

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025

Flint's go- to place to learn for *life*.

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In 2025, the Gloria Coles Flint Public Library continued to grow as a place where learning, connection, and community come together. Throughout the year, we focused on strengthening relationships, expanding access to resources, and creating meaningful opportunities for engagement across Flint.

Libraries have always been more than places to borrow books. They are spaces where people connect with ideas, discover new opportunities, and build relationships that strengthen the community. From literacy programs and cultural experiences to resource fairs and partnerships, our work reflects the evolving needs of the residents we serve.

As we prepare to celebrate 175 years, we remain committed to ensuring that the library continues to be a place where curiosity is nurtured, connections are built, and the community thrives.

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OUR WORK IS GUIDED BY THE FOUR C'S: CURIOSITY, CONNECTION, COMMUNITY, AND COMMITMENT.

Curiosity is the spark that ignites learning and discovery. It is our responsibility to cultivate an environment where curiosity can thrive. In 2025, the library inspired curiosity by connecting residents of all ages to knowledge, history, and new experiences. Programs like **National Genealogy Day**, in partnership with the Sloan Museum and the Flint Genealogical Society, invited community members to explore their family histories and deepen their understanding of self and place. Youth-focused programs such as **LEGO Club** provided by the Friends of the Flint Public Library, and **Jr. Master Gardener** with MSU Extension encouraged hands-on learning, creativity, and early literacy.

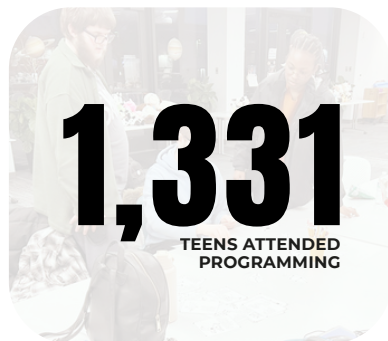
Connection is the bridge that links us to one another. Through connection, we build trust and foster meaningful relationships with our patrons. This year, we strengthened connections across Flint by creating spaces where voices could be heard and relationships could grow. Initiatives like the **Basic Needs Fair** with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, the **Next Gen Project in the First Ward**, and programming with the League of Women Voters, including **Your Vote Matters**, created opportunities for civic engagement and dialogue. Programs such as **Games on the Lawn** and **Grandfamilies Book Club** also created welcoming, intergenerational spaces for families and young people to connect and build relationships.

Community is the foundation of our work. The library serves as a cornerstone, bringing people together and fostering a sense of belonging. In 2025, we remained deeply rooted in meeting the everyday needs of Flint residents. Through initiatives like the **Community Pantry** and **Meet Up & Eat Up**, in partnership with the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, and participation in events like the **Great Toy Swap** with **Flint Roller Derby**, we provided not only essential resources but also spaces of care and connection. Our continued presence at resource fairs and community events reinforced the library as a welcoming hub for all.

Commitment is the dedication we bring to our mission and to each other. It reflects the consistency and care with which we serve our community. Our commitment to Flint was demonstrated through intentional partnerships and culturally responsive programming. Collaborations with organizations such as **Black Dandelion: Convergent Voice**, **El Ballet Folklórico**, and **Comma Bookstore** allowed us to uplift diverse voices and create meaningful cultural experiences. These efforts reflect our ongoing dedication to equity, representation, and lasting community impact.



IMPACT MEASUREMENTS



TOP PROGRAMS



BUILD YOUR HOME LIBRARY
1500 Attendees



HOLIDAY WALK
1540 Attendees



154,803
Patrons Served



5,108
New Patrons Welcomed



44,796
Wifi & Computer Sessions



5,278
Room Reservations

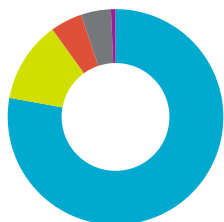


137,349
Physical Items Checked Out



11,794
New Items Added

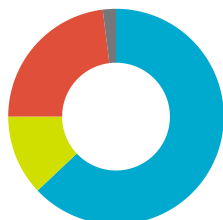
REVENUE



- Property Taxes \$4,073,268
- Grants, Memorials and Gifts \$639,482
- State Aid and Fines \$250,017
- Interest Income \$234,921
- Other \$35,444

TOTAL REVENUE \$ 5,233,132

EXPENSES



- Personnel \$2,546,775
- Operations \$486,978
- Maintenance \$930,866
- Grants Expended \$79,837.26

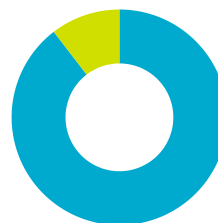
TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 4,044,457

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 2025

NOTE:

Revenue in excess of expenses is assigned for use in FY25 as follows:



- Grant purposes \$ 123,848
- Operations \$ 1,064,827

TOTAL ASSIGNED FOR USE IN FY25 \$ 1,188,675

The Library is funded by a permanent 2 mill property tax. An additional 2.0 mill was approved by voters for 2012- 2021 and renewed for 2022-2031.