

Charlotte Mecklenburg Library Impact Report



MOUNTAIN
BRANCH

ISLAND
LIBRARY

Mecklenburg Board of
County Commissioners

November 8, 2023

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from the Library Board of Trustees



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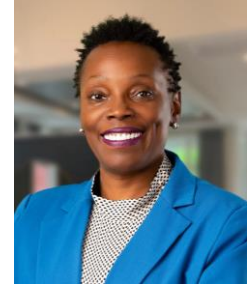
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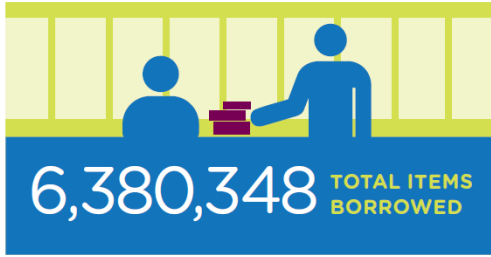
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FY2023 totals

Library Fast Facts

FY2024 Annual Budget*

\$52,460,099

Library Employees

487

Locations

21

+ *Library Administration Center*

Public Computers

750

*General Fund

FY2023
was a
BUSY year!



20,000 FREE refurbished laptops provided to Mecklenburg County adults

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PINEVILLE BRANCH

Rooted in the
Community

November 2022

Provided **291 children's programs** reaching
9574 kids since opening



FY2024
will bring
MORE!

FY2024 Budget

Thank you for investments in...

- **Employees** - pay increases & competitive benefits
- Three critical **New Positions** including Chief Equity & Inclusion Officer
- **Library Collections**
- **Programming**
- Recommended Library projects included in the next **Capital Improvement Program**





Demolition of Current Main Library
August 15, 2023



New Main Library
Opening Spring 2026

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New University City Regional Library
Opening 2025

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Intellectual Freedom Statement

Charlotte Mecklenburg Library is committed to protecting the First Amendment's guarantee of free and open access to information and ideas—a principle vital to our democracy and to each individual's search for knowledge. We seek to provide our diverse community with a comprehensive collection of materials and programs providing a wide range of knowledge and perspectives.

Strategic Direction



Library Board of Trustees are creating a new long-range plan:

- Previous plan completed in 2015 with an eye on 2025
- This work will inform the Library's next Strategic Business Plan cycles & leverage work from the Facilities Management Plan

Programmatic Impacts



“DIGILIT” – TECH TITANS

- Digital Literacy classes in 5 CML branches
- 5-week courses focus on human connection and skills



STUDENT SUCCESS CENTERS

- Homework help and skills practice for K-5th grade students
- Fall & Spring semesters
 - Sept 18 – Dec 15
 - Feb 5 – May 3



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

- FY2023
 - 11 hiring events
 - 560 job seekers
- FY2024
 - 14 hiring events scheduled



Thank you!