Scenic Regional Library
ANNUAL REPORT

July 2022 - June 2023
COVERED AREA
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- Dave T., Pacific branch patron

“Great library. Has good selection and seems to have quite a few classes as well.”

- Dave T., Pacific branch patron
LOCATIONS

Administration
251 Union Plaza Dr.
636-583-0652
Mon-Fri: 8am-4:30pm
Sat/Sun: Closed
scenicregionallibrary
scenicregionallibrary

Hermann
123-A Bavarian Hills Blvd.
573-486-2024
Sun: Closed
Mon/Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm
Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm
Sat: 9am-5pm
hermannlibrary

New Haven
200 Douglas St.
573-237-2189
Sun: Closed
Mon/Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm
Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm
Sat: 9am-5pm
newhavenlibrary

Owensville
503 S. Olive St.
573-437-2188
Sun: Closed
Mon/Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm
Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm
Sat: 9am-5pm
owensvillebranch

Pacific
111 Lamar Parkway
636-257-2712
Sun: Closed
Mon/Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm
Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm
Sat: 9am-5pm
pacificbranch

St. Clair
515 E. Springfield Rd.
636-620-2546
Sun: Closed
Mon/Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm
Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm
Sat: 9am-5pm
stclairbranch

Sullivan
525 Cumberland Way
573-468-4372
Sun: Closed
Mon/Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm
Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm
Sat: 9am-5pm
sullivanlibrary

Union
251 Union Plaza Dr.
636-583-3224
Sun: Closed
Mon-Thurs: 9am-8pm
Fri: 9am-6pm
Sat: 9am-5pm
unionlibrary

Warrenton
912 S. Hwy. 47
636-456-3321
Sun: Closed
Mon-Thurs: 9am-8pm
Fri: 9am-6pm
Sat: 9am-5pm
warrentonbranch

Wright City
60 Wildcat Dr.
636-384-1136
Sun: Closed
Mon/Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm
Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm
Sat: 9am-5pm
wrightcitybranch

“This library is the jewel of Owensville. It’s a really nice facility.”
   - John P., Owensville branch patron

“My favorite part about the library is that there is something for EVERYONE!”
   - Sarah, Hermann branch patron
# BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## 2022/2023 Officers

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LIBRARY VISITS

= 10,000 Visits

349,598
In-person

171,219
Website

22,225
Community Outreach

LIBRARY CARDS ISSUED

# of New Cards Issued: 5,879

# of Active Users: 19,345

# of e-Card Holders: 1,685

“Recently went and got a library card. The librarians who signed me up were so kind and informational. It is a beautiful, peaceful, newly renovated space. Can’t wait to hang out here more and read on the outside patios when the weather is nice.”

- Elise, Union branch patron
“Thank you for creating this wonderful space. I live in St. Louis and have only visited once, but I’ll be back! I will never visit Hermann again without stopping by The Gallery! It’s the main attraction for me.”

- Christine O.

“Enjoyed the last exhibit! Will make sure I see this one also. So glad you are able to showcase Missouri’s talented artists in such a beautiful space!” (Rivers Exhibit)

- Donna T.

“Had a chance to spend some time in Hermann yesterday and visiting the gallery was foremost on my mind. It was wonderful seeing the works of so many artists from the area. Absolutely amazing.” (Sense of Place Exhibit)

- Mary B.
Borrowing and Lending

Borrowed from Evergreen Libraries: 48,922
Lent to Evergreen Libraries: 36,121
Internal Between Branches: 42,876

“Great little library, clean, organized and the staff is always friendly and ready to help. Kids area is always cute and engaging. Pro tip: (...) download the app and you can have books sent to the library to be picked up.”
- Rachel D., Hermann branch patron

Circulation

Total Physical Item Circulation: 492,375
8.45% increase from 2021-2022

Total E-circulation: 188,832
5.24% increase from 2021-2022
NON-TRADITIONAL CIRCULATION

1018 Headphones
523 Device Charger Cables and Wall Plugs
129 Telescopes
253 Cake Pans
63 Fishing Poles
33 Binoculars
47 Microscopes
115 Mobile Hotspots
831 Chromebooks

New This Year:
129 Memory Kits
1547 STEAM Kits
92 Routers
92 Ukuleles

“Have used them [cake pans] several times! What a unique and pocketbook-saving service!!!”
- Patricia, Hermann branch patron

SELF-CHECK CIRCULATION

(22.01% of all checkouts)

“Amazing staff and resources.”
- Michelle, Warrenton branch patron

“A WONDERFUL RESOURCE for our community.”
- Amy G., Union branch patron

PASSPORTS

We took 1,185 passport applications.
Curbside Service Utilized: 372 Times

Meeting Rooms

Meeting Rooms used 1,376 times by:

• Action groups
• Blood drives
• Chambers of commerce
• Churches
• Farmers’ markets committees
• Government organizations
• Healthcare groups
• Hobby groups
• Local charities
• Scout troops

“You have been very patient and helpful.” (In response to staff helping him set up a meeting room account.)

- Lloyd K., Union branch patron
COMPUTER USAGE

Computer Usage: 27,207

Wireless Usage: 64,078
2.39% increase

“Staff is helpful and nice. Great place to go for studying, reading, and computer work.”
- Kelsey B., Warrenton branch patron

YOUTH OUTREACH

“The librarians are always to helpful.”
- Kathy F., Union branch patron

“This event was 100% the best experience for my daughter! All the kids were so polite and had a good time! Definitely need more water days!”
- Kari, St. Clair branch patron

“Glad to be there for a great cause.” (Making blankets for Project Linus)
- Margaret S., Union branch patron

Daycare & School Outreach:
354 visits reaching 16,609 students and teachers.
The Library ladies were fantastic! They worked with my grandson and really took him seriously. I appreciate our library on so many levels, but the personal touch they offer is priceless. My grandkids have been coming to the library since they were about four years old. We love the library.”
- Cindy T., Warrenton branch patron

- Elinda S., Wright City branch patron
ADULT PROGRAMMING

In 2022-2023 we offered 644 programs reaching 6,540 adults.

“I like attending the library’s programs and that you have access to books, movies, etc. from libraries all over the state. AND…it’s free!”
- Erica, New Haven branch patron

“Thank you for this really fun program. I’m planning on making little jars of jam as Christmas gifts.”
-Jenny S. V., Union branch patron

YOUTH PROGRAMMING

In 2022-2023 we offered 999 programs reaching 26,587 children and teens. 56.99% increase

“Love this library! We brought our three grandchildren who are spending a lot of time with us this summer. They had a blast with books, Lego and a scavenger hunt!”
- Shelly S., Wright City branch patron

“Amazing library with activities for kids.”
- Angie L., Sullivan branch patron
TEACHER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

2,554 items delivered, filling 147 teacher requests.

“...this public library supports Hermann school libraries by supplying books from all over Missouri that students want for special assignments.”
- Victoria, Hermann branch patron

1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Total Participants: 347

20 Children have completed the program by reading 1,000 books!
SOLICITUD DE TARJETA DE BIBLIOTECA
Library Card Application
Para uso del personal, exclusivamente para la captura de datos. Triturar después de la captura.
Staff use for data entry only – Shred after entry

Primer Nombre / First Name
Segundo Nombre / Middle Name
Apellido / Last Name
Fecha de Nacimiento / Date of Birth
Email / Email Address
Si es menor de 16 años, nombre de la madre o del padre / Name of parent if patron is under 16-years-old
Número de Teléfono / Telephone Number
Dirección Postal / Mailing Address
Código Postal / Postal Code
Domicilio (si es diferente de su Dirección Postal) / Street Address if different from Mailing Address
Ciudad / City
¿Cómo le gustaría que le notifiquemos cuando sus reservas de libros u otros artículos estén listas para ser recogidas?
How would you like to be notified when holds are ready for pickup?
Email / Email
Teléfono / Telephone
Mensaje de texto* / Text message
*Número para enviarle mensajes de texto (       )
*Operador de telefonía móvil
Presente este formulario con una identificación con foto y comprobante de domicilio al personal de la biblioteca.
Present this form with photo identification and proof of address to library staff.

ADULT OUTREACH

• Staff facilitated 140 visits to 1,787 senior citizens at nursing homes and senior centers in all three counties.

BOOKS-BY-MAIL

• We currently have 58 Books-by-Mail patrons in all 3 counties.
• Books-by-Mail circulation: 1,673 items in 2022-2023 fiscal year.

SPANISH LANGUAGE MATERIALS

To better serve our Spanish speaking communities, we offer a collection of Spanish language materials.

Spanish books for adults: 168
Spanish books for children: 294
Spanish e-Books: 546

“Scenic libraries are vital to our communities!”
- Lori, Pacific branch patron

“You are all so helpful, we are lucky to have you.”
- Union branch patron
Thank you to our Partners and Sponsors:

- Number of programs: 70
- Total attendance: 1,250
- Books distributed to the public/schools: 2,300 free copies.

“Thank you Scenic Regional Library for giving free copies locally for all ages and hosting so many free events about the book. Your generosity is amazing.”
- Reva M., patron

“I picked up my copy and finished it in two days. Excellent!”
- Sherry H., patron
Participants in 2023

1,620 Children

315 Teens

995 Adults

“Thanks a million for this wonderful program! And for doing such a great job encouraging literacy in our communities.”

- Betty W., patron

“Our kiddos are enjoying the books. Thank you!!!”

- Katye D., patron

“My son says thank you. He’s excited to build.” (Summer Reading Program, Lego prize recipient)

- Beka C., Warrenton branch patron

COMMUNITY GARDEN

2023 Spring planting season:

• 22 total beds - 8 flower/herb beds and 14 vegetable beds.

• 9 gardeners checked out 14 plots.
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337 Friends’ members system-wide.
Raised $59,114.87 in fiscal year 2022-2023.

- Friends of the Library groups donated $9,880.16 for the purchase of musical instruments for the children's patios at four branches. There are now 20 instruments system-wide.
Fall 2022: $15,470.50
Spring 2023: $17,363.48

Spring 2023 was Scenic’s largest-ever Book Sale.

Each Friends of the Library group has the opportunity to run the book sale at its branch and receive revenue.

“Love the book sale!”
- Dick C., patron

“I went on the last day and still came home with two big boxes full (...)
- Susan S., Owensville branch patron
“Very polite, helpful. Stay open pretty late. Accommodating in every way possible.”
- Amanda, St. Clair branch patron

“We LOVE our Scenic Regional Library!”
- Wesleyan Kiddie Kollege

“We had a fabulous time in Pacific at the Scenic Regional Library last evening! ...the adult programs coordinator, could not have been more welcoming and enthusiastic. The Friends of the Library provided refreshments, and the audience was so engaged with great questions for us.”
- Schwarzer Zither Ensemble

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### 2022-2023 TOTAL SERVICE VALUE

**Every $1 of Revenue = $2.85 in Library Services**

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**Total Value of Library Service**

$19,803,975

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