2025 ANNUAL REPORT







SALT LAKE COUNTY LIBRARY | The County Library



Overview

With nearly 3 million visitors a year, County Library branches are busy places that the community loves. I couldn't be more proud of our library staff who work passionately every day to serve the residents of Salt Lake County. Whether they are helping find materials in a local branch or working behind the scenes maintaining our buildings and collections, our library team is dedicated to ensuring our neighbors have a great place to visit.

Salt Lake County residents checked out more than 13 million items in 2025, and we are proud to be one of the top libraries in North America. Two-thirds of Salt Lake County households are active library users, and we continue to make sure our collections, programs, and resources benefit the public.

Whether you're looking for the perfect book for a four-year-old, activities for aging parents, or support in building your small business, our branches are here to connect the community to information, education, and entertainment.

Joey McNamee
Director

Mission: Make a positive difference in the lives of our community by inspiring imagination, satisfying curiosity, and providing a great place for everyone to visit.

Salt Lake County's Core Values

These define how we serve our colleagues and community every day.

- **We value and respect people.**
- **We serve with integrity.**
- **We care about one another.**
- **We strive for excellence.**

The County Library Board

Chair – Spencer Romney
Vice Chair – Anastasia Morgan
Member – Steve Sokol
Member – Kaati Tarr
Member – William Scarber
Member – Lindsay Vargo
Member – Jessica Strong
Member – Ann Engar
Council Member – Natalie Pinkney
Community Services Department Director – Robin Chalhoub
District Attorney's Office – Anneliese Booher

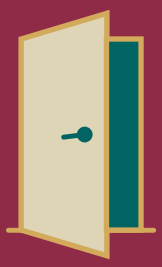
The County Library Leadership Team

Library Director – Joey McNamee
Associate Director for Public Services – Jennifer Fay
Associate Director of Community Engagement – Matt McLain
Associate Director for Finance and Operations – Leslie Webster
Associate Director of Administrative Services – Brad Kendrick
Senior Manager of Collections – Christa Warren
Human Resources Manager – Pamela Park
Marketing & Communications Manager – Sara Neal
Fiscal Manager – Carrie Hackworth
Facilities Manager – Shaun Dimick

The County Library branches and managers

Bingham Creek, Ann Marie Barrett
Daybreak, Leslie Schow
Draper, Sarah Brinkerhoff
Granite, Kim Welch
Herriman, Christopher Dasanjh
Holladay, Trudy Jorgensen-Price
Hunter, Azra Basic
Kearns, Lee Whiting
Magna, Melissa Wayman
Millcreek, Laura Renshaw
Riverton, Stephanie Tilt
Sandy, Darin Butler
South Jordan, Erin Rigby
Taylorsville, Christina Walsh
Tyler, David Bird
West Jordan, Vern Waters
West Valley, Joel Poppleton
Whitmore, Maggie Mills

Statistics



Door count:
2,839,171



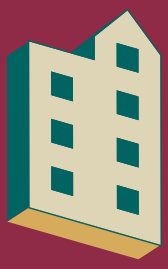
Items checked out:
13,338,440



Reference questions answered:
118,728



Create appointments:
18,346



Rooms booked:
45,581

Library programs, outreach, and self-directed programs

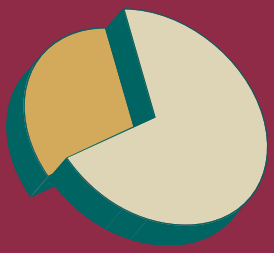
Program count:

12,963
programs

Program attendance:

579,156
attendees

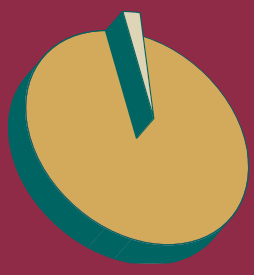
Materials circulation



Physical: **69.1%**



eMaterials: **28%**

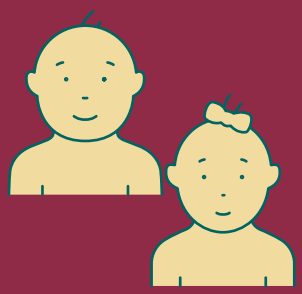


Databases: **2.9%**

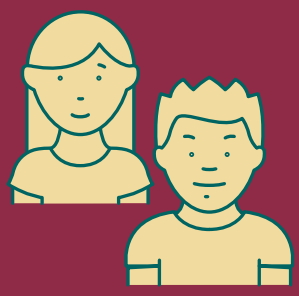


Items added to the system **792,372**

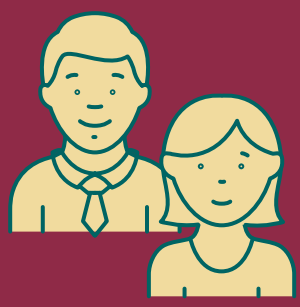
Physical materials circulated



Kids: **5,026,540**



Teens: **467,637**



Adults: **3,246,957**

Highlights

Building purchase and land acquisition

In April, the Library purchased a building in Midvale to serve as our new workspace for Collection and Resource Services, Early Learning, Jail Services, and Lifelong Learning. By moving these processes to a building in Midvale, we will have a more central location and easy accessibility to all County Library branches. In the fall, the Salt Lake County Council and the Midvale City Council unanimously approved the Library Board's motion to purchase approximately 2.5 acres of land from Midvale City for the future Midvale branch.



Artemis Moon Tree

Salt Lake County Library's Holladay branch was selected by NASA as one of the hundreds of organizations from across the country to receive 'Moon Tree' seedlings that flew around the Moon on the agency's Artemis I mission in 2022. The Holladay branch was chosen based on their ability to care for the tree and to connect the community with STEM and tree-focused educational opportunities. The tree was unveiled June 5.



Spy Camp Launch

This summer the County Library added a new themed camp to its successful programming line-up with Spy Camp, a free, fun, STEAM-based day camp for youth ages 6–10. Classes are designed to inspire creativity and leadership, be developmentally appropriate, and to support social and emotional learning.



Junior Fiction Collection

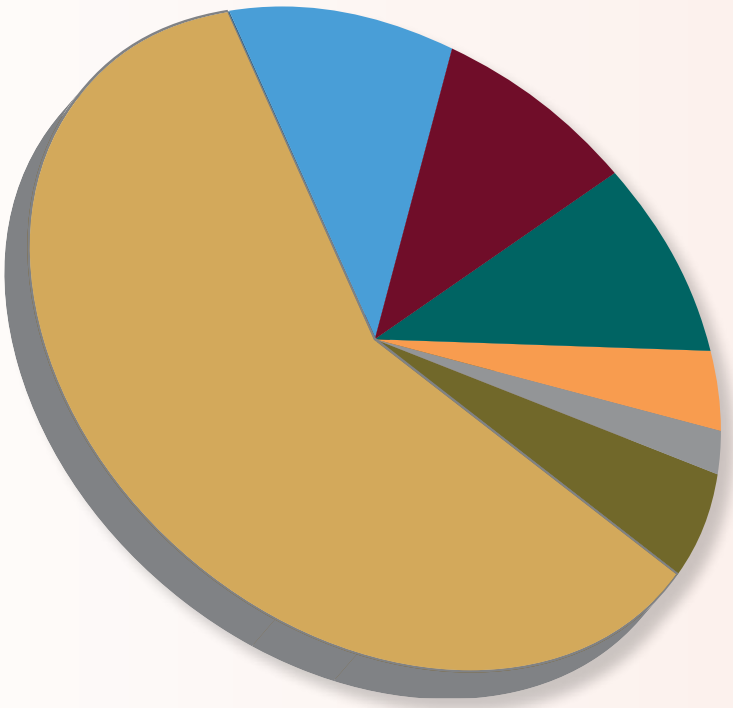
This autumn the Library's Collection Management Committee finished a multi-year project to re-categorize a number of books into a new collection called Junior Fiction. This collection includes chapter books for early grade-schoolers who are starting to read independently on their own. This collection is an important step on the path of children's literacy.



Financials

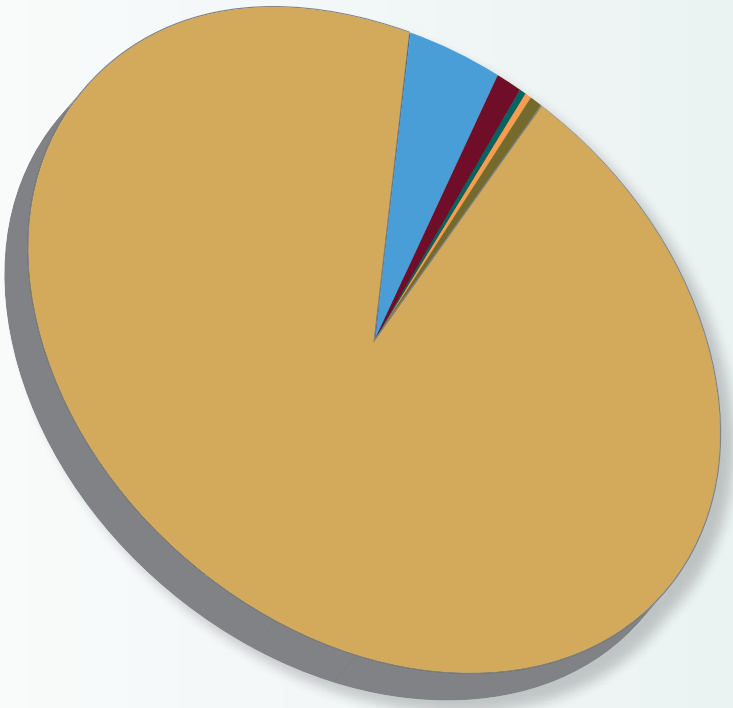
2025 Library Expenses

Personnel	$36,475,138
Materials	$6,417,372
Operating	$5,319,151
Debt Service	$5,549,755
Indirect Costs	$2,289,797
IT Services	$1,297,010
Capital Projects	$3,502,147
Total	**$60,850,370**



2025 Library Revenue

Property Tax	$60,313,130
Motor Vehicle Fee	$2,688,042
Fines & Fees	$584,383
Grants & Contracts	$316,389
Viridian Rental Income	$156,000
Miscellaneous/Other	$209,042
Total	**$64,266,986**











Building Investments

Every year, the County Library invests in projects at library buildings to maintain safe, beautiful, and effective spaces for the community.

Xeriscaping

Improved irrigation, planted trees, and replaced lawn at South Jordan
Additional work at Bingham Creek

Lighting

Upgraded lighting at Magna and the Viridian Event Center

Parking Lots

Slurry and asphalt replacement at South Jordan

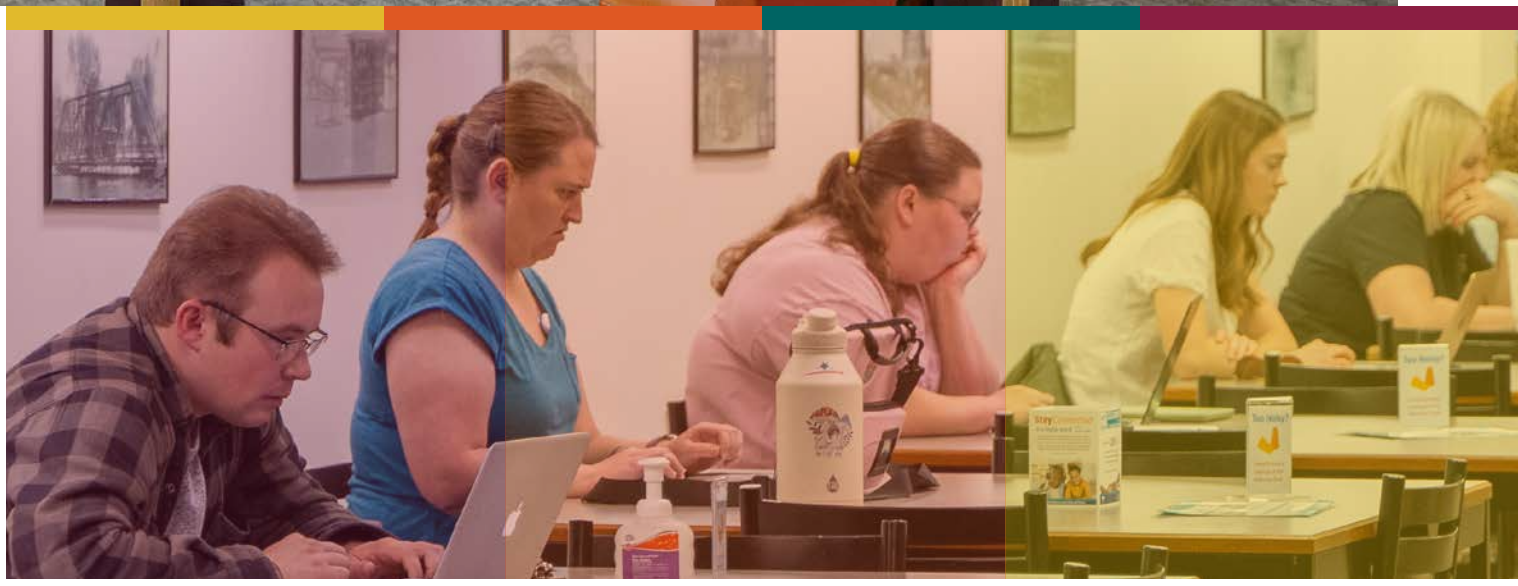
HVAC

Replaced boilers at West Jordan

Site Improvements

Shade structure at Hunter
Replaced materials sorter at Draper





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