



AGENDA FOR PUBLIC MEETING

DATE: Monday, May 19, 2025 at 6:00 pm
LOCATION: **In Person:** Stevenson Community Library; 120 NW Vancouver Ave, Stevenson, WA 98648
Zoom Link:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83558837140?pwd=HYlwxZTbVT9jbYMzeMASER95RDr0Bs.1>
Meeting ID: 835 5883 7140 Passcode: 610362
or call in: 1 (971) 247-1195

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Agenda Approval** ACTION
3. **Chair Announcements** INFORMATION
4. **Public Comments (limit 2 minutes each)**
5. **Consent Agenda** ACTION
 - a. Approval of the April 21, 2025 regular meeting minutes
 - b. Approval of the Claims for April 2025
6. **Reports**
 - 6.1 March Financial Statements: Catrina Galicz ACTION
 - 6.2 FVRL Organizational Report: Alicia Gomori INFORMATION
 - 6.3 Levy Information Update: Jennifer Giltrop INFORMATION
 - 6.4 Stevenson Branch Report: David Wyatt INFORMATION
 - 6.5 Summer Reading at Your Library: Justin Keeler INFORMATION
7. **Business**
 - 7.1 **Facilities and Finance Committee** ACTION
Resolution 2025-07 Closeout of the Construction Contract for Woodland
8. **Executive Session RCW 42.30.110(1i) Litigation**
9. **Board Comments**
10. **Setting for next regular meeting:** Monday, June 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM at Ridgefield Community Library/Zoom
11. **Adjournment**

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Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 21, 2025 – 6:00 PM
Washougal Community Library
1661 C Street, Washougal 98671
Washougal Community Center
Hybrid/In-Person

Kristy Morgan, *Chair*, Clark County At-Large
Marie Coffey, *Secretary*, Clark County At-Large
Megan Dugan, *Vice Chair*, City of Vancouver
Mary Ann Duncan-Cole, Skamania County
Olga Hodges, Klickitat County
Irina Kakorina, Clark County At-Large
Mary Williams, City of Vancouver

Present Board: Kristy Morgan, Marie Coffey, Megan Dugan, Mary Ann Duncan-Cole, Olga Hodges (remote), Irina Kakorina, Mary Williams

Absent:

Present Staff: Jennifer Giltrop, Executive Director; Catrina Galicz, Finance Director; Andrea Scherer, Human Resources Director; Miranda Holtmann, Executive Assistant; Julian Mendez, Communications and Marketing Director; Justin Keeler, Outreach and Community Partnership Director/Public Records Officer; Lucien Kress, IT Director; Dave Josephson, Facilities and Fleet Director;

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Fort Vancouver Regional Library Special Meeting Minutes

AGENDA:

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Chair Morgan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **AGENDA APPROVAL** – At 6:00p.m. Mary Williams made a motion to approve the agenda. Marie Coffey seconded. Motion approved with 6 out of 7 votes.
3. **CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS** – There were no chair announcements. Morgan noted that Olga Hodges would be joining the call a little late.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – At 6:01 p.m. public comments began with the following speakers.
 - Quill Onstead of Portland made a public comment about drag queen story hour.
 - Randy Schmidt of Clark County made a public comment about drag queen story hour.
 - Gary Wilson of Clark County made a public comment about library programing.
 - Margo Logan of Portland made a public comment about drag queen story hour.
 - Dwight Hollar of Washougal declined his public comment
 - Jared Essig of Clackamas, Oregon made a public comment about primary biblical sources for reference.
 - Charles Forsshew made a public comment about how great libraries are.
 - Marilyn R. Dryden of Clark County made a public comment about the Washougal Library.

At 6:14 p.m. the chair closed public comments.

5. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**– At 6:14 p.m. Megan Dugan made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mary Ann Duncan Cole seconded. Motion approved with 6 out of 7 votes.

6. REPORTS

6.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS – At 6:15 p.m. Catrina Galicz presented the following highlights for the month ending February 2025.

Statement of Cash: Cash balance at February 28 stands at just under \$14.7 million, reflecting a decrease of approximately \$3.5 million since the beginning of the year. This decline is anticipated, as the district typically draws down its fund balance during the first part of the year before receiving the bulk of property

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tax revenue—half expected in April and the remainder in October. It was noted that the 60-day reserve threshold is currently being met, although the 90-day reserve is not. This is consistent with expected seasonal cash flow patterns, and the balance is projected to normalize with the April tax receipts. Galitz emphasized there is no cause for concern at this time.

Statement of Revenue: All revenues through February are meeting or exceeding expectations year to date. Property taxes are just at 2% which is expected until April when the district gets a good portion of revenue property taxes coming in. Galitz pointed out that the “charges for services” line, which is non-resident barrower fees, is trending above budget projection. Also, investment interest is also trending above budget projection.

Statement of Expenses: Overall expenditures through February are aligning with expectations. Total spending is trending below the anticipated 17% expected by end-of February with actual expenditures at 13%. It was noted that expenditure levels are expected to increase mid-year as significant planned activities occur in the second and third quarters. The personnel budget remains slightly under expectations due to vacancies. Under the "Supplies" category, the technology line is currently at 33%, which reflects early-year costs associated with the purchase of BiblioCommons. Additionally, spending in the professional collection technology line is slightly above the 17–18% threshold due to annual subscription license payments. Under "Capital Outlay," Galitz highlighted continued expenditures related to the Woodland Library project. As of February, just under \$6,000 has been paid, with reimbursement for these costs being received from the FVRL Foundation.

RECEIVE AND FILE FEBRUARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – At 6:20 p.m. Mary Williams made a motion to approve receiving and filing the February 2025 financial statements. Irina Kakorina seconded. Motion approved with 6 out of 7 votes.

6.2 WASHOUGAL BRANCH REPORT – At 6:21 p.m. the Chair invited Washougal Branch Manager Zoe Nash to present the Washougal Branch Report.

The Washougal branch currently operates six days a week (Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) and is staffed by six employees, including the manager, with two full-time and four part-time staff members. In 2024, the branch circulated over 89,000 materials—an impressive figure for a library of its size—and welcomed 47,000 visitors. Library cardholder numbers have continued to grow steadily.

The branch offered 219 programs in 2024, with over 2,600 attendees. Programming includes weekly and monthly offerings such as storytime, STEM Lab, “Read to a Dog,” Tween Craft & Chat, Teen Hangout, and a tabletop role-playing game club. A major highlight was the Family Tech Petting Zoo, a grant-funded initiative featuring interactive tech toys for all ages. The cubelets were particularly popular, with children continuing to engage long after the program ended. Due its success the program will be offered again.

The 2024 Summer Reading Program also saw notable growth, with a 5% increase in participation over the previous year. The branch saw a marked increase in teen engagement through events such as tie-dye workshops and an escape room, the latter of which required an additional session due to high interest.

Adult programming remained robust as well, featuring master gardener sessions, a zine-making event with a poet laureate, an author talk by local figure The Blind Woodsman, and the consistently popular winter wreath-making workshop. The latter was capped due to limited space but continues to draw strong interest year after year.

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Outreach activities included visits to local schools, teen book talks at Akin Triple Point, and participation in community events such as Recovery Café, Multicultural Night, WACA, and National Night Out. Partnerships were highlighted as a core strength of the branch, with Meals on Wheels delivering books to seniors and a new collaboration with the Washougal School District titled “Reading in Action.” This four-week program supports family literacy and critical thinking through group book discussions.

The branch continues to benefit from strong community support and partnerships with the City of Washougal, which provides additional meeting space. The Friends of the Library were recognized for their creativity and dedication in organizing fundraisers such as book sales, monthly dance programs, restaurant fundraisers, bingo, holiday bazaar sales, and the inaugural Pumpkin Bash event.

Nash closed noting the popularity and continued success of the branch’s seed library, which was initiated in 2018 in response to community interest. The program allows patrons to check out, grow, and return seeds, ensuring a sustainable, community-driven cycle of use and contribution.

6.3 ORGANIZATIONAL REPORT – At 6:30 p.m. as a precursor to the organizational report Giltrop took a moment to note that FVRL has thousands of programs every year with tens of thousands of people that come to those programs and enjoy so much of what the library does and connects them. Whether it's in library buildings or through outreach as Zoe highlighted. Giltrop added that every month the board hears from a small group of people about drag queen story hour, both for and against. The board and administration hears that. FVRL hasn't had a drag queen story hour since 2019. Giltrop stressed that as the district goes into a year where staff will be out in the community talking about all the wonderful things that the library does, she wishes that the library would have more of the public coming to speak to all the great things the library is doing. The library is launching a strategic planning effort which will include deep public engagement all around the 4,200 square mile district to share what they want from their library. What is the next chapter going to look like? That said Giltrop gave the floor to Alicia Gomori to present the organizational report:

- Cascade Park Community Library also has a popular seed library. The branch also hosts a “Seed to Super” program which has been impactful for the community. That program is done in partnership with the Clark County Food Bank who also contribute to replenishing the seed library.
- La Center Community Library partnered with 4-H to host a backyard chicken program. La Center 4-H students delivered an engaging and informative presentation with chickens for patrons to meet and pet.
- A district program focused on the history of women’s clubs and their role in public libraries was presented at a number of branches.
- Ridgefield Community Library’s homeschool hangout continues to be successful with 17 families connecting through learning and social time.
- Stevenson Community Library was featured in KGW and The Columbian on a story when a Daniel Steele novel was returned that was checked out in 1989. No fines were issued.
- Vancouver Mall Library participated in Read Across America Day at Orchards Elementary School engaging with about 270 students.
- Vancouver Community Library also received a write up in the Columbian about all the great spring break activities happening at the branch.
- Woodland Branch Manager Jennifer Hauan is leaving the district at the end of April. Hauan was instrumental in the planning, construction and opening of the new library in Woodland. An open

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house will be hosted by the Friends of the Woodland Community Library to thank her and wish her well.

At 6:36 Olga Hodges joined the meeting remotely.

7. BUSINESS

7.1 Facilities and Finance Committee

A. Staff Report 2025-07 Levy Lid Lift Service Plan Options – At 6:36 p.m. the chair gave the floor to Jennifer Giltrop to present the Staff Report 2025-07 Levy Lid Lift Service Plan Options. Giltrop provided a brief reminder of the levy timeline and emphasizing key milestones. The board's goal for this meeting is to decide and vote on which of the pass options and which of the fail options the district should move forward with.

Morgan outlined for the board that they will first vote on the levy pass options. They will vote on option 1. If option one passes there will not be a vote on option 2. If option 1 fails, the board would then vote on option 2. This process would also be repeated for the fail option.

Giltrop provided a brief overview of the options outlined if the levy passes and if the levy fails.

- Pass Option 1 - is to sustain current levels of service with the building of the new Washougal library in 2027.
- Pass Option 2 - is adding 13% of hours district wide, as well as building the Washougal Community Library, opening a new library in 2030 at a location to be determined, and opening a Clark County bookmobile.
- Fail Option 1- is significant upfront reductions, meaning 30% of open hours and staff will be cut in 2026. There will be no new libraries and the Vancouver Mall Library would close at the end of the lease in 2028. \$500,000 of the budget will be allocated for future levy lid lifts to be put on the ballot.
- Fail Option 2 - is a minimal annual reduction which aligns the reduction to the 60-90 day fund balance required. The anticipation is a 15% cut instead of 30%. The other stipulations remain, no new buildings, the closure of the Vancouver Mall Library and \$500,000 set aside annually until a lid lift is passed.

Morgan opened the floor to the board for questions.

Williams asked for clarification in fail option two, the requirement of the \$500,000 in the budget to go back on the ballot. It is possible that the next levy could pass before having to make another cut?

Giltrop clarified that it is theoretically possible that could happen. Though the earliest that the levy could be back on the ballot again would be August of 2026. It is possible at that time that it could pass then. If it did not, cuts would have to be made again.

Coffey requested the age of the current bookmobiles. Giltrop responded that they are seven years old and they are kept in good working order.

B. Levy Lid Lift Service Options

At 6:48 p.m. Coffey moved to approve “pass” service option 1- service level maintained. Megan Dugan seconded. The motion failed with 3 of 7 votes.

At 6:49 p.m. Williams moved to approve “pass” service option 2 - increase in service hours. Kakorina seconded. The motion passed with 5 of 7 votes.

At 6:51 p.m. Williams moved to approve “fail” service option 1 – significant upfront reductions. Kakorina seconded. The motion passed with 5 of 7 votes.

C. Resolution 2025-06 Levy Lid Lift Service Plan– The chair informed the board that the resolution would include the results determined by the vote to include:

Section 1. The Board hereby formally approves the following 2026 Service Plan Impacts should the Levy Lid Lift Proposition pass on August 5, 2025:

Option #2: Increase FVRL Service Hours 13% districtwide

- 91 more open hours/week districtwide (+13% increase)
- Additional staffing to match expanded hours—equal to 18 full-time positions
- \$450,000 increase for books, games, and digital materials in 2026
- 13% more programs and outreach activities
- Upgrade computers, in-library technology, and public spaces
- New Clark County bookmobile 2026
- New Washougal Community Library opens in 2027
- New community library to open in 2030 (location to be determined based on master facilities planning process)

Section 2. The Board hereby formally approved the following 2026 Service Plan Impacts should the Levy Lid Lift Proposition fail on August 5, 2025:

Option #1: Significant Upfront Reductions

- 207 fewer open hours/week districtwide (-30%)
- Staffing cuts equal to 68 full-time positions
- Over \$300,000 less for library materials in 2026, meaning fewer new books and longer wait times
- 30% fewer programs and outreach activities (1-in-3 programs lost, or 1,500 programs annually)
- Reduced funding for technology and equipment updates
- Vancouver Mall Library closes in 2028
- No new libraries
- No new bookmobile
- \$500,000 set aside annually for ballot costs

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At 6:52 p.m. Williams made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-06: Levy Lid Lift Service Plan. Motion approved with 6 out of 7 votes.

8. **BOARD COMMENT** - at 6:54 p.m. the Chair opened the floor for board comments. The chair started by thanking the board for their work in a situation where there are no easy answers. Morgan noted that this was one of the toughest decisions she has had to make.
- Olga Hodges apologized for the miscommunication due to poor connection.
 - Williams agreed that this has been very hard but thanked Jennifer for her hard work. She noted that though the reduction hurt the most, she felt like it helps the library get back faster to where everyone wants it to be.
 - Coffey thanked Jennifer for all the work she has been doing and the work ahead.
9. **Setting for next Regular meeting;** Monday, May 19, 6:00 p.m. at Stevenson Community Library.
10. **ADJOURNMENT** – At 6:55 p.m. Coffey made a motion to adjourn. Kakorina seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

FORT VANCOUVER REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT

Approval of Claims

As of

May 19, 2025

As required by RCW 42.24.080 and RCW 42.24.090, vouchers audited and certified by the Auditing Officer of the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District and those expense reimbursement claims which have been certified as required, have been recorded on a list and made available to the Board of Directors for approval.

As of this date, May 19, 2025,

The Board of Directors, by a vote does approve for payment the following vouchers, warrants, voids, and electronic transfers issued

<u>April 1, 2025</u>	through	<u>April 30, 2025</u>	
Accounts Payable Warrants Issued	Numbers	<u>121464</u> Through <u>121605</u>	\$ 873,590.78
Accounts Payable EFT Payments		<u>EFT02469</u> Through <u>EFT02506</u>	\$ 118,513.38
Subtotal FVRL General Fund Warrants, EFTS, Voids			\$ 992,104.16
Payroll Electronic Fund Transfers	Numbers	<u>20250410</u> Through <u>20250425</u>	\$ 1,080,780.38
Other Electronic Fund Transfers Completed			
<i>Vendor</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Amount</i>	
ADP Payroll Fees	April 25, 2025	\$ 4,567.10	
KAISER HSA	April 29, 2025	\$ 14,893.54	
KAISER HSA	April 29, 2025	\$ 65.00	
WA DOR Sales/Use Tax	April 25, 2025	\$ 1,386.67	
WA DRS - DCP	April 25, 2025	\$ 86,753.74	
WA DRS - DCP	April 25, 2025	\$ 5,210.61	
WA DRS - PERS	April 25, 2025	\$ 87,779.57	
WA DRS - PERS	April 25, 2025	\$ 5,165.79	
WA DRS - PERS	April 25, 2025	\$ 82.35	
WA Dept L&I	April 25, 2025	\$ 29,527.75	
VISA	April 1, 2025	\$ 39,014.53	
ENDICA	April 29, 2025	\$ 8,000.00	
			\$ 282,426.65
Subtotal FVRL General Fund Warrants, Transfers, Direct Deposits, Voids			\$ 2,355,311.19
Total Transactions for Approval			<u>\$ 2,355,311.19</u>


DISTRICT LIBRARY - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR


DISTRICT LIBRARY - AUDITING BOARD TRUSTEE

WARRANTS

Vendor ID	Document Type	Document Date	Document Number	Vendor Name	Document Amount
AFSC0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121464	AFSCME	\$ 2,783.55
ALLY0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121465	ALLYNS BUILDING CENTER	115.64
AT&T0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121466	AT & T	457.30
AVIS0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121467	AVISTA UTILITIES	109.07
BAKE0002	Payment	4/4/2025	121468	BAKER & TAYLOR	3,084.42
CAND0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121469	CANDID	7,995.00
CBMS0007	Payment	4/4/2025	121470	CBM SYSTEMS, LLC	1,764.17
CENT0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121471	CENTER POINT PUBLISHING	438.66
CENT0012	Payment	4/4/2025	121472	CENTURYLINK	437.18
CITY0005	Payment	4/4/2025	121473	CITY OF NORTH BONNEVILLE	240.00
CLAR0004	Payment	4/4/2025	121474	CLARK PUD	3,128.93
CLEA0022	Payment	4/4/2025	121475	CLEAN-WORLD MAINTENANCE, INC	5,206.29
COFF0003	Payment	4/4/2025	121476	COFFMAN ENGINEERS, INC	12,805.00
DELT0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121477	DELTA SYSTEMS INTEGRATION INC	3,112.25
DEMC0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121478	DEMCO	72.51
DUGA0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121479	MEGAN DUGAN	14.42
ECOL0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121480	ECOLIGHTS NORTHWEST, LLC	154.25
FORT0002	Payment	4/4/2025	121481	FVRL FOUNDATION	20.00
FREN0003	Payment	4/4/2025	121482	FRENCH BOOKS ONLINE LLC	35.98
GALE0002	Payment	4/4/2025	121483	GALE GROUP	2,070.45
GISI0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121484	GISI MARKETING GROUP	897.94
HARR0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121485	HARRYS KEY SERVICE, INC.	9.62
HARR0002	Payment	4/4/2025	121486	HARRY'S LAWN & POWER EQUIPMENT	19.67
HOME0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121487	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	1,061.07
ICMA0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121488	ICMA RETIREMENT CORPORATION	6,672.52
INGR0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121489	INGRAM	56,941.64
JAND0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121490	JANDI ENTERPRISES INC	1,375.00
JOHN0041	Payment	4/4/2025	121491	JOHNSON CONTROLS INC	6,658.96
JRTM0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121492	JRT MECHANICAL, INC	14,405.96
KAIS0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121493	KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN	268,084.35
KAKO0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121494	KAKORINA, IRINA	14.98
KASK0001	Payment	4/4/2025	121495	KASKI ELECTRIC LLC	407.63
KLIC0002	Payment	4/4/2025	121496	KLICKITAT COUNTY PUD	1,914.97
KLIC0009	Payment	4/4/2025	121497	KLICKITAT COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPT	423.24

LACE0003	Payment	4/4/2025 121498	CITY OF LA CENTER	76.60
LESS0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121499	LES SCHWAB TIRE CENTER	675.85
LIBR0019	Payment	4/4/2025 121500	LIBRARY SYSTEMS & SERVICES, LLC	23,450.00
LING0003	Payment	4/4/2025 121501	LINGUAVA	536.80
MACD0003	Payment	4/4/2025 121502	MACDONALD-MILLER FACILITY SOLUTIONS LLC	1,053.04
MANA0003	Payment	4/4/2025 121503	THE MANAGEMENT GROUP, INC.	981.49
MIDW0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121504	MIDWEST LIBRARY SERVICE	105.98
MIDW0002	Payment	4/4/2025 121505	MIDWEST TAPE	8,896.77
MORG0004	Payment	4/4/2025 121506	MORGAN, KRISTINA	12.04
NORT0005	Payment	4/4/2025 121507	NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY	309.48
OEGI0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121508	OEG, INC	1,984.86
OETC0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121509	OETC	18,557.37
OFFI0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121510	OFFICE DEPOT CARD PLAN	2,106.95
OFFI0013	Payment	4/4/2025 121511	OFFICE INTERIOR CONCEPTS	489.15
OVER0004	Payment	4/4/2025 121512	OVERDRIVE	64,390.29
PERF0002	Payment	4/4/2025 121513	PERFORMANCE SYSTEMS INTEGRATION, LLC	325.78
PLAT0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121514	PLATT ELECTRIC SUPPLY	603.82
PLAY0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121515	PLAYAWAY PRODUCTS LLC	3,374.11
REGI0002	Payment	4/4/2025 121516	REGIS UNIVERSITY	100.00
ROBE0013	Payment	4/4/2025 121517	ROBERT HALF FINANCE & ACCOUNTING	8,209.63
RODD0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121518	RODDA PAINT CO	344.31
SEAT0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121519	SEATTLE PUBLIC LIBRARY- ILLS	25.99
SENT0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121520	SENTRUM BOOKSTORE	419.40
SHUR0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121521	SHUR-WAY BUILDING CENTERS	433.01
SKAM0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121522	SKAMANIA COUNTY PUD #1	764.40
SWIN0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121523	SWINGRUBER, JURINDA	30.80
TMOB0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121524	T-MOBILE USA INC	66.30
TOWN0007	Payment	4/4/2025 121525	THE TOWN OF YACOLT	1,806.84
TSAI0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121526	TSAI FONG BOOKS, INC	159.49
ULIN0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121527	ULINE	378.67
USAM0002	Payment	4/4/2025 121528	USA MECHANICAL	4,219.03
VANC0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121529	CITY OF VANCOUVER UTILITIES	811.67
VANC0025	Payment	4/4/2025 121530	CITY OF VANCOUVER- FINANCIAL SERVICES	775.00
VERI0002	Payment	4/4/2025 121531	VERIZON	822.07
VILL0004	Payment	4/4/2025 121532	VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON	6.99
WALT0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121533	WALTER E NELSON COMPANY	224.13

WHIT0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121534	CITY OF WHITE SALMON	202.52
WOOD0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121535	CITY OF WOODLAND	392.26
ZIPL0001	Payment	4/4/2025 121536	ZIPLY FIBER	134.85
ASPE0002	Payment	4/21/2025 121537	ASPEN PEST CONTROL	190.23
ASTO0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121538	ASTOUND BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC	5,418.63
AVIS0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121539	AVISTA UTILITIES	73.78
B&HP0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121540	B&H PHOTO VIDEO	1,619.02
BAKE0002	Payment	4/21/2025 121541	BAKER & TAYLOR	1,402.23
BATT0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121542	CITY OF BATTLE GROUND	575.98
CANE0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121543	CANE, ASHLEY	992.06
CARP0002	Payment	4/21/2025 121544	CARPENTER MEDIA GROUP OREGON	4,667.00
CBMS0007	Payment	4/21/2025 121545	CBM SYSTEMS, LLC	6,163.56
CDWG0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121546	CDW GOVERNMENT INC	2,719.79
CENT0009	Payment	4/21/2025 121547	CENTURYLINK	70.84
CENT0013	Payment	4/21/2025 121548	CENTURYLINK	2,024.74
CHIC0004	Payment	4/21/2025 121549	CHICAGO DISTRIBUTION CENTER	138.17
CLAR0004	Payment	4/21/2025 121550	CLARK PUD	12,477.12
CLAR0026	Payment	4/21/2025 121551	CLARK REG WASTEWTR	105.29
CLAR0043	Payment	4/21/2025 121552	CLARK COUNTY PARKS & LANDS	475.00
CLEA0022	Payment	4/21/2025 121553	CLEAN-WORLD MAINTENANCE, INC	60,230.18
COLU0003	Payment	4/21/2025 121554	COLUMBIA RESOURCE COMPANY	516.20
COLU0024	Payment	4/21/2025 121555	COLUMBIA LANGUAGE SERVICES	1,090.00
COLU0032	Payment	4/21/2025 121556	COLUMBIA RIVER DISPOSAL	86.56
COMC0002	Payment	4/21/2025 121557	COMCAST INSTITUTIONAL NETWORKS	10,245.05
COPY0002	Payment	4/21/2025 121558	COPY EXPRESS	1,563.44
COWL0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121559	COWLITZ COUNTY PUD	893.36
DALE0003	Payment	4/21/2025 121560	DALE MCGHEE & SONS WELL DRILLING, INC	3,855.19
DEMC0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121561	DEMCO	3,306.98
DODS0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121562	DODSON, JENNFIER	722.18
DUGA0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121563	MEGAN DUGAN	7.84
ENAV0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121564	ENAVATE, INC	489.15
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GBMA0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121568	GB MANCHESTER CORPORATION	4,303.86
GOLD0003	Payment	4/21/2025 121569	CITY OF GOLDENDALE	333.68

GROO0003	Payment	4/21/2025 121570	GRO OUTDOOR LIVING	1,479.42
HAMP0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121571	HAMPTON AUTO GLASS	803.00
HARR0002	Payment	4/21/2025 121572	HARRY'S LAWN & POWER EQUIPMENT	347.83
ICMA0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121573	ICMA RETIREMENT CORPORATION	6,845.02
INGR0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121574	INGRAM	49,777.65
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PLAY0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121594	PLAYAWAY PRODUCTS LLC	926.89
QUAD0002	Payment	4/21/2025 121595	QUADIENT, INC	416.54
REPU0001	Payment	4/21/2025 121596	REPUBLIC SERVICES #487	155.44
ROBE0013	Payment	4/21/2025 121597	ROBERT HALF FINANCE & ACCOUNTING	7,675.94
SMAR0005	Payment	4/21/2025 121598	SMARSH	0.97
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UNIQ0002	Payment	4/21/2025 121605	UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC	1,396.20

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USAM0002	Payment	4/21/2025	121607	USA MECHANICAL	1,220.70
WALT0001	Payment	4/21/2025	121608	WALTER E NELSON COMPANY	5,379.41
WAPI0001	Payment	4/21/2025	121609	WAPITI NW, LLC	3,790.81
WASH0013	Payment	4/21/2025	121610	WASH DEPT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEM	53.72
WAST0001	Payment	4/21/2025	121611	WASTE CONNECTIONS INC	4,927.71
WILL0024	Payment	4/21/2025	121612	WILLAMETTE GLASS	1,892.03
ZAYO0001	Payment	4/21/2025	121613	ZAYO GROUP, LLC	3,373.18
ZIPL0001	Payment	4/21/2025	121614	ZIPLY FIBER	128.66
ZZZZ0248	Payment	4/21/2025	121615	HOFFMAN, ANNA	15.00
Warrant Subtotal					\$ 873,590.78

EFT's

Vendor ID	Document Type	Document Date	Document Number	Vendor Name	Document Amount
ALLE0011	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02469	ALLEGIANCE BENEFIT PLAN MGMT - CONTR	\$ 2,210.50
ALLE0014	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02470	ALLEGIANCE BENEFIT PLAN MGMT - FEES	89.25
ALLE0015	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02471	ALLEGIANCE COBRA SERVICES INC	75.00
CHIP0002	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02472	CHIPMAN, BONNY	600.00
COFF0002	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02473	MARIE COFFEY	21.00
CREA0009	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02474	CREATIVE FINANCIAL STAFFING LLC	7,936.61
GARD0003	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02475	GARDEN DELIGHTS HERB FARM	50.00
GETP0001	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02476	GET PROGRAM	522.32
HOLT0003	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02477	HOLTMANN, MIRANDA	61.88
HRAN0001	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02478	HR ANSWERS, INC	787.50
JOSL0003	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02479	CLARK-JOSLIN, AARON	15.00
KATH0001	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02480	KATHLEEN L WHITNER	1,224.00
LITT0001	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02481	LITTLE, JACLYN	35.59
NATI0032	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02482	NATIONWIDE PREMIUM HOLDING	206.84
NORT0056	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02483	NORTH PACIFIC MANAGEMENT	12,520.00
STOE0001	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02484	STOEL RIVES LLP	3,012.50
USCE0002	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02485	US CENTENNIAL VANCOUVER MALL LLC	10,119.48
WILL0031	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02486	MARY WILLIAMS	15.96
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WPEA0003	Payment	4/2/2025	EFT02488	WPEA UFCW	2,053.12
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COFF0002	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02492	MARIE COFFEY	30.24
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FIRS0003	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02494	FIRST CITIZENS BANK	16,539.54
GETP0001	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02495	GET PROGRAM	572.32
HAUA0001	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02496	HAUAN, JENNIFER	40.55
MINT0005	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02497	MINTZ, KATHLEEN	11.20
NORT0056	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02498	NORTH PACIFIC MANAGEMENT	18,733.00
OLIN0001	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02499	OLINGER, FRANCES	75.00
SHRE0001	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02500	SHRED NORTHWEST, LLC	130.44
STOE0001	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02501	STOEL RIVES LLP	9,863.75
TDJC0001	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02502	TERESA D. JOHNSON CPA, INC.	4,744.52
UPFO0002	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02503	UP FOR GRABS, INC	450.00
WEXB0001	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02504	WEX BANK	4,614.55
WILL0031	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02505	MARY WILLIAMS	12.88
WPEA0001	Payment	4/21/2025 EFT02506	WPEA	3,030.85
EFT's Subtotal				\$ 118,513.38

PAYROLL

Vendor ID	Document Type	Document Date	Document Number	Vendor Name	Document Amount
ADP0001	Payment	4/10/2025 Payroll	4/10/2025	ADP - Net Payroll Wages	\$ 393,651.47
ADP0001	Payment	4/10/2025 Payroll	4/10/2025	ADP - Federal Payroll Taxes	128,139.48
ADP0001	Payment	4/10/2025 Payroll	4/10/2025	ADP - OR State Payroll Taxes	4,191.67
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ADP0001	Payment	4/10/2025 Payroll	4/10/2025	ADP - WA Cares Fund Taxes	3,073.25
ADP0001	Payment	4/10/2025 Payroll	4/10/2025	ADP - OR State Transit Tax	61.63
Subtotal 1st Payroll					\$ 534,293.74
ADP0001	Payment	4/25/2025 Payroll	4/25/2025	ADP - Net Payroll Wages	\$ 400,093.05
ADP0001	Payment	4/25/2025 Payroll	4/25/2025	ADP - Federal Payroll Taxes	133,753.18
ADP0001	Payment	4/25/2025 Payroll	4/25/2025	ADP - OR State Payroll Taxes	4,192.39
ADP0001	Payment	4/25/2025 Payroll	4/25/2025	ADP - PFML Taxes	5,279.90
ADP0001	Payment	4/25/2025 Payroll	4/25/2025	ADP - WA Cares Fund Taxes	3,106.42
ADP0001	Payment	4/25/2025 Payroll	4/25/2025	ADP - OR State Transit Tax	61.70
Subtotal 2nd Payroll					\$ 546,486.64
ADP- Overall Total					\$ 1,080,780.38

OTHER ACH

Vendor ID	Document Type	Document Date	Document Number	Vendor Name	Document Amount
ADP0001	Payment	4/25/2025	116033	ADP	\$ 4,567.10
KAIS0005	Payment	4/29/2025	116035	KAISER HSA	65.00
KAIS0005	Payment	4/29/2025	116035	KAISER HSA	14,893.54
WASH0013	Payment	4/25/2025	116031	WA DOR DCP	5,210.61
WASH0013	Payment	4/25/2025	116031	WA DOR DCP	86,753.74
WASH0013	Payment	4/25/2025	116031	WA DOR PERS	5,165.79
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WASH0007	Payment	4/24/2025	116036	WA Department of Revenue - Sale/Use Tax	1,366.67
VISA0002	Payment	4/1/2025	116030	VISA	39,014.53
DEPT0002	Payment	4/25/2025	116032	WA Labor & Industries	29,527.75
ENDI0001	Payment	4/29/2025	116034	Endicia	8,000.00
Other ACH's					\$ 282,426.65
Overall Total					\$ 2,355,311.19

Fort Vancouver Regional Library District
Statement of Cash
For the Month Ending March 31, 2025 (With year-to-date totals)

December 31, 2024 Ending Cash Balance	18,243,653
Year-to-date Revenue Received	2,732,115
Year-to-date Expenditures	(6,922,070)
Adjustment for accrued expenditures	86,885
Cash Balance March 31, 2025	<u>\$ 14,140,583</u>

	Cash Reserves as of January 1, 2025	Net Operational Activity March, 2025	Year-to-Date Totals thru March, 2025	Cash Reserves as of March 31, 2025
Operational Reserve (Unassigned)	<u>\$ 11,284,975</u>	<u>(319,286)</u>	<u>(4,103,070)</u>	<u>\$ 7,181,905</u>
	<u>Capital Reserves as of January 1,</u>	<u>March, 2025 Expenditures</u>	<u>Year-to-Date Totals thru March, 2025</u>	<u>Capital Reserves as of March 31, 2025</u>
Obj 1 - Capital repairs and maintenance	\$ 1,345,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,345,000
Obj 2 - Replacement Vehicles	10,000	-	-	10,000
Obj 3 - Capital Projects				-
Washougal	4,092,678	-	-	4,092,678
Branch Refresh Projects	1,211,000	-	-	1,211,000
Obj 4 - Technology Replacements & Upgrades	<u>300,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>300,000</u>
Cash Reserve Fund Expense Total	<u>\$ 6,958,678</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,958,678</u>
	<u>Beginning January 1, 2025</u>			<u>Ending March 31, 2025</u>
Overall Cash Balance	<u>\$ 18,243,653</u>			<u>\$ 14,140,583</u>

Target: > 60 to 90 days of annual budget

60 Days = \$5,881,494

90 Days = \$8,822,241

Fort Vancouver Regional Library District

Statement Of Revenue - Calendar Year 2025
For the Month Ending March 31, 2025 (With year-to-date totals)

	2025 Amended Budget	March, 2025 Revenues	Year-to-Date Totals thru March, 2025	Year - to - Date Annual Budget Percent
Property Taxes				
Property Taxes - Clark	26,660,340	1,798,982	2,335,855	9%
Property Taxes - Skamania	797,195	33,968	40,024	5%
Property Taxes - Klickitat	1,513,678	6,366	26,818	2%
Property Taxes - Cowlitz	338,389	1,412	3,971	1%
Total Property Taxes	29,309,602	1,840,729	2,406,668	8%
Other Taxes				
Other General Tax	75,000	21,297	21,297	28%
Leasehold Excise Tax	135,000	2,331	39,647	29%
Total Other Taxes	210,000	23,628	60,944	29%
Intergovernmental, Grants & Contracts				
Federal in-lieu of Taxes	45,000	-	476	1%
Federal Grants	0	-	1,362	100%
ESD 112	6,000	-	-	0%
State Forest Boards	40,000	2,710	25,356	63%
Yale Valley Library Dist	150,000	-	-	0%
Yale Valley Library Dist Capital Reimb.	70,000	-	-	0%
Total Intergovernmental, Grants & Contracts	311,000	2,710	27,194	9%
Charges for Services				
Equipment Use Fees	42,000	5,009	13,735	33%
Non-Resident Borrower Fee	9,000	-	5,595	62%
Lost / Damaged Material Fee	34,000	5,457	11,794	35%
Total Charges for Services	85,000	10,466	31,124	37%
Miscellaneous				
Investment Interest	485,000	49,515	161,166	33%
Rental Income	2,000	-	200	10%
Gifts/Contributions	-	71	542	100%
Library Friends Groups' Reimbursements	20,000	2,243	5,003	25%
Woodland Friends Reimbursements - Project	-	-	7,692	100%
Library Foundation Reimbursements	20,450	16,102	16,922	83%
Miscellaneous	2,500	7,379	14,569	583%
Other Miscellaneous - E-Rate	120,000	-	-	0%
Sale of Assets	10,000	90	90	1%
Total Miscellaneous	659,950	75,400	206,184	31.2%
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 30,575,552	1,952,931	2,732,115	9%
Use of Reserves to Balance Operating Budget	\$2,522,411	-	-	0%
Use of Reserves to Balance Capital Budget	\$2,191,000	-	-	0%
Use of Cash Reserves	\$ 4,713,411	-	-	0%
Total Revenues and Use of Cash Reserves	\$35,288,963	1,952,931	2,732,115	8%

Jan.-Dec. 2025 Fiscal Year

March is the 3rd month of the fiscal year. Year-to-date budget percentages should be at 25%, representing 3/12 months.

Fort Vancouver Regional Library District

Statement of Expenses - Calendar Year 2025
For the Month Ending March 31, 2025 (With year-to-date totals)

	2025 Budget	March, 2025 Expenditures	Year-to-Date Totals thru March, 2025	Year to Date Annual Budget Percentage
Operating Expenditures:				
Personnel				
Wages	\$ 15,374,149	\$ 1,079,918	\$ 3,349,318	22%
Benefit - Medical	3,413,423	224,217	672,745	20%
Benefit - Dental	311,074	21,734	64,899	21%
Benefit - Life, LTD, AD&D	159,584	13,737	40,680	25%
Benefit - PERS	1,388,286	94,977	296,712	21%
Benefit - FICA	1,176,122	81,138	251,787	21%
Benefit - L & I - Workers Compensation	117,567	6,292	18,276	16%
Benefit - PFML	40,205	2,830	9,168	23%
Unemployment Expense	15,000	-	2,692	18%
Personnel Subtotal:	21,995,410	1,524,842	4,706,276	21%
Supplies				
Supplies	341,300	23,852	59,471	17%
Small Equipment (FF&E)	391,000	23	10,967	3%
Technology	725,000	198,894	436,194	60%
Professional Collection / Tech	323,000	14,810	74,157	23%
Supplies & Small Equipmt/Tech Subtotal:	1,780,300	237,579	580,789	33%
Library Books / Materials				
Library Books & Materials	1,875,500	117,158	266,823	14%
Electronic Resources	1,944,500	106,287	402,098	21%
Library Materials Subtotal:	3,820,000	223,444	668,921	18%
Other Services / Charges				
Professional Services	1,823,300	120,945	328,451	18%
Communications	402,600	26,486	96,300	24%
Training / Travel	150,000	3,679	10,916	7%
Advertising	37,000	2,150	3,392	9%
Rentals / Leases	616,903	65,267	128,077	21%
Insurance	281,000	-	891	0%
Utilities	479,000	49,900	123,685	26%
FAC Repairs & Maintenance	305,300	33,881	76,689	25%
IT Maintenance and Licensing	687,900	25,935	120,950	18%
Misc / Dues / Printing / Other	148,450	6,122	29,439	20%
Intergovernmental Services	500,800	16	(4)	0%
Other Charges & Services Subtotal:	5,432,253	334,382	918,786	17%
Total Operating Expenditures:	33,027,963	2,320,247	6,874,772	21%
Capital Outlay:				
Buildings / Non-Owned	374,000	-	-	0%
Buildings / Owned	1,807,000	37,473	34,771	2%
Woodland (Other Reimbursements)	-	1,054	9,542	100%
Yale	70,000	328	2,985	4%
Machinery & Equipment	10,000	-	-	0%
Capital Outlay Subtotal:	2,261,000	38,855	47,298	2%
Grand Total All Expenditures:	\$ 35,288,963	\$ 2,359,102	\$ 6,922,070	20%

Jan.-Dec. 2025 Fiscal Year

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Organizational Report: Highlights from April 2025

Board of Trustees Meeting
May 19, 2025



Battle Ground Community Library

- Battle Ground staff attended Captain Strong Primary's Open House, Prairie High School Resource Fair, and hosted a bird walk with the Audubon Society.
- The Battle Ground Manager presented to both the Lewis River Rotary and the Battle Ground Rotary. The Lewis River Rotary also presented the manager with a check for their annual children's book fund donation.
- 28 students, teachers, and parents visited from Battle Ground's EOCF preschool. They got library cards and many students checked out their first books.
- A volunteer with the Futures program through Battle Ground School District helps out every Monday. One Monday she told staff that she had a hard weekend and kept thinking about how it would get better on Monday because she got to help at her favorite place - the library. Staff love that they give people something to look forward to when they are struggling.
- Battle Ground Staff hosted a DIY Rainbow Rug program that was very well received.
- Two patrons also approached the desk with their passport and said that they thought the Library Passport idea was fabulous and that they were so excited to visit all the libraries.



Patron braiding her rainbow rug (left) Staff with the Futures volunteer (right)

Cascade Park Community Library

- School outreach is picking up. The library is attending and scheduling more parent family night events.
- Kids Yoga was a huge hit in April. Parents asked after the program if we do it regularly and when the next session is. Libs is working with the presenter on another program for winter 2026.
- Touchmark Senior Living is no longer able to bring residents to the library. Staff spoke with one of the residents and told them about the library's Read, Return, Repeat program. The Resident Activities leader at Touchmark was very excited that the library offered such a program and staff arranged to add the residence to the district's outreach locations.
- AARP finished up the tax season and reported seeing more people in 2025 than they saw last year. The seniors who use this program are always very appreciative to have this service available to them and remark on how helpful this is.
- The Friends hosted an afternoon Mocktail party as an appreciation for the volunteers. It was followed by the regular monthly meeting. Thank you for your support and continued energy and time volunteering to help the library be successful.
- One of the staff saw this post from a happy patron in a Facebook Group about the library's display for Earth Day. It's nice to hear patrons are finding value and appreciating what the library has to offer.



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I'm so impressed with our little Cascade Park Community Library...

They do such a great job of hosting valuable events, creating themed displays that are relevant and engaging, and creating peaceful safe spaces to come enjoy time including in the outdoor courtyard...

Grateful for this resource!

And feeling pleased I chose to get up and out this morning, and come snag some sun while it was out too 🥰🙌🙏



2 comments



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Goldendale Community Library

- Saturday staff arrived to find that the Easter bunny had visited - there were eggs hidden all over the library lawn and garden space. Inside were mini duck prizes (and an invite to visit the new reopening of the Field of Stars Boutique with QR code to their website). The eggs quickly disappeared by the end of the day.
- The Community Craft resulted in a cute display of fairy houses, which staff were also able to use to advertise other similar upcoming programs.
- The Gorge Native American Collaborative hosted their first strategic planning session that the Branch Manager was able to attend and provide input on with a number of other organizations in the Gorge on both sides of the river.
- The Branch Manager provided a presentation on online resources to Washington Gorge Action Programs (WAGAP) staff, with the intention of recommending resources to their clients. Many were unaware of a number of resources available with a library account and expressed interest in trying some out for themselves.
- Thanks to a generous donation in memory of one of Goldendale's primary school teachers, Mrs. Neel, The Goldendale Library was able to partner with the Goldendale Grange and host an OMSI Science Festival for the primary school classes, as well as open to the public for the last hour of the event. A total of 428 attendees attended and interacted with science and math brain teasers and puzzles throughout the day.
- There were a number of suicide awareness and prevention presentations in Klickitat County throughout the month of April, including at the Goldendale Library. The program was in partnership with the Portland VA, Coalition for Preventing Abuse in Klickitat County, Our Klickitat, the Goldendale Library, and Klickitat Valley Health.
- Homeschool Hangout group were able to test out a couple of the Financial Literacy games—thanks to Three Creeks for loaning them out. They had a lot of fun and learned some easy tips on spending and saving money.



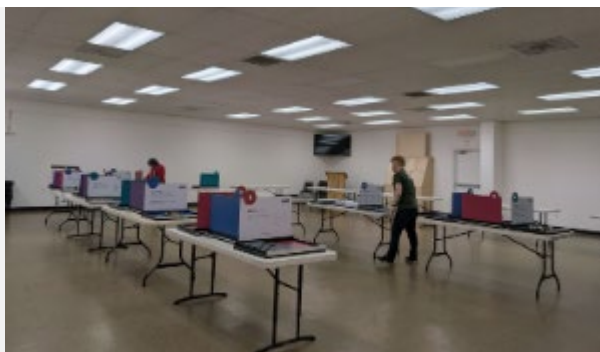
Homeschool Hangout

Goldendale Community Library (cont.)

- A Community Planting Day was hosted as the monthly Community Event in partnership with CPAKC, WAGAP, and the local Parks & Recreation. About 75 community members visited to get a pot for starting a vegetable, flower, or herb garden, followed by barbecued hot dogs cooked by the pool lifeguards.
- The Goldendale High School coordinated a Reality Fair for high school seniors with the intention of teaching about financial literacy. In a call for volunteers, the Branch Manager was able to participate. The event was organized by Washington State Employees Credit Union, students had to visit each station where volunteers tried to sell them the most expensive items. Afterward, students had to balance their budget, returning to different stations to adjust their choices. Many students were surprised at how expensive some choices could be.
- The Klickitat County Commissioners read the Proclamation to celebrate National Volunteer week, with the Volunteer Coordinator visiting for the occasion.

Klickitat County Bookmobile

- A small but excited group attended the latest Saturday Bookmobile, Stortime, and Craft event in Georgeville. They are waiting with anticipation to watch their chia pets grow. They also got to take some bean and pea seeds home to plant. One said they wanted to grow all the beans so they could feed everyone. They were just as excited to check out books after the craft and so proud of themselves for bringing their books back. The Georgeville Community Center donated its space for this event.



Seed station (left) Station set up before student arrived for the OMSI event (right)

La Center Community Library

- La Center hosted a volunteer-led Crochet series this month with folks learning how to crochet and use the granny square stitch to create a book cover or mini purse.
- The volunteer-led ceramics program this month painted some colorful Easter eggs.
- The SLAs created some financial literacy programming this month featuring a Piggy Bank Storytime where kids learned to identify various currencies, talked about saving, and created their own piggy banks. For the older kids, the SLAs used some donated stuffed animals to create a Pet Cents adoption agency where kids chose an animal & were given a budget to then use to make pet ownership decisions - food, toys, vet visits. The kids loved it and enjoyed getting to keep their new “pets.”
- The library used the newly remodeled La Center Community Center for the Fairy Garden program this month. The Friends of the Library also joined us with their plant-a-seed-grow-a-reader event. Families were able to build a small fairy garden and kids were also planting seed cups and able to choose a free children’s book from the Friends of the Library to encourage early literacy and the importance of having books in the home.
- This month the library put together 100 more Welcome Basket items containing library card applications, library information, Friends of the La Center Library brochures, bookmarks, and library magnets. These will be distributed by La Center United to all new home owners in La Center as part of their welcome baskets.
- iQ Credit Union brought their Teen Reality Fair to La Center this month. Teens spun a wheel to decide their career and monthly income then with that information they were asked to budget their expenses for the month. They picked apartments, chose cars (with payments & insurance covered of course), food, savings, and with the occasional random wildcard expense thrown in to keep it real (car breaks down, hospital bill, birthday celebrations!). The program was well received by those who attended.



Grow a Reader

Ridgefield Community Library

- A Senior Library Assistant and the Branch Manager went to View Ridge Middle School for the Spring Showcase to promote library services and programs. The supplies staff provided to make hoop gliders and also Cubelets was a hit with the students!
- The library tabled at the YMCA's Healthy Kids Day on April 26 at Davis Park, across the street from the library, to promote library services and programs. The table offered games from the Mario Kart Minigames program (think bowling for humans) and set up velcro ax throwing. A YMCA volunteer set up a vastly sophisticated 3D printer in the community room. Ridgefield LIONS did vision testing. This was a fun and busy event!
- Both Senior Library Assistants have started visiting seven of the kindergarten classes at Union Ridge Elementary to read to the students.
- Staff also visited Ridgefield School District's Early Learning Center to share stories and gave students a take-home craft.
- A speaker from Master Gardeners presented on the benefits of raised bed gardening to a full room of attendees on April 19.
- The Horror Book Discussion Group met April 2nd and discussed *Horrorstor* by Grady Hendrix. Staff consistently hear from members of the Friends of Ridgefield Community Library Board how much they enjoy this program and how well it is run.
- At Build It! In April participants made zoetropes, a pre-film animation device.
- The library hosted a Super Smash Brothers program on April 26. The great thing was to see two families from Healthy Kids Day come for this program.
- The part-time Senior Library Assistant led adult book discussion April 15 with discussion of *Whiskey Tender*.
- Eighteen teachers are signed up to bring classes to the library from Union Ridge Elementary for Summer At Your Library promotion (On top of the seven classes of 3rd graders coming from South Ridge Elementary).

Stevenson & North Bonneville Community Libraries

- New electric vehicle charging stations are online, and available for the public to use. This project supported through the Department of Commerce funds by the by the Clean Energy Electrification of Transportation subsidy. Multiple community organizations supported the project including the Port of Skamania, Skamania County Commissioners, Skamania County Chamber of Commerce, Stevenson Downtown Association, and multiple downtown businesses.

- Wind River Middle School is a title 1 school in Carson which does not have its own school library. Staff connect with students during lunch to engage and solicit feedback on library programming, and maintain the Read, Return, Repeat collection which provides a small browsing collection to students. This school may close for next school year.



New electric vehicle charging stations.

- Recovery Cafe is a non-profit that supports recovery of those who have been impacted by events of homelessness, struggles with addiction and mental health challenges. It is hosted at the United Methodist church in Stevenson. Staff provide information about library services and are often a reentry point for people to library services. Library account signups and renewal of lost access is a primary focus.
- Rock Cove Assisted Living is the only senior living facility in Skamania County. Staff visit twice a month to check out books to residents and restock their Read Return Repeat collection.
- Goodwill has continued hosting English as a Second Language classes every Friday. It was off to a slow start, but now has some regular students.
- Teen programming has expanded with a new Teen Hangout every Tuesday evening. Activities include crafts, movie nights, and homework help. The branch is planning additional outreach to the high school and new teen center.
- The Grange's Community Resiliency series continued with a Plant and Seed Swap event which drew in 58 community members.
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Vancouver Mall Community Library

- Staff presented a program based on the Oregon Trail video game. Participants rolled extra-large dice to determine how many squares they moved, had to purchase supplies for their trips, and could die if they did not have enough resources. No matter the outcome, the participants got to make a button with the outcome of their trip, whether they survived and reached Oregon or died of some horrible disease. Outreach and Programming is working on converting the program into a traveling program for other branches in the district.
- The branch manager tabled at Orchards Elementary's "Ollie-Palooza" event. The event has performances from the school's choir, band, and games. The library gave out books and FVRL passports to over 350 people.
- Staff moderated an informative session on Cybersecurity and AI Safety presented by the Washington State Attorney General's office. It was part of the consumer awareness programs across the district.
- The library held a drop-in board game program to help give people something to do during spring break. About a dozen gamers were offered around the branch that people could play. Some people took the opportunity to learn new games, while others used it as a chance to play old favorites.

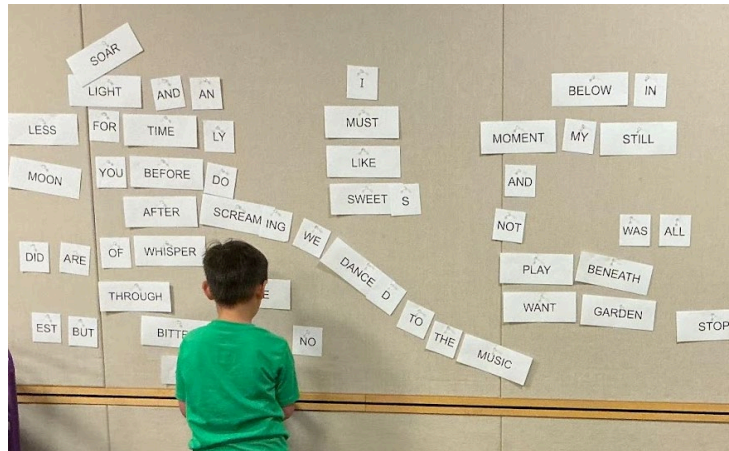


Oregon Trail outcomes (left) spring break board game drop in (right)

Three Creeks Community Library

- Ren Locus provided VITA tax help at the library during the tax season and had an incredibly busy season. From January 31st - April 12th, they helped 1,319 patrons and gave 1,285 volunteer hours.
- After tax season ended, staff brought back the popular Play to Learn series and had many children improve their early literacy skills through play while caregivers were able to connect with each other:

- To celebrate National Poetry Month, staff members printed and rolled poems for patrons to take and have a “poem in your pocket.” 210 poems were given away during the month



National Poetry Month

- During Spring break, staff hosted three financial literacy for children events with the American Library Association’s Thinking Money for kids grant. Children learned about budgeting, saving vs. spending, and managing a business. These lessons were taught through a variety of activities and games that engaged the participants.
- This month’s homeschool hangout featured poetry and the written word. Students created their own poetry, flip books and mad libs in addition to playing word games and going on a cursive scavenger hunt.
- Three Creeks offered a tween hangout with games and pizza. The tweens enjoyed the activities and connecting with one another.
- A variety of adult programs included instructions on how to grow fruit trees in your backyard, an introduction to Artificial Intelligence, and a Silent Reading Party.
- A local family practice physician told staff that he includes the library in his after-visit summaries with children, encouraging parents to take their children to the library and get them a library card. He even includes a link to the FVRL website for online card registration.

Three Creeks Community Library (cont.)

- Staff went to 8 outreach events in the community to celebrate FVRL's 75th birthday and promote library services. During ReadCon at Thomas Jefferson Middle School, staff received a special visitor from a galaxy far, far away.



Vancouver Community Library

- April's monthly trip to the Central Park ECEAP program was the best visit all year. Kids who started the year barely interested in storytime have reached the point where they not only participate in the songs and engage with the story, but request extra repetitions of their favorite songs. A class that has struggled with focus all year had a blast helping staff shush the various noises threatening a baby's nap in [Shhh! The Baby's Asleep](#) by JaNay Brown-Wood. Teachers in the toddler/baby class told the librarian that one little boy has been singing "Roll Roll Sugar Baby" without prompting all month and asked if they could film the librarian singing the song with the group to show his parents why he's been singing it. It's incredibly gratifying to hear about the impact of library visits from the teachers and see the progress kids make throughout the year as they get familiar with the format of storytime and the songs sung together.
- Staff visited both the Arnada and DuBois Park Neighborhood Associations to highlight library services and share about FVRL's 75th anniversary.
- Youth Services staff attended a Cultural Fable & Fairy Tale themed Family night at Roosevelt Elementary informing about 45 families about library resources.

Vancouver Community Library (cont.)

- Local authors John and Anni Furniss visited to talk about mental health awareness, disability advocacy, art, and their new book, *The Blind Woodsman* to over 30 attendees. John and Anni love spreading awareness about using art as a tool to help with mental and physical challenges.
- April is National Poetry Month. The Library had lots of passive programs celebrating and highlighting poetry all month long and the celebration culminated with a Poetry Open Mic on April 26th. First time readers and well-seasoned poets shared original works and old favorites alike. Vancouver's current Poet Laureate, Susan Dingle, graciously emceed the event, shared some of her work, and presented the Vancouver Community Library with Proclamations of April being Poetry Month made by Mayor Anne McEnerny-Ogle. Previous Poet Laureates Christopher Luna and Armin Tolentino were also in attendance and shared original works.



Poetry Open Mic Event

- In conjunction with Earth Day on April 22nd, the library hosted the Earth Portrait Project - portraits of community members holding the earth with their commitment to earth friendly actions - all month long on the 1st and 3rd floors and received a thank you note from the artist/creator of the project.
- Just a few days into the new month a patron stopped to read a picture book on display in the Atrium for Arab American Heritage Month. They finished the book and were placing it back when the manager caught their eye with a smile and a hello. They broke into a big grin and said "Thank you for having this here!" gesturing at the display. Displays highlighting people from all over the community engage and help patrons feel welcome in the Library.

Vancouver Community Library (cont.)

- Kids Create (experiential art program for kids ages 5-12) continues to be a place for art exploration for kids, tweens and their caregivers, but also a place where community grows. Families are connecting with each other - they run to hug and greet one another each week. To foster this community, the library has been experimenting with a passive collaborative project in a corner of the room that anyone can work on during the session. The current project is called “Eggland” inspired by Artbar’s Egg Carton Village where we provide recycled and found materials. It has been such a pleasure to watch each week as the kids invent stories for the different parts of Eggland. There is “Shiny Town” and “Boring Brown Town” that succumbed to the rainbow raiders in a ferocious battle. Each week it is amazing to watch their confidence grow in immediately diving into the project of the week. It has also been incredible to see younger siblings suddenly - in what feels overnight - display skills that they haven’t shown before. Scissors are being used in the correct direction! Paint brushes are being rinsed between uses! They clearly communicate their vision and want you to take an interest in what they have created. Staff heard over and over how important this program is.
- The first in a 4-part introductory Tai Chi series in partnership with The Taoist Tai Chi Society brought in 10 patrons to learn about this ancient practice.
- Adventures in Art explored how to create zines this month. A mixture of returning and new participants learned what zines are, how they are formatted, and a little about the zine swapping community at large. Each participant went home with their very own zine, and got to make several copies; some of which were swapped with others. Several copies were added to the growing zine library in the Teen room.



Egg Carton Village



Adventures in Art - Zine making

Washougal Community Library

- Washougal Library partnered with the Washougal School District Family Resource Center for a 4 week Reading in Action Program. The program brings together 10-15 families for dinner, a book discussion, and activity period for four consecutive weeks. Each week, 1 book is read aloud by library staff. Then staff lead a book discussion with the children and parents. The discussion covers a larger topic using the books as examples and then the families participate in a related activity meant to further engage families together on the topic and encourage hands-on, cooperative participation.




Reading in Action

Families take home a different book on a similar topic, and are encouraged to read it aloud and discuss it as a family. Part of the first weeks' instruction was how to ask open-ended questions and their benefit in literacy education. This take-home piece gives families a chance to practice what library staff have been demonstrating each week, and make connections between the two titles. In order to remove possible barriers to participation, the entire family is invited to attend, and dinner and childcare for younger siblings is provided each week. Each week, children also get to select a book to keep for their home library. The format of the program is intended to build literacy skills for all by engaging the whole family together.

The first week staff read *Rosie Revere Engineer*, discussed inspiration and perseverance and then worked together to build structures that could survive an earthquake. The second week the group read *Niko Draws a Feeling*. The families looked at various art images and talked about what feelings came to mind when looking at the art pieces and how colors, images, and shapes can affect the "feeling" of an art piece. Then the group worked on their own art pieces and shared about them. The kids and parents have been really engaged in the discussions and activities.

White Salmon Valley Community Library

- Wild About Nature was the library's big event in April. Artist and organizer Joy Markgraf put together a beautiful art exhibit with paintings of animals on cherry bark. Joy also had exhibits in the display cases in the library, including a beaver pelt, handwoven baskets, and fire equipment, to illustrate each topic. The Columbia Gorge newspaper featured [an article](#) about Joy and the Wild About Nature Series.
- Every Friday in April the library had two presenters speaking about a different topic. The events were well attended, with the falconry event drawing over 100 people to Grange Hall. Attendees were able to put on a leather glove and hold one of the falcons (named Raven, pictured).
- April 4 - Beneficial Fire; Lichens
- April 11 - Falconry and Bird Abatement
- April 18 - Ethnobotany of Camas Places; Beavers and the Landscape
- April 25 - Natural History of Madagascar; 50 Peaks Project
- On April 15th, representatives from the Klickitat County Health Department and the Klickitat County Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program presented a 2 hour workshop on the benefits and techniques of breastfeeding infants. Three expectant mothers and an attendee planning to become a lactation specialist participated. The library also did a small presentation introducing Baby Storytime.
- Regular storytimes, Build It, and Play to Learn programs are always well attended and parents share how much they enjoy coming to the library!
- On April 9, the library participated in Parent Night at Columbia High School. Although not many families attended, the library connected with the teachers and the superintendent, as well as community partners like Washington Gorge Action Partners (WAGAP).

Woodland Community Library

- April brought all the beautiful tulips into full bloom. It was glorious and the community was impressed with the amazing colors made possible by the donation from Holland American Gardens and the Friends of the library who planted them last fall. The peak blooming time coincided with the “Woodland Blooms” program held on Saturday, April 19. Patrons were introduced to the iPad augmented reality app built by WSUV Digital Media Seniors, which explains and brings sound to the ceiling sculpture in the children’s area. The library also offered Flower Seed Bomb making and a demonstration and instruction on creating paper flowers.
- Tech Petting Zoo was enjoyed by several families. The kids learned some basics and enjoyed creating “robots” and giving them commands.



Bea the Bee from Phonic Bloom (left) and Tech Petting Zoo (right)

Woodland Community Library (cont.)

- The Master Gardener Series this month was “Seed Saving”. The program had a good turnout with about 15 people participating
- Financial Education for Kids presented by Fibre Federal Credit Union. They are providing three weekly programs in April for kids. The activities include games, crafts, and instruction on good money management skills.
- Congratulations to the Friends of Woodland Community Library! They were awarded the Washington Library Association’s Volunteer Merit Award. The Woodland Community Library and the whole FVRL district are so proud of all their efforts toward fundraising and community support of the Woodland Community Library. Four Friends members attended the awards ceremony in Tacoma during the WLA conference.



Congratulations Woodland Friends for WLA Volunteer Merit Award!

Yacolt Express Library

- The Wednesday and Friday Kids Create program continues to be a big hit and this month there were over 200 participants. Families enjoyed making umbrellas, colorful birds, mice, and fuzzy chicks.
- On April 18th, the Library Operations Supervisor was invited to participate as a guest reader at the Yacolt Primary School for School Library Month and read a story to three classrooms. It was a great opportunity to visit with the children in the community and tell them a little bit about the Yacolt Library.



Kids Create participants show off their kids create projects.

Operations Center

- Staff participated in the PUD Home and Garden Fair on April 26th and 27th. Staff proactively engaged with more than 500 people, registering nearly 50 new accounts. Information was shared about upcoming Master Gardener programs, the FVRL seed libraries, distributed 75th Anniversary passports, and distributed the Levy fact sheets developed by the Communications and Marketing Division.
- In partnership with the City of Vancouver and Clark County Childrens' Justice Center the district offered Child Abuse Prevention Month virtual programs in April. These were focused on supporting and encouraging on-line safety for parents and caregivers. Booklists and resource guides were shared district wide.
- Cybersecurity 101 Training programs were finalized with Hewlett Packard. This program is in support of a \$8,700 dollar gift to the FVRL Foundation focused on digital literacy and equity. This gift is an outcome of the library's years-long volunteer program relationship with HP.
- The Outreach and Community Partnerships hosted a parent education workshop on early literacy development for parents at St. Andrew's Preschool.
- A new IT Manager joined the District in April. Devon Laing will take on supervision of operational staff, manage several systems including the helpdesk ticket system, the inventory system, and the knowledgebase system, and assist with budgeting and planning.
- Volunteer Services coordinated the upcoming Community Resource Fair, to be held at Cascade Park on May 7. This is in partnership with WorkSource and will provide direct access to the services of 21 non-profits for community members.
- Communications & Marketing (CMD) launched FVRL's 75th Anniversary Passport Program in April to promote engagement with library services and branch locations across the district. The passport encourages patrons of all ages to explore new spaces, attend programs, and rediscover the breadth of offerings available at FVRLibraries. Visit fvrl.org/passport to learn more.
- The Library Card Design Competition officially launched on April 30 through the monthly e-newsletter. The campaign is designed to generate community participation and creativity and will support Library Card Sign-Up Month in September. Submissions are being accepted through the summer. Visit www.fvrl.org/library-card-design to find out more about the competition.
- IT completed rollout of the Bitwarden password management system. Password management is a big step forward in the larger Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) project that will be a primary IT focus in 2025. Security has become a top

priority as ransomware and other cyber attacks have threatened libraries' ability to serve their communities around the world.

- IT continues to deploy new computers and laptops, ensuring staff have up-to-date systems that allow them to serve the public efficiently and securely. Other work included upgrades to the server that manages access to several of our buildings, repair work on the public address system at the Vancouver Library, and assisting in an upgrade to the Clark/Vancouver Television facilities at the Vancouver Community Library.

Media Report – May 19, 2025

The Artist Who's 'Wild About Nature' (The Columbia Gorge News; April 1, 2025)

https://www.columbiagorgenews.com/news/the-artist-who-s-wild-about-nature/article_9dc46579-4bcd-4b5f-b6c4-f64293112b44.html

FVRLibraries braces for 30% cut in staff if August levy lid lift fails (The Columbian; April 22, 2025)

<https://www.columbian.com/news/2025/apr/22/fvrlibraries-braces-for-30-cut-in-staff-if-august-levy-lid-lift-fails/>

FVRLibraries wants a new look for library cards and want the public to be the designer (The Columbian; May 9, 2025)

<https://www.columbian.com/news/2025/may/09/fvrlibraries-wants-a-new-look-for-library-cards-and-wants-the-public-to-be-the-designer/>

In Our View: Celebrate libraries for access to knowledge (The Columbian; Editorial Board, May 14, 2025)

<https://www.columbian.com/news/2025/apr/03/we-get-overdue-books-but-not-this-overdue-book-returned-to-fvrlibraries-after-36-years/>



Foundation Update

FVRLibraries' Summer Reading at the Library Begins on June 15!



**FVRL Foundation is proud to support FVRLibraries'
Summer Reading at the Library!**

**This wonderful program, designed to encourage patrons of all ages to read
and learn during the summer months, is made possible this year by
FVRL Foundation's generous sponsors:**

America's Self Storage
Camas Washougal Community Chest Grant
Clark County Senior Resources
Cooper Chiropractic
Cruise Planners - Jeff McAleer
Fibre Federal
Five Rings Financial
Image 360
IQ Credit Union
Joy Johnson Realtor

Kumon North
NW Medicare Advisors
Office Depot Office Max
OnPoint
Paul Montague Tax Preparation
Springs Brakes and Suspension (Cool Stuff
Logistics)
TwinStar Credit Union
Vancouver Family Magazine
YoUR New Beginning Coaching

Upcoming Events

Monday, May 19

FVRL Trustee Meeting

Hybrid: Stevenson Community
Library and Zoom
6:00pm–8:00pm

Thursday, May 22

FVRL Foundation Board Meeting

FVRL Foundation office
3:00pm–4:00pm

Monday, May 26

FVRLibraries Will Be Closed in Observance of Memorial Day

Monday, June 16

FVRL Trustee Meeting

Hybrid: Ridgefield Community Library
and Zoom
6:00pm–8:00pm

Thursday, June 19

FVRLibraries Will Be Closed in Observance of Juneteenth

Thursday, June 26

FVRL Foundation Board Meeting

FVRL Foundation office
3:00pm–4:00pm

Washougal Building Campaign and Cornerstone Pledges

Washougal has 50 Cornerstones,
2 Stepping Stones, 3 Keystones,
2 Capstones, and
1 naming opportunity.

**Please note: some Cornerstones
have graduated to Stepping Stones,
which is why some Cornerstone
totals have decreased.*

How Board Members Can Help

–Spread the word about the Fred
Meyer Rewards program:

fredmeyer.com/i/community/community-rewards

Upcoming Friends Book Sales and Fundraisers

Ridgefield Friends Fundraiser—Author Susan Tate Ankeny:

Reservations required

Wednesday, May 21, 6:30pm–9:00pm,
Ridgefield United Methodist Church, 1410 S Hillhurst Rd

Washougal Friends Soul Line Dancing Fundraiser:

Friday, May 23, 6:30pm–7:30pm,
Hathaway Elementary Cafeteria, 630 24th St

Washougal Friends Building Our Library Fundraiser:

Wednesday, June 4, 6:30pm–8:00pm,
Washougal High School Auditorium, 1201 39th St

Ridgefield Friends Book Sale:

Saturday, June 7, 9:00am–3:00pm
Ridgefield Community Library

Washougal Friends Fundraiser at Danglicious:

Tuesday, June 10, 1:00pm–8:00pm,
Danglicious Vietnamese Kitchen, 1887 Main St, Suite E

La Center Friends Pop-Up Book Sale:

Saturday, June 21, 10:00am–2:00pm.
La Center Community Library

Woodland Friends Book Sale:

Saturday, June 21, 10:00am–6:00pm,
Woodland Community Library

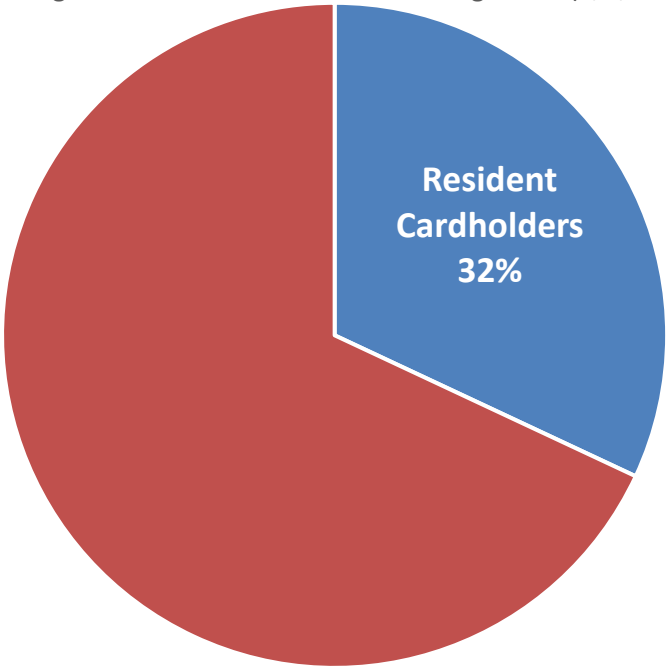
Farewell, Old Blue and Casper



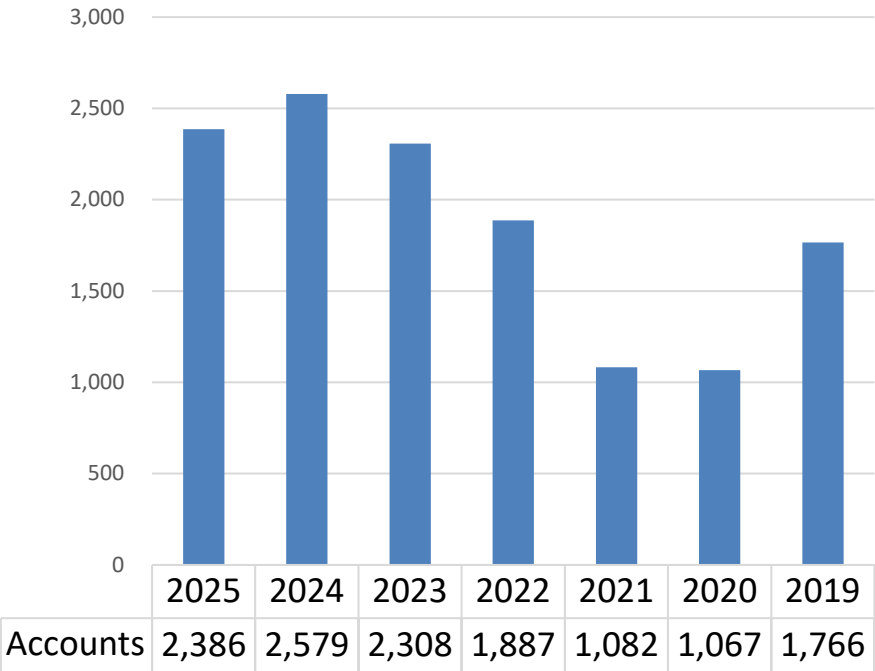
The Foundation has successfully sold its two trucks
(affectionately known as Old Blue and Casper)
thanks to J. Stout Auctions.

April 2025 – Cardholders, Programs, and Technology Use

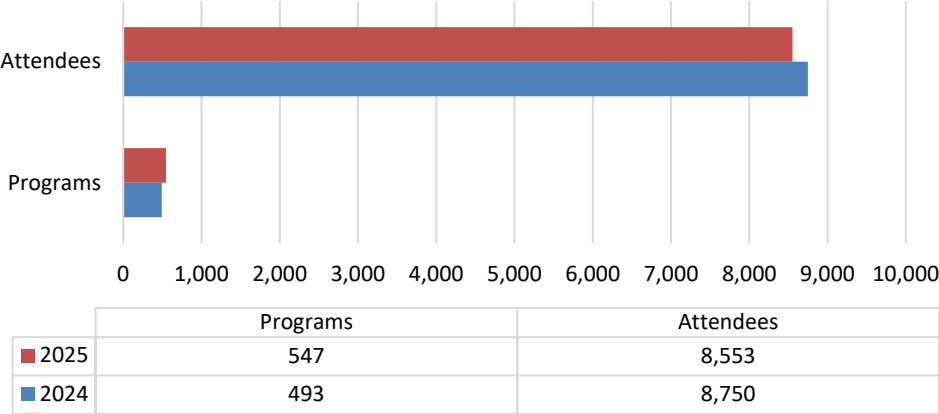
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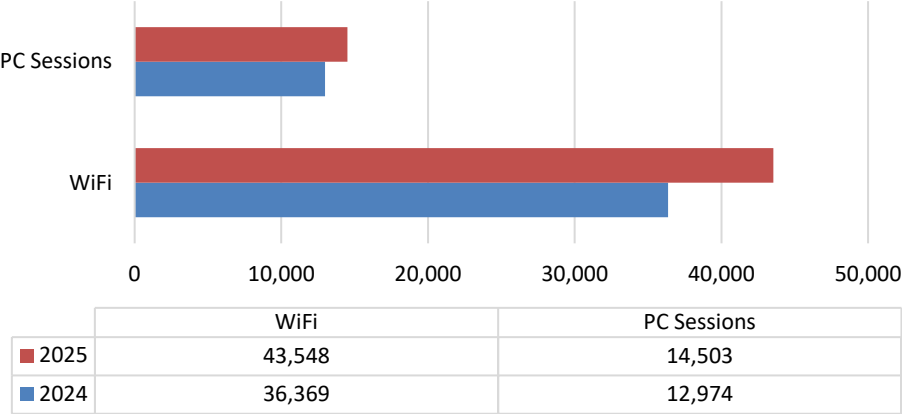
New Accounts Added in April



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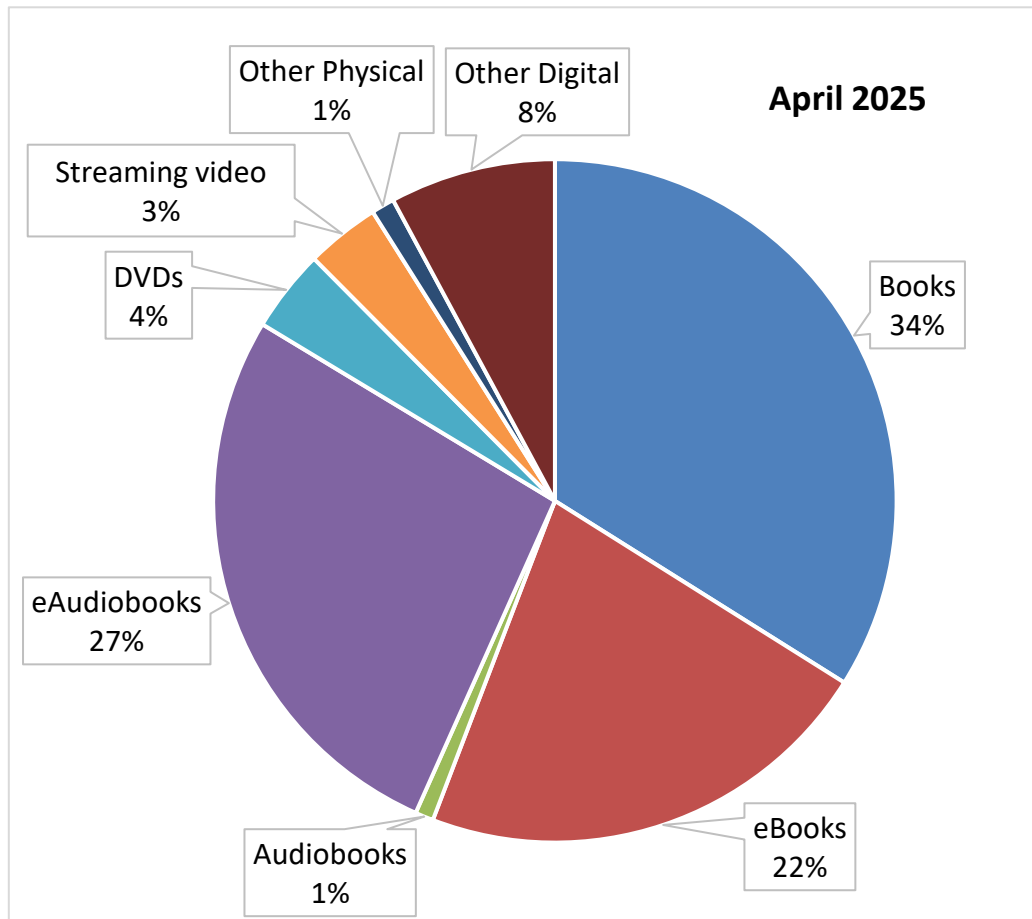


Computer and WiFi Use

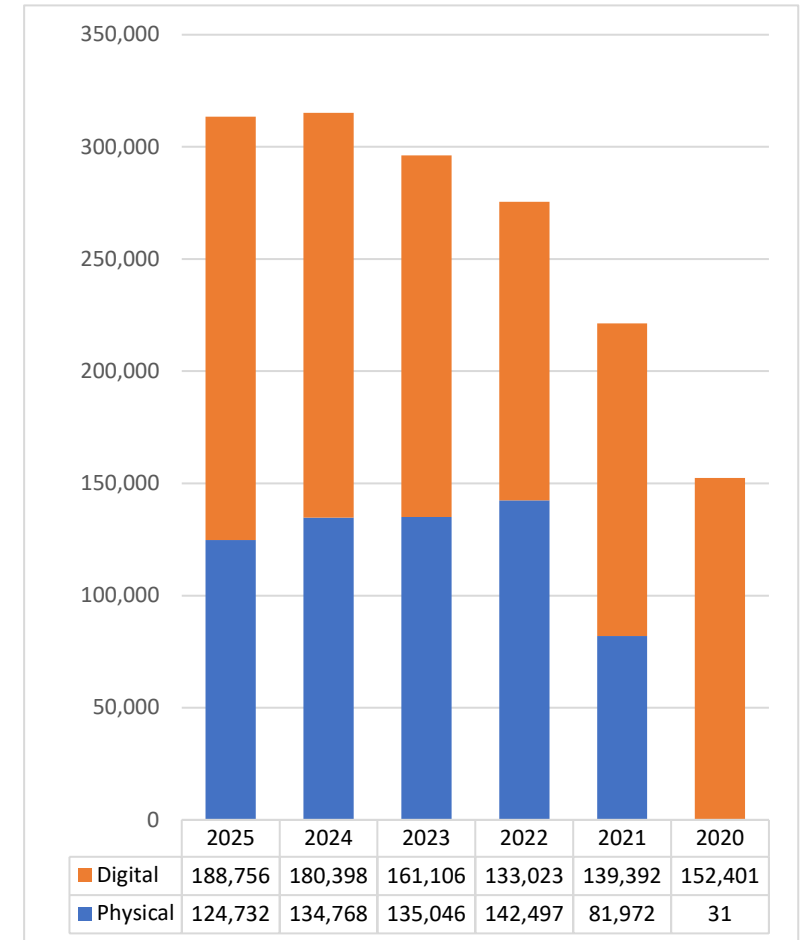


Collection Use – April 2025 - Checkouts by Item Format

Categories	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Books	106,347	114,005	113,782	118,497	69,102	18
eBooks	68,626	66,929	62,046	53,652	58,543	67,981
Audiobooks	2,715	3,402	3,792	4,134	2,651	2
eAudiobooks	84,524	76,199	64,491	52,132	49,862	45,631
DVDs	12,222	13,831	13,805	16,120	8,347	3
Streaming video	10,980	9,367	8,813	8,456	8,207	10,854
Other Physical	3,448	3,530	3,667	3,746	1,872	8
Other Digital	24,626	27,903	25,756	18,783	22,780	27,935
Totals	313,488	315,166	296,152	275,520	221,364	152,432



Physical & Digital Collection Checkouts 2020-2025

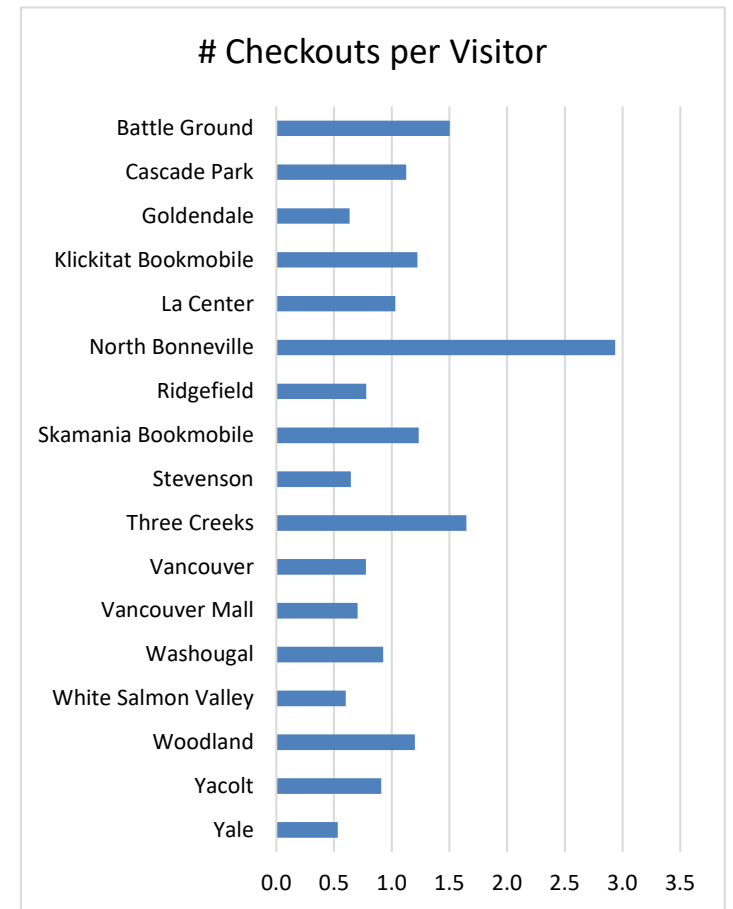


Other Physical includes magazines, games, kits, music, Chromebooks, and miscellaneous items. Does not include Interlibrary Loan checkouts.

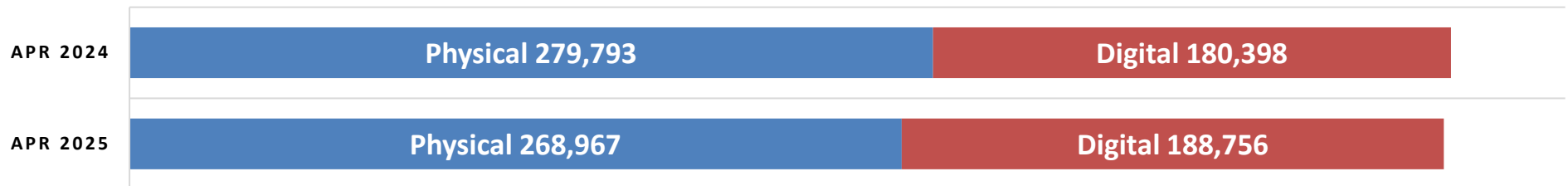
Other Digital includes magazines and streaming music.

April 2025 – Total Circulation and Visitors

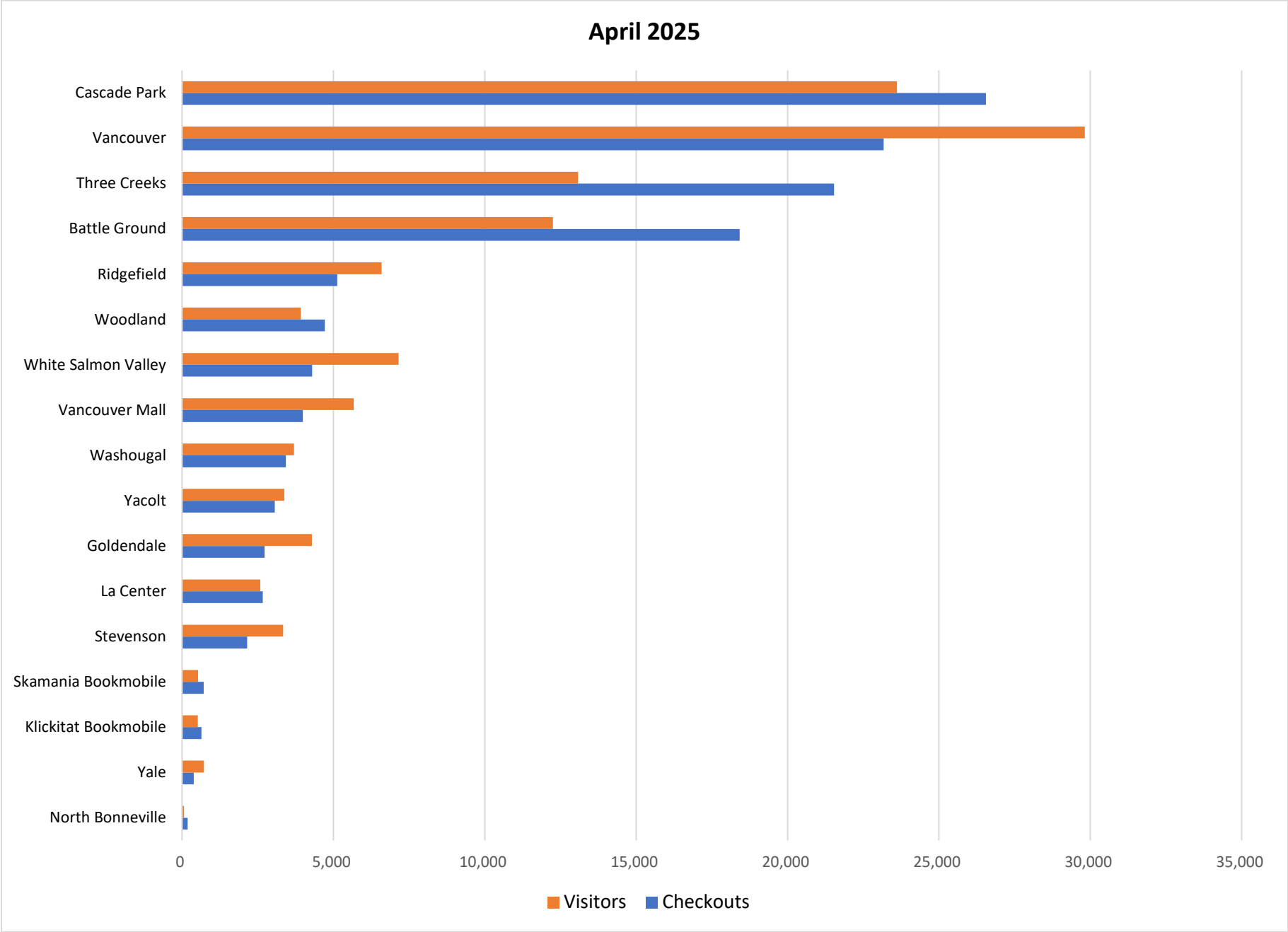
Location	April 2025		April 2024		Change	
	Total Circ	Visitors	Total Circ	Visitors	Total Circ	Visitors
Battle Ground	38,149	12,253	42,968	11,503	-11.22%	6.52%
Cascade Park	57,835	23,615	61,603	22,914	-6.12%	3.06%
Goldendale	5,438	4,290	6,041	3,796	-9.98%	13.01%
Klickitat Bookmobile	1,108	523	1,128	609	-1.77%	-14.12%
La Center	5,290	2,586	5,555	2,634	-4.77%	-1.82%
North Bonneville	328	63	221	58	48.42%	8.62%
Ridgefield	10,417	6,593	9,736	6,192	6.99%	6.48%
Skamania Bookmobile	1,112	577	1,204	654	-7.64%	-11.77%
Stevenson	3,964	3,338	4,545	3,590	-12.78%	-7.02%
Three Creeks	43,181	13,081	44,339	12,767	-2.61%	2.46%
Vancouver	59,579	29,821	63,200	28,655	-5.73%	4.07%
Vancouver Mall	9,012	5,675	9,434	5,937	-4.47%	-4.41%
Washougal	7,271	3,700	7,575	4,315	-4.01%	-14.25%
Woodland	9,414	3,924	4,782	2,845	96.86%	37.93%
White Salmon Valley	8,846	7,152	9,470	6,994	-6.59%	2.26%
Yacolt	5,404	3,376	5,331	2,963	1.37%	13.94%
Yale Valley	949	720	824	820	15.17%	-12.20%
Green Mountain	280	No Visitors	271	No Visitors	3.32%	No Visitors
Books by Mail	1,059	No Visitors	1,058	No Visitors	0.09%	No Visitors
Operations Center/ILL	331	No Visitors	508	No Visitors	-34.84%	No Visitors
Location Total	268,967	121,287	279,793	117,246	-3.87%	3.45%
Digital Collections	188,756		180,398		4.63%	
Grand Total	457,723		460,191		-0.54%	



TOTAL CIRCULATION

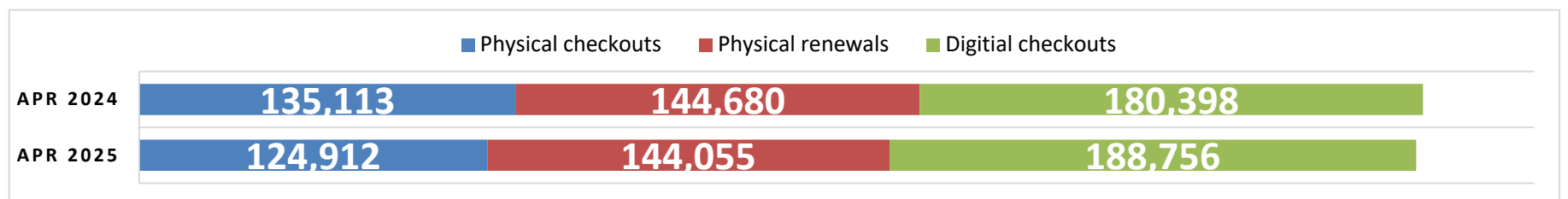


April 2025 – Library Activity: Checkouts and Visitors by Library



April 2025 – Total Circulation

	April 2025			April 2024			Change		
	Checkout	Renew	Total Circ	Checkout	Renew	Total Circ	Checkout	Renew	Total Circ
Battle Ground	18,416	19,733	38,149	21,388	21,580	42,968	-13.9%	-8.6%	-11.2%
Klickitat Bookmobile	640	468	1,108	798	330	1,128	-19.8%	41.8%	-1.8%
Skamania Bookmobile	712	400	1,112	836	368	1,204	-14.8%	8.7%	-7.6%
Cascade Park	26,553	31,282	57,835	28,935	32,668	61,603	-8.2%	-4.2%	-6.1%
Goldendale	2,728	2,710	5,438	3,340	2,701	6,041	-18.3%	0.3%	-10.0%
Green Mountain	122	158	280	95	176	271	28.4%	-10.2%	3.3%
La Center	2,668	2,622	5,290	2,733	2,822	5,555	-2.4%	-7.1%	-4.8%
North Bonneville	185	143	328	112	109	221	65.2%	31.2%	48.4%
Ridgefield	5,129	5,288	10,417	5,161	4,575	9,736	-0.6%	15.6%	7.0%
Stevenson	2,154	1,810	3,964	2,369	2,176	4,545	-9.1%	-16.8%	-12.8%
Three Creeks	21,534	21,647	43,181	23,197	21,142	44,339	-7.2%	2.4%	-2.6%
Vancouver	23,172	36,407	59,579	26,263	36,937	63,200	-11.8%	-1.4%	-5.7%
Vancouver Mall	3,990	5,022	9,012	4,349	5,085	9,434	-8.3%	-1.2%	-4.5%
Washougal	3,426	3,845	7,271	3,982	3,593	7,575	-14.0%	7.0%	-4.0%
Woodland	4,714	4,700	9,414	2,596	2,186	4,782	81.6%	115.0%	96.9%
White Salmon Valley	4,297	4,549	8,846	4,748	4,722	9,470	-9.5%	-3.7%	-6.6%
Yacolt	3,066	2,338	5,404	2,904	2,427	5,331	5.6%	-3.7%	1.4%
Yale	384	565	949	355	469	824	8.2%	20.5%	15.2%
Books by Mail	774	285	1,059	556	502	1,058	39.2%	-43.2%	0.1%
Operations Center/ILL	248	83	331	396	112	508	-37.4%	-25.9%	-34.8%
Total - Physical	124,912	144,055	268,967	135,113	144,680	279,793	-7.5%	-0.4%	-3.9%
Digital Collections	188,756		188,756	180,398		180,398	4.6%		4.6%
Grand Total	313,668	144,055	457,723	315,511	144,680	460,191	-0.6%	-0.4%	-0.5%



Stevenson North Bonneville Skamania Bookmobile

Community Libraries in Skamania
2024 & 2025

- 9 dedicated staff, 7.4 FTE, 4 of which regularly drive the bookmobile.
- 7 flexible substitutes from across Skamania and Klickitat
- Approximately 69 public service hours each week spread across three service points
- Providing service from Washougal to Glenwood (approximately a 90 min drive)



Service Area



- Skamania County has just 7.3 inhabitants per square mile, the lowest population density county that FVRLibraries serve.
- According to the 2020 Census, the fastest growing area in the county is North Bonneville, and it is served by North Bonneville Community Library.
- The bookmobile spends about 25hrs a week on the road. Every Tuesday its routes are in Carson, the largest population center in Skamania without a brick and mortar library location.

Friends of the Library

Select the Skamania County Reads title, host Artists of the Gorge, soon to enter its 46th year, fundraiser with Friendship products, and participate in community events like Christmas in the Gorge.

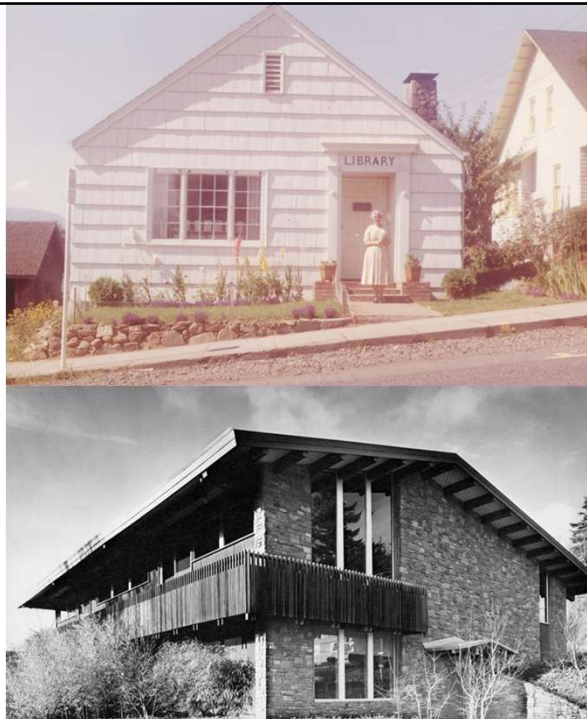
Over 2,000 volunteer hours in 2024!



Stevenson Community Library

Originally founded by the Stevenson Woman's Club, the Stevenson Community Library's first purpose built location was opened in 1938. The current library building was opened nearly 60 years ago, and was last remodeled in 2017.

- Open 48 hrs per week
- Circulation: 50,545
- Visits: 39,904
- Residents with library accounts: 64.8% (up 8%)



Skamania County Bookmobile

Many bookmobiles have served our area since they originally began in 1941. Our current vehicle has been in operation since 2018.

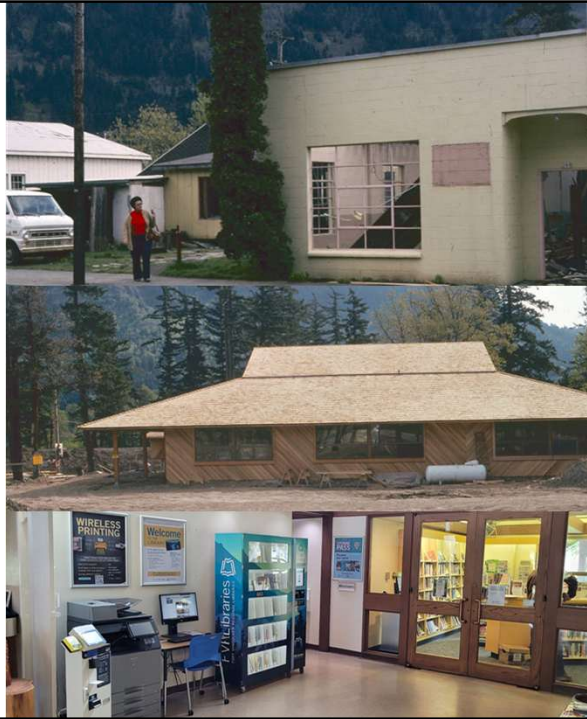
- Open 15 hrs per week over 4 days
- Circulation: 12,080
- Visits: 6,017
- Residents with library accounts: 31.6% (up 6%)



North Bonneville Community Library

FVRLibraries has operated a library in North Bonneville City Hall since 1954, and moved with City Hall in 1979 when Bonneville Dam was expanded and flooded out the original town.

- Open 6 hrs per week
- Circulation: 2,960
- Visits: 723
- Residents with library accounts: 35% (up 8%)
- Consistently the highest checkouts per patron in district during the last 6 months.



New Programming

- One of two storytimes shifted to Saturdays
- Teen hangouts every Tuesday
- English as a Second Language every Friday facilitated by Goodwill Industries
- Tech Petting Zoo



EV Charging

- Installed by Energy NW, funded by WA Department of Commerce grant.
- First brought to FVRLibraries Board in 2022.
- Part of larger project including the City of Bingen and Goldendale.
- Ribbon cutting June 5, but operational now!



Long Overdue Book

- A book was returned 36 years late!
- Highlights FVRLibraries long commitment to public service.

The Columbian

Thursday, April 3, 2025 | Serving Clark County, Washington | www.columbian.com

Book returned to library after 36 years

"It was kind of surprising. We get overdue books, but not this overdue."

Joel Alder
FVRLibraries
marketing and
communications
coordinate

Danielle Steel novel
turned up in Stevenson
Community Library

By BOB LANGRISH

The Columbian

FVRLibraries marked its 50th anniversary in unexpected style last month in a bit of literary pop-up in the form of a book that for more than three decades, an unidentified woman re-

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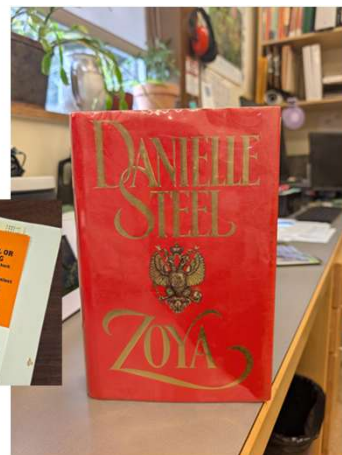
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Photo contributed by Stevenson Community Library

Mara Reynolds

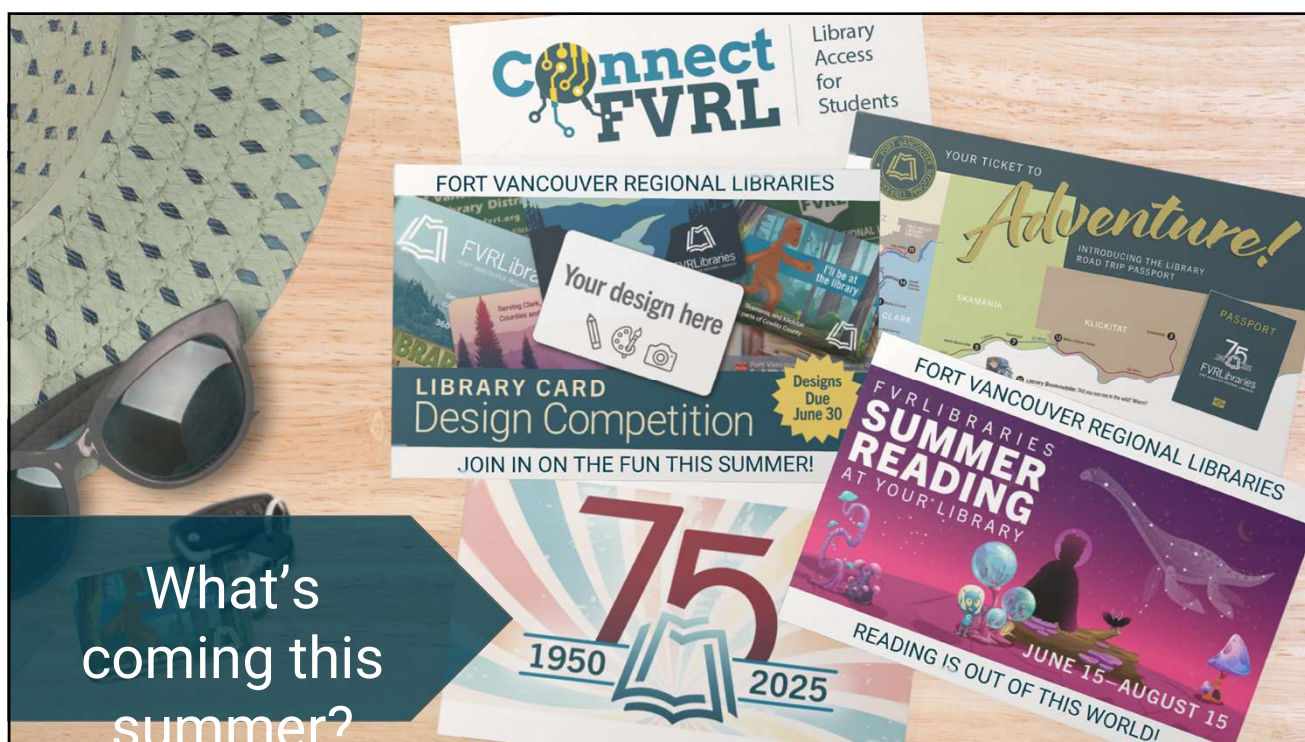
- Stevenson Community Librarian 1980-2004
- b. June 1, 1939, in Latvia
- d. February 20, 2025, at home in Stevenson, WA
- Started Artist of the Gorge (formerly Women Artists of the Gorge)
- Celebration of life and exhibit was hosted in March.




Thanks,

And see you next time!


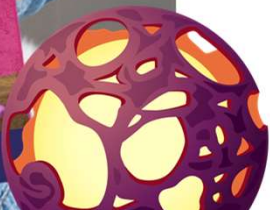






2025 Summer Reading

- Jun. 15 - Aug. 15
- For All Ages!

75 1950 2025 FVRLibraries
FORT VANCOUVER REGIONAL LIBRARIES

4 GOALS



- 1.** Cultivate a lifelong love of reading & engagement with the library
- 2.** Encourage visits and use of branch libraries
- 3.** Promote the development of new skills
- 4.** Increase access for those unable to visit their branch library

2025 Summer Reading

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4 STEPS



2025 Summer Reading

1. REGISTER

Youth who sign up by July 15 pick out a prize book.

2. READ

Patrons log 40 days of reading to complete the challenge.

3. COLLECT

Visit the Library to collect limited edition incentives

4. ENTER

A grand prize drawing for each age range at each branch




Ready to Launch: Summer materials on the move

- Registration Cards
- Posters and Templates
- Activity Books
- Prize Books
- Stickers & Grand Prizes
- Traveling Program Supplies
- Stellar Reader Display







FUN


Discovery

Lifelong Learning

COMMUNITY

**Make the Value Visible
in Every Interaction**

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Connect FVRL
Library Access for All Students

Ridgefield School District:
2,500 students

Vancouver Public School :
23,000 students

Woodland School District:
2,000 students

Goldendale School District
900

La Center School District:
1,600 students

Battle Ground Public Schools:
13,000 students

Evergreen School District:
25,000 students

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Student-Friendly Library Access, Curated with Schools



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Thank You!



FORT VANCOUVER REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT

RESOLUTION: 2025-07

RESOLUTION OF THE FORT VANCOUVER REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AUTHORIZING THE CLOSEOUT OF THE BREMIK CONSTRUCTION INC CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW WOODLAND COMMUNITY LIBRARY

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District (FVRL) was held on Monday, May 19, 2025 attended by a quorum of the Board of Trustees for the conduct of such business; and, after due consideration and deliberation, the following resolution was duly passed by a majority vote of all Trustees attending.

WHEREAS, the construction of the new Woodland Community Library has reached substantial completion, and

WHEREAS, the work that was within the scope of the Bremik Construction Inc contract has been completed, and

WHEREAS, the State of Washington requires that a Notice of Completion is filed prior to the final payment of retainage on public works contracts exceeding \$35,000, and

WHEREAS, all public works contracts in excess of \$350,000 require Board approval prior to submission for closeout to the State,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District authorizes the closeout of the Bremik Construction Inc contract for Construction of the Woodland Community Library.

Adopted this 19 day of May, 2025.



Kristy Morgan, Chair



Marie Coffey, Secretary