### Bucks County Free Library

# 2022 Inpact Report

"Without early exposure to the library, I'm convinced my daughter wouldn't have learned to read and listen as well as she did.

Libraries are an amazing thing – not just as a resource, but as a tradition."

– Nancy, Levittown branch user

## Collection















total digital items in cloudLibrary "As a single mom living on one income, it can be really tough financially...

#### Libraries allow our family to access books

without worrying about affording them."

–Emilee, Langhorne branch user

## Borrowing

## **2,228,976 items** borrowed in 2022:





## Library Use

724,560 visits to our 7 branches:



#### "Storytime was my lifeline

as I met other parents who wanted adult connection and early literacy exposure for their children. More than seven years later, these are still my closest friends in the area!"

-Amy, Perkasie branch user



## **New Users**

**12,037 people** got a new library card:



"The library is

### a one-stop shop for enriching your life."



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-Jenn, Levittown branch user

### **E-Library**



After e-book providers, the most popular e-library resources were:

- 1. Newsbank
- 2. ABCmouse
- 3. Ancestry

### Volunteers



"The availability of library resources saved me a ton of money and

#### made it possible to shift into something new,

without having to take on more student debt."

–Marc, Yardley-Makefield branch user

"I definitely think it's a good idea to volunteer.

## It gives you a sense of accomplishment.

The library was a place I felt surrounded by like-minded people because it's safe and accepting."

-Pigeon, Yardley-Makefield branch volunteer





### **Strategic Planning**

In 2022, the library engaged library users and other stakeholders to create a new strategic plan and refresh its mission, vision, and values. On-site surveys asked library users to rate library facilities, and a digital survey asked three guiding questions:

- If you could change one thing about the library, what would it be?
- How do you imagine the library will play a part in your future?
- Is there anything you would like the library to know?

Bucks County Free Library's board and staff members incorporated responses into a new mission, vision, values, and strategic plan, available at **buckslib.org/mission**.

### Finances



### **Coming Soon!**

Look for announcements about these 2023 initiatives:









Movie screenings & book clubs

Informative tech help sessions

A story walk garden at the Levittown branch

Interactive walls at the Bensalem & Quakertown branches

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#### Locations

Bensalem 3700 Hulmeville Road Bensalem, PA 19020

**Doylestown** 150 South Pine Street Doylestown, PA 18901

Langhorne 301 South Pine Street Langhorne, PA 19047

Levittown 7311 New Falls Road Levittown, PA 19055

Perkasie 491 Arthur Avenue Perkasie, PA 18944

**Quakertown** 401 West Mill Street Quakertown, PA 18951

Yardley-Makefield 1080 Edgewood Road Yardley, PA 19067

#### Leadership

#### **Library Board**

Constance Moore, President Anthony Bush, Vice President Richard Rogers, Treasurer Georgette Helbling, Board Trustee Amy Masgay, Board Trustee Kathleen Moeller-Peiffer, Board Trustee Brian Reimers, Board Trustee

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