



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY LIBRARY

ANNUAL REPORT

2023



Two thousand twenty-three gave us much to celebrate with lots of exciting new initiatives and projects.

Planning started for the construction of the new Bay Point Library, which will be situated in a new mixed use, high-density, transit-oriented development. We launched our very first cable TV and streaming advertising campaign focused on the Library's free digital resources, and it won an award for excellence in diversity, equity, & inclusion! The first ever countywide library foundation for Contra Costa was established as the Library Foundation of Contra Costa (LFCC). Their goal is to enhance library services for the entire county and to help decrease equity gaps in funding amongst the branches. We introduced a new all-electric early literacy van, called the Rolling Reader. The van provides new books and take-home literacy activities for young children in underserved communities.

We are very proud of these accomplishments as well as the everyday excellent service and programs Library staff and volunteers continue to deliver in all our communities.

Alison McKee
County Librarian

MOST POPULAR BOOKS



EARLY READER

The Thank You Book
by Mo Willems



TEEN READER

A Good Girl's Guide to Murder
by Holly Jackson



MIDDLE READER

Dog Man -
Mothering Heights
by Dav Pilkey



ADULT READER

Spare
by Prince Harry

BY THE NUMBERS



Digital Magazine
checkouts



406,215
908%



East Bay Times views

983,429
62%



Kanopy
Streams



156,000
12.6%



LinkedIn
Learning



1,293,255
126%

*Percentages are based on increases from 2022 to 2023

PROGRAMS



	Virtual Programs	In-Person Programs	Total Attendees
Children	42	4,318	230.6K
Teens	33	892	20.2K
Adults	230	1,860	47.8K
Total	305	6,070	298.6K

BOOKS BORROWED

5 M

4 M

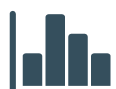
3 M

2 M

1 M

Book
checkouts
4.871M

eBook
checkouts
1.869M



VISITS



Virtual visits

4,987,988

In-Person Visits

2,304,075



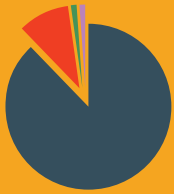
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BUDGET



- PROPERTY TAX 90%
- TOWN / CITY 7%
- FINES / FEES 1%
- OTHER 2%

Revenue - \$41.3M



- STAFF 76%
- MATERIALS 9%
- FACILITIES 3%
- OFFICE EXPENSES 4%
- OTHER 8%

Expenditures - \$41.3M

COUNTYWIDE READING PROGRAMS



SUMMER READING

6,470 participants



COMMUNITY READS FOR KIDS

Guts

by Raina Telgemeier



READ CONTRA COSTA

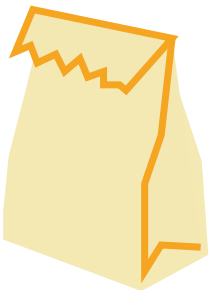
The Bandit Queens

by Parini Shroff

VOLUNTEERS

621
volunteers
19,448
hours served

MEALS SERVED



13,571

*Free healthy lunch and afterschool meals for children and teens 18 and under.

PROJECT SECOND CHANCE

Adult Literacy Program

Volunteer Tutors	231
Adult Learners	292
Tutoring Hours	14,021
Met/ Made Progress toward literacy goals	65%

26 **Locations**

District I Supervisor John Gioia
El Cerrito
El Sobrante
Kensington
Pinole*
San Pablo

District II Supervisor Candace Andersen
Danville
Dougherty Station
Lafayette
Moraga
Orinda
San Ramon
Walnut Creek*

District III Supervisor Diane Burgis
Brentwood
Oakley
Prewett

District IV Supervisor Ken Carlson
Clayton
Concord
Pleasant Hill
Walnut Creek*
Ygnacio Valley

District V Supervisor Federal Glover
Antioch
Bay Point
Crockett
Hercules
Martinez
Pinole*
Pittsburg
Rodeo

*Shared library

The Contra Costa County Library is the pulse of the community. Working together, we spark imagination, fuel potential, and connect people with ideas and each other.