

Lonesome Pine Regional Library



Annual Report
2024-2025

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Start Here – Go Anywhere!

LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

A Year of Growth and Expansion

As I reflect on the past year, I am happy to say the year was one of growth and expansion for the library. A new five year strategic plan was crafted to guide the library in meeting the changing needs of our communities. The new plan focuses on facilitating development, creativity, and well-being for our patrons by emphasizing engagement, education, and community and regional outreach.

Construction began for the new Normand T. Graber Memorial Reference Addition at the C. Bascom Slemm Memorial Library in Big Stone Gap. Because of Mr. Graber's donation, along with donations and grants from other generous library supporters, we were able to make upgrades to both the meeting room and the front entryway of the library. Several small but thoughtful enhancements were made throughout the building to add warmth, functionality, and visual appeal.

We saw growth in the number of patrons visiting the library's branches, using the online catalog, and visiting the online website. We expanded our family programming options, giving families a time and space to unplug from devices and busy lives to focus solely on each other. Over the course of the year, there was an increase in both the number of programs we offered and of program attendees. Online eBook and digital materials checked out went up by 12.8% for the year. We deepened community partnerships and worked to advertise the library's services by including staff participation at local festivals, fairs, community events, and local school events.

Thank you for being a part of the library and for the support you have shown to the library over the past year.

**Sincerely,
Shannon Steffey
Library Director**

ABOUT US

MISSION

Lonesome Pine Regional Library will be the cornerstone of the region where children and adults can experience personal enrichment and connection with one another as we:

- Promote the love of reading**
- Excel at providing resources to customers of all ages.**
- Create welcoming spaces for our community.**

VISION

Lonesome Pine Regional Library is the best place to discover, to learn to imagine, to smile.

MOTTO

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VALUES

We value the highest standards of excellence in everything we do:

Provide superior customer service.

Offer and advocate access for all.

Act with initiative, creativity, and flexibility.

Work together, with enthusiasm and optimism, to reach goals.

Create learning opportunities for professional and personal development.

Celebrate diverse opinions and ideas.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Christopher Allgyer – Chair	Wise County
Ethel Daniels – Vice Chair/Secretary	City of Norton
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Mark Clark	Wise County
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Earlene Lester	Wise County
Vickie Barton	Dickenson County
Lindsay Fischer	Scott County
Rebecca Scott	Scott County
Tammy Scott	Lee County
Charlcia Jones	Lee County

DIRECTOR & MANAGERS

Regional Director	Shannon Steffey
Wise Branch Manager	Marsha Miller
Big Stone Gap Branch Manager	Dakota Mullins
Coeburn & St. Paul Branch Manager	Sydney Laney
Clintwood & Haysi Branch Manager	Kimberley Rose
Pennington Gap & Rose Hill Branch Manager	Audrey Evans
Gate City Branch Manager	Jonathan Burchett
Regional Technical Services Manager	Wesley Baugh
Regional Business Manager	Onedah Stanley
Regional Technology Coordinator	Jennifer Hall
Regional Administrative Assistant	Debbie Yates

Highlighted Pieces of Our Year



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Our Year by Numbers



197,298
ITEMS CHECKED OUT



195,594
VISITORS TO
LIBRARY

CARDHOLDERS

36,237
TOTAL



21,392
IN LIBRARY COMPUTER
SESSIONS

694,199
WEBSITE VIEWS



19,552
HOURS OPEN

REFERENCE
QUESTIONS
ANSWERED



21,020

MEETING
ROOMS
USED BY GROUPS



160



ITEMS IN COLLECTION

494,844



EVENTS & CLASSES: **2,225**

NUMBER OF ATTENDEES: **57,105**



458,506

LIBRARY CATALOG VISITS



208

JOB ASSISTANCE ONLINE



22,069

LIBBY CHECK OUT

Community Grants

FY2024-2025

RAPHA Foundation	\$30,000
Slemp Foundation	\$50,000
LPRL Friends Corp	\$800
Phipps Foundation	\$4,000
Gibbs Grant	\$7,000
Dutton Jones Foundation	\$1,000
Teddie's Treasures	\$100
Malia Grant	\$500
Virginia Green Grant	\$500

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

INCOME	AMOUNT
Local Government Funds	\$1,646,521
Contributed Services	\$82,114
Library Branch Income	\$57,366
State Aid Funds	\$650,481
Interest	\$83,591
Gifts & Donations	\$89,349
E-Rate Reimbursement	\$44,172
Miscellaneous	\$11,686
Grants	\$93,900
TOTAL INCOME	\$2,759,180

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

EXPENSES	AMOUNT
Salaries	\$1,279,636
Employee Benefits	\$386,443
Building Maintenance & Utilities	\$613,240
Library Materials	\$179,238
Internet Connectivity	\$54,556
Shelving, Furniture & Equipment	\$82,585
Equipment Maintenance	\$123,768
Postage & Supplies	\$51,011
Auto & Travel Expense	\$8,251
Grant Expense	\$37,231
Programming	\$64,511
Miscellaneous	\$18,565
Insurance & Contracted Service	\$69,076
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,968,111

RESTRICTED FUNDS & ENDOWMENTS

Howard & Hattie Cummings Endowment Fund (C. Bascom Slemm Memorial Library)	\$82,123
Luther F. Addington & Lou Emma Addington Memorial Funds (Wise County Public Library)	\$66,410
Wise County Public Library Improvement Fund	\$13,781
CBS Phillips Endowment	\$987,374
Lee County Public Library Improvement Fund	\$386
Regional Van Replacement Fund	\$46,638
Coeburn Community Library Improvement Fund	\$1,756
Regional Compensated Absence Fund	\$29,744
J. Fred Matthews Improvement Fund	\$22,299
CBS Improvement Fund	\$640
Haysi Community Library Improvement Fund	\$40
Total	\$1,251,190

WISE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY



124 Library Road SW Wise, VA 24293

PHONE: (276) 328-8061

EMAIL: wcplib@lprlibrary.org

Public Service Hours per Week	49.50
Square Footage	25,274
Visitors	35,552
Public Computer Workstations	12
Public Computer Sessions	5,338
Number of Children's/Teen Programs	274
Number of Adult Programs	92
Program Attendance	17,134
Items Checked Out	42,680
Items Added	2,655

C. BASCOM SLEMP MEMORIAL LIBRARY



1 Proctor Street N Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

PHONE: (276) 523-1334

EMAIL: cbslib@lprlibrary.org

Public Service Hours per Week	46.50
Square Footage	10,081
Visitors	35,490
Public Computer Workstations	13
Public Computer Sessions	5,677
Number of Children's/Teen Programs	217
Number of Adult Programs	31
Program Attendance	5,747
Items Checked Out	20,458
Items Added	1,160

COEBURN COMMUNITY LIBRARY



111 Third Street Coeburn, VA 24230

PHONE: (276) 395-6152

EMAIL: ccllib@lprlibrary.org

Public Service Hours per Week	38
Square Footage	8,760
Visitors	17,214
Public Computer Workstations	7
Public Computer Sessions	1,423
Number of Children's/Teen Programs	195
Number of Adult Programs	59
Program Attendance	2,923
Items Checked Out	16,582
Items Added	1,055

J. FRED MATTHEWS MEMORIAL LIBRARY



16552 Wise Street St. Paul, VA 24283

PHONE: (276) 762-9702

EMAIL: spplib@lprlibrary.org

Public Service Hours per Week	34
Square Footage	5,212
Visitors	20,330
Public Computer Workstations	6
Public Computer Sessions	1,054
Number of Children's/Teen Programs	134
Number of Adult Programs	49
Program Attendance	2,453
Items Checked Out	11,151
Items Added	974

JONNIE B. DEEL MEMORIAL LIBRARY



198 Chase Street Clintwood, VA 24228
PHONE: (276) 926-6617
EMAIL: jbdlib@lprlibrary.org

Public Service Hours per Week	46.50
Square Footage	11,039
Visitors	22,446
Public Computer Workstations	10
Public Computer Sessions	1,725
Number of Children's/Teen Programs	228
Number of Adult Programs	124
Program Attendance	6,894
Items Checked Out	22,652
Items Added	1,856

HAYSI COMMUNITY LIBRARY



157 O'Quinn Street Haysi, VA 24219

PHONE: (276) 865-4851

EMAIL: hpplib@lprlibrary.org

Public Service Hours per Week	46.50
Square Footage	3,200
Visitors	14,238
Public Computer Workstations	6
Public Computer Sessions	763
Number of Children's/Teen Programs	204
Number of Adult Programs	85
Program Attendance	5,359
Items Checked Out	11,985
Items Added	1,155

LEE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY



539 Joslyn Avenue Pennington Gap, VA 24277
PHONE: (276) 546-1141
EMAIL: lcplib@lprlibrary.org

Public Service Hours per Week	46.50
Square Footage	9,981
Visitors	22,783
Public Computer Workstations	10
Public Computer Sessions	2,470
Number of Children's/Teen Programs	138
Number of Adult Programs	36
Program Attendance	5,139
Items Checked Out	20,174
Items Added	1,089

ROSE HILL COMMUNITY LIBRARY



6463 Dr. Thomas Walker Road Rose Hill, VA 24281

PHONE: (276) 445-5329

EMAIL: rhplib@lprlibrary.org

Public Service Hours per Week	16
Square Footage	1,700
Visitors	1,510
Public Computer Workstations	9
Public Computer Sessions	1,410
Items Checked Out	5,994
Items Added	237

SCOTT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY



297 West Jackson Street Gate City, VA 24251

PHONE: (276) 386-3302

EMAIL: scplib@lprlibrary.org

Public Service Hours per Week	49.50
Square Footage	7,502
Visitors	26,031
Public Computer Workstations	9
Public Computer Sessions	1,532*
Number of Children's/Teen Programs	237
Number of Adult Programs	121
Program Attendance	10,898
Items Checked Out	23,758
Items Added	1,753

*Technological issues affected usage statistics.

MAILBOX LIBRARY



124 Library Road SW Wise, VA 24293

PHONE: (276) 328-4806

EMAIL: mailboxlib@lprlibrary.org

Public Service Hours per Week	20
Total Items	23,250
Items Added	109
Items Checked Out	1,151
Interlibrary Loans Loaned To Other Libraries	412
Interlibrary Loans Borrowed From Other Libraries	24

Thank You for Your Years of Service!

Nancy, Hazel, and Sherry

