

Montgomery City
Public Library
**Annual
Report**
2022-2023



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Montgomery City Public Library

MCPL Mission:

To create an environment for lifelong learning and personal growth to meet the needs of our diverse community.



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A note from the Director

Montgomery City Public Library was very busy for the 2022-2023 year. There were 2,150 registered library patrons and 18,727 library visits. MCPL has 25,248 physical items in its library collection that include books, CD audiobooks, magazines, and other physical items like kits, puzzles, games, fishing poles, microscopes, a telescope, and a metal detector.

The library was awarded \$24,241.29 in LSTA grants that went to specific things like Creation Station Maker Space equipment (i.e. Cricut Maker and Mug Press), new patron computers, a new children's AWE Learning computer, 2022 summer reading items, and Memories Matter kits. The Memories Matter kits are for people with Alzheimer's disease or dementia and their caregivers. Most kits have a book, activities, a DVD, and discussion questions to help spark memories and conversations.

Other highlights include having the annual Stuffed Animal Sleepover, which is sponsored by Judy Hunt, and having Montgomery City native Dana Wilkerson discuss her cozy mystery and romance novels. The library was also excited to add Niche Academy to its website's online resources. Niche Academy teaches people how to use computers, internet resources, and library resources through easy-to-watch videos.

The staff at MCPL strive to serve its patrons with warmth and knowledge. They are here to help you get a library card, find the next book in your favorite series, recommend books, train you on your new device, welcome you with a smile and so much more. Stop in and say hello!

~ Gaylee Harris

By the Numbers

2,626 hours open to the public

2,150 registered patrons

18,727 in person library visits

18,678 items checked out

25,248 physical items owned by MCPL for checkout

**1,287 interlibrary loan books borrowed
from Missouri Evergreen libraries**

**2,754 interlibrary loan books loaned
to Missouri Evergreen libraries**

Technology Highlights

9 public access computers for patrons

3 Laptops for patrons to checkout

3 AWE Learning Stations for children

1,785 computer sessions by patrons

12,652 wireless internet sessions

654 database usages by patrons

2,445 mcplmo.com website visits

**74,568 digital items owned
by the Missouri Evergreen Consortium**

4,878 electronic circulations

Program Highlights



174 programs total
3,021 participants total

63 adult programs
502 in attendance

9 teen programs
85 in attendance

18 children programs
840 in attendance



41 story time & early literacy programs
449 in attendance

43 general interest programs
1,145 in attendance



Financial Highlights

Revenues

Taxes: \$213,128

Miscellaneous Revenue: \$9,712

Interest Income: \$559

Grant Proceeds: \$24,066

Total Revenues: \$247,466

Expenses

Personnel: \$106,729

Materials: \$22,884

Operating Expenses: \$9,553

Programs: \$3,041

Training: \$1,517

Utilities: \$9,058

Yearly Contracts: \$21,283

Loan Payment (USDA): \$21,140

Grant Expenses: \$25,439

Transfers to Investments: \$20,000

Total Expenses: \$240,645

MCPL's Top Ten of 2022-2023

New additions to the Library of Things: telescope, microscope, metal detector, games, fishing poles

Stuffed Animal Campout

Montgomery City native and author Dana Wilkerson visited MCPL

Memories Matter Kits for senior citizens

STEAM Kits for children

New patron and children's computers

Creation Station additions: Cricut Maker and Mug Press

Monthly After Hours Teen Nights

Niche Academy on mcplmo.com to help patrons learn about technology and other skills

CreativeBug on mcplmo.com to teach patrons arts and crafts skills