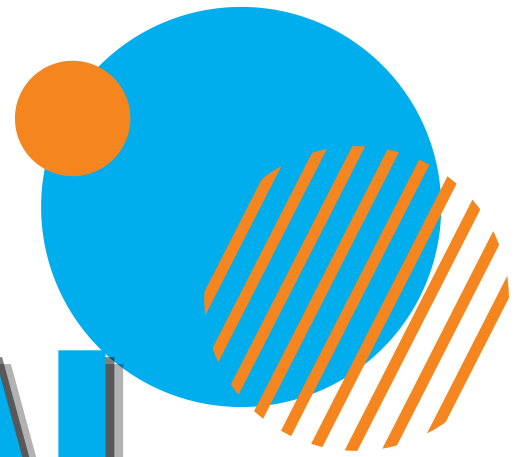




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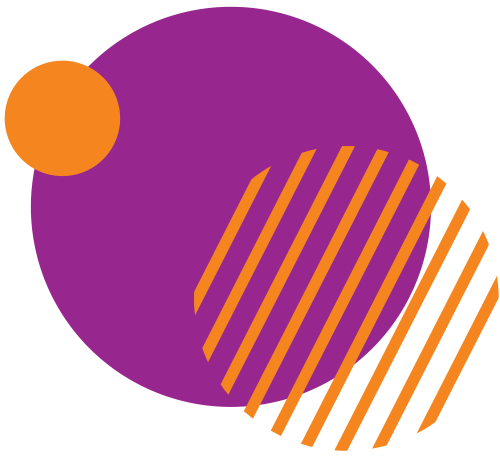
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# OUR PURPOSE & MISSION

## PURPOSE

Morgan County Library: Connecting  
Community, Inspiring Knowledge.

## MISSION

The Morgan County Library fosters a love of learning, literacy, and community connection by providing accessible resources, engaging programs, and a welcoming space for all. We are committed to inspiring curiosity, supporting lifelong education, and enriching the lives of our patrons through knowledge, creativity, and innovation.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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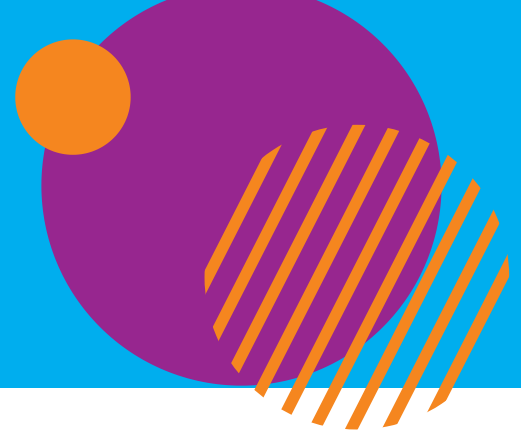
**Shirley Root**  
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**Erik Rottmann**  
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# Financial Overview



Total Revenue

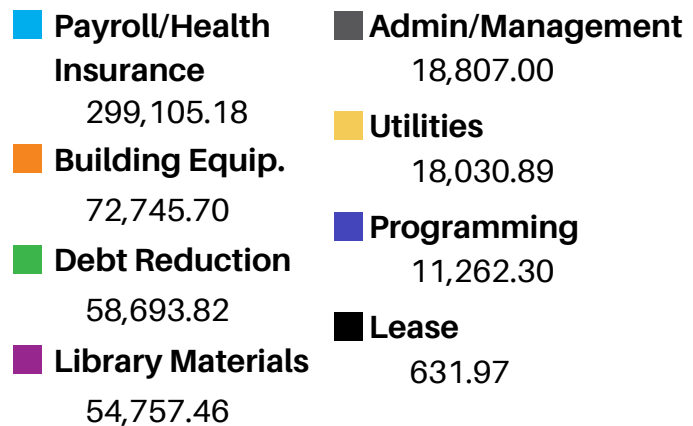
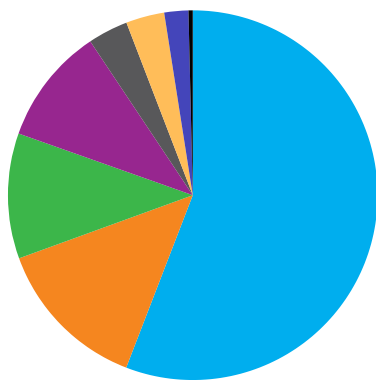
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Operating Expenses

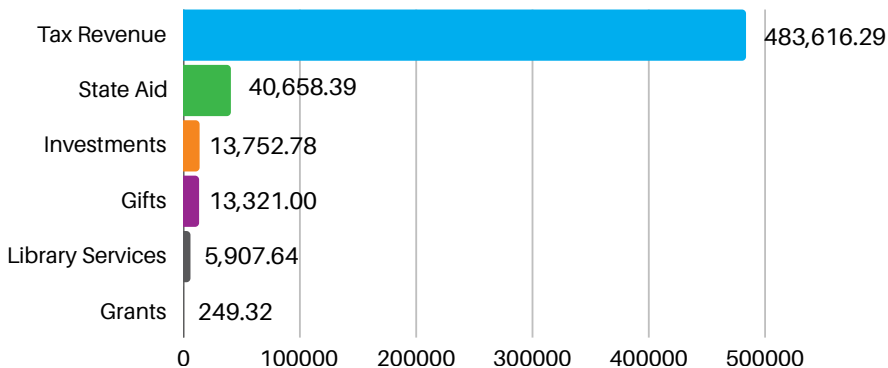
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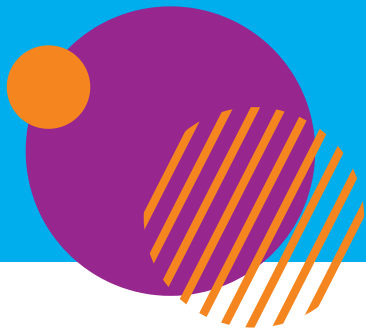
The library building, constructed in 2005, was fully paid off this year.

## Revenue



The Library employs 4 full-time employees and 3 part-time employees.

The library district has an approved operating property tax rate of ten cents per hundred dollars of assessed valuation, as voted in 1946.



# Programs

## Book Club

12 Events  
77 Attendees

## Cookie Decorating

1 Event  
13 Attendees

## Seed Library

1 Event  
152 Attendees

## Adult Craft Nights

4 Events  
84 Attendees

## Escape Room

1 Event  
39 Attendees

## Yoga

30 Events  
224 Attendees

## Sensory Saturday

9 Events  
72 Attendees

## Teen Time Saturday

11 Events  
162 Attendees

## Lego Play

12 Events  
86 Attendees

## Story Time

### Baby Story Time

30 Events  
111 Attendees

### Touch-A-Truck Story Time

1 Event  
130 Attendees

### Little Kids Story Time

37 Event  
967 Attendees

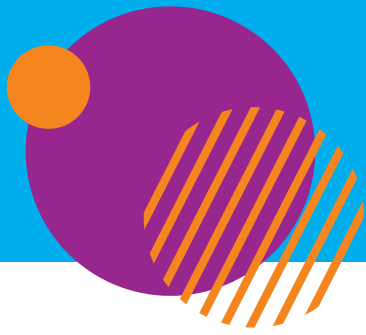
### Big Kids Story Time

29 Event  
224 Attendees

## SRP Story Time

Special Guests: Priscilla Howe (Storyteller), Andrea Pawling and the Runge Nature Center

32 Event  
1170 Attendees



# Outreach

## OFFSITE

### Head Start

7 Events  
64 Attendees

### Little Tigers

7 Events  
315 Attendees

### Ranch House

11 Events  
36 Attendees

### Tender Hands

8 Events  
35 Attendees

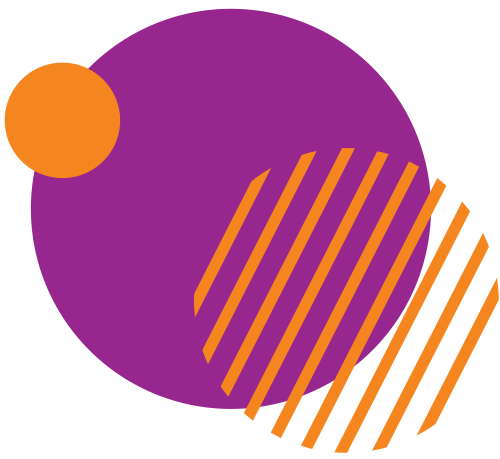
## ONSITE

### Home School

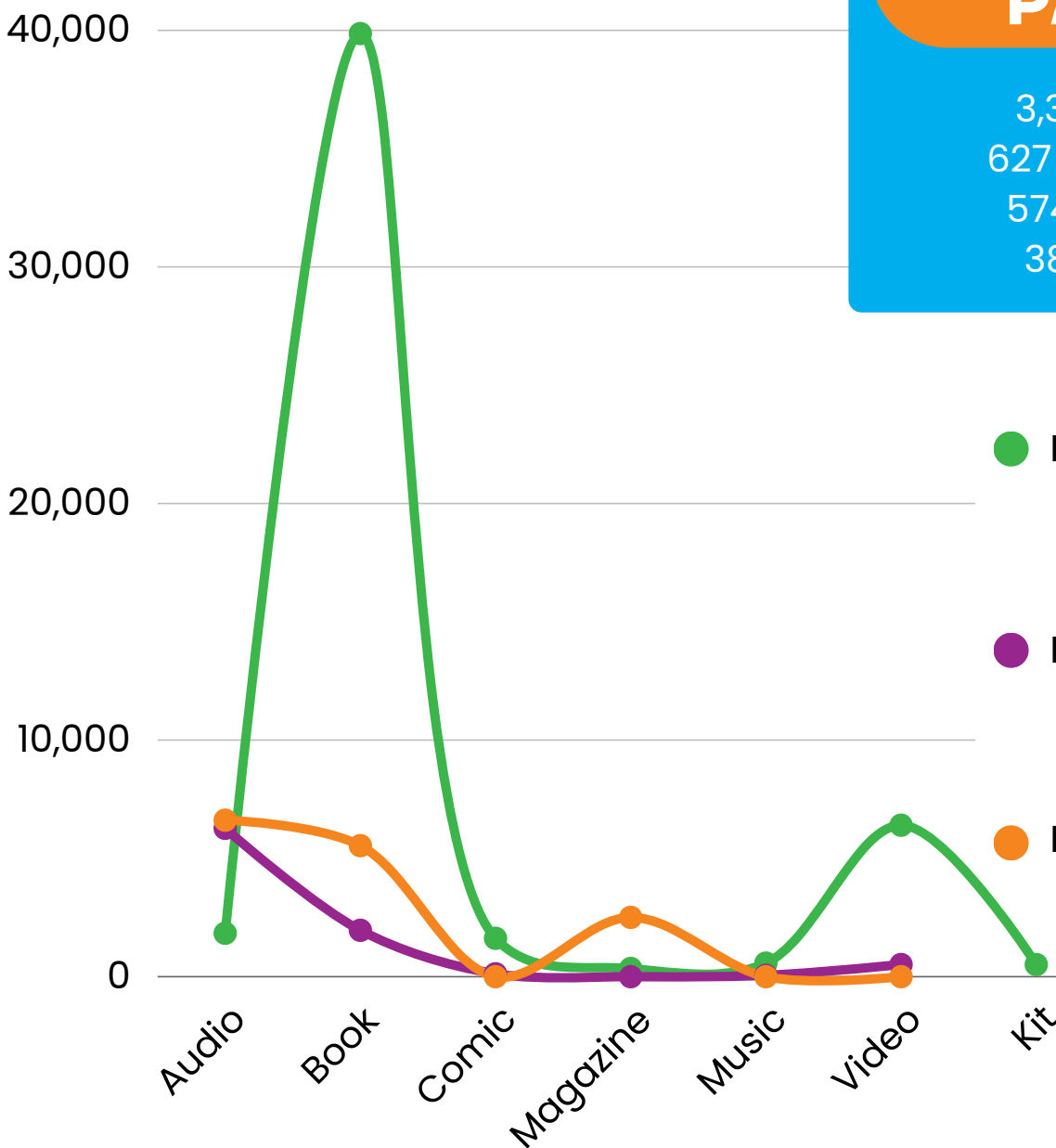
11 Events  
133 Attendees

### MCR-2 Field Trip

1 Event  
53 Attendees



# LIBRARY LENDING



## MISSOURI EVERGREEN

2,552 borrows  
7,606 lends

## PHYSICAL COLLECTION

34,356 Total Items  
1,472 New Items

## ACTIVE PATRONS

3,358 Patrons  
627 New Patrons  
574 on Hoopla  
383 on Libby

- Physical Material**  
 Total Checkouts: 50,644  
 Cost: \$21,163.77
- Hoopla Material**  
 Total Checkouts: 8,925  
 Cost: \$21,979.70
- Libby Material**  
 Total Checkouts: 14,212  
 Cost: \$3,126.52