

2022 Highlights

Thanks To Finger Lakes Library System

We loaned 2,482 items and received 2,398 items from FLLS member libraries.

Ongoing Outreach

Food Pantry Take and Make Kits, HeadStart and UPK classroom visits, SCCS Sandra Markle author visit, summer reading program, SCCS book distribution before summer break, AuroraFest Parade Float, Farmer's Market Table and Storywalks, 'The Hub', our monthly community newsletter.

What's New?

- Check out Sciencenter and Museum of the Earth day passes & STEAM backpacks
- Side steps were replaced and jail walls waterproofed
- Paint pulling, cabochon necklace and gyotaku workshops and 2nd Tiny Art Show
- Co-hosted Halloween Witchy Women event with United Ministry

Financial Good News

Book Lovers' Ball Sold Out! Received funding from the Bernard Carl and Shirley Rosen Library Fund, the Community Impact Fund of the Community Foundation of Tompkins County, and NY Statewide Community Re-grants. Additionally, we had a successful school ballot vote, received county funding, and received a NYS Construction Grant for a roof project.

Volunteer Thanks

Thank you to the Book Lovers' Ball, Plant and Book Sale Committees for their fundraising efforts, Linda Kabelac for Storytime assistance and to Alexis Boyce for producing "The Hub" Newsletter!

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2022 Annual Report



Aurora Free Library

Serving the community since 1899

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Hours

Monday & Friday 3 pm – 7 pm
Wednesday 10 am – 6 pm
Saturday 10 am – 2 pm

We look forward to seeing you at the Library.
Remember, we are a NO FINE Library!

Income, Expenses, & Library Statistics

2022

Income

Operating Funds \$88,630

Fundraising \$58,385

Grant Income \$21,415

Total Income* \$168,430

**72% of Total Income comes from School Taxes and the Book Lovers' Ball.*

Expenses

Administrative Expenses \$104,325

Service & Equipment \$19,676

Grant Expenses \$23,274

Total Expenses* \$147,275

**Primary expense comes from Salaries & Benefits, Books & Digital, Building & Utilities, and Computers & Polaris Service. Capital improvement funds were retained for a 2023 roof repair project.*

Library Statistics

- Visitors 5,078
- Registered Patrons 630
- Total Programs 148
- Total Program Attendance 3,593
- Additions to Holdings 678
- Total Cataloged Holdings 10,145

Circulation

- Adult Books 3,565
- Children's Books 6,360
- Other Items (DVDs, etc) 3,097
- eContent 1,685



Your Library Card Is Powerful!

Your card is good at all 33 libraries in the Finger Lakes Library System and it's free to borrow materials through the online catalog from any of the libraries and have them delivered to our library.

Can't find the book in our system? We may be able to get it from a library out of our system.

Download e-books and e-audiobooks with the Libby app.

Learn languages and research your family history.



More 2022 Highlights

Well-Received Children's Programs

Author and Illustrator Ethan Long, movie nights, the Bubbleman, Rev Theatre, Panloco Steel Drum Band, Tiny House Visit, LilySilly Puppets, Museum of the Earth Dinosaur Talk, Coding with 4-H, Peachtown and Preschool Storytimes, Take Your Child to the Library Day, Spooky Morgan Opera House, Yoga, Cupcake Wars, Tween Book Club, Horror in the Library, Take and Make Kits, Adopt-a-Stuffie and Christmas in Aurora.

Adult Programs

Southern Cayuga Book Club, Local authors Robert Mrazek and Elaine Meyers, Local History and Travel Talks, Richie and Rosie, Chuck Lamb and Peter Mack, Skaneateles String Quartet, Bones East, Shepherd's Play, and even a Mushroom Talk.

Ongoing Partnerships

Southern Cayuga Central School District, Hazard Library, Southern Cayuga Anne Frank Tree Project, Peachtown School, Aurora Preschool, King Ferry Food Pantry, Inns of Aurora, Cream at the Top, Create Kindness, Triad, United Ministry, Aurora Masonic Center, the Village of Aurora, and Wells College Golf Course.

Mission & Values

Our **mission** is to provide enrichment through literacy, community, and learning.

We **value** accuracy, transparency, accountability, confidentiality, approachability and quality.