| Account                                 | Budgeted  | October | per YTD   |      | Remaining |       |
|---|-----------|---------|-----------|------|-----------|-------|
|   | Revenue   |         |           |      |           |       |
| 5000100 LIBRARY COPY FEES               | 12,000    | 722     | 10,214    | 85%  | 1,786     | 15%   |
| 5000177 RENTALS & FEES                  | 8,500     | -       | 3,600     | 42%  | 4,900     | 58%   |
| 5000189 OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS         | 846,573   | 423,287 | 634,930   | 75%  | 211,643   | 25%   |
| 5000312 RENTAL CHARGEBACKS              | 49,000    | -       | 49,000    | 100% | 0         | 0%    |
| 5000426 MISCELLANEOUS                   | 10,000    | 222     | 4,368     | 44%  | 5,632     | 56%   |
| 5000431 MISCELLANEOUS                   | 15,000    | -       | -         | 0%   | 15,000    | 100%  |
| 5000451 INTEREST AND EARNINGS           | 17,500    | 3,839   | 54,805    | 313% | -37,305   | -213% |
| 5000470 VENDING MACHINE                 | 0         | 16      | 66        |      | -66       |       |
| 5000530 REFUNDS OF PRIOR YEARS EXPENDIT | -         | -       | 1,711     |      | -1,711    |       |
| 5000531 GIFTS AND DONATIONS             | 500       | -       | -         | 0%   | 500       | 100%  |
| 5000545 CREDIT CARD REBATES             | 100       | -       | -         | 0%   | 100       | 100%  |
| 5000546 Trust Account Inflows           | 500       | -       | -         | 0%   | 500       |       |
| 5000562 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND      | 1,500,059 | -       | 1,500,059 | 100% | -         | 0%    |
| 5000569 TRANSFER - DEBT SERVICE FUND    | 1,770     | -       | 1,791     | 101% | -21       |       |
| 5000808 OTHER STATE AID                 | 98,690    | 23,664  | 90,889    | 92%  | 7,801     | 8%    |
| 5000952 ARRA DEBT REIMBURSEMENT         | 237       | 86      | 240       | 101% | -3        | -1%   |
| Total Revenue (operating):              | 2,560,429 | 451,835 | 2,351,673 | 92%  | 208,756   | 8%    |

|         |                                       | Projects & Grants |       |         |      |         |      |
|---------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------|---------|------|---------|------|
| 600412  | 17 STATE CONSTRUCTION AID - 2022      | 378,023           | -     | 340,221 | 90%  | 37,802  | 10%  |
| 600413  | 17 STATE CONSTRUCTION AID - 2023      | 157,447           | -     | 141,702 | 90%  | 15,075  | 10%  |
| 600413  | 17 BROOME COUNTY CIP - 2023           | 100,000           | -     | 100,000 | 100% | -       | 0%   |
| 600413  | 38 COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - Period Pant | 1,280             | -     | 1,280   | 100% | -       | 0%   |
| Friends | HOYT GRANT - Reading Garden           | 50,000            | -     | 0       | 0%   | 50,000  | 100% |
| Friends | KRESGE GRANT                          | 31,700            | -     | 31,700  | 100% | -       | 0%   |
| Friends | COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - bilungual      | 5,000             | -     | 5,000   | 100% | -       | 0%   |
| Friends | COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - Narcan         | 2,000             | -     | 2,000   | 100% | -       | 0%   |
| Friends | COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - Farm2Lib       | 9,125             | -     | 9,125   | 100% | -       | 0%   |
| Friends | KLEE GRANT                            | 75,000            | -     | 75,000  | 100% | -       | 0%   |
| Friends | KLEE SUPPLEMENTAL                     | 30,350            | -     | 30,350  | 100% | -       | 0%   |
| Friends | Period Pantry                         | 6,703             | -     | 6,703   | 100% | -       | 0%   |
| Friends | 2024 Library Support                  | 34,400            | 4,730 | 20,384  | 59%  | 14,016  | 41%  |
| Friends | Friends - Farm to Library             | 6,000             | -     | 6,000   | 100% | -       | 0%   |
|         | Projects & Grants Revenue             | 887,028           |       | 769,465 | 87%  | 116,893 | 13%  |

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| Account                                    | Budget    | Encumb | ered | October | YTD       |      | Remaini  | ng    |
|--|-----------|--------|------|---------|-----------|------|----------|-------|
| Salary and Benefits                        |           |        |      |         |           |      |          |       |
| 6001000 SALARIES FULL-TIME                 | 920,950   |        |      | 64,979  | 687,784   | 75%  | 233,166  | 25%   |
| 6001001 SALARIES PART-TIME                 | 149,560   |        |      | 11,088  | 89,653    | 60%  | 59,907   | 40%   |
| 6001002 SALARIES TEMPORARY                 | 20,070    |        |      | 3,862   | 42,558    | 212% | (22,488) | -112% |
| 6001003 SALARIES OVERTIME                  | -         |        |      | 381     | 3,697     |      | (3,697)  |       |
| Total Salary                               | 1,090,580 |        |      | 80,310  | 823,691   | 76%  | 266,889  | 24%   |
|  |           |        |      |         |           |      |          |       |
| 6008001 STATE RETIREMENT                   | 136,887   |        |      | 10,317  | 89,717    | 66%  | 47,170   | 34%   |
| 6008002 SOCIAL SECURITY                    | 82,514    |        |      | 5,880   | 60,403    | 73%  | 22,111   | 27%   |
| 6008004 WORKERS COMPENSATION               | 6,304     |        |      | 0       | 4,728     | 75%  | 1,576    | 25%   |
| 6008006 LIFE INSURANCE                     | 285       |        |      | 8       | 77        | 27%  | 208      | 73%   |
| 6008007 HEALTH INSURANCE                   | 143,359   |        |      | 10,575  | 105,459   | 74%  | 37,900   | 26%   |
| 6008009 RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE           | 351,529   |        |      | -       | 272,116   | 77%  | 79,413   | 23%   |
| 6008012 EMPLOYEE TUITION REIMBURSEMENT     | 3,500     |        |      | -       | -         | 0%   | 3,500    | 100%  |
| 6008014 NYS Voluntary Defined Contribution | 6,967     |        |      | 532     | 5,451     | 78%  | 1,516    | 22%   |
| Total Benefits                             | 731,345   |        |      | 27,312  | 537,952   | 74%  | 193,393  | 26%   |
| Salary and Benefits                        | 1,821,925 |        |      | 107,622 | 1,361,643 | 75%  | 460,282  | 25%   |
|  |           |        |      |         |           |      |          |       |
| Contractual Expenditures                   |           |        |      |         |           |      |          |       |
| 6004012 OFFICE SUPPLIES                    | 2,000     | 407    | 20%  | -       | 6,200     | 310% | (4,607)  | -230% |
| 6004021 BLDG MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES          | 1,000     | 3,402  | 340% | -       | 1,296     | 130% | (3,699)  | -370% |
| 6004022 FUEL AND HEATING SUPPLIES          | 26,000    | -      | 0%   | 477     | 10,453    | 40%  | 15,547   | 60%   |
| 6004023 BLDG AND GROUNDS SUPPLIES          | 4,300     | 5,246  | 122% | -       | 3,714     | 86%  | (4,660)  | -108% |
| 6004030 FOOD AND BEVERAGES                 | 100       | -      | 0%   | -       | -         | 0%   | 100      | 100%  |
| 6004048 MISC OPERATIONAL SUPPLIES          | 5,785     | -      | 0%   | -       | 41        | 1%   | 5,744    | 99%   |
| 6004055 COMPUTER SOFTWARE AND SUPPLIES     | 70,684    | -      | 0%   | -       | 69,619    | 98%  | 1,065    | 2%    |
| 6004056 COMPUTER EQUIPMENT(NON CAPITAL)    | 5,000     | -      | 0%   | -       | 311       | 6%   | 4,689    | 94%   |
| 6004070 BOOKS ADULT SERVICES               | 67,550    | 11,539 | 17%  | 3,832   | 48,775    | 72%  | 7,236    | 11%   |
| 6004071 JUVENILE BOOKS                     | 54,000    | 3,138  | 6%   | 5,161   | 43,941    | 81%  | 6,921    | 13%   |
| 6004073 SUBSCRIPTIONS                      | 7,563     | -      | 0%   | -       | 5,052     | 67%  | 2,511    | 33%   |
| 6004074 AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS              | 33,000    | 1,877  | 6%   | 1,603   | 17,976    | 54%  | 13,147   | 40%   |
| 6004075 ELECTRONIC ACCESS MATERIALS        | 33,650    | -      | 0%   | 3,856   | 41,004    | 122% | (7,354)  | -22%  |
| 6004100 POSTAGE AND FREIGHT                | 700       | 0      | 0%   | -       | 1,260     | 180% | (560)    | -80%  |
| 6004105 DUES AND MEMBERSHIPS               | 1,500     | -      | 0%   | -       | 1,288     | 86%  | 212      | 14%   |
| 6004112 BLDG GROUNDS AND EQUIP REPAIR      | 2,060     | 3,686  | 179% | 233     | 4,568     | 222% | (6,194)  | -301% |

| Grand Total (operating):                | 2,560,429 | 36,604 | 1%  | 146,877 | 1,942,849 | 76%  | 580,975  | 23%   |
|---|-----------|--------|-----|---------|-----------|------|----------|-------|
| 6007001 BANS Interest                   | 7,592     |        |     | -       | 7,591     | 100% | 1        | 0%    |
| 6007000 INTEREST ON SERIAL BONDS        | 628       |        |     | -       | 628       | 100% | 0        | 0%    |
| 6006001 BANS Principal                  | 47,578    |        |     | -       | 47,578    | 100% | 0        | 0%    |
| 6006000 PRINCIPAL ON SERIAL BONDS       | 6,849     |        |     | -       | 6,849     | 100% | 0        | 0%    |
| Debt                                    |           |        |     |         |           |      |          |       |
|   | -, -      |        |     |         |           |      | , -      |       |
| Total Chargebacks                       | 200,201   |        |     | 6,545   | 128,989   | 64%  | 71,212   | 36%   |
| 6004619 BUILDING SERVICE CHARGEBACK     | 5,000     |        |     | -       | 3,750     | 75%  | 1,250    | 25%   |
| 6004618 OFFICE SUPPLIES CHARGEBACK      | 8         |        |     | _       | _         | 0%   | 8        | 100%  |
| 6004617 DUPLICATING/PRINTING CHARGEBACK | 166       |        |     | _       | ,         | 0%   | 166      | 100%  |
| 6004609 DATA PROCESSING CHARGEBACKS     | 56,892    |        |     | _       | 23,129    | 41%  | 33,763   | 59%   |
| 6004606 TELEPHONE BILLING ACCOUNT       | 5,963     |        |     | _       | 2,981     | 50%  | 2,982    | 50%   |
| 6004604 DPW SECURITY CHARGEBACKS        | 105,991   |        |     | -       | 79,493    | 75%  | 26,498   | 25%   |
| 6004602 INSURANCE PREMIUM CHARGEBACK    | 26,181    |        |     | 6,545   | 19,636    | 75%  | 6,545    | 25%   |
| Chargebacks                             |           |        |     |         |           |      |          |       |
| Total                                   | 475,656   | 36,604 | 8%  | 32,710  | 389,571   | 82%  | 49,480   | 10%   |
| 6004573 OTHER FEES FOR SERVICES         | 9,260     | -      | 0%  | 645     | 3,094     | 33%  | 6,166    | 67%   |
| 6004504 OTHER FINANCIAL SERVICES        | 12        | -      | 0%  | -       | 12        | 97%  | 0        | 3%    |
| 6004196 COPYING MACHINE RENTALS         | 7,000     | -      | 0%  | 715     | 14,907    | 213% | (7,907)  | -113% |
| 6004193 HARDWARE MAINTENANCE            | 8,610     | -      | 0%  | -       | 2,800     | 33%  | 5,810    | 67%   |
| 6004165 ADVISORY BD/TRUSTEES EXPENSES   | 175       | -      | 0%  | -       | -         | 0%   | 175      | 100%  |
| 6004162 EDUCATION AND TRAINING          | 2,000     | -      | 0%  | 722     | 2,804     | 140% | (804)    | -40%  |
| 6004161 TRAVEL HOTEL AND MEALS          | 2,000     | -      | 0%  | 1,085   | 1,254     | 63%  | 746      | 37%   |
| 6004160 MILEAGE AND PARKING-LOCAL       | 700       | -      | 0%  | 204     | 552       | 79%  | 148      | 21%   |
| 6004147 OTHER PROGRAM EXPENSES          | 15,000    | -      | 0%  | -       | -         | 0%   | 15,000   | 100%  |
| 6004138 OTHER OPERATIONAL EXPENSES      | 16,000    | 6,809  | 43% | 3,334   | 20,265    | 127% | (11,073) | -69%  |
| 6004137 ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION EXPE  | 3,000     | -      | 0%  | 316     | 1,509     | 50%  | 1,491    | 50%   |
| 6004136 OPERATIONAL EQUIPMENT REPAIRS   | 3,000     | -      | 0%  | -       | -         | 0%   | 3,000    | 100%  |
| 6004117 BUILDING AND GROUNDS EXPENSES   | 42,807    | 500    | 1%  | 5,683   | 31,970    | 75%  | 10,337   | 24%   |
| 6004115 ELECTRIC CURRENT                | 48,000    | -      | 0%  | 4,844   | 52,786    | 110% | (4,786)  | -10%  |
| 6004113 WATER AND SEWAGE CHARGES        | 3,200     | -      | 0%  | -       | 2,120     | 66%  | 1,080    | 34%   |
|   | -         |        |     |         |           | -    |          | -     |

Fund Balance 912,271
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|         | Projects & Grants                |         |   |    |        |         |      |         |      |
|---------|----------------------------------|---------|---|----|--------|---------|------|---------|------|
| 6004117 | 7 STATE CONSTRUCTION AID - 2022  | 378,023 |   | 0% | -      | -       | 0%   | 378,023 | 100% |
| 6004117 | 7 STATE CONSTRUCTION AID - 2023  | 157,447 | - | 0% | -      | 3,531   | 2%   | 153,916 | 98%  |
| 6004117 | 7 BROOME COUNTY CIP - 2023       | 100,000 | - | 0% | 32,671 | 61,941  | 62%  | 38,059  | 38%  |
| 6004138 | 8 CF - Period Pantry             | 1,280   | - | 0% | -      | 1,280   | 100% | -       | 0%   |
| Friends | HOYT GRANT - Reading Garden      | 50,000  | - | 0% | -      | -       | 0%   | 50,000  | 100% |
| Friends | KRESGE GRANT                     | 31,700  | - | 0% | -      | 28,584  | 90%  | 3,116   | 10%  |
| Friends | COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - bilingual | 5,000   | - | 0% | -      | 3,739   | 75%  | 1,261   | 25%  |
| Friends | COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - Narcan    | 2,000   | - | 0% | -      | 1,509   | 75%  | 491     | 25%  |
| Friends | COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - Farm2Lib  | 10,275  |   |    | 1,223  | 6,752   | 66%  | 3,523   | 34%  |
| Friends | KLEE GRANT                       | 75,000  | - | 0% | -      | 75,000  | 100% | 0       | 0%   |
| Friends | KLEE SUPPLEMENTAL                | 30,350  |   |    | 3,305  | 29,478  | 97%  | 872     | 3%   |
| Friends | Period Pantry                    | 6,703   |   |    | 2,381  | 5,626   | 84%  | 1,077   | 16%  |
| Friends | 2024 Library Support             | 34,400  |   |    | 4,730  | 20,384  | 59%  | 14,016  | 41%  |
| Friends | Friends - Farm to Library        | 6,000   |   |    | -      | 6,000   | 100% | 0       | 0%   |
|         | Total Projects & Grants          | 888,178 | 0 | 0% | 44,310 | 243,824 | 27%  | 644,354 | 73%  |

## Director's Report Josias Bartram November 14, 2024

#### Staffing/Personnel

- We are finally fully staffed, and it's making a big difference! Our new hires are already having an impact. Cher and Michelle are both very strong additions and are further strengthening an already strong department.
- However, Youth Services remains understaffed because of significant additional medical leave for one of the full-time librarians. I've approved overtime and temp hours to try to help, and both temp librarians are going above and beyond despite having full-time jobs. Info, Circ, and Local History are all helping out as they're able.
- Out two staff development days were a huge success. Our visit to the Children Home's Wilderness Adventure Program in Greene was particularly well received by staff. The instructors received a perfect 5 stars from the 21 staff who completed my survey!
- One of the next steps in our Strategic Plan is a full staffing needs assessment that we'll be ready to tackle with department heads early in 2025.

#### **Budget & Financials**

The 2024 financials are on track.

The 2025 Budget was approved. We can start planning and hiring for our new position.

#### **Facilities & Projects**

- Our new air handlers are installed, fully on schedule.
- We are going to be installing new flooring at the back of the library along the windows to define a new eating space that is easier to clean. This goes with the Code of Conduct edits that I'm presenting to you at this meeting.
- Sherry and I are going to be digging in to getting the larger renovations (bathrooms and door to the garden) restarted.
- The Bronsky Reading Garden re-design process is moving forward. We expect to have an in-person design meeting later this month.

#### **Peer Support/Klee Grant**

- Amanda McIntyre from the Klee Foundation called to let me know that they are approving full funding (\$45k) for
  the first year of our request for extending and expanding the Peer Support Partnership. They are withholding on
  the second year for now and would like to see us diversify our funding. This is a positive outcome in line with my
  expectations.
  - The expansion of the program will be slightly more difficult because Catholic Charities is raising the
    percentage of administrative fees that they are charging to the grant. This isn't an insurmountable
    obstacle, and the new costs still look quite reasonable.
  - The goal is still to move this program into our operating budget for 2027.
- I had the opportunity to give the keynote address and lead a workshop at a conference on Peer Support in Libraries in New Braunfels, TX this past weekend. It was an amazing opportunity and I'm brining back a lot of insight about how libraries in rural Texas are doing this same work.

## Assistant Director's Report Sherry Kowalski

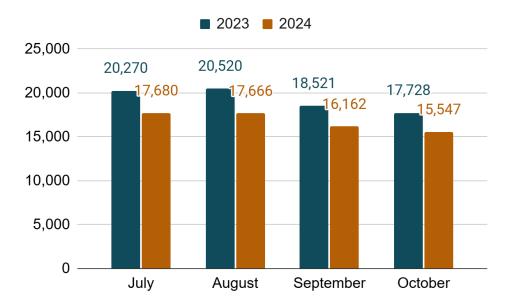
#### November 13, 2024

- The two staff training days went very well. The work from home days were difficult for me. I found there were too many distractions at home and I didn't have all the resources to do my work efficiently.
- The Farm to Library program has ended for the year. It was a very rewarding project to work on but it was time consuming. It was very helpful to have the weekly produce delivery, however, I spent about 2 hours each week to keep the fridge stocked and clean. It would be ideal to have volunteers for next year or a few more library staff working with me.
- Michelle Brandone started on October 28. I have been working with her to train her on various library tasks and getting her access to the necessary accounts.
- Nick and I met with Dave O'Hare on Friday November 8 to talk about adding more security cameras. He is with Integrated Systems, which is the company that we worked with for our initial camera installation. Nick has identified some areas in the library that would benefit from additional cameras. We are waiting for a quote and then we will need to meet with Broome County IT, Security and DPW to determine the feasibility of this project.
- Tax season is right around the corner. I have been working with Victor Corbin to schedule the AARP Tax Aide Training sessions for January. Volunteers will begin tax preparation in February. I don't have the final schedule but I blocked off the Ahearn room for this program. This has become a core service for the library.
- 4CLS made the decision to not renew their contract with Printeron and decided to sign up with Princh. This is the service that is necessary for us to provide mobile printing through Envisionware. I was working with Michael from Broome County IT to facilitate this switch. My role was facilitating communication between 4CLS automation, Envisionware Technical Support and Broome County IT. Michael is new to the IT department and this was a big project for someone new to undertake. He was great to work with. All the staff share this sentiment and hope that he will stay with the County.

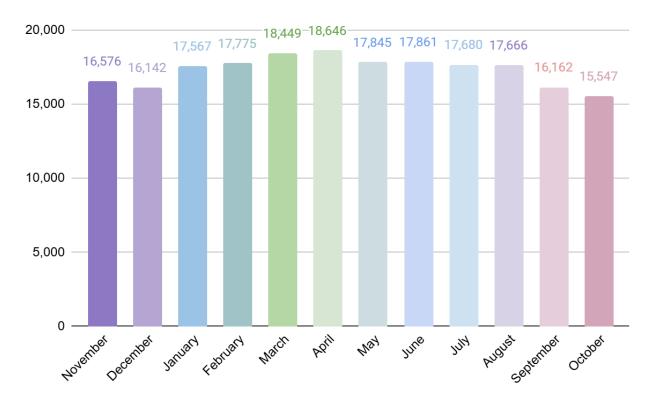
# Data Analytics Monthly Report (August and September 2024) Submitted by Laura Haynes

# **Circulation:**

Circulation declined year to year for these four months.

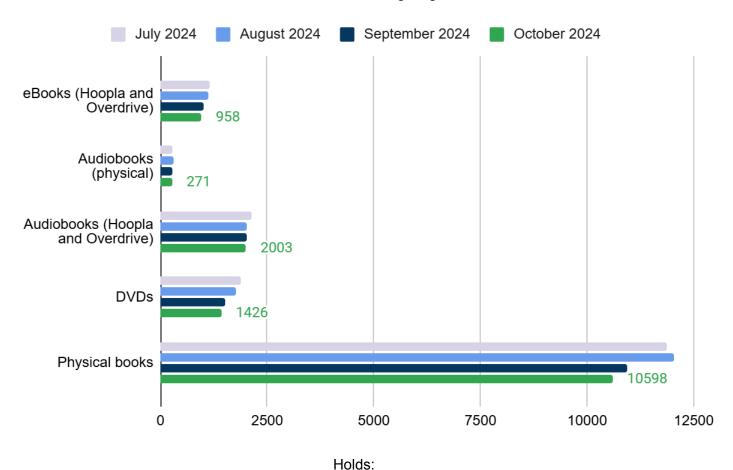


This graph shows the circulation stats for the past year:



## **Circulation by format:**

Circulation continues to decline in several areas, though digital audiobooks remain consistent.

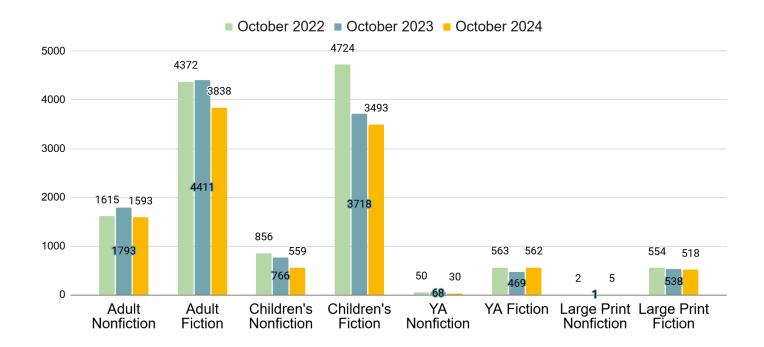


This graph shows the amount of holds placed at BCPL on materials from other 4CLS libraries versus the amount of holds placed on BCPL items.



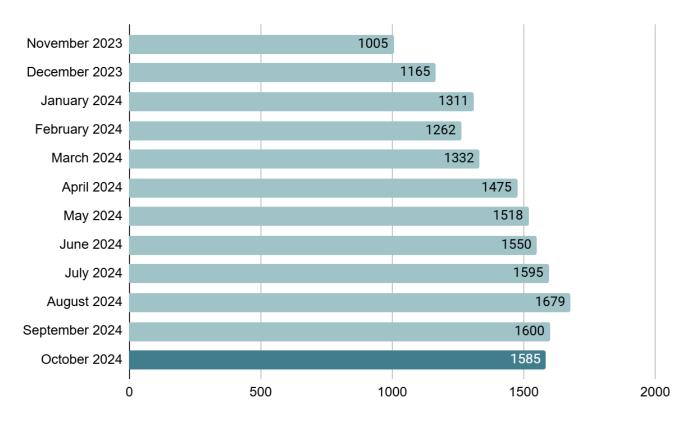
## Physical book usage for October in 2022, 2023 and 2024:

This graph depicts circulation by collection category of physical books in October 2022, 2023, and 2024. We can see evidence of a slight increase in Adult Nonfiction in 2023, and then a decline again.



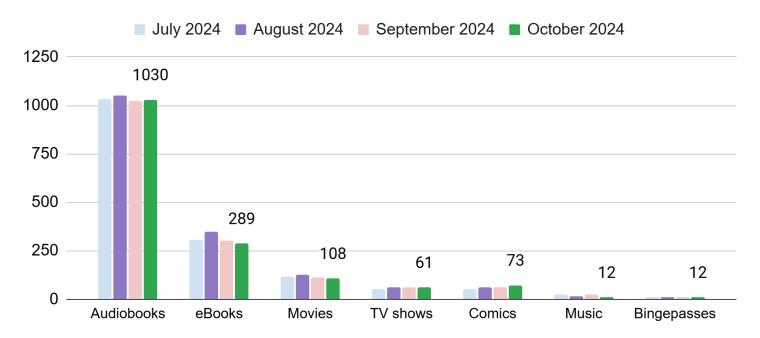
## **Hoopla Circulation:**

Hoopla has started to decline slightly.



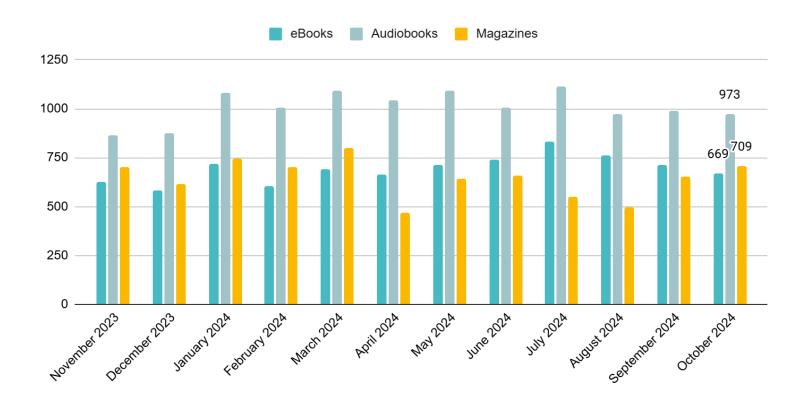
## **Hoopla Circulation by format:**

Numbers don't show much variation month to month.

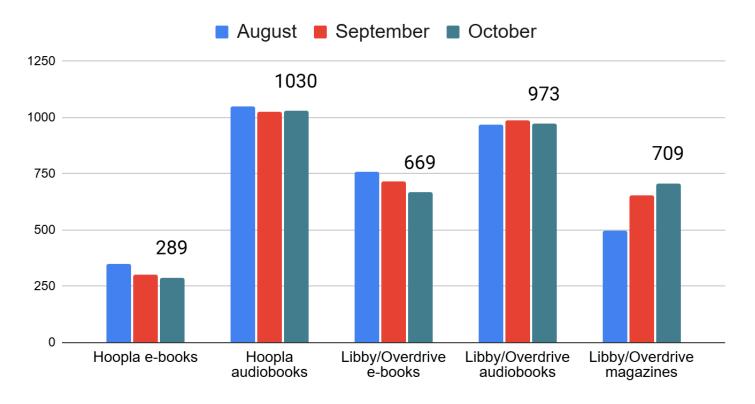


## Libby Circulation for eBooks, Audiobooks, and Magazines over the last year:

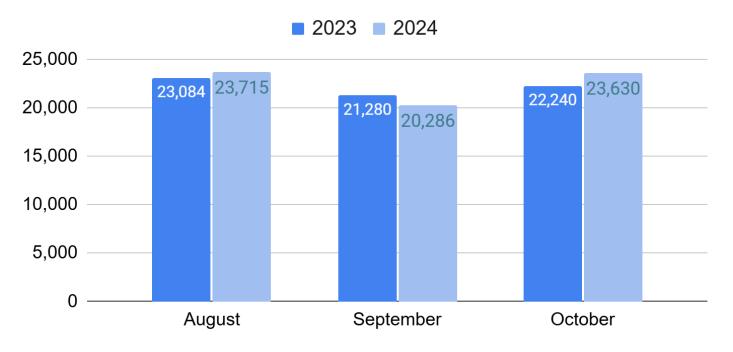
Magazine usage increased again this month.



## Electronic media overview:

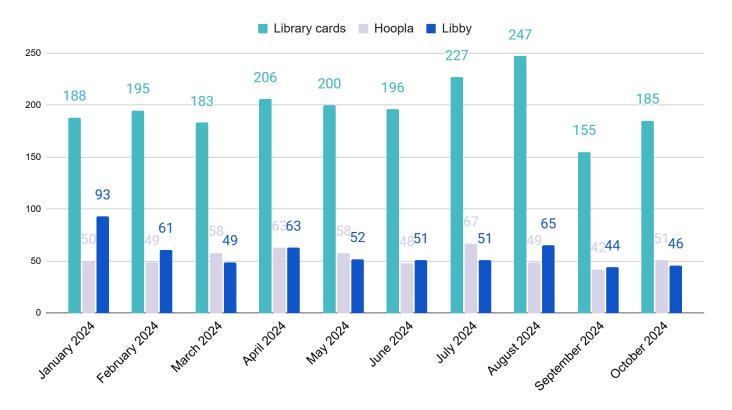


**Door Count**Door count is back up, even despite the weeklong closure!



## New Patron Registration (Hoopla, and Libby/Overdrive):

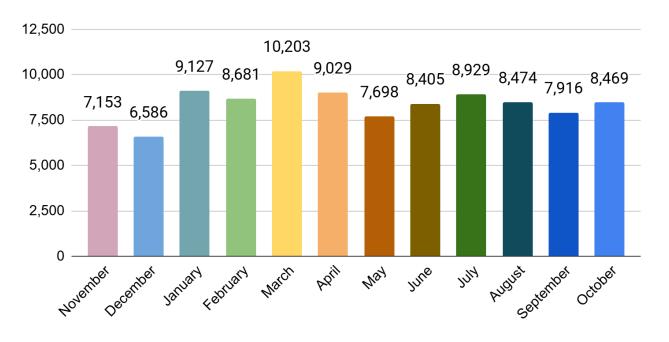
Library card registrations increased by 19% in October.



# **Website Analytics:**

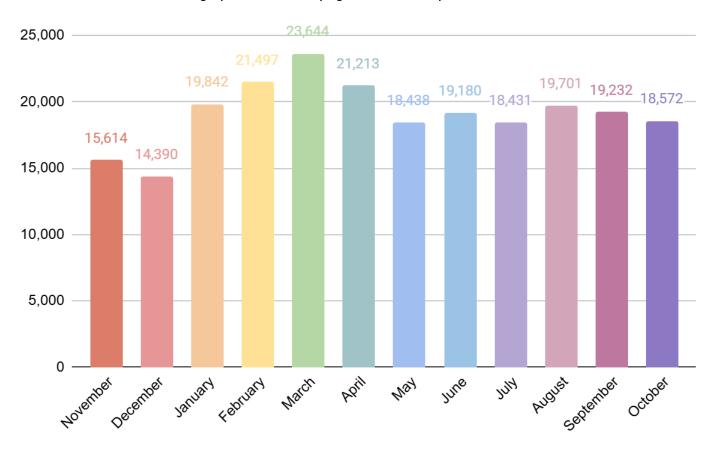
### **Total sessions:**

Website traffic has increased.

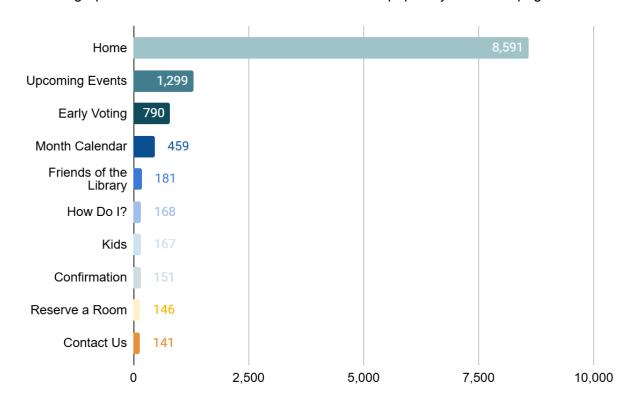


Pageviews:

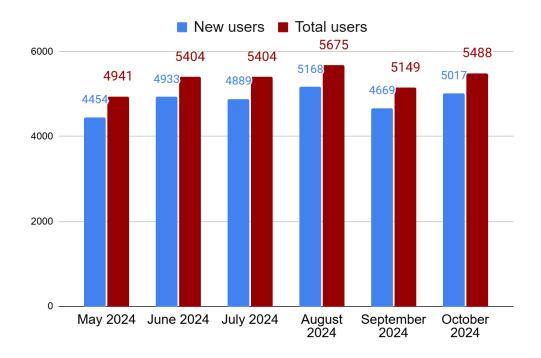
This graph shows total pageviews for the past 12 months.



This graph shows a breakdown of views for the most popularly accessed pages.

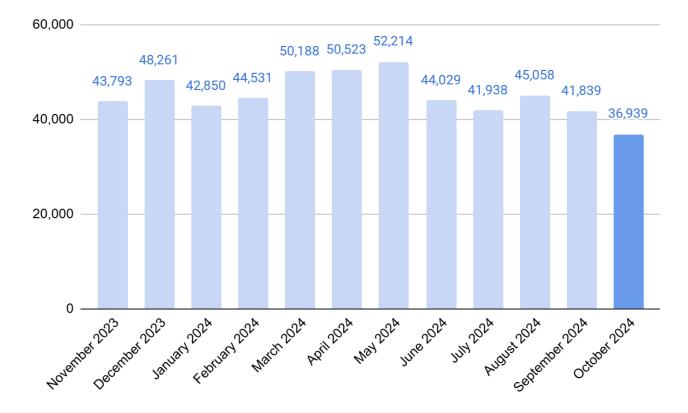


#### The total number of website users increased.



#### **Number of Wireless Sessions:**

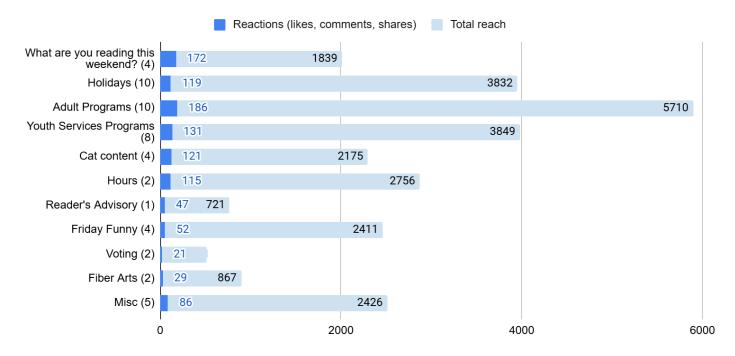
Wireless sessions declined in October.



Public computer usage module has an error, yet again, so we will have those numbers in the next report.

## **Social Media:**

The number following each category is the amount of posts in that category. It seems posts about programming and posts about holidays are big draws.

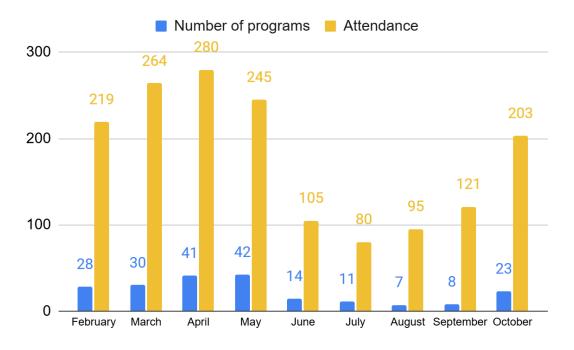


The most popular post in October was this post about the weeklong closure on October 1st:



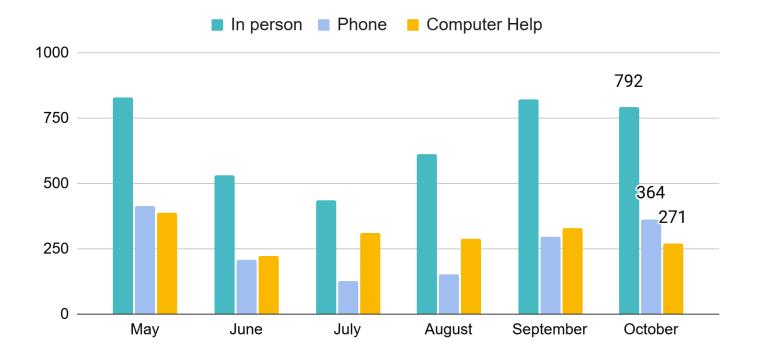
# Adult program attendance:

Program attendance increased as we increased the amount of programs.



# Reference:

Our statistics for reference were up, despite the weeklong closure.



## Circulation

#### Submitted by Kathleen Shores

- Full-time clerk, Nursel Bagsever, made the difficult decision to switch to a part-time clerk position.
- Part-time clerk, Ethan Mellen, will fill Nursel's full-time position. Ethan's first full-time day is 11/12/2024.
- Full-time Circulation clerk, Emma Wagaman, provided 40.50 hours of desk coverage/additional help to Youth Services.
- Full-time Circulation clerk, Nursel Bagsever, provided 69.50 hours of desk coverage/additional help to Youth Services.
- Part-time Circulation Clerk, Ethan Mellen, provided 36.50 hours of desk coverage/additional help to Youth Services.
- The Circulation desk issued 95 guest passes to residents of Binghamton, Endicott, and Johnson City, and Vestal. 31 guest passes were issues to visitors from other states such as Colorado, Georgia, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and Virginia.

#### **Library Card Registrations:**

Physical library card registrations for adults, young adults, and juveniles:

- o July 2023 175
- August 2023 186
- September 2023 189
- o October 2023 143
- November 2023 127
- o December 2023 124
- January 2024 147
- February 2024 157
- o March 2024 159
- April 2024 171
- o May 2024 172
- June 2024 171
- July 2024 208
- o August 2024 218
- September 2024 129
- October 2024 138

#### **Electronic library card registrations:**

- July 2023 29
- o August 2023 38
- September 2023 19
- o October 2023 24
- November 2023 26
- o December 2023 20
- January 2024 41
- February 2024 38
- March 2024 24

- April 2024 35
- May 2024 25
- o June 2024 25
- o July 2024 19
- o August 2024 29
- September 2024 26
- o October 2024 18

# October 2024 Youth Services Board Report

## Notable things to report in Youth Services:

- Michelle Ford will be absent for the foreseeable future. The Youth Services desk will continue to be unattended at times and program offerings will become even more limited. Youth Services staff is working together to delegate all of Michelle's tasks. However, most of Michelle's responsibilities are those of a librarian and thus cannot be delegated to anyone other than a librarian. Thank you to Michelle Brandone, Monica, and Josias for kindly offering support for the Department. It is very much appreciated. Thank you to Kathleen for continuing to regularly provide coverage for the Youth Services Department.
- The Youth Services Department is in the process of test running a tween book club. The club is
  registration based and has six participants that have come for all the meetings to date. It appears
  to be quite successful so far as the children have all been asking when the next book club will be,
  we hope to run it again.
- Read for the Record was a wonderful success with over 100 participants. Alyssa Crosby came to read Piper Chen sings by Phillipa Soo and eight organizations came in to table and provide crafts and activities for the kids to work on before and after the story.
- We recently had the opportunity to table on food pantry day at the Lee Barta Community center, just
  a mile from the library. Patrons of the community center were receptive to hearing about the
  programs the library offers, and we had four card sign ups. The staff at Lee Barta have offered us
  further tabling opportunities in the future.
- On October 30th Youth Services offered two sessions of trick or treating, one at 10am and an
  afternoon session at 3:30pm. Between the two sessions 30 people attended the program. We are
  grateful to library staff who all pitched in to create different trick or treating stations all around the
  library from Circulation, to the Creation Station, to Local History
- Trunk or treating at the Rumble Ponies Stadium was a last-minute addition to our calendar and proved to be tons of fun and had many opportunities for connecting with the community. As it was the stadium's first time hosting the event, they weren't sure how many people would attend. Our estimate is that we interacted with about 500 people before we ultimately ran out of materials and had to leave early. We would love to attend this program in the future better prepared with more materials.
- Attendance for in person programs:
  - o Borrow a Grandparent: 13 sessions, average of 5 participants

- Teen Craft and Chat: 3 sessions, average of 7 participants
- Tween Book Club: 3 sessions, average of 7 participants
- o Drop in Crafting: 4 sessions, average of 5 participants
  - Leftover crafts are handed out as Grab-N-Go kits.
- o Family Movie Night: 3 sessions, average of 6 participants
- o Teen Movie Night: 3 sessions, average of 2 participants
- o Family Story Time: 3 sessions, average of 4 participants
- Therapy Dogs: 2 sessions, average of 20 participants
- LEGO Club: 33 participants
- o Family Game Day: 10 participants
- Teen D&D: 5 participants
- Read for the Record: 107 participants
- o Rumble Ponies Trick or Treat Outreach: 500 Participants
- Library Trick or Treating: 30 participants

## <u>Upcoming in Youth Services:</u>

- Substitute librarian Tammy Cummings will begin working two Saturdays a month to run Raspberry Pi classes for the Department.
- Upcoming Programs:
  - o Every Monday-Borrow a Grandparent, Teen Craft & Chat
  - Every Tuesday-Crafty Kids, Borrow a Grandparent, Tween Book Club
  - o Every Wednesday-Borrow a Grandparent, Drop in Crafting, Spooky Family Movie Night
  - Every Thursday-Borrow a Grandparent, Scary Movie Night for Teens
  - Every other Friday-Family Story Time
  - o Every other Saturday-LEGO Club
  - Every other Saturday-Therapy Dogs
  - November 9 & 23-Raspberry Pi Classes
  - Youth Services staff will offer additional programs during the school winter break. We will still
    offer Grab-N-Go bags to teens over the winter break, but unfortunately, we no longer have
    the capacity to offer Grab-N-Go bags for children.

Respectfully submitted by Kelsey Matoushek Librarian II

#### All Fall 2024 Review of 2024-28 Strategic Plan

#### **Definitions**

- **a. Goal:** The benefit that BCPL will provide to the Broome County community through specific services, programs, and resources
- b. Objective: A specific service, program, or resource that is defined by its intended outcome
- c. Action: A measurable step towards an objective
- **d. Responsible Positions:** Members of the BCPL organization who are responsible for an action

#### **DIRECTIONS**

#### **KEY**

- YELLOW: Target Date is between June 2024- October 2024
- ORANGE: Target Date is between November 2024 April 2025
- BLUE: Complete; Complete for the current year if annual

For the GOAL that you helped create please indicate one of the following for target dates in yellow, and anything in orange that is applicable.

- Complete for the year
- Complete
- In Progress

#### **Goals & Objectives**

Do we need to add or change any Target dates OR Responsible Positions?

Goal 1. Strengthen the Library and Build Organizational Resilience

| Objectives            | Actions   | Target Date  | Responsible Positions   |
|-----------------------|---|--|---|
| 1. Sustaining Actions | 1a. Update funding plan annually in response to budget meetings and community needs.  | Annually in June- In process for 2024  Complete for 2024 | Library Director,<br>Principal Account Clerk,<br>Board Treasurer &<br>Finance Committee |
|                       | 1b. Produce a professional Annual Report that represents the Library to stakeholders. | Annually in April  Complete for 2024                     | Library Director,<br>Librarian II for<br>Information Services,<br>Marketing Committee   |

|   | 1c. Review and report updates to strategic plan bi-annually to Board of Trustees   | Annually in November and May- In Progress                                      | Strategic Planning<br>Committee, Library<br>Director                           |
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| 2.Sustain and expand current funding levels through diversified funding strategies. | 2a. Review capacity for pilot programs, both staff time and funding.   | 2025   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads        |
|   | 2b. Consider what sustained funding sources and partnerships will be for pilot programs that are transitioning to fully integrated programs; including but not limited to, the Peer Support Room and Farm to Library programs. | 2025   | Library Director,<br>Finance Committee   |
|   | 2c. Consider BCPL Trust fund spending plan.  | 2026   | Library Director,<br>Finance Committee   |
| Maintain current staff levels while continuing to rebuild staff positions to        | 3a. Prioritize the creation of positions to support the growth and development of the library  | Ongoing  Complete for 2024!  | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads        |
| appropriate levels.   | 3b. Complete a thorough analysis of long-term staffing needs   | 2024<br>In progress;<br>Sherry and Josias to<br>produce written<br>report 2025 | Library Director and<br>Assistant Director,<br>Department Heads                |
|   | 3c. Formalize procedure to gather staff input annually, to be shared with the Board.   | 2026   | Library Director and<br>Assistant Director,<br>Department Heads                |
|   | 3d. Fill the FT Principal Account Clerk position—Centralized System in Place 2025  | 2025<br>How will we make the<br>new arrangement<br>work?                       | Library Director and<br>Assistant Director                                     |
|   | 3e. Revise performance review process to emphasize meaningful feedback   | 2024<br>In progress;<br>Almost finished -<br>formatting                        | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads, Staff |
|   | 3f. Develop professional development and/or training plans for all staff members based on  | 2025-26  | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads, Staff |

|   | self-assessment and the scope of new services   |   |  |
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|   | 3g. Work to breakdown any real or perceived barriers and silos between departments by cross training staff and continuing to improve interdepartmental communications.                        | 2027  | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads                                  |
| 4. Continue to ensure BCPL is meeting the needs of the community.                               | 4a. Disseminate annual community needs assessment; use surveys in targeted areas of interest biennially   | ON HOLD FOR INCREASED STAFF (After we hire new people, in 2024) | Librarian II for Information Services  |
|   | 4b. Assess process for handling book challenges in light of the current increase in book challenges   | 2025  | Board of Trustees,<br>Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director                                 |
|   | 4c. Continue to engage community partners who can speak to community needs (e.g. AVRE, BC Health Dept, Catholic Charities, ACA, United Way)   | Ongoing In Progress   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads, Staff, Board of<br>Trustees     |
|   | 4d. Continue to expand on the Peer Support Services' success by providing residents with connections to necessities such as housing, employment services, education, mental health, and more. | 2025 Klee Application in.                                       | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director   |
| 5. Work with the community and staff to evaluate the mission, vision and philosophy of the BCPL | 5a. Assess and recommend changes through the Strategic Planning Committee.  | 2027  | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads, Strategic<br>Planning Committee |
| to ensure proper alignment within the strategy, character and offerings of the library          | 5b. Gather staff and community input through focus groups   | 2027  | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads, Strategic<br>Planning Committee |

|  | 5c. Share the end result widely to increase awareness.  | 2028  | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Marketing<br>Committee |
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| 6. The Library Board of Trustees will review and refine procedures and systems to ensure quality | 6a. Review and update bylaws and make sure the procedures therein reflect the procedures that take place.     | 2024 Anticipated start date: October 2024                                     | Nominating/ By-Laws<br>Committee   |
| functionality and service.   | 6b. Initiate review of all library policies and procedures based on staff priorities and feedback.            | 2024-2028<br>In Progress  | Library Director, Policy<br>Committee, Staff                               |
|  | 6c. Policy Committee will redraft policies and review with staff before submitting to the board for approval. | 2024-2028 In Progress   | Library Director, Policy<br>Committee, Staff                               |
|  | 6d. Committees will meet establish a regular meeting schedule and report regularly to the board.              | 2024 and ongoing  Complete for 2024   | All Committee Chairs   |
|  | 6e. Examine and formalize new board member onboarding process   | 2024 and ongoing  In Progress; Continuing to streamline; timeline.            | Nominating Committee   |
|  | 6f. Create and share annual timeline of important dates and deadlines   | 2024-2025  KMC to begin - trying out in practice and will formalize for 2025. | Library Director, Board<br>President                                       |
|  | 6g. Increase awareness of Board to later attract new members  | 2025 and ongoing In progress, going well                                      | Marketing Committee,<br>Board of Trustees                                  |

| 7. Develop and implement a comprehensive plan addressing diversity, equity, and inclusion | 7a. Create a Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) Plan based on survey data and researched best-practices in addressing the diverse needs of the library community                   | 2024 Complete   | Board of Trustees,<br>Library Director, Staff<br>DEI Committee                                |
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|   | 7b. Identify staff and board members to implement action steps of the DEI Plan  | 2025-26   | Board of Trustees,<br>Library Director,<br>Department Heads,<br>Staff DEI Committee           |
|   | 7c. Allocate appropriate funds from budget to advance DEI goals including materials acquisitions and facilities upgrades & begin implementation                                     | 2025-26   | Board of Trustees,<br>Library Director,<br>Department Heads                                   |
|   | 7d. Routinely review progress towards meeting DEI goals and make adjustments to timelines, budgets, and responsible parties   | January 2025 and ongoing  | DEI Committee, Board<br>of Trustees,<br>Library Director                                      |
| 8. Address Staff Safety and Security  | 8a. Clarify the role of Broome County<br>Security at the Library and check for<br>understanding by both Library and<br>Security Staff.  | In Progress; more to be done to formalize but currently better relationships with department and officers | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director  |
|   | 8b. Establish agreed upon minimum standards for Security, including officer visibility with patrons and staff, how often officers should circulate and check in with Library staff. | 2025  | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director  |
|   | 8c. Offer Mental Health First Aid training to Library staff, volunteers and board of trustees.  | Still a priority, will happen in 2025 - Compassion Fatigue.   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads, Board of<br>Trustees |

| 8d All staff will be formally trained in Library Security, such as that offered by Dr. Steve Albrecht, so as to be prepared to effectively respond to a range of safety and security scenarios that may occur. | 2026 | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director  |
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| 8e. Create a trauma-informed plan to support improved staff morale, mental health, and work/life balance   | 2026 | Board of Trustees,<br>Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads |

## **Goal 2. Create Young Readers: Early Literacy**

Children from birth to five will have programs and services designed to ensure that they will enter school ready to learn to read, write, and listen (Nelson, p. 165).

| Objectives            | Actions   | Target Date  | Responsible Positions   |
|-----------------------|---|--|---|
| 1. Sustaining actions | 1a. Write and submit a program funding request to the Friends of the Library twice a year.  | Annually in April and<br>November  April 2024 Complete; November 2024 Complete | Head of Youth Services  |
|                       | 1b. Develop measurable objectives for each program.   | Annually in January  Complete for 2024   | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services, Library Assistant |
|                       | Conduct regular assessments of each program and evaluate against program goals  | Ongoing In Progress  | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services, Library Assistant |
|                       | 1d. Assess the annual Summer Reading Program to see what modifications can be made to increase participation by our youngest patrons. | Annually in January  Complete for 2024   | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services                    |
|                       | 1e. Continue building relationships with educators and school administrators to support early literacy.                               | Ongoing In Progress  | Head of Youth Services  |

|  | 1f. Continue offering lapsit story times and preschool story times on a regular basis.                                     | Ongoing In Progress  | Librarian I for Youth<br>Services   |
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|  | 1g. Continue to diversify and expand the world language collection.  | Ongoing In Progress  | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services                    |
| 2. Ensure the Broome County Public Library is providing meaningful programming to support early literacy opportunities | 2a. Offer storytimes in the evenings and/or weekends to better accommodate working parents.                                | 2026   | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services, Library Assistant |
|  | 2b. Develop bilingual story times for additional languages.  | 2025 And ongoing  Been happening - French and Spanish more being researched. | Head of Youth Services,<br>Library Assistant                                    |
|  | 2c. Provide off-site story times on a regular basis.   | 2026   | Head of Youth Services,<br>Library Assistant                                    |
|  | 2d. Expand our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program.   | 2025   | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services                    |
|  | 2e. Research and launch a My First Library Card program.   | 2027   | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services                    |
|  | 2f. Explore funding opportunities for adding a StoryWalk® in the Reading Garden.   | 2028   | Head of Youth Services  |
|  | 2g. Develop celebratory events for young children and their caregivers to help foster early literacy development.          | 2027   | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services, Library Assistant |
| 3. Increase available technology for early literacy with a focus on STEAM (science, technology,                        | 3a. Implement a plan for new technology and evaluate success.  | Early 2025   | Head of Youth Services  |
| engineering, arts, math)   | 3b. Create circulating STEM kits.<br>Each kit would include a picture book<br>with a STEM focus and related<br>activities. | 2028   | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services                    |

|   | 3c. Expand the existing Launchpad collection to include Launchpad Pre-K Academy, tablets for our youngest patrons.                            | 2026                     | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services                    |
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| 4. Establish a vehicle for ongoing communication between the Broome County Public Library and the local community of educators and caregivers | 4a. Send out a regular update to local educators with the Library's calendar of events and a reminder of services BCPL offers.                | January 2024 and ongoing | Head of Youth Services  |
|   | 4b. Include library card applications with pre-K and Kindergarten school registrations.   | 2027                     | Head of Youth Services  |
| 5. Ensure caregivers have access to the services and resources they need to work on early literacy skills at home.                            | 5a. Collaborate with local organizations to reach new parents at the beginning of parenthood.   | 2028                     | Head of Youth Services  |
|   | 5b. Offer handouts that contain early literacy tips for caregivers at all story time programs.  | 2026                     | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services, Library Assistant |
|   | 5c. Create and circulate early literacy packs that would contain books, handouts with early literacy tips and activities, and a manipulative. | 2028                     | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services                    |
|   | 5d. Develop a parenting resources collection to circulate.  | 2025                     | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services                    |
|   | 5e. Add a Parenting Resources page to the BCPL website.   | 2025                     | Head of Youth Services  |
|   | 5f. Develop and implement parenting programs for caregivers.  | 2027                     | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services                    |
| 6. Develop sensory inclusive services in the Children's Room  | 6a. Install a communication board in the Children's Room.   | 2025                     | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services, Library Director  |
|   | 6b. Develop and implement a sensory story time.   | 2025                     | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services                    |
|   | 6c. Explore options for developing a dedicated sensory space.   | 2028                     | Head of Youth Services,<br>Librarian I for Youth<br>Services, Library Director  |

|  | 6d. Offer noise canceling headphones and weighted lap blankets for in-house use. | 2025 | Head of Youth Services                      |
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|  | 6e. Apply for Sensory Inclusive™ certification with KultureCity.                 | 2028 | Head of Youth Services,<br>Library Director |

## Goal 3. Know Your Community: Community Resources and Services

Residents will have a central source for information about the wide variety of programs, services, and activities provided by the BCPL, community agencies and organizations (Nelson, p. 180).

| Objectives  | Actions   | Target Date   | Responsible Positions  |
|---|---|---|--|
| 1.Sustaining Actions  | 1a. Review the communications plan and update media contacts yearly                           | 2024 and ongoing  (check with mktg - also change people to know and add to resource list) | Library Director, Assistant<br>Library Director,<br>Department Heads,<br>Marketing Committee |
|   | 1b. Review the outreach plan yearly   | 2025 and ongoing  | Library Director, Assistant<br>Library Director,<br>Department Heads,<br>Marketing Committee |
| 2. Visibly engage with the community outside of the library walls | 2a. Develop an outreach plan to determine which outreach events the Library should prioritize | 2025<br>Add Mktg<br>Comm  | Library Director, Assistant<br>Library Director,<br>Department Heads                         |
|   | 2b Develop a plan to continue to expand offsite programming                                   | 2026  | Library Director, Assistant<br>Library Director,<br>Department Heads                         |
|   | 2c. Engage appropriate community partners   | 2025 and ongoing  | Library Director, Assistant<br>Library Director,<br>Department Heads                         |

| 3. Bring diverse community services into the Library and give patrons access where appropriate                                      | 3a. Collaborate with community programs to connect patrons to resources at the Library; specifically addressing needs of patrons from historically underserved communities | 2025 Happening Now and ongoing | Library Director, Assistant<br>Library Director,<br>Department Heads                           |
|---|--|--------------------------------|--|
|   | 3b. Pursue grants and alternative funding to develop a point of service model that allows the BCPL to host/house satellite spaces for these programs                       | 2026                           | Library Director, Assistant<br>Library Director, Friends<br>of the Library                     |
| 4. Work with the Broome County Historian and the Broome County Historical Society to promote the Local History and Genealogy Center | 4a. Clarify and formalize the communication between the Library, the Historical Society, and the County Historian  | 2027                           | Library Director, Assistant<br>Library Director, County<br>Historian, Head of Local<br>History |
|   | 4b. Grow the user base for the Local History Center through increased knowledge by library staff so they can communicate with interested patrons                           | 2027                           | Library Director, Assistant<br>Library Director,<br>Department Heads, staff                    |

## **Goal 4. Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning**

Goal: Residents will have the resources they need to explore topics of personal interest and continue to learn throughout their lives (Nelson, p. 195).

| Objectives            | Actions  | Target Date   | Responsible<br>Positions                                      |
|-----------------------|--|---|---|
| 1. Sustaining Actions | 1a. Develop measurable objectives for each program                                 | Annually in January Will be happening with new position | Head of Information<br>Services,<br>Head of Youth<br>Services |
|                       | 1b. Conduct regular assessments of each program and evaluate against program goals | Ongoing   | Head of Information<br>Services,<br>Head of Youth<br>Services |

|  | 1c. Identify opportunities and strategies for improvements, including trainings for staff & opportunities for partners to achieve community impacts  | Annually in January ??                             | Library Director,<br>Head of Information<br>Services,<br>Head of Youth<br>Services                  |
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|  | 1d. Continue to survey the community and understand technological deficits   | Annually in<br>February                            | Library Director,<br>Head of Information<br>Services,<br>Head of Youth<br>Services,<br>Librarian II |
| 2. Address digital literacy for all ages   | 2a. Reach out to local organizations with educational mandate and bring them into the library to use the Creation Station as a classroom. (Literacy Volunteers and BU's Center for Civic Engagement) | 2025   | Head of Information<br>Services   |
|  | 2b. Assess what digital literacy services are already available in Broome County so as not to duplicate services   | 2025   | Library Director,<br>Head of Information<br>Services  |
|  | 2c. Continue to survey the community and understand technological deficits   | Annually in February  Will this begin in Feb 2025? | Library Director,<br>Head of Information<br>Services,<br>Librarian II                               |
|  | 2d. Work with County IT to get the computer lab up and running   | 2025 Progress here - IT has done what they need.   | Head of Information<br>Services   |
|  | 2e. Find teacher(s) to run technology Thursday and other digital literacy classes  | 2026   | Head of Information<br>Services   |
| 3. Build circulating collections of tools, equipment, technology, and other non-traditional items that address clear | 3a. Barcode and create circulation procedures for kitchen utensils gathered in the Ahearn Room's Meeting Room.   | 2025   | Head of Information<br>Services   |

| community needs  | 3b. Set up 3D printers in the Creation Station with clear protocols and regulations to safeguard their long-term use.  | 2025  | Head of Information<br>Services                                     |
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|  | 3c. Develop programs that highlight the 3D printers for all age groups.  | 2025  | Head of Information<br>Services,<br>Head of Youth<br>Services       |
|  | 3d. Obtain a 3D printer available for loan to the 4 County Offices with movement protocols and training to safeguard the delicate equipment.   | 2025  | Head of Information<br>Services                                     |
|  | 3e. Assess other opportunities for non-traditional collections, including bike locks, bus passes, kitchen equipment, hot spots, sewing machines  | 2025  | Head of Information<br>Services                                     |
|  | 3f. Obtain passes to local museums for patrons.  | 2024: 2025<br>significant progress<br>has been made but<br>not implemented<br>yet. Logistics being<br>understood. | Librarian II for<br>Information Services                            |
| Provide responsible programs highlighting  mobility and movement for   | 4a. Research local organizations, teachers and coaches who could partner with the library (Tai Chi, Balance, etc.)   | 2025  | Head of Information<br>Services, Information<br>Services Librarians |
| mobility and movement for patrons of all abilities, ages and cultures. | 4b. Set up more classes like Gentle Yoga and Beginners/Advanced Yoga.  | 2026  | Head of Information<br>Services, Information<br>Services Librarians |
|  | 4c. Develop programs that encourage our patrons to consider their physical movement practices.   | 2026  | Head of Information<br>Services, Information<br>Services Librarians |
| 5. Address other forms of literacy                                     | 5a. Create opportunities for health literacy - including supporting community-based programs that empower people to be more involved and active in their health and teach skills, such as computer use, to assist people in acquiring credible | 2024- (this needs editing, it is too many things) 2025: New head of   | Head of Information<br>Services, Information<br>Services Librarians |
| Goal 5. Stimulate Imaginatio   | health information.<br>n: Reading, Viewing, and Listening for F  | department to review all goals and actions pertaining   |   |
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| Objectives  | Actions  | Target Date  | Responsible Positions                       |
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| Sustaining actions  Strengthen the sense of community between staff,                                    | 1a. Build a more robust collection of e-books and e-audiobooks by conducting an assessment of the e-books and e-audiobooks patrons are interested in | 2025 and ongoing   | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services |
| patrons, and stakeholders<br>around a shared love of<br>reading, viewing, and<br>listening for pleasure | 1b. Assess the e-book and e-audiobook accessibility for all populations  | 2025 and ongoing   | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services |
|   | 1c. Work with the Four County Library<br>System to increase the system e-book<br>budget  | 2024 and ongoing  Complete for 2024                          | Library Director                            |
|   | 1d. Continue advertising on social media including participatory posts like "What are you reading this weekend?"                                     | 2024 and ongoing In Progress                                 | Department<br>Heads, Staff                  |
| Expand the reach and inclusivity of gaming programs   | 2a. Continuing building TableTop Role-<br>Playing program  | 2024 and ongoing In Progress                                 | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services |
|   | 2b. Begin clubs such as a TTRPG social club, so patrons can begin to set up their own gaming groups.   | January 2024 Complete!                                       | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services |
|   | 2c. Train game masters to further expand gaming at BCPL beyond 1GM, 1Table via inclusion of additional gaming tables                                 | <del>January 2024</del><br>2025                              | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services |
|   | 2d. Expand the role of the GM to provide guidance to incoming GMs via GM101 class  | Done and ongoing (program curriculum established and tested) | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services |
|   |  | Spell out names  |   |
|   | 2e. Become a leading resource for the gaming community via on demand systems so people can create their own parties                                  | <del>2024</del><br>2025                                      | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services |
|   | 2f. Continue to build the social club beyond the library walls via network of players established by the DM101 and TTRPG                             | 2026   | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services |

|   | social club.  |                             |  |
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| Increase programming and collections geared towards older adults. | 3a. Create a survey for older adults to see what their priorities are in terms of collections and programming.  | <del>May 2024</del><br>2025 | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services        |
|   | 3b. Reach out to community organizations specializing in programming for older adults for partnerships and to understand community needs. (Office for Aging, Action for Older Persons, etc) | 2025                        | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services        |
|   | 3c. Explore opportunities for social engagement through the library for older adults.   | 2026                        | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services        |
|   | 3d. Continue to work with outside organizations to create regularly scheduled programs for older adults.  | 2027                        | Librarian II for Information Services              |
| Create programming to support neurodivergent patrons              | 4a. Reach out to Community Options and like organizations to understand where BCPL can create programming to support neurodivergent adults  | 2025                        | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services        |
|   | 4b. Establish initial pilot programs  | 2025                        | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services        |
|   | 4c. Assess impact of initial programming  | 2026                        | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services        |
|   | 4d. Expand programming as interest and participation evolves.   | 2027                        | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services        |
| 4. Expand the library's offerings in the arts                     | 4a. Partner with the local arts community, including the Broome County Arts Council and BU Department of Fine Art, to provide dynamic programming and opportunities for patrons.            | Late 2025 and ongoing       | Library Director,<br>Assistant<br>Library Director |
|   | 4b. Develop logistics and revise policy procedure in preparation to host more art installations   | 2025: Events Position       | Library Director,<br>Assistant<br>Library Director |
|   | 4c. Encourage more community art exhibits to be held at the library   | 2026 and ongoing            | Library Director,<br>Assistant<br>Library Director |

|  | 4d. Explore further uses and expansion of art supply, mediums and material offerings in the Creation Station   | 2026 and ongoing   | Library Director,<br>Assistant<br>Library Director,<br>Head of<br>Reference |
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|  | 4e. Continue to build on current art class offerings   | 2027   | Library Director,<br>Assistant<br>Library Director,<br>Head of<br>Reference |
| 5. Ensure there is community awareness of current and new programming. | 5a. Investigate best alternative advertising methods for non-social media users  | May 2024 2025: New Position will take lead role - what responsibilities will this role have in Strat Plan? | Libra rian II for Information Services, Marketing Committee                 |
|  | 5b. Create a route with sites for informational flyering throughout the area   | 2025   | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services,<br>Marketing<br>Committee      |
|  | 5c. Establish a list of local newsletters and community calendars to regularly share Library information to (eg Office for Aging Senior Newsletter, PeachJar through Binghamton School District) | 2025: what is realistic and meaningful?  | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services,<br>Marketing<br>Committee      |
|  | 5d. Assess any programming with low but consistent turn out and consider alternative messaging methods.  | Ongoing In Progress  | Library Director,<br>Department<br>Heads                                    |

### Goal 6. Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

Goals: Residents will have safe and welcoming physical places to meet and interact with others or to sit quietly and read and will have open and accessible virtual spaces that support networking (Nelson, p. 210).

| Objectives               | Actions   | Target Date                                   | Responsible Positions   |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|
| 1. Sustaining objectives | 1a. Assess and maintain Library building and facilities | Annually in September Nick - anything formal? | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Custodial<br>Supervisor |
|                          | 1b. Assess and maintain website                         | Annually in February                          | Librarian I for Information Services,                                       |

|  |  | Time and Bandwidth - with new folks on board training to help with the updating - likely early 2025 In Progress | Marketing<br>Committee   |
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|  | 1c. Work with the community to enhance, destigmatize, and promote the immediate neighborhood                                     | Ongoing In Progress   | Library Director,<br>Department<br>Heads, staff,<br>Board of Trustees                          |
| 2. Finish renovation and revitalization of the library space | 2a. Finish creating a visually and spatially distinct teen space through the use of distinctive paint, carpet, and furnishings   | 2025 Currently stalled: furniture purchasing  | Library Director,<br>Head of Youth<br>Services,<br>Custodial<br>Supervisor                     |
|  | 2b. Finish renovating and refreshing the Youth Services department   | 2026  | Library Director,<br>Head of Youth<br>Services,<br>Custodial<br>Supervisor                     |
|  | 2c. Gather and synthesize staff feedback on long-term design plan  | 2025  | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Custodial<br>Supervisor                    |
|  | 2d. Utilize consultant to improve signage and patron wayfinding experience   | 2027  | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Custodial<br>Supervisor                    |
|  | 2e. Develop standard procedures for using NYS Construction Aid funds within regulations and constraints.                         | 2024 In progress currently - stalled with staff shortages   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Finance<br>Committee, Board<br>of Trustees |
|  | 2f. Add Study Rooms to the Library floor plan. (Small enclosures that hold 1-4 people that do not require advance reservations). | 2028  | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Board of<br>Trustees                       |

|   | 2g. Create comfortable, cozy spaces within the library.   | 2027                   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director  |
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| 3. Bronsky Reading<br>Garden  | 3a. Pursue grants to make improvements to the Library Garden  | January 2024  Complete | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Friends of<br>the Library                   |
|   | 3b. Improve access to the Library garden by adding a door from Youth Services   | 2025                   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Custodial<br>Supervisor                     |
|   | 3c. Plan outdoor programming for Reading Garden   | 2026 and ongoing       | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director,<br>Department<br>Heads, Staff               |
| 4. Create a space that is welcoming to and inclusive of everyone in the Broome County community | 4a. Address the inclusiveness of the Library space as part of the DEI plan, beyond what is legally required                               | Ongoing In Progress    | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, DEI<br>Committee                            |
|   | 4b. Continue to improve accessibility of facilities with a particular focus on parking and navigation for blind/visually-impaired patrons | 2026                   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, DEI<br>Committee                            |
|   | 4c. Ensure that there is accessible, comfortable furniture for patrons of all abilities   | 2025                   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, DEI<br>Committee                            |
|   | 4d. Convert upstairs bathrooms to 3-4 single occupancy/gender neutral bathrooms.  | 2028                   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director  |
|   | 4e. Assess the efficacy of current hours through inclusion in future surveys and the installation of networked people counters            | 2027                   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Librarian<br>II for Information<br>Services |
|   | 4f. Install secure bike racks   | 2027                   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director  |
|   | 4g. Investigate and, if appropriate, install self-serve lockers for patrons   | 2028                   | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director  |

| Ab Charging stations for devices   | 2026 | Library Director                                    |
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| 4h. Charging stations for devices - charging stations (phones, laptops, wheel chairs)                | 2026 | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, |
| 4i. Investigate and, if appropriate, build or designate a visitation room for supervised visitations | 2027 | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director  |

### **Strategic Planning Committee:**

### Goal 1. Strengthen the Library and Build Organizational Resilience

### **Objective 1.** Sustaining Actions

| 1c. Review and report updates to strategic plan bi-annually to Board of Trustees | Annually in November and May- In Progress | Strategic Planning<br>Committee, Library<br>Director |
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# **Objective 5.** Work with the community and staff to **evaluate the mission**, **vision and philosophy of the BCPL** to ensure proper alignment within the strategy, character and offerings of the library.

| 5a. Assess and recommend changes through the Strategic Planning Committee. | 2027 | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads, Strategic<br>Planning Committee |
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| 5b. Gather staff and community input through focus groups                  | 2027 | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Department<br>Heads, Strategic<br>Planning Committee |

<sup>\*</sup>The community needs surveying has moved entirely to staff in the current plan - how is the strat plan committee involved with this??

| 4a. Disseminate annual community needs assessment; use surveys in targeted areas of interest biennially | ON HOLD FOR INCREASED STAFF (After we hire new people, in 2024) | Librarian II for<br>Information Services |
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# **Finance Committee**

### Goal 1. Strengthen the Library and Build Organizational Resilience

**Objective 1.** Sustaining Actions

| 1a. Update funding plan annually in response to budget meetings and community needs. | Annually in June- In process for 2024  Complete for 2024 | Library Director,<br>Principal Account Clerk,<br>Board Treasurer &<br>Finance Committee |
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Objective 2. Sustain and expand current funding levels through diversified funding strategies.

| 2b. Consider what sustained funding sources and partnerships will be for pilot programs that are transitioning to fully integrated programs; including but not limited to, the Peer Support Room and Farm to Library programs. | 2025 | Library Director,<br>Finance Committee |
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| 2c. Consider BCPL Trust fund spending plan.  | 2026 | Library Director,<br>Finance Committee |

### Goal 6. Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

Objective 2. Finish renovation and revitalization of the library space

| 2e. Develop standard procedures for using NYS Construction Aid funds within regulations and constraints. | 2024 | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Finance<br>Committee, Board<br>of Trustees |
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# **Nominating/ By-Laws Committee**

### Goal 1. Strengthen the Library and Build Organizational Resilience

**Objective 6.** The Library Board of Trustees will review and refine procedures and systems to ensure quality functionality and service.

| 6a. Review and update bylaws and make sure the procedures therein reflect the procedures that take place. | 2024 Anticipated start date: October 2024 | Nominating/ By-Laws<br>Committee |
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| 6e. Examine and formalize new board member onboarding process   | 2024 and ongoing In Progress              | Nominating Committee             |

Executive Committee: none

Personnel Committee: none

### **Marketing Committee**

#### Goal 1. Strengthen the Library and Build Organizational Resilience

**Objective 1.** Sustaining Actions

| 1b. Produce a professional Annual Report that represents the Library to stakeholders. | Annually in April | Library Director,<br>Librarian II for<br>Information Services,<br>Marketing Committee |
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**Objective 5.** Work with the community and staff to evaluate the mission, vision and philosophy of the BCPL to ensure proper alignment within the strategy, character and offerings of the library

| 5c. Share the end result widely to increase awareness. | 2028 | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, Marketing<br>Committee |
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**Objective 6.** The Library Board of Trustees will review and refine procedures and systems to ensure quality functionality and service.

| 6g. Increase awareness of Board to later attract new members | 2025 and ongoing | Marketing Committee,<br>Board of Trustees |
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**Objective 7.** Develop and implement a comprehensive plan addressing diversity, equity, and inclusion

#### Goal 3. Know Your Community: Community Resources and Services

#### **Objective 1.** Sustaining Actions

| 1a. Review the communications plan and update media contacts yearly | 2024 and ongoing | Library Director, Assistant<br>Library Director,<br>Department Heads,<br>Marketing Committee |
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| yearly  2025 and ongoing Library Director, Assistant Library Director, Department Heads, Marketing Committee |
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### **Objective 5**. Ensure there is community awareness of current and new programming.

| 5a. Investigate best alternative advertising methods for non-social media users  | <del>May 2024</del><br>2025 | Libra rian II for Information Services, Marketing Committee            |
|--|-----------------------------|--|
| 5c. Establish a list of local newsletters and community calendars to regularly share Library information to (eg Office for Aging Senior Newsletter, PeachJar through Binghamton School District) | 2025                        | Librarian II for<br>Information<br>Services,<br>Marketing<br>Committee |

# **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee**

### **Goal 1. Strengthen the Library and Build Organizational Resilience**

**Objective 1. Sustaining Actions** 

| 7a. Create a Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) Plan based on survey data and researched best-practices in addressing the diverse needs of the library community | 2024 Complete            | Board of Trustees,<br>Library Director, Staff<br>DEI Committee                      |
|---|--------------------------|---|
| 7b. Identify staff and board members to implement action steps of the DEI Plan  | 2024                     | Board of Trustees,<br>Library Director,<br>Department Heads,<br>Staff DEI Committee |
| 7d. Routinely review progress towards meeting DEI goals and make adjustments to timelines, budgets, and responsible parties                                       | January 2025 and ongoing | DEI Committee, Board<br>of Trustees,<br>Library Director                            |

### Goal 6. Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

**Objective 4.** Create a space that is welcoming to and inclusive of everyone in the Broome County community

| 4a. Address the inclusiveness of the Library space as part of the DEI plan, beyond what is legally required | Ongoing In Progress | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, DEI<br>Committee |
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| 4b. Continue to improve accessibility of facilities with a particular focus on parking                      | 2026                | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library                               |

| and navigation for blind/visually-impaired patrons                                      |      | Director, DEI<br>Committee   |
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| 4c. Ensure that there is accessible, comfortable furniture for patrons of all abilities | 2025 | Library Director,<br>Assistant Library<br>Director, DEI<br>Committee |

# **Policy Review Committee**

### **Goal 1. Strengthen the Library and Build Organizational Resilience**

**Objective 6.** The Library Board of Trustees will review and refine procedures and systems to ensure quality functionality and service.

| 6b. Initiate review of all library policies and procedures based on staff priorities and feedback.            | 2024-2028<br>In Progress | Library Director, Policy<br>Committee, Staff |
|---|--------------------------|--|
| 6c. Policy Committee will redraft policies and review with staff before submitting to the board for approval. | 2024-2028<br>In Progress | Library Director, Policy<br>Committee, Staff |