

Bastrop Public Library Board Agenda
Bastrop Public Library Pressley Meeting Room
1100 Church Street
Bastrop, TX 78602
(512) 332-8880



October 05, 2026
Agenda - Public Library Board at 6:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. OATH OF OFFICE

2A. Incoming Library Board Member: Rick Kellison, Place 1

Swearing Oath of Office, Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

Signature of official documents

Welcome by Library Board

Comments by Library Board Member

2B. Incoming Library Board Member: Nancy Wood, Place 4

Swearing Oath of Office, Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

Signature of official documents

Welcome by Library Board

Comments by Library Board Member

2C. Incoming Library Board Member: Kassidi Anderson, Place 6

Swearing Oath of Office, Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

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3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

At this time, three (3) minute comments will be taken from the audience on any topic. Anyone in attendance wishing to address the Board/Commission must complete a citizen comment form and give the completed form to the Board/Commission Secretary prior to the start of the Board/Commission meeting. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, if a citizen discusses any item not on the agenda, the Board/Commission cannot discuss issues raised or make any decision at this time. Instead, the Board/Commission is limited to making a statement of specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry. Issues may be referred to the City Manager for research and possible future action. Profanity, physical or other threats are not allowed and may subject the speaker to loss of the time for comment, and if disruptive to the conduct of business, could result in removal of the speaker.

4. MINUTE APPROVAL

- [4A.](#) Consider action to approve Bastrop Public Library minutes from September 14, 2026, regular meeting.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 5A. Multiple streets in downtown will be closed to traffic from 12:00 p.m. until after 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 31st for Boo Bash preparation, tear-down, and safety.
- 5B. The library will be participating in the City of Bastrop's Boo Bash on Saturday, October 31st from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- 5C. The Library will be closed Wednesday, November 11th in observance of Veteran's Day.
- 5D. The library will be closed Saturday, November 14th for the annual Veteran's Day car show.
- 5E. Announcements from the Library Director.
- 5F. Announcements from individual board members.
- 5G. Announcements from Planning & Zoning liaison.

6. REPORTS

- [6A.](#) Director's report.
- [6B.](#) Statistics report.
- [6C.](#) Financial report.
- [6D.](#) Budget Overview report.
- [6E.](#) Important Dates report.

[6F.](#) Open House Update report.

7. PRESENTATIONS

8. WORKSHOP

9. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

9A. Individual requests from Library Board members for items to be listed on future agendas.

10. ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting as posted in accordance with the regulations of the Texas Open Meetings Act on the bulletin board located at the entrance to the City of Bastrop City Hall, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public, as well as to the City's website, www.cityofbastrop.org and said Notice was posted on the following date and time: Tuesday, September 29, 2026, at 4:15 p.m. and remained posted for at least two hours after said meeting was convened.

/s/Bonnie Ueckert Pierson

Bonnie Ueckert Pierson, Library Director

Bastrop Public Library Board Minutes
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September 14, 2026
Minutes - Public Library Board at 6:00 PM

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Library Board Members Present

Chair Meagan Webb
 Vice Chair Rebecca Bennett
 Secretary Nancy Wood
 Board Member Rachelle Caviness
 Board Member Valerie Haywood
 Board Member Ashley Johnson

Guests, Liaisons, and Staff Present

Library Director Bonnie Pierson

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

3. PRESENTATIONS

3A. Recognition of Library Board Members' Service presentation.

Director Bonnie Pierson read outgoing member Becky Bennett's history with the library.

4. MINUTE APPROVAL

4A. Consider action to approve Bastrop Public Library minutes from August 3, 2026, regular meeting.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Rebecca Bennett to accept as submitted and seconded by Board Member Ashley Johnson. The motion was approved by members present

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 5A. The 2026 Boards & Commissions Banquet will take place on Monday, November 9th at the Convention Center.
- 5B. Due to popularity within the community, the library has changed operational hours and will be opening at 10:00 a.m. Mondays through Saturdays. Official start date is September 1st.
- 5C. Announcements from the Library Director.

The library was chosen for scenes in an upcoming indie horror movie.

Walking Audiobook Club, a new adult program, starts on September 15th and will meet on 3rd Tuesday evenings.

The next History Talk is about Bastrop State Park and will be held on Saturday, October 3rd.

A Meeting Room Audio Equipment update is planned to be presented to the board by the Friends of the Library during an upcoming meeting.

Building improvements are waiting for final city budget approval.

- 5D. Announcements from individual board members.
- 5E. Announcements from Planning & Zoning liaison.

6. REPORTS

- 6A. Director's report.
- 6B. Statistics report.
- 6C. Financial report.

7. WORKSHOP

8. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- 8A. Consider action to approve the Nominating Committee's slate of officers for fiscal year 2027.

The officer slate for 2026-2027 was presented as Meagan Webb – Chair; Rachelle Caviness – Vice Chair; and Nancy Wood – Secretary

A motion was made by Ashley Johnson to accept the slate as presented and seconded by Valerie Haywood. The motion was approved by members present.

- 8B. Discuss and approve the Fiscal Year 2027 Library Board meeting calendar.

A motion was made by Nancy Wood to accept the calendar as presented and seconded by Rachelle Caviness. The motion was approved by members present.

8C. Individual requests from Library Board members for items to be listed on future agendas.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Wood, Secretary

Meagan Webb, Chair



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: October 5, 2026

TITLE:

Library Director's Report

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:

Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

PROGRAMMING:

On September 5th, the library hosted "Bastrop County Snake Awareness & Appreciation," an interactive program presented by Snake Relocation by Tib. The session drew twenty-five attendees and covered the county's most frequently encountered snake species, common snake myths, how to identify venomous individuals, and what to do if you encounter a snake in the wild. Tib plans to return for additional sessions throughout the year.

On Tuesday, September 15th, LEGO® Club participants explored their imagination through four different building stations that included a timed building challenge, free build, build your own dinosaur, and color your own minifigure coloring sheet. Thirty-four builders of all skill levels came together to design, construct, and share their unique creations, which are now on display in the Children's Area. This month's event also featured a special activity on favorite things, hosted in partnership with the Family Crisis Center, who will be joining again for October's session!

On Saturday, September 19th, the library hosted Small Hands Art: Creative Club for young artists ages 3-10. The program was led by Tess Karlan, a local teacher and founder of Small Hands Art, in collaboration with Youth Services Librarian Eva Bunker. Children explored a variety of hands-on art stations at their own pace, experimenting with different materials, techniques, and creative processes. Registration was required, and twenty-one people attended this inaugural session. The program will continue to be offered monthly on the third Saturday.

On Saturday, October 3rd, Park Ranger Interpreter Madalyn Miller shared her presentation, "An Enduring Legacy: Bastrop State Park". Her presentation explored the building and stewardship of the Bastrop State Park by both its citizens and the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC). Miller also displayed the development of the park from its beginnings to now. More information will be provided during the meeting.

NOTEWORTHY:

Director Bonnie Pierson celebrated her 26th anniversary with the library on Saturday, September 12th.

Library Clerk Roselyn Redd celebrated her first anniversary with the library on Tuesday, September 22nd.

Access Services Librarian Amie Cuvelier and Adult Services Librarian Rozanna Bennet prepared and presented four hours of training to Bastrop Federal Correction Institute (FCI) employees on Wednesday, September 23rd. This training focused on Collection Development and Management. A second four-hour training was presented the following Wednesday on September 30th, which focused on Circulation, Cataloging, and programming. There are also plans to workshop procedures and policies to help create a stable leisure library program at the FCI. Bastrop Public Library has an established partnership with FCI where the library provides consultations, trainings, and Interlibrary loan resources to the FCI to support their leisure library.



The Friends of the Library Annual Meeting took place on Tuesday, September 29th from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK:

"I love y'all's new hours! I'm grateful."

- Patron, on library opening at 10:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday

"I really like coming here. I really like reading books."

- Juvenile patron

"You have a really nice library. I was impressed when I came to the [HOA] meeting."

- Patron

Statistics - August 2026

Item 6B.

Community Engagement	Q1	Q2	Q3	JUL	AUG	SEP	Q4	YTD 26	YTD25	TOTAL 25
Circs By Patron Type										
Juv	982	1,250	1,725	927	827		1,754	5,711	4,641	5,075
Teen	252	329	367	119	136		255	1,203	428	552
Adult	6,126	5,889	7,445	2,943	2,611		5,554	25,014	22,495	24,546
Staff	238	234	303	88	71		159	934	1,157	1,226
NR Juv	732	549	705	185	304		489	2,475	3,023	3,281
NR Teen	178	59	303	145	68		213	753	775	840
NR Adult	16,685	16,995	18,813	7,068	6,771		13,839	66,332	56,846	63,272
TexShare	160	158	279	91	53		144	741	511	564
Spanish Circs	18	6	0	7	1		8	32	51	52
Total NR Usage	17,755	17,761	20,100	7,489	7,196		14,685	70,301	61,155	67,957
% NR Usage	70%	70%	67%	65%	66%		66%	68%	68%	68%
% Spanish Usage	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%	0%
Programming										
Early Childhood - # of Programs	27	34	35	13	10		23	119	114	123
Early Childhood - Program Attendance	1,184	1,549	1,499	578	397		975	5,207	5,011	5,454
Youth - # of Programs	10	8	22	10	7		17	57	70	74
Youth - Program Attendance	151	159	581	126	62		188	1,079	2,559	2,616
Young Adults - # of Programs	33	37	35	13	12		25	130	105	118
Young Adults - Program Attendance	315	309	362	122	108		230	1,216	951	1,077
Adults - # of Programs	61	71	82	25	28		53	267	252	277
Adults - Program Attendance	548	681	568	166	186		352	2,149	1,908	2,151
General - # of Programs	3	0	9	30	0		30	42	56	57
General - Program Attendance	342	0	436	401	0		401	1,179	1,693	1,710
Outreach - # of Programs	3	5	1	1	0		1	10	13	13
Outreach - Program Attendance	1,358	354	44	556	0		556	2,312	2,654	2,654
Passive - Coloring Sheets	1,359	2,371	1,433	315	169		484	5,647	5,465	6,046
Total # of Programs	137	155	184	92	57		149	625	610	662
Total Program Attendance	3,898	3,052	3,490	1,949	753		2,702	13,142	14,776	15,662
Membership - Cards										
City	105	116	166	57	53		110	497	465	522
City Renewals	176	228	250	101	75		176	830	785	860
Faculty	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Faculty Renewals	0	0	5	2	0		2	7	6	6
Friends	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	3	3
Friends Renewals	4	2	2	0	1		1	9	8	9
Staff	2	2	3	0	1		1	8	10	10
Staff Renewals	3	9	6	3	1		4	22	13	15
Nonresident	143	156	202	80	81		161	662	613	677
Nonresident Discount	51	66	52	16	7		23	192	118	132
Nonresident Family	2	2	1	2	2		4	9	18	18
Nonresident Renewals	247	290	353	126	105		231	1,121	1,052	1,141
TexShare Visitor	6	8	5	0	2		2	21	25	28
TexShare Visitor Renewals	6	2	7	0	1		1	16	19	19
Total New Registrations	256	282	376	137	137		274	137	1,116	1,390
Total Renewals	436	531	623	232	183		415	183	1,883	2,050

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Spanish	2	2	3	3	3		6	14	14	14
Spanish Renewals	0	1	0	0	0		0	1	1	2
TexShare Home New	1	0	2	4	2		6	9	1	2
TexShare Home Renewals	10	20	5	4	5		9	44	16	33
Facility										
Door Count	19,382	22,777	23,668	8,408	7,935		16,343	7,935	78,244	85,792
Hours Open	546	589	612	216	222		438	222	2,206	2,407
Study Room Use	440	487	480	194	152		346	152	1,773	1,960
Pressley Use - Library	77	95	98	27	28		55	28	295	323
Pressley Use - Nonprofit	25	32	18	3	7		10	7	101	112
Pressley Use - Other	14	23	13	1	7		8	7	50	52
Maynard Use - Library	69	44	56	30	21		51	21	320	349
Maynard Use - Nonprofit	10	20	12	2	4		6	4	77	83
Maynard Use - Other	4	15	8	1	4		5	4	16	19
Total Meeting Room Use	639	716	685	258	223		223	2,521	2,632	2,898

History & Culture	Q1	Q2	Q3	JUL	AUG	SEP	Q4	YTD 26	YTD 25	TOTAL 25
Partnerships	6	16	34	16	3		19	75	33	36
Special Displays	1	0	0	0	0		0	1	1	1
Documents Digitized	146	100	134	46	50		96	526	313	422

Lifelong Learning	Q1	Q2	Q3	JUL	AUG	SEP	Q4	YTD 26	YTD 25	TOTAL 25
Database Use										
Portal to Texas History - Bastrop Advertiser	8,268	12,262	9,185	7,721	2,021		9,742	39,457	29,012	31,526
Heritage Quest	191	309	252	188	131		319	1,071	638	840
Learning Express Library	15	15	20	7	1		8	58	58	67
Gale Databases	562	567	486	188	193		381	1,996	2,154	2,339
Mango Languages	141	106	112	39	101		140	499	605	654
Total General Use Databases Sessions	718	688	618	234	295		529	2,553	2,817	3,060
Technology										
Kids Computer Use	110	156	223	95	69		164	653	460	508
Teen Computer Use	10	18	50	19	15		34	112	97	114
Adult Computer Use	1,673	2,113	1,808	624	595		1,219	6,813	6,374	6,993
Wifi Use	4,841	5,074	5,504	1,862	1,775		3,637	19,056	18,027	19,697
Website Visits	12,791	15,689	16,936	5,711	5,324		11,035	56,451	51,644	56,320
Total Public Computer Use	1,793	2,287	2,081	738	679		1,417	7,578	6,931	7,615

Books & Reading	Q1	Q2	Q3	JUL	AUG	SEP	Q4	YTD 26	YTD 25	TOTAL 25
Material Use										
Check-Outs - Kids	8,533	8,086	9,574	3,523	3,355		6,878	33,071	29,783	33,049
Check-Outs - Tween	7,071	7,344	9,315	3,925	3,613		7,538	31,268	27,739	30,541
Check-Outs - Teen	1,468	1,246	1,807	751	679		1,430	5,951	5,276	5,775
Check-Outs - Adult	8,171	8,731	9,196	3,318	3,164		6,482	32,580	33,078	35,988
Honor Paperbacks	44	30	33	7	4		11	118	136	175
Renewals	10,238	9,515	10,340	4,090	4,042		8,132	38,225	35,341	38,880

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In-House Use	5,358	6,024	6,908	2,591	2,558		5,149	23,439	19,705	21,542
Self-Check	4,665	4,951	5,730	2,387	1,987		4,374	19,720	17,749	19,843
Electronic Devices	79	61	76	31	26		57	273	304	330
OverDrive eBooks - Kids	394	346	354	138	145		283	1,377	959	1,089
OverDrive eBooks - Teen	236	162	193	44	39		83	674	696	782
OverDrive eBooks - Adults	1,818	1,996	2,011	728	771		1,499	7,324	7,167	7,854
OverDrive eAudio - Kids	287	299	287	95	102		197	1,070	889	934
OverDrive eAudio - Teen	202	211	267	70	62		132	812	670	730
OverDrive eAudio - Adults	2,230	2,592	2,701	911	979		1,890	9,413	7,511	8,217
eRead Texas	188	0	334	118	124		242	764	591	665
Total Checkouts	36,079	37,128	43,056	16,250	15,621		31,871	148,134	131,681	147,684

Interlibrary Loan

ILL Borrowed	21	36	35	12	11		23	115	108	111
ILL Lent	41	43	35	18	18		36	155	133	153

Collection

Items Added - E, 1st Readers	50	122	164	52	30		82	418	670	787
Items Added - Board Books	0	0	46	9	0		9	55	64	103
Items Added - J	74	268	413	46	105		151	906	799	874
Items Added - Teens	19	75	115	24	22		46	255	210	224
Items Added - Adults	183	338	497	326	141		467	1,485	1,466	1,575
Items Added - Magazines	92	89	107	23	27		50	338	306	332
Items Withdrawn	747	383	623	127	318		445	2,198	2,728	2,934
Missing Items	41	5	2	0	0		0	48	125	132
Total Items Added	418	892	1,342	480	325		805	3,457	3,515	3,895

Culture of Service	Q1	Q2	Q3	JUL	AUG	SEP	Q4	YTD 26	YTD 25	TOTAL 25
Reference Transactions										
General Reference Questions (ENG)	2,932	3,517	3,435	922	884		1,806	11,690	12,181	13,228
Directional Questions (ENG)	563	740	866	300	248		548	2,717	2,729	3,001
Tech Support Questions (ENG)	2,216	2,639	2,905	986	974		1,960	9,720	8,982	9,986
Tests Proctored (ENG)	3	0	2	0	1		1	6	6	7
Tech Tutor (ENG)	47	79	63	15	19		34	223	192	201
General Reference Questions (ESP)	70	29	38	17	4		21	167	175	201
Directional Questions (ESP)	9	5	3	5	0		5	31	34	45
Tech Support Questions (ESP)	40	18	25	12	5		17	105	105	123
Tests Proctored (ESP)	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Tech Tutor (ESP)	0	2	2	0	4		4	8	8	8
Total Reference Transactions	5,880	7,052	7,339	2,257	2,139		4,396	24,667	24,412	26,800
Total Spanish Reference Transactions	119	77	68	34	13		47	311	322	377
% Spanish Reference Transactions	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%		1%	1%	2%	1%

Volunteers

Volunteer Hours	487.70	385.60	424.82	170.50	123.75		294.25	1,592.37	1,907.63	2,051.43
FOL Volunteer Hours	155.35	169.00	221.25	61.25	53.75		115.00	660.60	858.52	913.37
Teen Volunteer Hours	162.40	122.25	160.95	44.00	31.25		75.25	520.85	890.08	942.38
Total Volunteer Hours	805.45	676.85	807.02	275.75	208.75		484.50	2,773.82	3,656.23	3,907.18

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Item 6B.

Social Media

Facebook Page Likes	4,595	4,234	4,560	4,644	4,743		4,694	4,694	3,888	3,902
Facebook Engaged	890	2,771	2,409	245	59		304	6,458	6,124	6,253
Facebook Reach	17,468	48,580	52,537	24,501	809		25,310	163,169	117,438	123,405
Instagram Followers	1,498	1,517	1,544	1,562	1,601		1,582	1,534	1,370	1,378
Instagram Profile Activity	137	221	142	69	52		121	586	794	849
Instagram Reach	1,172	1,302	1,147	413	590		1,003	5,865	6,910	7,432

Savannah Stats

# of Emails Composed	69	47	41	13	15		28	187	347	377
# of Messages Sent	18,910	23,856	23,954	5,984	429		6,413	84,982	79,962	80,450
Opens	9,115	12,168	11,416	2,999	247		3,246	47,236	44,582	44,822
Open %	49%	48%	47%	50%	58%		54%	53%	55%	54%
Clicks	587	653	786	142	72		214	2,416	2,313	2,334



FINANCIAL REPORT

MEETING DATE: October 5, 2026

TITLE:

Financial report

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:

Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

1. The library's total non-donation revenue from October 1, 2025, through September 20, 2026, is \$59,745.75
 - a. Nonresidential: \$45,475.00
 - b. Material fines, fees, and replacement cards: \$4,030.28
 - c. Printing: \$9,100.04
 - d. Paypal: \$1,140.43
2. The library's total non-donation revenue from August 1, 2026, through August 31, 2026, is \$6,134.74
 - a. Nonresidential: \$4,635.00
 - b. Material, fines, fees, and replacement cards: \$467.51
 - c. Printing: \$1,008.59
 - d. Paypal: \$23.64
3. Notable library donation revenue from August 1, 2026, through August 31, 2026, is \$100.00
 - a. 8/25: \$100.00



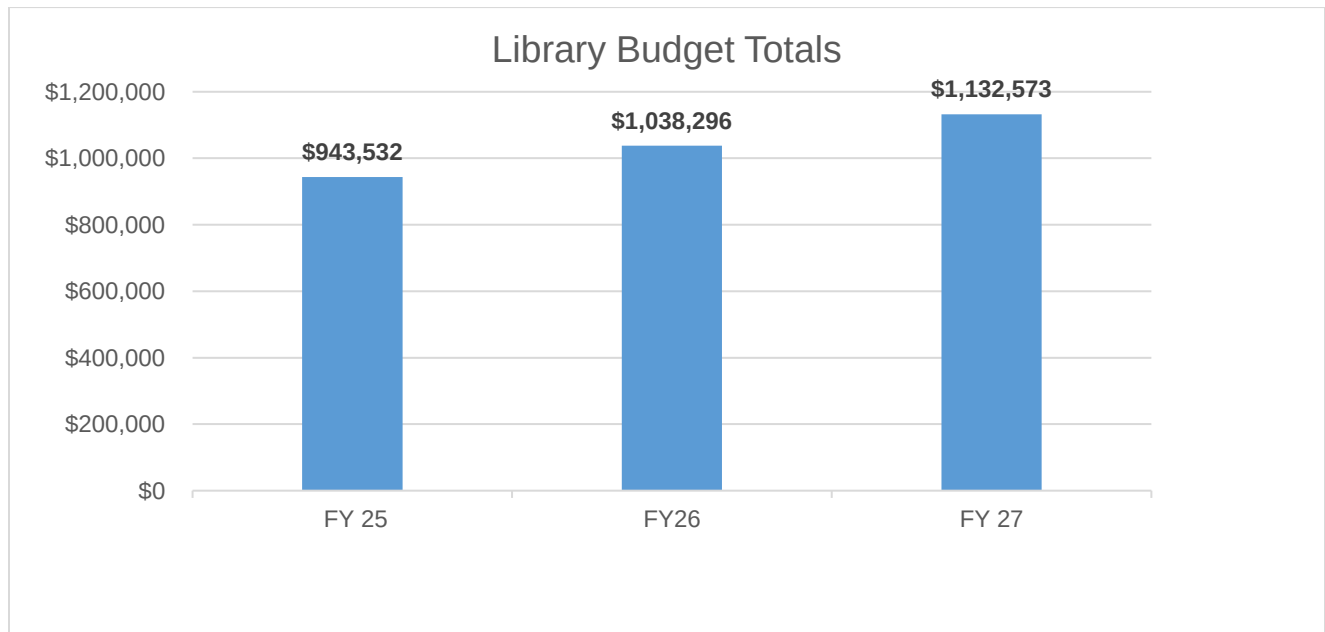
STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: October 5, 2026

TITLE:
Budget Overview report

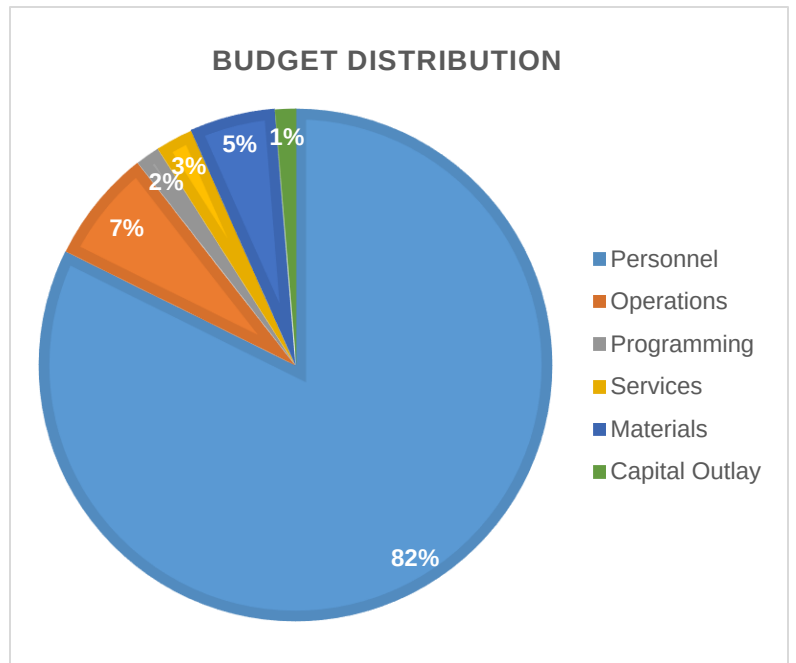
STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:
Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

LIBRARY BUDGET SUMMARY FY2027

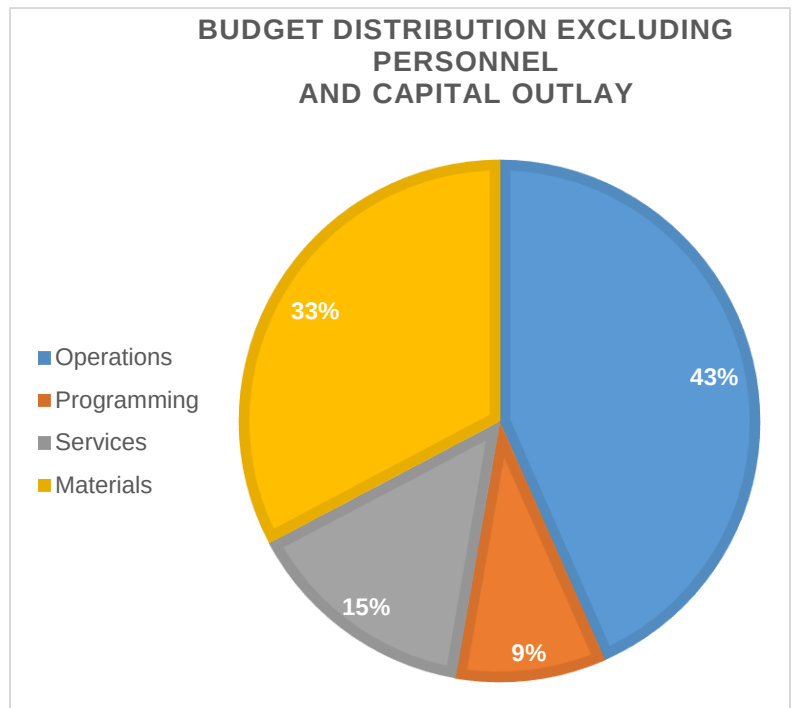


LIBRARY BUDGET FY2027

Total Budget:	\$1,132,573
Personnel:	\$ 929,774
Operations:	\$ 80,396
Programs & Services:	\$ 44,127
Programming:	\$ 17,265
Services:	\$ 26,862
Materials:	\$ 60,665
Capital Outlay:	\$ 14,400



**Library Budget
Excluding Personnel and
Capital Outlay:** **\$ 185,188**



LIBRARY BUDGET EXPLANATION FY2027

Library Budget: \$1,132,573

Personnel: \$929,774

- 9 full-time employees
- 2 part-time employees
- 4 librarians with a master's degree

Operations: \$80,396

- Utilities
- Software & Web based Services - Apollo, Pharos, People counter
- Equipment - AED, water cooler, staff copier,
- Travel & training
- Professional & Intuitional Membership dues – ALA, Tx Hist Assn, Tx Genealogical Soc., Chamber
- Shared IT Services: \$18,011

Programs & Services: \$44,127

Programming: \$17,265

- Activities for all ages: children, youth, adult
- Outreach & Tours
- Summer Programming & Special events
- Publicity

Services: \$26,862

- Public computers & Wi-Fi, hotspots
- Inquiry & Tech support: (Reference) finding materials, help with forms, setting up an email, navigating websites
- One-on-one help:
 - computer, software, Microsoft, job searching
 - Tech Tutors
 - Proctor tests
- Interlibrary Loan
- Magazines & newspapers
- Digital learning: 60+ TexShare databases, Mango languages
- Daily living support: printing, copying, faxing, scanning

Materials: \$60,665

- Physical materials
- Digital Materials
- Special Collections: genealogy, local history, local author, cake pans, puzzles, Bilingual youth & adult
- Youth & Adult
 - Additional breakdown: F, NF, LT, Picture, JF, JNF, YA, Spanish - A, J, C
 - 10 separate categories + allocations for eBooks & eAudio

Capital Outlay: \$14,400

- Furniture

Revenue:

- Fees: membership & renewals \$43,815
- Receipts: copies, printing, Ill fee, hotspot fines, damaged or lost materials
- Donations
- Grants: Ill reimbursement (TSLAC), E-Rate internet reimbursement (FCC): \$8,640

Budget Increases for FY2027:

- Operational, Cost of doing business: ILS, mileage, postage, toner, color printing, supplies for book maintenance, subscription services

Budget Challenges:**Personnel:**

- Maintain or increase the level of service

Meeting / Program space:

- Growth = higher demand, already see limitations
- Requests for additional youth and adult programming
- Regular request for small group 3-4, mid-size 20 – can't accommodate
- Request for construction of study rooms moved to FY2028
- Plan to expand the capacity of the library with branch locations. Possibly 5-10 years before needed.

eBook & eAudio cost:

- Trend of increased use
- Cost not comparable to physical materials
- Not like purchasing from Amazon:
 - Metered use: 24 check outs or 2 years is standard, then it goes away
 - Cost – hard cover best seller = \$20
 - Metered best seller eBook \$50 to \$75
- Challenge for all libraries



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: October 5, 2026

TITLE:

Important Dates report

STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:

Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

OCTOBER 2026:

- Sat. 31st: Boo Bash, 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 2026:

- Mon. 2nd: Monthly Library Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- Mon. 9th: Boards and Commissions Banquet, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- Wed. 11th: Library closed for Veteran's Day
- Sat. 14th: Library closed for Veteran's Day Car Show
- Tue. 17th – Mon. 30th: Graham Cracker House Building
- Thu. 26th – Sat. 28th: Library closed for Thanksgiving
- TBA: Board and Commissions Ethics Training

DECEMBER 2026:

- Tue. 1st – Fri. 4th: Graham Cracker House Building
- Mon. 7th: Monthly Library Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- Sat. 12th: Open House, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Thu. 24th – Sat. 26th: Library closed for Christmas

JANUARY 2027:

- Fri. 1st – Sat. 2nd: Library closed for New Year's
- Mon. 4th: Monthly Library Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- Mon. 18th: Library closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- TBA: Library repainting and recarpeting

FEBRUARY 2027:

- Mon. 1st: Monthly Library Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- TBA: Bastrop Mardi Gras

MARCH 2027:

- Mon. 1st: Monthly Library Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- Tue. 2nd: Library Closed for Texas Independence Day
- Fri. 26th: Library Closed for Good Friday

APRIL 2027:

- Mon. 5th: Monthly Library Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- Fri. 16th – Sat. 17th: Friends of the Library/Lost Pines Garden Club Book & Plant Sale
- Mon. 19th – Thu. 22nd: 2027 Texas Library Association Conference

MAY 2027:

- Mon. 3rd: Monthly Library Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- Mon. 24th: Library closed for Memorial Day

SUMMER AT THE LIBRARY 2027: Tue. May 25th – Sat. Jul. 31st

- May
 - Tue. 25th – Sat. 29th: Opening Week
- June
 - Mon. 14th: Prize book pick-up begins
 - TBA: June Performer
- July
 - TBA: July Performer
 - Sat. 31st: Summer Jubilee

JUNE 2027:

- Mon. 7th: Monthly Library Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- Fri. 18th – Sat. 19th: Library closed for Juneteenth

JULY 2027:

- Mon. 5th: Library closed for Independence Day
- Mon. 5th: No monthly Library Board meeting

AUGUST 2027:

- Mon. 2nd: Monthly Library Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- Mon. 9th: Prize book pick-up ends
- TBA: Volunteer Appreciation Reception
- TBA: Board member applications due

SEPTEMBER 2027:

- Mon. 6th: Library closed for Labor Day
- Mon. 13th: Monthly Library Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.



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MEETING DATE: October 5, 2026

TITLE:

Open House Update report

STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:

Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

BACKGROUND/HISTORY:

The Bastrop Public Library's 2025 Open House will take place Saturday, December 12th.

OVERVIEW:

- Graham Cracker House Decorating
- Great City Decorating Contest (GCDC) Voting
- Come-and-Go Craft Station
- Light Refreshments, provided by the Friends of the Library