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FY2023 IMPACT REPORT

Mission: To enrich and empower lives by providing literacy and opportunities to grow by continually working together to engage the community through charitable giving.



FINANCIALS

Funds raised	\$219,476
Monthly raffles	\$8510
Events	\$135,668
Big game rental and	d t-shirt sales \$2038
Tribute gifts	\$570
Memorial gifts	\$7460
Individual gifts	\$24,666
Lib giving day	over \$6000
Giving Tuesday	\$2,730
Give STL day	\$153
Year-end appeal	70 gifts - \$9,278
Grants	6 - \$19,750
Corporate and organization gifts	\$20,813

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PROGRAMS SUPPORTED





AWE COMPUTERS

AWE (Advanced Workstations in Education) computers play a vital role in promoting lifelong learning, digital literacy, and educational enrichment for children within our library, making them a valuable asset for diverse educational needs. These resources can provide valuable learning experiences for children, teenagers, and adults alike, fostering skill development in areas such as reading, math, science, and language. The Library Foundation **updated 16 AWE computers** across the county.

Thanks to our donors and a grant from **The Employee Community Fund of Boeing STL**.



BORN TO READ

The Library's Born to Read program introduces books and literacy activities to families in our county at hospitals and birthing units, the Born to Read program fosters a culture of literacy from the very beginning of a child's life. This early exposure to books and language can significantly influence a child's future literacy skills and academic success. 4000 kits purchased.

Thank you to our donors and our sponsors Barnes Jewish St. Peters and Progress West Hospitals and Mercy.



GALE EXCEL ONLINE HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Library Foundation was able to fund 20 seats for the Gale Excel Online High School program that provides a high school diploma for adults that may not have received one in their youth. Our library is changing lives by offering this fully online, flexible, and self-paced program to make sure everyone has a fair chance to learn and helps the library work with others to support education.



VIDCODE

VidCode is a program designed to teach computer programming through video editing and media creation. Its impact on the community can be significant in several ways: enhanced digital literacy, promotion of STEM education, creativity and innovation, empowerment and confidence, diverse learning opportunities, career readiness, and community engagement.

Thank you to our donors and a grant from Walmart Community Grants Team Facility # 8251 Sam's Club 2855 Veterans Memorial Pkwy St Charles MO 63303.

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STORYBOOK WALK

The Library Foundation updated the Storybook Walk at Veterans Tribute Park this year. The Storybook walks promote literacy, encourage physical activity, increase access to books, build community connections, enrich education, and enhance our area parks and college. There are currently **6 Storybook walks** in St. Charles County. They include: Fox Hill Park, The Park at New Melle Lakes, the St. Charles Community College, Quail Ridge Park, Veterans Tribute Park, and Weldon Spring City Park

Thank you to our sponsor MercyGo Health for funding the purchase of all of the stories for our Walks this year. And to the Walmart Community Grants Teams (Walmart Neighborhood Market Facility #5421 (45 Sutters Mill Rd, St Peters, MO 63376) and \$1000 from Walmart Supercenter Facility # 648 (1661 Jungermann Rd, St Peters, MO 63304)) who helped make the replacement possible.



COLLECTION & PROGRAM SUPPORT

Through a generous donor to the Foundation, the Library was able to add many new Italian authors to its digital offerings and supported a family friendly event featuring the St. Louis Symphony.

EVENTS

Trivia Challenge

Together we raised **over \$24,700 to support Library programs**, services, and projects through sponsorships, table sales, raffles, and silent auction sales.

Imagine Gala

The Library Foundation's 'Treasure Island' themed Imagine Gala held in September welcomed more than 230 guests, over 1,600 online silent auction bids and hit early sponsorship goals. The event grossed more than \$106,000.

5K Your Library Way

5K your Library Way **raised \$1,044** with 52 participants in our 2nd annual 5K Your Library Way challenge.

Puzzle Contest

The Library Foundation held its first puzzle contest on June 4th at the Spencer Road Branch. There were nearly 175 participants in attendance completing identical 500-piece puzzles. This event **generated proceeds of \$2900**.

Giving Tuesday

The Library Foundation received 32 **donations totaling \$2,730** on #GivingTuesday, November 29. This one-day event continues to grow.

Library Giving Day

On this #LibraryGivingDay, the Library Foundation was able to raise over \$6,000 with 77 gifts for Library programs and services! Thank you to Glenfield Memory Care Homes in St. Peters for matching the first \$1,000 in Library Giving Day gifts. Every dollar counts!

Give STL Day

Give STL Day is a special day when people come together to donate money to support various organizations and causes in the St. Louis area where the Foundation received \$153 in donations.

Employee Giving

In December, the Library Foundation organized its third employee giving campaign, expressing gratitude for the ongoing support from the Library Staff. Together, we raised \$1,415 to benefit the Foundation's initiatives.



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