

ST. LOUIS PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION
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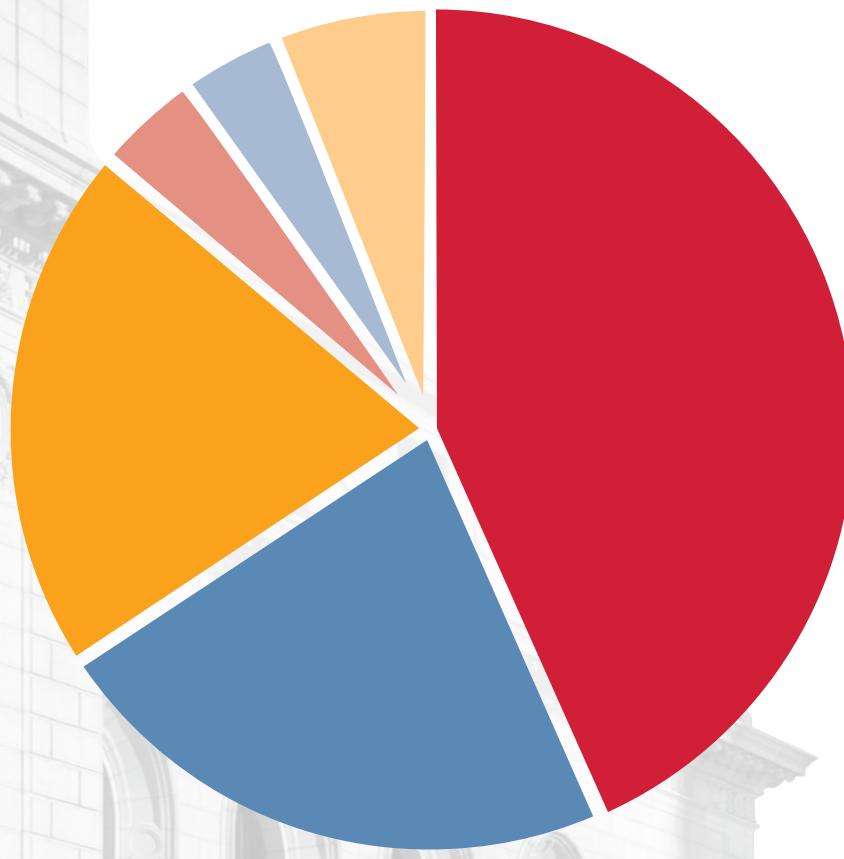
Support of St. Louis Public Library Foundation (SLPLF) from businesses, foundations and individuals enables SLPLF to fund a wide range of programs and projects that serve the people of the City of St. Louis.

St. Louis Public Library (SLPL) programs and projects have a direct impact on the lives of those who live and work in our city. Through them, residents have access to free internet, digital resources, early childhood literacy programming and outreach services for thousands of St. Louis families.

Together, St. Louis Public Library meets the needs of our community and keeps them connected to each other and the world around them.

THE IMPACT OF YOUR GIVING

In fiscal year 2022, your St. Louis Public Library Foundation raised and provided \$848,296 in support of St. Louis Public Library.



YOUTH PROGRAMMING:

- Born to Read Bags for New Parents
- Youth Services Training
- Storytimes (*In the library, online and in the community*)
- 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten
- Read it Together
- Reading Pays
- Read it Forward
- Summer Programming
- Summer Camps
- School Year Camps
- Take and Make Learning Kits
- In-Library Program Kits
- Diaper Distribution and Period Supplies
- Storytime Theater

GENERAL PROGRAMMING:

- Not So Quiet! Concert Series
- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Programming
- Exhibits

TECHNOLOGY:

- Creative Experience Programming
- Equipment
- Software

NEW MATERIALS

ENDOWMENT

CAPITAL:

- Creative Experience @ Julia Davis Library
- Central Library Pollinator Garden



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94
camps
*(spring, summer,
fall)*

1,288
children served

SUMMER@SLPL SCHOOL IS OUT. CAMP IS IN.

Funding from St. Louis Public Library Foundation helped provide free summer camps to area youth. Children ages 3-18 enjoyed a wide variety of free camp sessions, experiencing everything from mini medical school and 3D modeling to film production and songwriting!

Summer @ SLPL programs help counteract “summer slide” - the partial learning loss students experience during the summer months when schools are out of session. Summer camp participants are better prepared to move forward with their academic studies when they return to school in the fall.



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SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

St. Louis Public Library Foundation funded summer reading programs including the Summer Challenge, which encouraged children and their families to read during the summer months. Summer 2022 saw the largest participation in the program since 2015.



STORYTIME ALL THE TIME

In 2022, St. Louis Public Library provided safe and fun ways to introduce early childhood literacy to the library's youngest users and their families.

- Outdoor Storytime
- Baby Bookworms
- Sensory Storytime
- Bilingual Storytime
- Storybook Walks in local parks

1,614
storytimes

4
storybook
walks

17,158
children served



EARLY CHILDHOOD LITERACY



592
children registered
for 1,000 Books
Before
Kindergarten



STATS BEYOND THE STACKS: EARLY CHILDHOOD OUTREACH TEAM

In 2022, St. Louis Public Library's Early Childhood Outreach Team (ECOT) brought programming to childcare centers. ECOT served young children at these facilities through virtual and outdoor storytimes as well as by providing literacy and learning materials for checkout by educators.

Support provided by:



68
childcare centers

1,848
deposit collections

32,487
items circulated

667
storytimes

SUPPORTING FAMILIES

In 2022, St. Louis Public Library established a two-part program in partnership with the St. Louis Area Diaper Bank to support women and families with young children in the City of St. Louis. St. Louis Public Library welcomes this new partnership as a way to support its mission to improve individual, family, and community life in our city.

DIAPERS

Families with young children can pick up 50 free diapers per month for each child at one of two library locations - Central and Julia Davis Libraries.

PERIOD SUPPLIES

Through the Alliance for Period Supplies, an initiative of the St. Louis Area Diaper Bank, St. Louis Public Library provides free period supply kits at all 16 library locations.

Purchasing period supplies is not always a possibility for some in our community, and lack of access to health products can impact the daily lives of many women. In fact, 1 in 3 low-income women miss work, school and other outings due to lack of period supplies.



Support provided by:



STRANGER THAN FICTION: THE ART OF INNOVATION

INNOVATE AND CELEBRATE

St. Louis Public Library Foundation (SLPLF) welcomed over 300 guests to Central Library on Saturday, June 4, 2022, for its biennial gala, *Stranger Than Fiction: The Art of Innovation*. Guests donned Steampunk apparel and enjoyed refreshments, photo ops and live entertainment to raise funds for technology services and equipment at St. Louis Public Library.



(From left) SLPLF Trustee, Scott Bensinger, SLPLF Board Chair, Carolyn Farrell, and SLPL CEO, Waller McGuire.



(From left) Stranger Than Fiction: The Art of Innovation co-chairs Ted Wight of Dielmann|Sotheby's, Cabanne Howard of Kaleidoscope Management Group, Al Mitchell of Bayer with SLPL CEO, Waller McGuire



Kim Frazer with SLPLF Trustees, George Frazer and Jenni Gemberling.





(From left) Kiran Kancherla, Maddi Kancherla, Rime Chahoud, George Chahoud, Carolyn Dolan, and SLPLF Trustee, Scott Dolan.



BUILDING STEAM

Proceeds from *Stranger Than Fiction: The Art of Innovation* supported technology services, programs and equipment at St. Louis Public Library. Thanks to sponsors, donors and guests, the Foundation **raised \$225,000.**



LET'S GET DIGITAL

CREATIVE EXPERIENCE @ JULIA DAVIS LIBRARY

Creative Experience @ Julia Davis Library opened to the public in 2022. The newest tech installation is designed to offer workshops and training that support workforce development. The Creative Experience @ Julia Davis Library is available for use by children and adults free of charge and is one of three spaces in the St. Louis Public Library system with the other two located at Central and Barr Libraries.

The Creative Experience @ Julia Davis Library is a state of the art technical facility designed for group and individual work equipped with:

- computer workstations
- program software
- recording rooms
- virtual reality space
- 3D printers
- large format printer
- laser cutter



St. Louis Public Library CEO Waller McGuire cuts a ribbon with St. Louis Mayor Tishaura Jones at a ceremony at Creative Experience @ Julia Davis Library on November 3, 2022.

DIGITAL ACCESS

St. Louis Public Library Foundation helped provide hotspots and Chromebooks for checkout, which are available for free at library locations throughout the City. Hotspots and Chromebooks allow students of all ages and their families to access the information and resources they need to participate in our increasingly digital world.

7,958
hotspots
circulated

6,500
Chromebooks
circulated

650
hotspot/
Chromebook
bundles
circulated

2,684,311
public WiFi
sessions



Creative Experience @ Julia Davis was made possible with support from Berges Family Foundation, Ferring Family Foundation, Emerson, William T. Kemper Foundation - Commerce Bank, Trustee & Susan Nagarkatti.

EXHIBITS @ CENTRAL LIBRARY

In 2022, St. Louis Public Library Foundation provided funding for *America's Monsters, Superheroes and Villains: Our Culture at Play*, which featured more than 500 exceptional objects, including vintage toys, posters, packaging, TV commercials and movie trailers. Visitors of all ages enjoyed the nostalgic visual survey of American Identity in the 20th century.

This stunning collection brought the monsters, heroes and antiheroes from America's Golden Era into Central Library's Great Hall.

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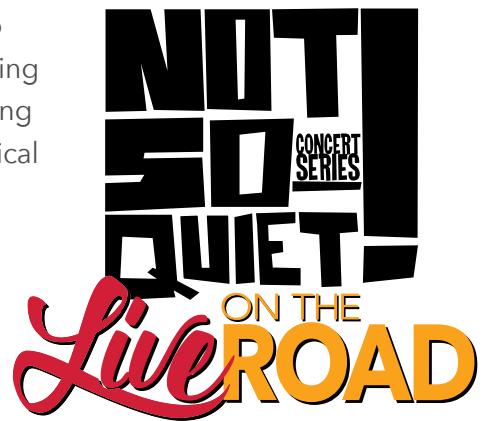


NOT SO QUIET! LIVE ON THE ROAD CONCERT SERIES

The Not So Quiet! concert series brings musical artists to Central Library and to different library locations around the City with its "Live on the Road" series. During the warmer months, the concert series travels to various library locations bringing free cultural programming to City neighborhoods, highlighting distinctive musical talents that contribute to our city's diverse cultural makeup.

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