	No change	
Program fees & supplies	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,164.70	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
Marketing & advertising	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 603.53	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	No change	
Maintenance and Repairs	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 8,821.93	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	No change / see spreadsheet	
TOTAL	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 19,228.87	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 20,500.00		
		\$ 19,228.87					
BOOKS AND MATERIALS							
Adult fiction	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 6,041.58	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
Adult nonfiction	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,251.23	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
YA fiction	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,097.58	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
YA nonfiction	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 767.29	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
Juvenile fiction	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 4,675.19	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 8,500.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
Juvenile nonfiction	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,740.06	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,373.00	\$ 4,000.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
Large Print	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 1,011.41	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,500.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
Electronic media (ebooks, etc)	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 6,528.84	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
Reference & electronic database	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,011.81	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
Periodicals and newspapers	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,867.04	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
Audiobooks (CD, playaway)	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,979.84	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
Software & Gaming	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,101.65	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	Solid collection so could reduce	
DVDs	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,987.76	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,200.00	Decrease due to availability	
SS / Creation Station / LoT	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,059.23	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	Suggest FY26 requested	
TOTAL:	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 41,120.51	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 50,373.00	\$ 58,700.00		
		\$ 41,120.51					
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	\$549,445.00	\$ 525,520.88	\$576,785.00	\$ 568,785.00	\$ 592,649.00	4% inc; 2.8% inc from requested	
TOTAL REVENUES:	\$ 24,600.00	\$ 22,336.79	\$ 23,800.00	\$ 23,800.00	\$ 23,700.00		
ACTUAL ASKING	\$524,845.00	\$ 503,184.09	\$552,985.00	\$ 544,985.00	\$568,949.00		
							4.2%
							2.8%

Note regarding FY24 actual: Board agreed to leave funds available in budget to cover expected year end transfers for group insurance reimbursements and revenue being less than estimated.

Note regarding FY25 actual: Funds were transferred to the Group Insurance line after the budget year ended.

FY27 Budget Work Session Schedule

February 2 Council Meeting

February 9 TBD Planning & Zoning Meeting

February 16 Council Meeting followed by Budget Work Session

- ✓ Public Safety - Police, Fire, Emergency Management & Bi-County Ambulance
- ✓ Culture & Recreation - Library & Parks and Recreation

February 23 Budget Work Session

- ✓ Health & Social Services
- ✓ General Government - Policy & Administration / Economic Development
- ✓ Debt

March 2 Council Meeting followed by Budget Work Session

- ☒ **Set Date for Proposed Property Tax Hearing for March 23, 2026**
 - ✓ Public Works
 - ✓ Water, Sewer & Solid Waste
 - ✓ Capital Improvements
 - ✓ Revenue

March 5 Must have Property Tax Levy Hearing uploaded in Budget System by 4 pm

March 9 TBD Planning & Zoning Meeting

March 15 County Auditor mails the Budget Notice

March 16 Council Meeting

March 23 ☒ **Special Council Meeting Public Hearing on Proposed Property Tax Hearing for FY27 Budget**

- Budget Work Session - Complete Budget Review @ 6:15 PM

March 30

April 6 Council Meeting

- ☒ **Set Date of Public Hearing for FY26 Budget for April 20, 2026**

April 13 TBD Planning & Zoning Meeting

April 20 Council Meeting

- ☒ **Public Hearing Resolution to Approve FY27 Budget**

April 27

April 30 Budget DEADLINE!

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Fundraising and Marketing Committee – Notes from January 7, 2026 Meeting

Members of the JKPL Fundraising and Marketing Committee met on Wednesday, January 7, 2026 at 6:00 pm at O So Good Winery. Attendees were Alex Wiezorek, Monika Steffen, Danelle Schroeder, and Shirley Vonderhaar. Beth Gudenkauf was excused.

Love My Library Giving Tree / Direct Mail: The current plan for this activity is to mail oversize postcards to Dyersville households using Every Door Direct Mail® (EDDM®) services on February 1 – so runs over Valentine's Day. Current preferred plan is for an 8.5 x 11-inch document, two sided, to be folded to 5.5 x 8.5 size. Design will be full color on one side with candy hearts of things from the LML list with the inside being more text / information in black print. Alternate is half sheet size. QR codes will be included to provide link to more information on the library website. Beth and Vickie (Friends' President) are working to provide method for electronic payments. Shirley will check the USPS EDD website to get a count for mailing and reach out to Heritage Printing to get an estimate for cost of printing the two options being considered. Monika and Cathy will help provide mock-up of content to be included. Staff are creating the Love My Library wish list as have in the past and donors will be acknowledged on library window and on social media. The Committee will review costs from Heritage Printing and other information after the Board Meeting on Tuesday and make additional decisions.

Fall / Halloween Trivia Event at O So Good: Lee and Karie gave the library a check for \$1,100 as the donations from the 50/50, mulligans, and their donation for this event. A photo was also taken to be shared on Social Media.

Layette Quilt Display and Sale: This event ended on December 23 and one quilt was sold. JKPL income was \$10.00.

Cookie Walk Fundraiser: This annual event was held December 5-7. Total income, including cash donations was \$1,698.00.

Blind Date with a Book Fundraiser: This new fundraiser was planned to start at the Fall Downtown Market and be offered at the Merry Mingle Market. Due to weather cancellation, the display was held at Ideal and then moved to library. Total income to date is \$835, with a few books are still on display. Beth brought to the JKPL supplies she didn't use and has submitted a reimbursement request for \$50 for supplies. Due to the success of this activity, the committee is suggesting doing more with a Valentine's theme. They would like to schedule "wrapping party" with Beth to prep books so that everything does not fall on her.

Soup Lunch and Supper: This annual event is scheduled for Monday, January 12, 2026. All Board and Fundraising members are asked to donate at least 4 or 5 quarts (ice cream tub) of either chicken noodle soup or chili for this fundraiser. Library staff, volunteers, and past board and committee members also donate. Other items are purchased – crackers, utensils and bowls. This carry out event is held for lunch and dinner: 11:30am – 1:00 pm & 4:30 – 6:30 pm. Shirley sent out reminder email to Board Members on 1/3/26 to confirm donations and volunteers. Workers for lunch are Beth D., Alycia, and Angela English. Workers for supper are Melissa, Monika, and Alex. Shirley ordered crackers from Amazon and soup containers and utensils from Webstaurant. Price this year will be \$6.00 per 14 oz and \$12.00 per quart. The committee decided not to offer a meal option so will be serving only soup and crackers. Shirley noted that there may be less donations of soup than last year.

Puzzle Fundraiser: This winter event is scheduled for 1/22 at Textile Brewing. Event will be managed the same as the fall event at Textile. Price is \$60 for a table of 4 participants with a maximum of 15 tables available. Textile will again donate 10% of sales during the event and gift cards for first and second prizes. The committee suggests that first prize should be at least \$60.00 as that is the cost to participate. Coupons for free drinks might be an option for second place. Beth was asked to talk to Textile and confirm prizes, and also confirm they will be ready to give out during the event. Disposable masks will be used for eye covering instead of bandanas. Alex will MC and additional volunteers are needed to manage the twists as well as sign people in as they arrive. Board members are invited to volunteer to assist. As of 1/3 – 7 tables have been sold and there have been several calls so assume will sell out again.

2026 Mystery Dinner: This annual event is scheduled for Saturday, February 28 with a snow date of March 7. Everything is confirmed with Social Center, Brew Ha Ha and J & D Catering. Menu includes Caesar Salad, Red Wine Pot Roast, Parmesan Peppercorn Chicken, Parsley Buttered Red Potatoes, Green Bean Almandine and two flavors of cupcake (white with raspberry filling and double chocolate fudge). Price is \$75 per person or group of 6 for \$400. Tickets are on sale now and must be purchased by February 18.

Event with Fuse: Fuse would like to partner with the JKPL to host a Comedian as a fundraiser. Although this was originally discussed as a February event, due to timing we are now looking to hold in late March – likely Saturday March 21 or 28. Tentative plans include hosting free amateurs with 10 to 15-minute sets, followed by a paid professional for the main show. Tickets will be sold and likely include a signature drink. Monika will continue working with Fuse to plan this event.

Build-a-Basket Fundraiser: Will start February 1 to pick up, create your basket and donate baskets. The baskets will be auctioned off in a silent auction that runs March 1 to March 29.

MARKETING:

Radio Interviews: Alex is doing an interview at KDST on January 8 to promote upcoming fundraisers. He is also taking two certificates for a free bowl of soup for KSDT to give out to help promote this event. Additional interviews will be scheduled as events warrant.

Meet and greet / Tour with City Government and Officials: Since there are two new Council persons, the Committee discussed planning a meet and greet for them to meet the Board and discover more about the library. This will likely be scheduled following the February Board meeting.

Next Meeting: Committee is hoping to discuss the Love My Library details after the Board meeting on 1/23/26.

James Kennedy Public Library FY26 Operating Budget			
	FY26	Received	Revised
<u>ESTIMATED REVENUES:</u>	<u>Requested</u>	to date	Proposal
Dubuque County Library Agency	8,500.00	0.00	7,500.00
Fees from copier, R/P, etc.	3,500.00	2,107.81	3,500.00
Open Access	8,500.00	0.00	8,500.00
Access Plus / ILL	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00
Direct State Aid	2,100.00	2,023.90	2,100.00
TOTAL:	23,800.00	4,131.71	23,800.00
		4,131.71	22,800.00
<u>ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:</u>			
PERSONAL SERVICES		Expended	Remaining
Wages	341,663.00	172,030.42	343,000.00
FICA	21,183.00	10,430.04	21,266.00
Medicare	4,954.00	2,439.49	4,974.00
IPERS	32,253.00	15,824.25	32,379.00
SUI	246.00	232.18	343.00
Group Insurance	45,536.00	19,810.36	45,000.00
Meetings and training	2,500.00	299.56	1,000.00
Dues and memberships	850.00	200.00	850.00
TOTAL:	449,185.00	221,266.30	448,812.00
		221,266.30	448,812.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:			
Utilities (telephone)		0.00	0.00
Electricity	12,000.00	8,105.90	15,000.00
Gas / Heat	3,000.00	906.33	3,000.00
Insurance (bldg)	10,500.00	75.00	10,500.00
Legal Fees		0.00	0.00
Custodial services	13,000.00	5,750.00	13,000.00
Window cleaning	600.00	526.00	600.00
Service / Maintenance Cont.	8,000.00	1,043.88	8,000.00
TOTAL:	47,100.00	16,407.11	50,100.00
		16,407.11	50,100.00
SUPPLIES:			
General library supplies	9,000.00	2,198.08	9,000.00
Program fees & supplies	2,500.00	1,101.51	1,500.00
Marketing & advertising	1,000.00	780.69	1,000.00
Maintenance and Repairs	8,000.00	486.38	8,000.00
TOTAL	20,500.00	4,566.66	19,500.00
		4,566.66	19,500.00
BOOKS AND MATERIALS			
Adult fiction	8,000.00	4,772.65	6,000.00
Adult nonfiction	5,000.00	2,315.21	4,500.00
YA fiction	2,000.00	920.48	2,000.00
YA nonfiction	1,000.00	125.55	1,000.00
Juvenile fiction	8,500.00	4,579.23	7,000.00
Juvenile nonfiction	4,000.00	650.68	3,373.00
Large Print	3,500.00	942.66	3,000.00
Electronic media (ebooks, e)	10,000.00	4,439.24	8,000.00
Reference & electronic data	3,000.00	1,519.21	3,000.00
Periodicals and newspapers	4,000.00	3,004.76	4,000.00
Audiobooks (CD, playaway)	2,000.00	882.27	1,500.00
Software & Gaming	2,000.00	768.96	1,500.00
DVDs	5,000.00	2,745.13	4,500.00
SS / Creation Station / LoT	2,000.00	141.79	1,000.00
TOTAL:	60,000.00	27,807.82	50,373.00
		27,807.82	50,373.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	576,785.00	270,047.89	568,785.00
TOTAL REVENUES:	23,800.00	4,131.71	23,800.00
ACTUAL ASKING	552,985.00	265,916.18	271,523.48
		265,916.18	

Estimating we will be over due to payouts and staff adjustments

This estimate includes city deductible amount.
Grant pd for ARSL

average of 30% higher

reduce / cover difference in trust as needed

Staff will pay from here first
and use unencombered funds in Trust
Account for difference.

reduce by \$8,000 total

\$

568,785.00

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James Kennedy Public Library Internet Access and Acceptable Use Policy

Public access to the Internet is provided by the James Kennedy Public Library as a supplement to other library materials, resources, and services. The Internet is a global electronic network of information with a highly diverse user population. The Internet and its resources may contain information that is inaccurate, controversial, or offensive. The James Kennedy Public Library has no control over the information accessed through the Internet and cannot be held responsible for its content. Patrons who find information or subject matter that is erroneous, out-of-date, illegal, offensive, and / or controversial should contact the original producer or distributor of that work directly.

Just as the library does not restrict access to other material forms and formats, we cannot refuse access to Internet content that someone may deem objectionable. The principles of intellectual freedom that apply to the traditional print library also apply to the modern digital library.

As with other library materials, restriction of a child's access to the Internet is the responsibility of the parent/legal guardian. Parents or guardians, not the library or its staff, are responsible for the Internet information selected and /or accessed by their child/children. Parents or guardians – and only parents or guardians – may restrict their child/children – and only their child/children – from access to Internet resources accessible through the library. For more information, please see our policy on *Electronic Intellectual Freedom*.

The JKPL cannot guarantee confidentiality over the Internet. Patrons entering personal information (credit card numbers, social security numbers, etc.) do so at their own risk.

Library staff cannot provide in-depth training concerning Internet computer terminology or personal computer use. We may, however, be able to offer searching suggestions and answer questions. Internet reference books are available for your use.

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**JAMES KENNEDY PUBLIC LIBRARY
POLICY ON ELECTRONIC INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM**

Consistent with our mission and the professional principles of public librarianship, our Internet Access Policy affirms the safeguarding of First Amendment rights, intellectual freedom, equity of access, confidentiality of information about users and their use of all library resources including electronic. The library affirms the following principles and user rights as delineated in the American Library Association's Access to Digital Information, Services and Networks: an Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (<https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/digital>):

1. Digital information, services, and networks provided by libraries should be readily, equally, and equitably accessible to all library users.
2. Libraries and librarians should not deny or limit access to information available via digital resources because of its controversial content or because of personal beliefs or fear of confrontation.
3. Information retrieved or utilized digitally should be considered constitutionally protected unless determined otherwise by a court with appropriate jurisdiction.
4. Responsibility for and any restrictions of, a child's use of the Internet rests solely with his or her parents or legal guardian.

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Internet Access and Conduct

1. Free access to the library's computers is available to Dyersville city residents, those who have purchased full service memberships, and residents of those communities who are paying equitably for library service as defined by the Board of Trustees of the James Kennedy Public Library. Those eligible for free computer use are encouraged to get a JKPL library card to expedite their use of the library's computers. All others may use the library computers by paying a fee of \$1.00 per half hour or any portion thereof.
2. The Internet access computers are normally available during all hours of operation.
3. When logging in, users must enter a pin number and agree to the Internet Use Guidelines. Users are expected to understand and abide by these guidelines.
4. Reserve time is scheduled for one-hour per day. Users must check in within five (5) minutes of scheduled time or lose the reservation.
5. No more than two people may use a computer station at one time, except for adults with small children.
6. Use of the library's Internet for illegal or unethical purposes is prohibited. It is unacceptable to visit "adult only" sites on library computers. What is offensive to one person may not be to another, but the JKPL Board has determined that adult only sites (labeled as such on the site) are not appropriate in this setting.
7. Since the computers on which the public can access the Internet are located in a public area, which must be shared by library users of all ages, backgrounds and sensibilities, individuals are asked to consider this when accessing potentially controversial information and images. The library reserves the right to ask individuals to discontinue the display of information and images that cause a disruption. The library has privacy screens available for adults who wish to view personal or confidential information. The library also has laptops available to check out for use within the library.
8. Patrons found violating this policy will be warned of the violation and repeat offenders will be asked to sign out of the library computers for the day. Repeat offenders may also be banned from computer use for a longer period of time.
9. Patrons are expected to abide by the JKPL Conduct in the Library Policy while in the library, including while using the library computers.

10. Patrons may download and / or save programs and documents to their own storage devices only. The security on the library computers will automatically erase any information or documents saved onto the hard drive. Please note, software downloaded from the Internet may contain viruses. The James Kennedy Public Library is not responsible for damage to a patron's disk or computer, or for any loss of data, damage, or liability that may occur from the patron's use of the library's computer.
11. Cost of black and white printing is \$0.15 per page for letter size paper. Color printing is \$0.50 per page for letter size. Larger sizes are \$0.20 for black and white and \$1.00 for color.
12. Patrons may not always be able to access sites on the Internet. There are a number of reasons that may apply:
 1. The host computer has closed or limited access due to a high number of users.
 2. The database or resource you are trying to access is licensed and access is limited.
 3. The host computer has changed its Internet address or has closed down.
 4. The library's Internet connection may be periodically or temporarily inoperable due to technical difficulties.

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