



Library Board and Library report

Common Council
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WAUWATOSA
PUBLIC
LIBRARY
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Circulating Collection

Books and other things to check out and take home.



Reference Services

Answers and assistance.



Programming

Story times, lectures, and activities for children, teens, and adults.

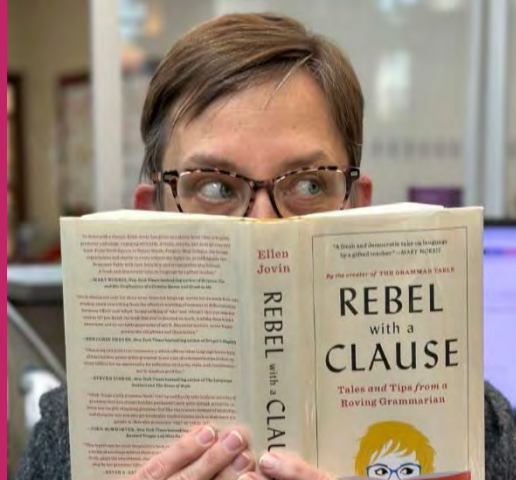


Library Services



Access to Technology

PCs, laptops, Internet access, photocopiers, and more.



Welcoming Spaces

Study spaces, meeting rooms, collaborative work spaces, and relaxing spaces.



KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS



Items Checked Out

2021:	781,413
2022:	806,773
2023:	830,512



Library Programs

2021:	246
2022:	445
2023:	550



PC/Wireless logins

2021:	41,081
2022:	48,308
2023:	39,700



Library Visits

2021:	217,195
2022:	281,218
2023:	308,327

LIBRARY FOUNDATION | CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FEASIBILITY STUDY



The Wauwatosa Public Library Foundation is working with a consulting firm, McDonald Schaefer, to conduct a capital campaign feasibility study.



The goal of the study to provide a reasonable estimate of potential private fundraising capacity for a renovated and expanded library.



This information is intended to assist the Library Board, Common Council, and City staff in planning for the future of the municipal complex.



McDonald Schaefer is currently conducting engagement interviews with community members. A final report is anticipated this summer.

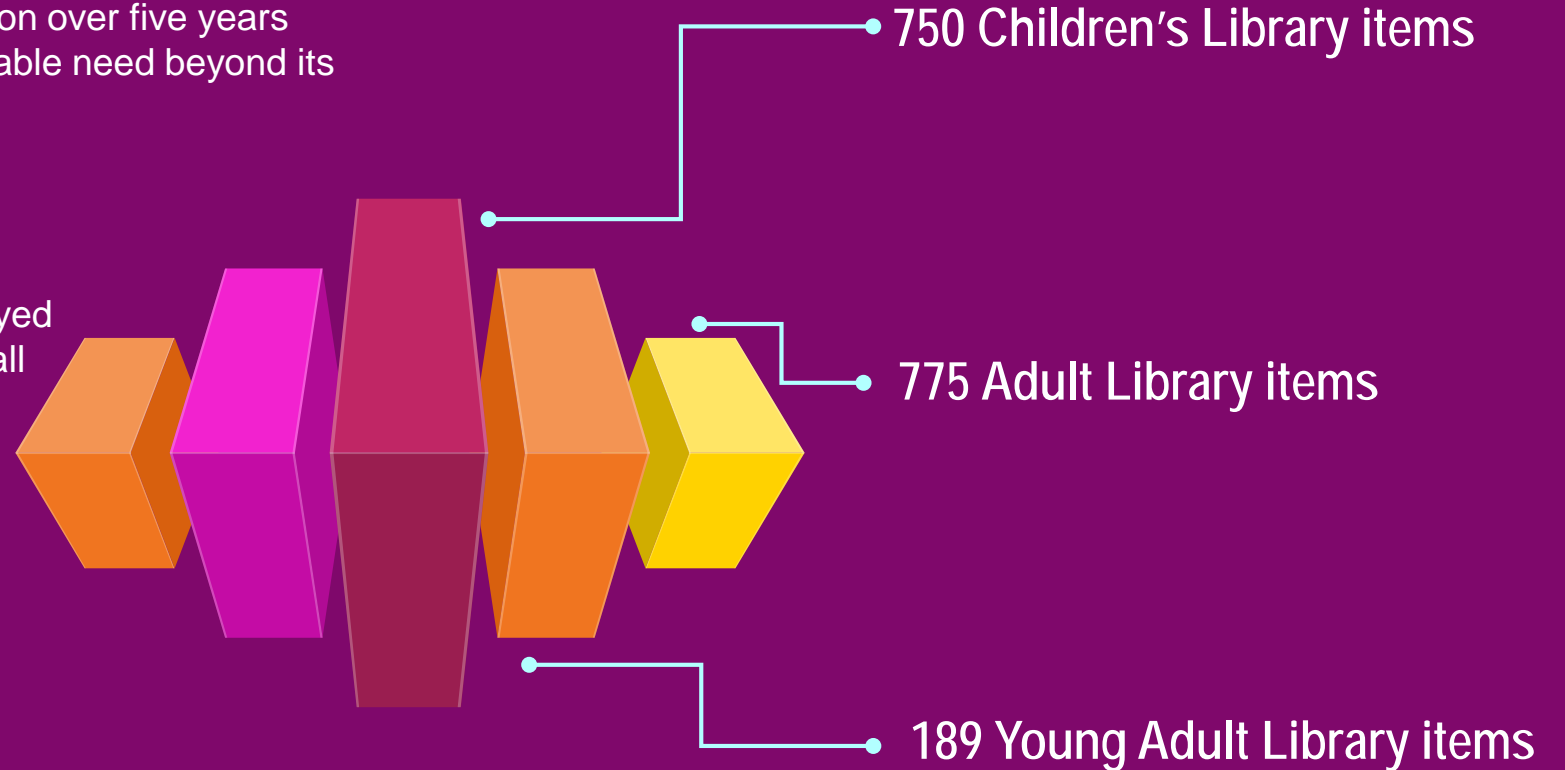
Library Equity Collection | ARPA funds

WPL is purchasing materials that are responsive to disparities augmented by the pandemic in an effort to reduce barriers. ARPA funds are allowing WPL to improve its collection over five years (2022 through 2026) in various areas of equitable need beyond its materials budget.

Collection items address:

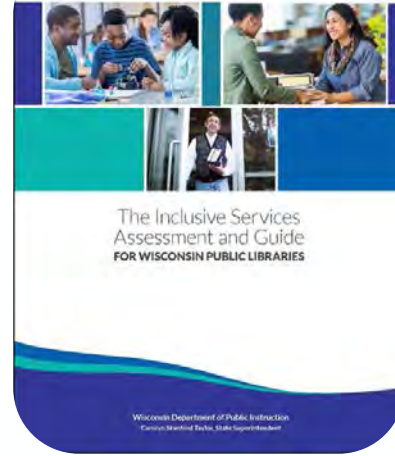
- Disparities in health, housing, and education
- Negative economic impacts on unemployed and underemployed individuals, and small business
- Promotion of health childhood environments

2023 collection additions:



Inclusive Services Assessment | Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

The Inclusive Services Assessment and Guide was designed by Wisconsin public library and public library system staff for Wisconsin public library directors, staff, and boards with the intent to foster inclusive library environments where everyone is safe, welcomed, and respected.



WPL completed the assessment and reviewed the results with the Library Board earlier this year.

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This resource intentionally complements the Wisconsin Public Library Standards.



WPL plans to use the results as an ongoing reflection tool to help evaluate current services as well as plan for the future. Library staff is planning to complete the assessment on a biennial basis.