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"Can't you just
let my Rook live
his life?!" -Tween
during the tween
chess program

Ameriprise
Financial



"As a small business owner, the toughest part is advertising and marketing. The Library's online resources are so valuable, and there are also business resource partners who can walk you through everything—from starting a business and filing taxes to building a targeted marketing list.

I'm also a parent, and I'm impressed by the programs and all the non-book resources available. Most people still think of the Library as just books, but it's incredible how much digital and hands-on support it offers now.

It's also great that the Library got the state's top rating for financial stewardship. It gives me confidence that things are done right." – **Christopher Wysong, Certified Financial Planner, Ameriprise Financial Services, LLC**

Take the Quiz!

1. How many times were Culture Passes (museum passes) checked out in 2025?

2. The Library of Things lets you borrow non-traditional items. Which of these can you borrow?

- Radon monitor
- Cello
- Pressure washer
- Steam cleaner
- Lite Brite
- Paper shredder
- Party in a Box
- VHS or film video converter
- Laminator
- Photo scanner

3. Does the Library have Tonieboxes® and Tonie characters?

4. How many board games were checked out in 2025?

5. Can you download free eBooks onto your device AND eBooks onto your eReader (Kindle) through Libby and other library apps?

6. How many U.S. Passports were processed at the Library in 2025?

7. Can I access the *New York Times* crossword, the mini, and any recipe in the "Cooking" section free with my Library card?

8. Which of these can you bring to Creativity Commons for recycling?

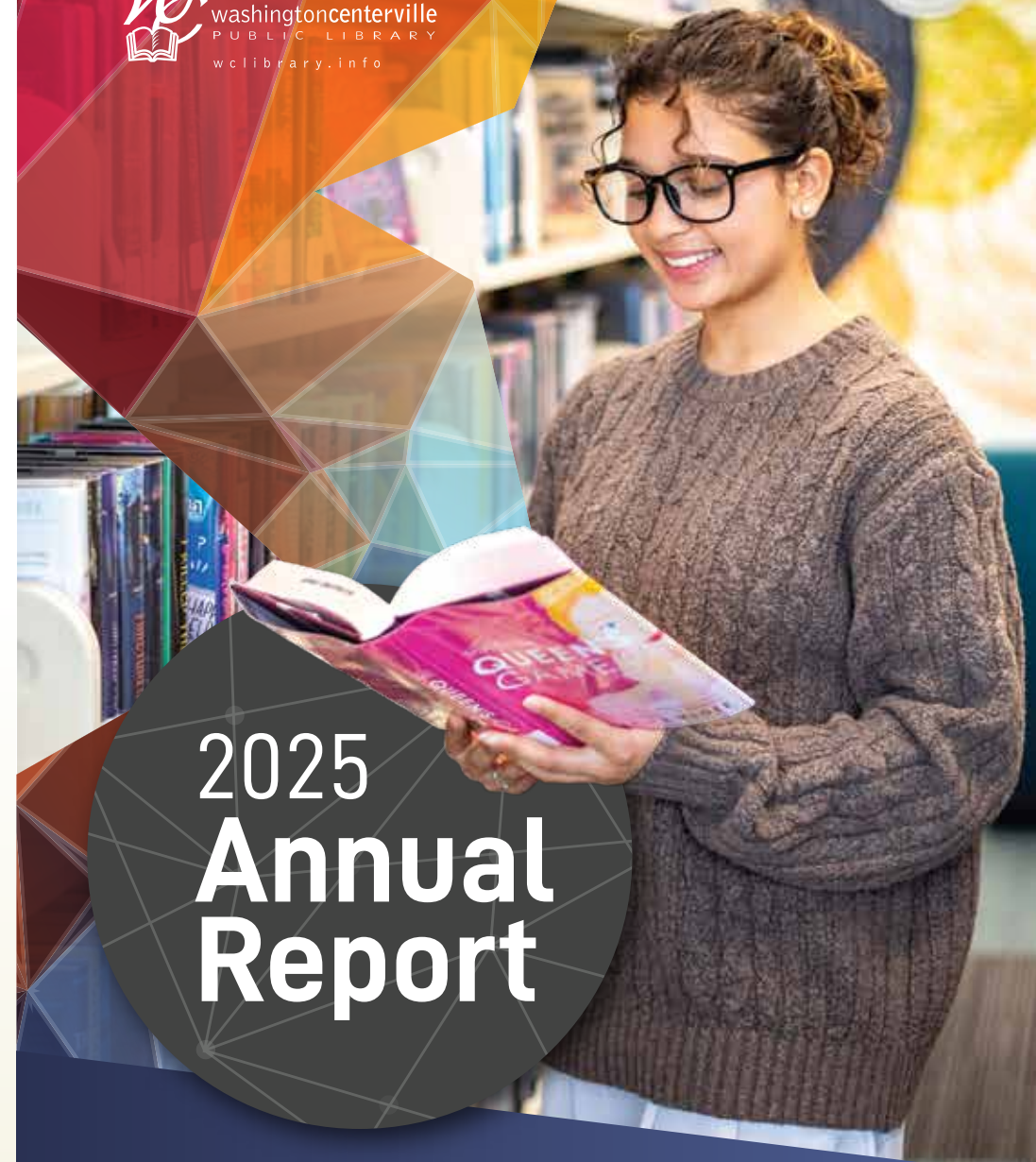
- Batteries
- Swiffer refills
- Takis snacks packaging
- Razors
- Colgate packaging
- Sauce packets
- Dunkin' Coffee bags
- Febreze products and packaging



- 1. 774
- 2. All of them!
- 3. Yes. New in 2025
- 4. More than 14,000
- 5. Yes
- 6. 620
- 7. Yes. New in 2025
- 8. All of these and many more. Check our website.



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2025 Annual Report

"My friends and I study at both libraries. We love the natural light at the Library. It's comfortable, without distractions. Creativity Commons is my happy place. Anything I think up, I can make. It's been great for school, and for me personally." – **Maya Patel, high school student**

With more than 65,000 cardholders, the Library belongs to everyone, but its story is written one person at a time.

Walk through our doors, and you'll find Jen browsing the Library of Things. Quinn, age four, running into storytime. At Creativity Commons, Maya is printing stickers. For her, the makerspace is her Library—a place to create, build, and imagine. Meanwhile, business owners like Patti, Chris, and Jehanne are pulling marketing reports and data that would cost thousands anywhere else, all available free with a library card.

Each person uses the Library differently, yet they all describe the same thing: a place that meets them where they are. Our recent survey confirmed it—people value the connection, the expertise, and the sense of belonging they find here.

The Library is for everyone, but its meaning is personal. What's your story?



"The Library has been a great asset to my business. I had no idea what the Library could offer me. I've gotten statistics before, but I PAID for them. I've had mailing lists before, but I PAID for them. Now, I can do all that using online resources at the

Library, and the staff is so kind and knowledgeable. And Creativity Commons can help me make just a few promotional items, instead of having to order thousands." – **Patti McCormick, RN, PhD, President, Institute of Holistic Leadership**



"We use the Library of Things all the time. The museum passes are great, and we borrow games the kids play endlessly before moving on. When you buy things, you end up stuck with stuff no one uses, and you never know what your kids will actually like. Borrowing lets you try things first and avoid the clutter. As a busy mom, it's made life easier, more fun, and saved us a ton of money." – **Jen Buckner, busy mother and teacher of two daughters**



Library user Jehanne Dufresne, Health/Life Coach

Financial Story:

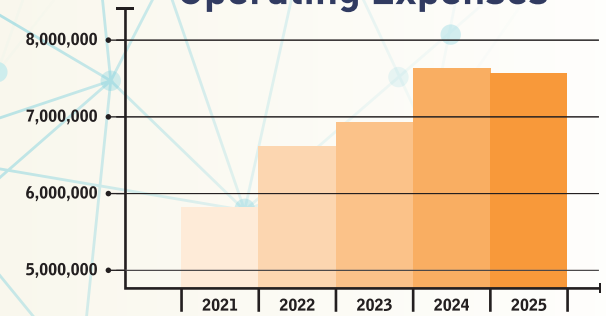
Washington–Centerville Public Library upholds strong financial stewardship through full public accountability. Guided by the belief that responsible spending should withstand public scrutiny, the Library has earned the State of Ohio's highest STARS rating for financial stewardship.

In 2025, every dollar in taxes paid by citizens of the Washington Township/Centerville area, resulted in \$4.56 of value seen by patrons.



Board Games Borrowed 14,000+	Culture Passes Up 300%	Card-holders 65,716	Visitors to Creativity Commons 18,468
New York Times All Access Up 363%	Digital Magazines Borrowed 58,817	Press Reader Up 658%	Passports 620 Patrons Assisted 103,456
Items Circulated 1,500,000+	Tonies Borrowed 846	Facebook Followers Up 160%	Expanded Recycling Efforts, 4,038 lbs. of trash diverted since 2022

Operating Expenses



- Teen Board Games and Launchpads
- Teen Read Alongs



- Tonieboxes® and Tonie Characters
- Decodables (aligned with Science of Reading)



- 31 New Library of Things Kits
- Little Free Library at Schoolhouse Park
- Passport Acceptance Fairs



What's New



- Carillon Historical Park and Boonshoft Museum added to Culture Pass Collection
- 204 New Board Games



- Hallmark and Lifetime Channel Roku added
- Ms. Teacher visits



- Construction began on the renovation of the Centerville Library
- *New York Times* All Access