

WIXOM PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR
2022-2023



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WIXOM PUBLIC LIBRARY

ANNUAL OVERVIEW, GOALS & OBJECTIVES

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Fiscal year 2022-2023 saw steady circulation trends, increases to technology usage, an increase in reference questions, and a surge in program attendance. Demand for digital content remained steady at 15.31% of total circulation and overall circulation saw a .83% increase, bringing circulation statistics back up to pre-COVID levels. As part of the annual budget process, the Library staff and Board of Trustees reviewed the demand for digital and physical collections in order to increase budgets for collections with the highest interest.

The biggest change the Library saw to services was the increased attendance and demand for library programs. Program attendance saw an astonishing 27.74% increase, with a focus on youth and adult programs. FY 2022-2023 also saw the return of weekly ESL programs. We look forward to continuing to offer interesting new programs!

In addition to changing program and collection interests, the Library has also witnessed changing patron needs in using the physical building. Library administration and the Board of Trustees collaborated to develop a new space plan to guide us with planning for the future service needs of the growing Wixom community. We are looking forward to implementing gradual space improvements to provide better services. As we continue to evolve and grow, we are still the place where Wixom **reads, discovers and connects**.

– Andrea Dickson, Library Director

Board of Trustees

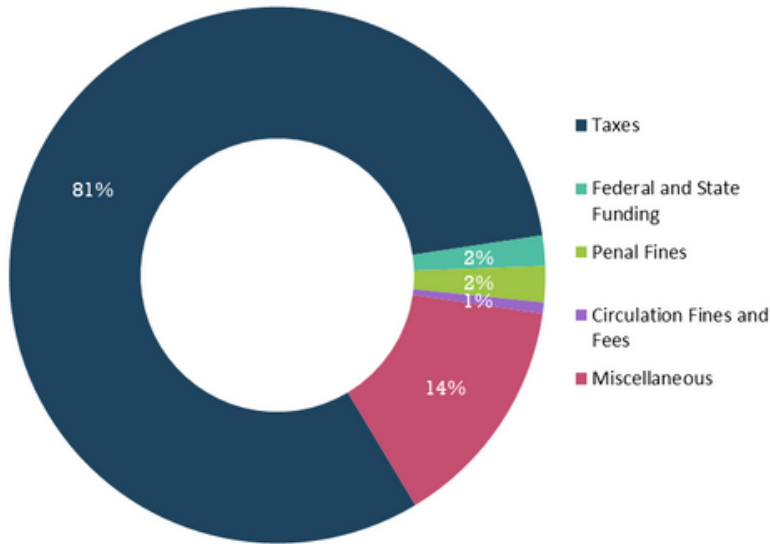
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Mission

The Wixom Public Library serves the ever-changing needs of our diverse community with quality collections, services and programs that support its informational, educational, cultural, and recreational needs.

FINANCIAL REPORT

REVENUE & EXPENDITURES

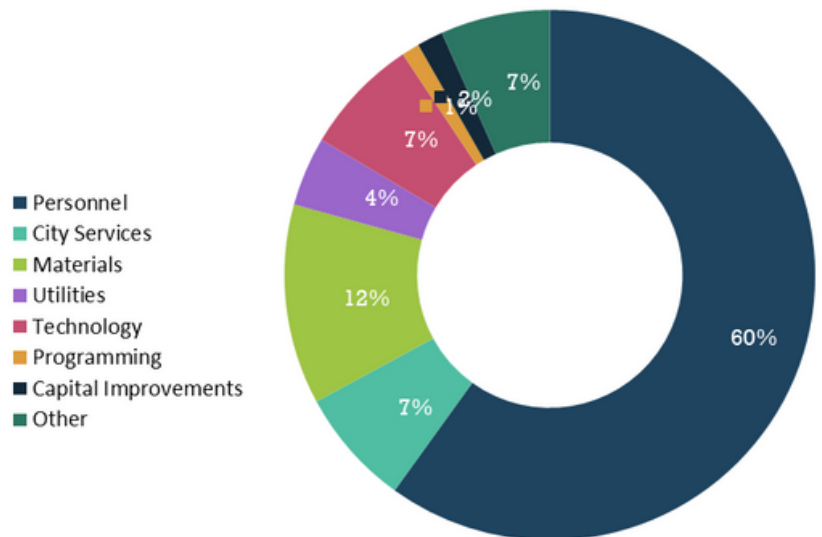


REVENUE: \$1,064,691*

During the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the Library's tax revenue increased substantially by 5.33%. Circulation Fines & Fees and Penal Fines had slight declines to revenue due to changing patron behavior and court procedures. The Library saw large increases in Local Community Stabilization Authority funding along with a significant increase in interest income. Overall, the Library saw a decent increase in revenue despite fluctuations to a few revenue sources.

EXPENDITURES: \$992,604*

The Library increased its investment in quality materials and services. The collection budget accounted for 12% of the overall budget and the programming budget increased 17%. The Library also saw increases to personnel costs with increasing industry wages and staffing changes that resulted in increased salaries. The Library continues to look at the most cost-effective ways to provide high quality services while balancing operating costs.



*Pre-Audit Figures

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

One of our main projects in FY 2022-2023 was conducting a space planning assessment. Through this process, the Library has developed plans for space improvements to better meet the current and future needs of the Wixom community. Planned improvements include building new study rooms, creating a separate teen room, expanded shelving for growing collections, and more. The Library Board of Trustees is committed to making these improvements in a fiscally responsible manner by utilizing extra savings and allocating funds without impacting other core services.

HIGHLIGHTS

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

QUALITY SERVICES

Library services and programs returned to normal. Librarians offered **323 programs to 5,572 attendees** and answered **8,221 reference questions**. There were **12,681 wireless and computer sessions**. Patrons checked out **22,176 digital items** in FY22-23. Additionally, **5,728 items were added** to our collection and **cardholders increased 10.49% to 5,657**.



LITERACY FOR ALL AGES

From early literacy to digital literacy, we expanded literacy initiatives in FY 22-23. The year saw the return of our weekly ESL program and Book-A-Librarian appointments for computer assistance. We also increased school outreach with regular story-time visits to GSRP classes and visits to a variety of school events. Lastly, reading challenges are offered year-round for all ages to encourage consistent reading year-round.

5,572

Program
Attendees

175,184

Minutes Read by Kids in
Reading Challenges

6,976

Books Read in Challenges

5,657

Library
Cardholders

22,176

Digital Items
Borrowed

49,737

Website
Sessions

144,890

Items Checked
Out