



OCEAN COUNTY LIBRARY

CONNECTING PEOPLE • BUILDING COMMUNITY • TRANSFORMING LIVES

Annual Report 2022



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Susan Quinn

Ocean County Library Director



Ruthanne Scaturro

Ocean County Library Commission Chair

It is with great pleasure and enthusiasm that we present to you the 2022 annual Report for Ocean County Library. As we move forward from the pandemic years, our library system provides a vibrant and inclusive space for learning, discovery, and community engagement to help people reconnect with each other.

Reading is a core mission of a public library. Our library has expanded its collections and resources to meet the diverse needs and interests of our community. We have added a wide range of books, e-books, audiobooks, DVDs, and other materials to our catalog. These endeavors have empowered our patrons to explore new subjects, enhance their skills, and engage in lifelong learning. We hope you enjoy the section in this report on the most popular books in print and digital in 2022.

We have been committed to offering dynamic programs and events that promote literacy, creativity, and cultural enrichment. These programs have fostered a sense of belonging and connectedness among our community members.

We are honored to lead this remarkable institution and work alongside dedicated individuals who share a common passion for knowledge, learning, and community engagement.

We want to extend our heartfelt gratitude and deepest appreciation to our library staff for their tireless efforts, commitment, and passion in serving our community. A special thanks to the dedicated members of the Ocean County Library Commission, whose guidance and support have been instrumental in achieving these accomplishments. Last, but certainly not least, thank you to our wonderful volunteers – without you, we wouldn't be complete. You are champions, and we are grateful for you.

Commission and Management Team 2022

2022 Ocean County Library Commission

Ruthanne Scaturro, Chairperson

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Bonnie R. Peterson

Paul F. Wolleon

The governing body for Ocean County Library is the seven-member Ocean County Library Commission. Commissioners are unpaid volunteers, appointed for 5-years, who are responsible for the oversight of Library funds, property, and equipment, as well as determining the policies and rules governing Library services in promotion of the Library's interests.

Ocean County Library Administration

Susan Quinn, Library Director

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Barry DePaul, Assistant Maintenance Supervisor

Jenn Doderer, Director of Human Resources

Michael Erickson, Assistant Maintenance Supervisor

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Timothy Mailley, Technology Manager

Rita Oakes, Chief Librarian, Branch Services

Kelly-Ann Pennell, Chief Librarian, Branch Services

Melissa Rutowski, Chief Librarian, Branch Services

Todd Simmons, Assistant Technology Manager

Jennifer Woodman, Budget Officer



Joseph H. Vicari

*Commissioner Director
Chairman: Senior Services
and County Operations*

OCL STATS

Total Number of Visitors:

1,314,975



*That's enough people to fill Yankee Stadium **over 25 times**.*



Total Circulation:

3,929,394

*If Library items were (1ft) stepping stones, you could walk from the **Toms River Branch** to **Bermuda**.*



New Patrons:

21,046

*That's enough people to fill **Madison Square Garden**.*

Circulation Statistics 2022

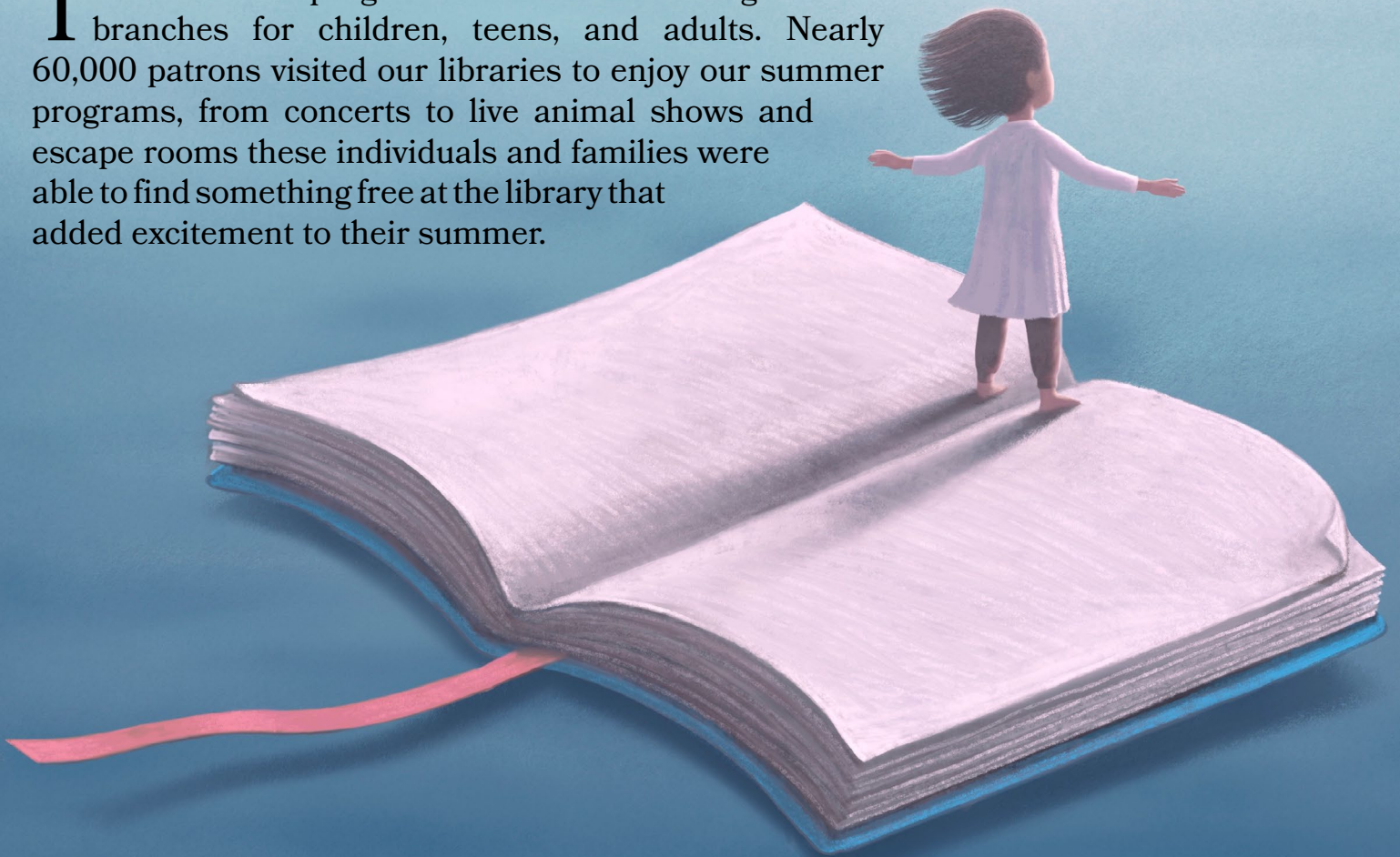
Branch	Check Outs 2022
Barnegat	113,703
Bay Head	6,758
Beachwood	22,450
Berkeley	106,637
Brick	441,954
Homebound Inst.	25,729
Island Heights	34,131
Jackson	364,135
Lacey	127,795
Lakewood	537,521
Little Egg Harbor	100,481
Long Beach Island	63,303
Manchester	285,478
Plumsted	43,473
Pt Beach	38,424
Pt Boro	143,864
Stafford	130,647
Toms River	508,750
Tuckerton	28,259
Upper Shores	62,832
Waretown	32,908
Whiting	72,072
eMaterials ¹	638,090
Totals	3,929,394

¹All eMaterials: OverDrive, hoopla, Kanopy, Flipster, Creativebug, and FreegalMusic+.

SUMMER

The summer of 2022 marked an important milestone for the Library as we embarked on our first year back to fully in-person programs and the celebration of Summer Reading season. Summer is always busy in our libraries but this year a new sense of excitement was brought to summer programming across the system that had been missed over the years following the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Thousands of programs were held throughout our branches for children, teens, and adults. Nearly 60,000 patrons visited our libraries to enjoy our summer programs, from concerts to live animal shows and escape rooms these individuals and families were able to find something free at the library that added excitement to their summer.



READING

SUMMER READING STATS

	Books Read	Number of Programs	Attendees
Children	37,875	1,148	25,327
Teens	2,246	318	2,701
Adults	11,380	2,604	31,428

Our teen summer volunteer program, Service and Achievement in the Library (S.A.I.L.) returned in person for the first time since 2019. Our teens were excited to return to this collaborative program and completed invaluable work, culminating in over 5,000 volunteer hours, the equivalent of 724 working days.

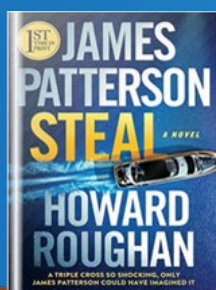
Overall, the success of this momentous summer exceeded staff expectations and made the first summer back to normalcy special.

Top Titles of



Print and Digital

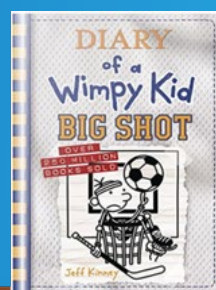
Fiction



Adult



Teen



Children

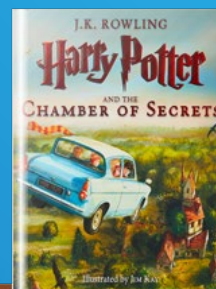
Digital Fiction



Adult

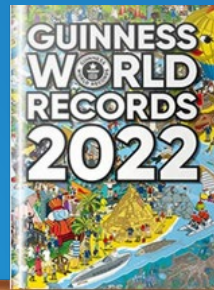
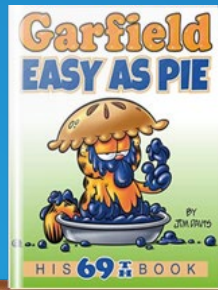
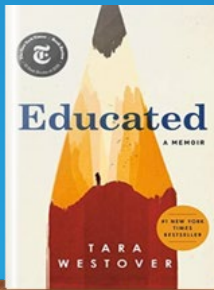


Teen



Children

Non Fiction

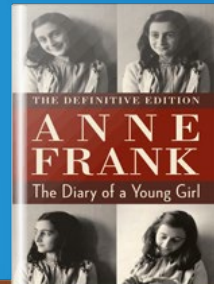
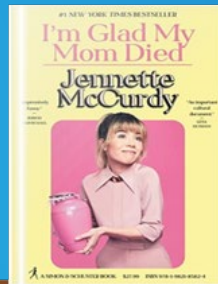


Adult

Teen

Children

Digital Non Fiction



Adult

Teen

Children

Fiction

Adult:

Steal James Patterson/Howard Roughan
The Last Thing He Told Me Laura Dave

Teen:

TinTin
The Summer I Turned Pretty Jenny Han

Children:

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Big Shot Jeff Kinney
Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets
 J.K. Rowling

Non Fiction

Adult:

Educated James Tara Westover
I'm Glad My Mom Died Jennette McCurdy

Teen:

Garfield: Easy as Pie
The Diary of a Young Girl Anne Frank

Children:

Guinness World Records 2022
Guts Raina Telgemeier

BRANCH

Barnegat Branch

The Friends of the Barnegat Library is a growing group, and they hosted a "Book & Boutique Sale."

Beachwood Branch

Traveling Literary Theater performed "Your Ghost Story." This program featured professional actors reading classic horror stories.



Berkeley Branch

The Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Ocean County presented Coastal Stewardship: Saving and Protecting Barnegat Bay.

Bay Head Reading Center

The comic performer David Engel delighted the Bay Head School students and staff with his ecology show Captain Nemo's Adventure Academy.



Brick Branch

Adults with special challenges gathered each month to create beautiful works of art and socialize.

Island Heights Branch

"I very much love going to the Island Heights Branch of the Ocean County Library. The Staff is so friendly, helpful, and outgoing. It's like visiting friends. A peaceful setting."
– Debbie, Patron

MOMENTS

Jackson Branch

Mr. Schantz presented an educational event for Juneteenth by customizing musical selections that highlighted the early roots of jazz in the African American community.

Lakewood Branch

The Lakewood Branch connected 460+ middle school students with library books and services through the Contact-Free Classroom Collection program.



Long Beach Island Branch

The Youth Garden Club hosted by the Garden Club of Long Beach Island hosted a program on how to create a festive autumnal arrangement.



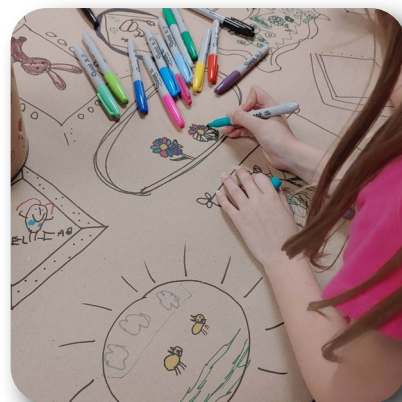
Lacey Branch

Plunder and Song with The Sea Dogs presented to patrons about the tales of the famous pirates that prowled the Eastern coast of New Jersey and the Delaware River.



Little Egg Harbor Branch

Little Egg Harbor staff attended Frog Pond Elementary School's Art and STEAM Fair where students contributed their self-portrait. This patron's project encouraged self-expression and "about me" discussions with peers.



BRANCH

Manchester Branch

Using recycled materials and old newspaper, children made an Earth, colored it with watercolor paints and then used double-sided tape to attach the Earth to paper.



Pt. Pleasant Boro Branch

A young patron, Bria, wanted to have her own book at the library so everyone could enjoy it. Bria shared her first work as an author with the branch, titled “Be Happy”. Staff made mock barcodes and stickers and kept it on display at the Reference Desk.



Pt. Pleasant Beach Branch

The book bike was used during the summer to visit Pt. Pleasant Beach's summer camp.



Plumsted Branch

Iron Fox Typewriters installed an interactive display at the Plumsted Branch. The display featured a refurbished 1963 Smith Corona typewriter and an informational poster with a QR code linking customers to an instructional video.

Stafford Branch

With a meet and greet of local first responders, adults and children alike climbed into the police car, fire truck, and ambulance. This hands-on experience helped our young visitors learn that first responders are approachable and safe to talk to, especially during an emergency situation.



MOMENTS

Toms River Branch

The Toms River Branch held the first in-person Youth Art Month Reception since 2020. The reception brought in over 1,100 attendees to view student artwork. This is one of our biggest partnerships with the Toms River Regional Schools and it was a great opportunity to continue that partnership.

Upper Shores Branch

Upper Shores Branch hosted multiple adult day programs where participants loved to read books, play games, and take part in fun activities.



Tuckerton Branch

Tuckerton's children's librarian hosted an outdoor storytime featuring the title *All My Stripes* by Shaina Rudolph and Danielle Royer, in honor of Autism Awareness Month.

Waretown Branch

Waretown had its 40th Anniversary, embracing the theme "Growing Together: The Waretown Branch and Waretown Friends". The Friends of the Waretown Library purchased a tree that was hung behind the reference desk. Patrons wrote what they love about the branch, and these were hung as well.



Whiting Reading Center

The Winter Reading Contest Winner for the branch volunteers his time by completing five to ten Adult Book Reviews per month, and they are well written and thoughtful.



Ocean County Fair

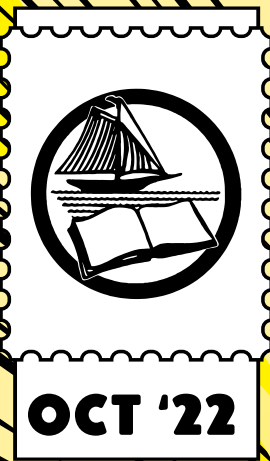


Library Staff Work Ocean County's Annual County Fair

The Ocean County Fair is a time-honored tradition that brings together communities for a delightful blend of entertainment, food, and educational experiences. Among the array of attractions, the Ocean County Library table stands out as a treasure trove of knowledge. Staff share their enthusiasm and wealth of knowledge creating a welcoming atmosphere that draws fair attendees. These dedicated individuals are eager to engage visitors, answer their questions, and foster a love for books and learning. The vibrant presence of the library at the fair make it an essential stop for fairgoers of all ages.



Library Staff Connect with Community at County Fair

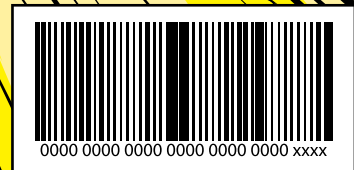
The main title "FANNATION 2022" is rendered in a large, bold, pink-to-white gradient font with a thick black outline. Above the title is a horizontal strip of four comic book-style icons: a large eye, an open book with a starburst, a planet with a ring and a rocket, and a superhero silhouette. The background is a vibrant yellow with black comic book speed lines radiating from the center.

FANNATION 2022



***Back to
in person!***

**This comic con style event
featured a cosplay contest,
scavenger hunts, crafts, an
escape room, and more!**



OCL IN THE NEWS

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THE BEST SELLING NEWSPAPER IN THE WORLD

Today's Edition

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New Kid on the Hawk



The Ocean County Library Toms River Branch's most distinctive guest in 2022 didn't present a program, did not speak, and actually avoided patrons and staffers. It was a young hawk, which found its way into the Branch and roamed the rafters for the better part of two weeks. Word spread throughout the region, even reaching televised newscasts in New York. Library officials conferred with Master Falconers Bob Glass and Richie Ross of the New Jersey Falconry Club, as well as Don Bonica, a certified wildlife rehabilitator, of Toms River Avian Care. After a 12-day stay, the raptor was convinced to come out of its hiding spot by Mr. Glass. Later that day, it was seen soaring above the nearby rooftops.

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Baby Yoda Cards, We Have

Star Wars fans, collectors and book lovers were invited to swap their Ocean County Library cards for new, special-edition cards featuring "The Child," featured in the Disney+ series The Mandalorian. OCL joined systems across the country in offering the unique items

under the aegis of the American Library Association. The Library's supply of cards moved briskly into patrons' hands, from inception just before National Library Week 2022 through year's end. By the close of December, OCL distributed 7,268 "Baby Yoda" cards.



LAUNCHPADS



In November of 2022, the Ocean County Library offered a new borrowing opportunity for patrons with the debut of our Launchpads. Launchpads are easy to use pre-loaded tablets with free games for adults, teens, and children without the need for Wi-Fi. Filled with puzzles, word games, number challenges, and tests of speed and logic, this collection helps train the mind by challenging memory, reaction time, problem-solving and observation skills, attention span and more.



Vega

In April 2022, Vega Discover launched, a new intuitive catalog designed to enhance the search experience for users as they browse for materials. The new catalog presents a cleaner, modern look while streamlining the virtual browsing process. Patrons can now easily find both physical and digital materials in one location with the ability to place holds on digital items directly from the catalog without needing to navigate to additional screens or apps.

AWE

In 2022 the Children's Department in every branch received new AWE Bilingual Early Literacy Stations. These new stations have over 85 STREAM (Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Art, and Math) aligned educational software titles. Our AWE stations have become increasingly popular with our younger patrons, who look forward to jumping onto these specialized computers whenever they visit the Library.

Chromebooks

In 2021 the Ocean County Library began loaning HotSpots and Chromebooks to patrons with the support of the Ocean County Library Foundation. This initiative sought to make steps toward addressing the digital divide in our County. Since their launch Chromebooks and HotSpot have circulated nearly 2,000 times.

NJ Courier

Our New Jersey Courier historical newspaper database covers a wealth of information on local and state history, including newspaper articles detailing the development of the library system from its inception as funded by Nathaniel Bishop. In 2022, a new server and website was developed and launched to improve the usability of the site and make it more accessible both within the library and from home.



FUN DISPLAYS AROUND THE SYSTEM

Here are just a few examples of the beautiful displays our staff put together this year to help patrons find their next great read!

For more great displays by our staff visit our Pinterest:



SHORE TO VIEW: LIBRARY PROGRAMS ON DEMAND



In her series, *Crafting with Miss Chris*, Chris takes you along as she completes some of her favorite crafts. A crafting extraordinaire, Chris's video programs bring you unique projects for all skill levels. Nearly 1,000 viewers crafted with Chris at home this year, completing a variety of projects from creating home décor with items already on hand to impressive DIY gifts.



Cooking with Miss Joanne is not only delicious, it's easy! With seasonal recipes the whole family can make and enjoy, Joanne brings you a catalog of her favorite meals in a fun format for you to follow along. Check out Miss Joanne's top video of the year, a versatile recipe for Irish Potato Bread that you can make sweet or savory with household staples.

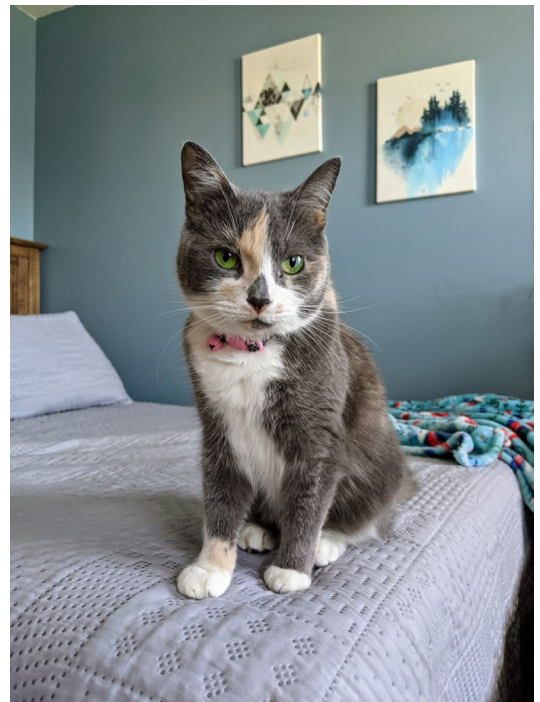


Watch & Create crafts and creative snacks for kids! In this series, Children's Librarian Jen brings some of her favorite in-person programs to you at home with her videos of fun seasonal activities.



NATIONAL PET DAY

National Pet Day is celebrated every year on April 11th. We put out a call to our followers on social media to share their favorite photos of their furry, feathery, and scaly friends with us. Over a hundred photos were shared with us throughout the month of March. On April 11th, our staff took to social media and shared all the delightful submissions we received on our accounts, reaching over 4,000 viewers!



REUSABLE BAGS

Sturdy, utilitarian totes have long been offered for sale to Ocean County Library patrons, many years before the New Jersey law that bans single-use plastic bags. In 2022, OCL introduced a roomy tote with a new, colorful, lively look that spreads the Library's mission anywhere they're used. Bearing the legends "The Original Recyclers," "Small Acts Change the World," "Say Yes to Eco-Friendly Bags," and "Got Books?" the reinforced totes boast a larger weight capacity and size dimensions that accommodate oversized books.





THE SENSORY SPACE PROVIDES A WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE ATMOSPHERE FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY...

...while also providing a calm, relaxing atmosphere designed to relieve stress and anxiety and to help develop coping skills for those with sensory processing challenges.

In September 2022, the Sensory Space at the Toms River Branch celebrated its one-year anniversary. As the first Sensory Space in a public library in New Jersey, visitors are amazed and appreciative of this valuable resource. Many have said that a visit to the Ocean County Library now also includes a visit to the Sensory Space and it is quickly becoming an integral part of a productive and enjoyable library experience.

We look forward to opening our Sensory Space @ the Jackson Branch in 2023 and a third Sensory Space in 2024 at our new Stafford Branch.



SENSORY TEAM PRESENTS AT ALA



“Diversifying Your Library Services Through Sensory Spaces,” was presented at the American Library Association Annual Conference by OCL’s Sensory Space Team: Gigi Hayes – Librarian 4, Branch Services, Sara Siegler – Assistant Director, Meredith Silvestri – Sensory Space Library Assistant, and Wendi Smolowitz – Librarian 2, Chair of the Library’s Autism Resources Committee. The program was held in conjunction with staff from the Louisville Public Library in Ohio, the first public library in the country to create a Sensory Space.



Librarian Kate Sanchez, Library Director Susan Quinn, Office of US Senator Cory Booker Special Projects Manager Kaitlin McGuiness, Library Assistant Director Sara Siegler, Librarian Wendi Smolowitz, Sensory Space Library Assistant Meredith Silvestri

Ocean County Library Friends and Friends Steering Committee



The Steering Committee began collaborating on an Ocean County Library Friends Handbook, which will include a speakers list, a guide for starting business memberships, newsletter examples, fundraising ideas, and event checklists. The Steering Committee continues to foster communication and idea sharing amongst Friends groups and is exploring new avenues to collaborate. Friends groups across the library system helped to fundraise with events such as

open houses, book & bling sales, and restaurant week fundraisers. These fundraisers allowed them to sponsor programs, summer reading prizes and more for their branches throughout the year. Ocean County Friends groups across the library system had **916 membership renewals** and **266 new members** join.

Grants

Library Services and Technology Act 2022 (LSTA) Grant: Ocean County Library received \$7,900.00 in federal grant funds through a highly competitive grant process to provide literacy support for neurodiverse children from birth to age 5. Milestones in Neurodiversity & Literacy to Grow was conceived and developed by Kate Sanchez, Children's Librarian and Leslie Karvan, Information Services Librarian, both of the library's Little Egg Harbor Branch and administered by Kelly-Ann Pennell, Chief Librarian. The Library Services and Technology Act 2022 (LSTA 22) grant is administered by the New Jersey State Library, an affiliate of Thomas Edison State University. LSTA 22 funds are awarded to library projects that address literacy needs and funding is made possible by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Programming was hosted at the Brick, Stafford, and Little Egg Harbor Branches.

New Jersey Council for the Humanities Democracy Conversations Project (DCP): Ocean County Library received a \$500 award to host a program related to democracy and civic engagement in the United States. The DCP program is part of the New Jersey Council for the Humanities (NJCH) Voices and Votes: Democracy in America Tour, a Smithsonian Institution traveling exhibit. Ocean County Library staff selected the NJCH program Civic Participation in Cancer Alley with Thomas Belton, Independent Author, Journalist, and Environmental Scientist. Through the lens of human-interest stories and environmental events, participants discussed the environmental history of the state and how citizens can be informed and empowered to act.



New Stafford Library Branch

New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act Grant: The Ocean County Library was selected to receive \$4,824,000 in grant funding through a highly competitive process for construction of a new library facility in Stafford Township, NJ in the second round of funding for the Library Construction Bond Act (LCBA). The LCBA awarded \$37 million to 36 library projects from 13 counties across New Jersey. The new 19,700 square foot Stafford Library will be built on property owned by the County of Ocean at the Ocean County Southern Service Center location. The new library will provide educational resources and community spaces, state of the art technologies, public computers and shelving for 40-50% more books and materials. The new library will have a large children's area, an intergenerational space for senior citizens for socialization, a new teen area, study rooms, a maker space for STEAM activities and a sensory space to provide a welcoming environment for people with sensory processing needs.



This project is supported by funds from the New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act, administered by the New Jersey State Library.



Ocean County Library Foundation

In 2022, the Ocean Library Foundation recommitted to supporting the Ocean County Library's return to in-person library programs after a 2-year hiatus due to the pandemic. Library programs help our community reconnect with each other, by confronting social isolation. The Foundation was also pleased to provide materials, programs, and resources beyond the library's budget for all 21 of our library locations.

The Ocean County Library Foundation funded the following projects at the library in 2022: equipment for STEAM and Maker Programming, Arts and Cultural Programs, gaming programs and equipment, support for Reading and Literacy, Special Library Projects, and Ocean County Library's annual Autism Resources Fair.

2022 Ocean County Library Foundation Board Members:

Michael R. Beck, Esq., *Chair*
Douglas J. Hull, Esq., *Vice Chair*
Elaine H. McConnell, *Treasurer*
Michele Eventoff, *Secretary*
Susan L. Hutler, *Library Commission Liaison*
James F. Fosbre, Jr. (*In Memoriam*)
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Patricia Siciliano
Barbara York
Susan Quinn, Library Director*
**Ex Officio*



Donations

In Memory of Mary Archibald

Pieceful Shores Quilters Guild

In Memory of Clem Boyers

Dagmar and Stephen Finkle

In Memory of Robert Bratton

Megan, Kate & MaryEllen McCann

In Memory of Catherine Chrvala

Meghan and Chris Bunting, Carol Kelly,
Kimberly Kelly, Heather Kelly, Peggy
Thorne and Jim Thorne, Mr. and Mrs.
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In Memory of Melanie Cottrell

The Brigantes, Blair Green, Barbara &
Edward Herbert, Karen C Porcell

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Larry McCloskey

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In Memory of Brian Halm

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Dyan Simms

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In Memory of Kathy Suchodolski

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In Memory of Stephen "Ken" Sullivan

James and Janice Gibson, Diane Lane,
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Osborn Island Residents Association

In Memory of Martin C. Unfried, Jr

Thomas Bechler

In Memory of Pamela Valentine

C. L. Taylor-Lisenby

In Memory of William "Bop" Wilson

The Crites Family

In Memory of Elvia "LaLa" Wilson

The Crites Family

Donations

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Deauville Beach & Bay Association	Library Discretion
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Friends of the Ocean County Library -	John and Nancy O'Connor
Toms River	Neil and Laura O'Regan
Friends of Ortley Beach	Diana Organes
Friends of the Point Pleasant Boro Branch	Brian Pickering and Andrea Dannenberg
Friends of the Plumsted Library	Romalo Quiambao
Friends of the Waretown Library	Diana Rodriguez and Family
Joe and Sue Frissora	Mary Roughneen
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Emilie Gay	Edward J Smerecki
Thomas L Gill	Bob and Nancy Stannard
Grand Bay Harbor Condo Assn	The Stokes Family
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Christine Gudrian	Anne and Will Trevena
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Maryann Hayward	Curtis Watts
Hazen & Sawyer	The Williams Family
Hecht Family Foundation	Richard and Donna Wilson
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COMMUNITY

Alpha School

Angelic Health

Alzheimer's Association of Greater New Jersey

Conserve Wildlife Foundation of New Jersey

Basically Ballet Studio

Barnegat Township School District

Berkeley Township School District

Berkeley Township Senior Services
Department

Brick Township Senior Services Department

Brick Township Public Schools

Cassville Nursery School

Central Regional School District

Community Food Bank of NJ

Deep Run Retirement Community

Eagleswood Township School District

Family Planning Center of Ocean County

Fawn Lakes Women's Club

Garden State Community Bank

Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore

Hackensack Meridian Health

Hunger Foundation of Southern Ocean

Italian Cultural Society of LBI

Island Heights First Aid

Island Heights School District

Jackson Chamber of Commerce

Jackson School District

Jacques Cousteau Center

John Bon Jovi (JB) Soul Kitchen

Kearny Bank

Kiwanis Club

Lacey Township School District

Lakehurst School District

Lakehurst Historical Society

Lakewood Public School District

Lavallette School District

Little Egg Harbor Police Department

Little Egg Harbor Township

Lions Head South 55+ Community

Long Beach Island Garden Club

Manchester Township School District

Master Gardeners

Joint Base MDL

Meals on Wheels of Ocean County

Mental Health Association of NJ (MHANJ)

Mercer County Community College

Mirage Women's Club

M&T Bank

Mystic Island Fire Department

New Horizons in Autism, Inc.

New Jersey Falconry Club

New Jersey Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

New Jersey Council for the Humanities

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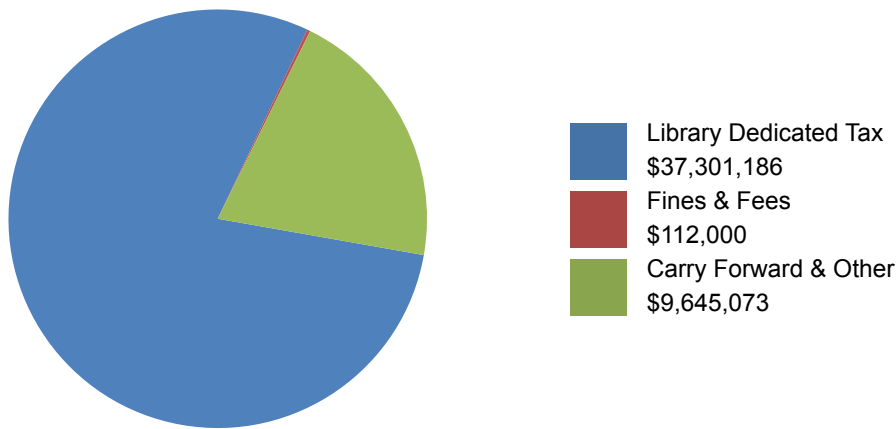
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Stafford Township Volunteer Fire Company
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Adopted 2022 Ocean County Library Budget

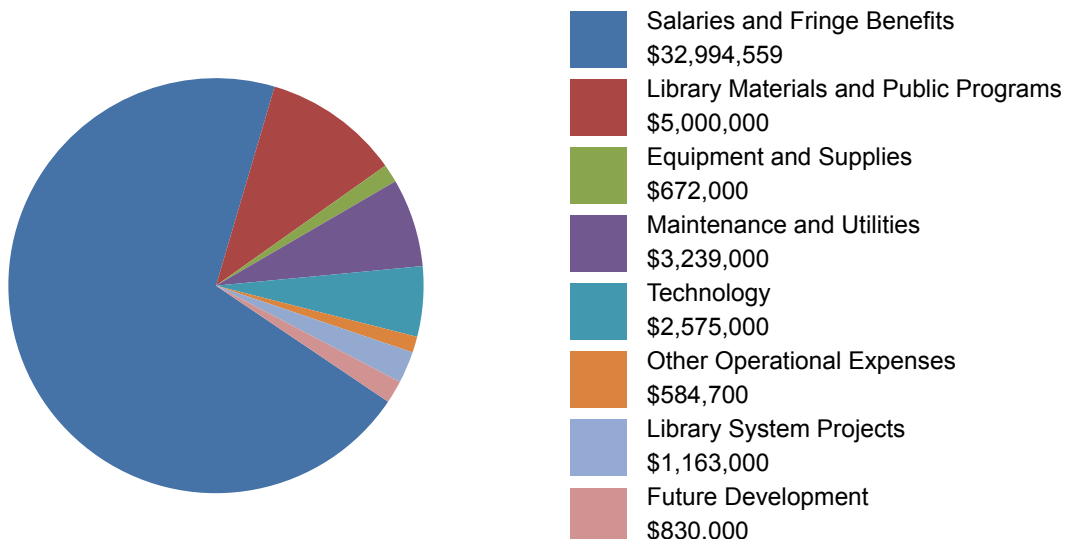
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Financials

OCEAN COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION

(A Component Unit of the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey)

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in

Fund Balances - Regulatory Basis

For the year ended December 31, 2022

(With comparative totals for December 31, 2021)

	General (Unreserved) Fund	General (Reserved) Fund	2021 Total	2020 Total (Memorandum Only)
Revenues:				
Per capita aid	\$ -	\$ 327,598	\$ 327,598	\$ 315,768
Dedicated tax	37,301,186	-	37,301,186	38,983,243
Fines and fees	169,118	-	169,118	123,112
Added assessment tax	358,987	-	358,987	210,850
Copier fees	-	-	-	17,758
Donations	-	49,448	49,448	130,663
Appropriation reserves	-	4,318,797	4,318,797	5,182,335
Building improvement	-	288,726	288,726	188,347
Major repairs	-	-	-	5,000
Miscellaneous	355,156	-	355,156	202,493
Total revenues:	38,184,447	4,984,569	43,169,016	45,359,569
Expenditures:				
Salaries	18,614,419	-	18,614,419	18,013,577
Fringe benefits	9,574,843	749,334	10,324,177	9,898,700
Materials	3,176,706	2,422,160	5,598,866	4,664,814
Donations	-	64,470	64,470	52,550
Programs and public relations	139,987	37,410	177,397	125,964
Professional expenses and seminars	62,634	5,636	68,270	42,704
Professional services	208,490	51,154	259,644	145,348
Administrative services	76,701	220	76,921	51,223
Equipment	88,750	147,829	236,579	141,312
Project 2020	-	-	-	1,408
Automation	-	-	-	377,431
Supplies	245,778	22,239	268,017	371,646
Maintenance - buildings and grounds	1,088,782	182,213	1,270,995	1,085,051
Maintenance - equipment and vehicles	126,174	15,453	141,627	132,539
Utilities	1,023,786	232,902	1,256,688	971,294
Technology	1,564,862	1,157,972	2,722,834	1,897,785
Building improvement fund	-	713,505	713,505	261,441
Transfer to appropriation reserves	-	28,246	28,246	-
	4,318,797	-	4,318,797	5,182,335
Total expenditures:	40,310,709	5,830,743	46,141,452	43,417,122
Excess revenues over expenditures	(2,126,262)	(846,174)	(2,972,436)	1,942,447
Fund balance, January 1	13,024,311	8,734,142	21,758,453	19,816,006
Transfers to unreserved funds	471,567	(471,567)	-	-
Transfers to reserved funds	(1,246,000)	1,246,000	-	-
Fund balance, December 31	\$ 10,123,616	\$ 8,662,401	\$ 18,786,017	\$ 21,758,453

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BAY HEAD READING CENTER	136 Meadow Avenue • 732-892-0662
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BERKELEY BRANCH	30 Station Road • 732-269-2144
BRICK BRANCH	301 Chambers Bridge Road • 732-477-4513
ISLAND HEIGHTS BRANCH	121 Central Avenue • 732-270-6266
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LAKEWOOD BRANCH	301 Lexington Avenue • 732-363-1435
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