



JAMES V. BROWN LIBRARY

2023 **IMPACT
REPORT**



JVB The Library is the Place for Everyone

Talitha “Tally” Waugh says the Library is her favorite happy place. In fact, she and her children often visit the Library daily.

As a homeschooling parent, Tally and her three children – Thomas, 18, John, 12, and Izabella, 11 – rely on the Library as a place for learning and spending time with friends.



From Left to Right: Thomas, John, Tally, and Izabella

Tally and her children have attended several programs over the years but especially enjoyed the Summer Learning Kick-Off and Finale. They also enjoy doing scavenger hunts in the children's wing. Aside from serving the family's educational and social needs, the Library also saves them money.

“I have saved almost \$4,000 by using the resources at our library this past year. That is astounding!” Tally said. “I love your ‘try it before you buy it’ feature. We ended up with Christmas and birthday presents for the kids because they tried video games, board games, or read books at the JVB Library first and fell in love with them.”



Tally said the James V. Brown Library is a place that makes every patron feel at home.

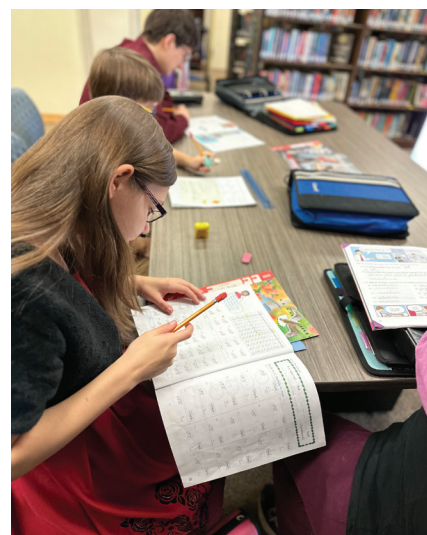
“There are ‘staff picks’ that help families determine what to borrow, but the Library staff goes above and beyond that,” Tally said. “Each one has unique qualities that make the Library enjoyable. They see us coming in the door and smile at us; they are genuinely happy to see us.”

Libraries are at the heart of any thriving community, and ours is no exception.



It's where children take their first steps towards literacy, where students find the resources they need to excel in school, where job seekers access vital information, and where lifelong learners explore new worlds through books, technology, and programs.

The impact of your Library extends far beyond its walls, touching the lives of residents of all ages and backgrounds.

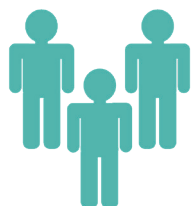


Together, we can ensure that future generations have the same opportunities to learn, connect, and grow as the Waugh family have had.



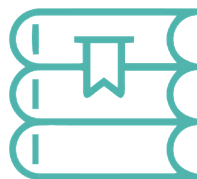
The place to go to learn, connect, and grow.

GO



**98,184
in-person visits**

LEARN



**236,849
checkouts**

CONNECT



**86,159
Wi-Fi
Users**

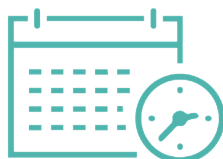
GROW



**170 volunteers
gave 1277
hours of
their time**



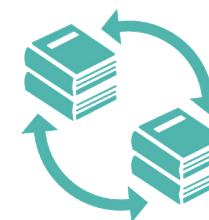
**96,145
virtual visits**



**11,837 users
viewing
50,920 pages
in our online
calendar***



**129,011 items
checked
out on the
Book's Bus,
Bookmobile,
& Storymobile**



**906 ILL
(Interlibrary
Loan) requests**



**2,685 new
Library Cards
memberships**



**740 reference
questions
answered**



**1,838
passports
executed and
427 renewal
reviews**



**130 donors
making their
first gift**

YTD January 2023 – December 2023 *Google Analytics did not capture data from our calendar transition for part of June, all of July and August, and part of September

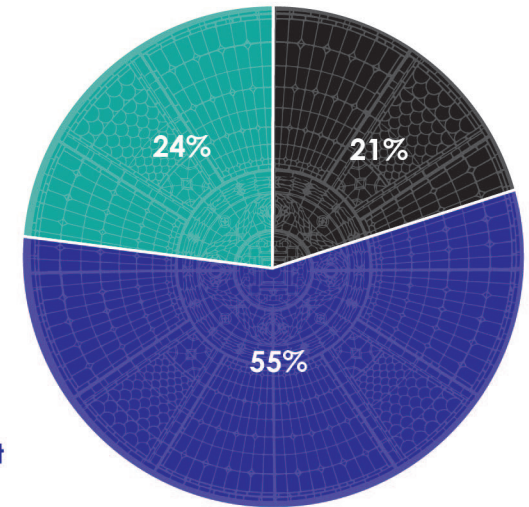


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HOW JAMES V. BROWN LIBRARY IS FUNDED



State Aid
\$354,666

Local Government
\$912,330

Other: Fundraising, Gifts, Grants, etc.
\$398,586

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LOOKING AHEAD 2024

MARCH: Bluey & Bingo Party *(Celebrating Read Across America)*

APRIL: Virtual Presentation w/**Pizzazz**–Rockefeller

MAY–AUGUST: Adventures with Wheels Program
*(a “touch-a-truck” event bi-weekly with different vehicles
& community helpers)*

JUNE–AUGUST: Adventure Begins at Your Library
Summer Learning Program

SEPTEMBER: Virtual Presentation w/**Pizzazz**–Katharine Hepburn



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