



# **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

## **MEETING INFORMATION PACKET**

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**FULTON COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
JUNE 25, 2025 - 4:00 P.M.  
AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Public Comments
- III. Election of Board of Trustees Officers\*
- IV. Adoption of Agenda\* Doc. #25-26
- V. Approval of Minutes - May 28, 2025\* Doc. #25-25
- VI. Chairman's Report
- VII. Work Orders Report - Paul Kaplan
- VIII. Director's Reports Doc. #25-29
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  - C. Rental Policy - Discussion
- X. New Business
  - A.
- XI. Adjournment

\*Action is anticipated on this item

**Doc. #25-25**



**FULTON COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**MAY 28, 2025 - 4:00 P.M.**



Members Present: Bolster, Paul  
Denson, Damian J  
Jordan, Linda - (via Zoom)  
Joyner, D. Chip  
Kaplan, Paul  
Radakovich, Nina - Chair  
Rice, Beverly - Vice Chair

Members Absent: Piontek, Joe

Also In Attendance: Holloman, Gayle H. - Executive Director  
Clary, Audrey - Assistant to the Director's Office  
Claxton, Zenobia - Assistant to the Director's Office  
Hall, Hirshel - Assistant County Attorney

Guests: Dreiling, Erin - Library Foundation Executive Director

Webinar Attendees: 0

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Board Chair Nina Radakovich called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

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**CALL TO ORDER**

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Good afternoon, this is the Fulton County Library System Board of Trustees meeting. My name is Nina Radakovich, I'm the Chair. At this time, I'm going to call this meeting to order. Are there any public comments?

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** I got lost in the maze.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**MRS. ZENOBIA CLAXTON:** We do not have any public comments.

**25-21 ADOPTION OF AGENDA****MOTION**

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** You're right on time, Mr. Bolster. All right, first, we need to adopt the agenda. But there's a slight change in it. I'd like to propose, we have with us, Erin Dreiling, Executive Director of the Library Foundation, and she's going to give us a brief update. What I would like is to put her after the Chairman's report if that's all right. Do I hear a motion to adopt the agenda with that change?

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** So moved.

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** Second.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** Second.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** All in favor?

**TRUSTEES:** Aye.

**25-20 APPROVAL OF MINUTES - APRIL 23, 2025****MOTION**

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Thank you. Okay, we'll put Ms. Dreiling there after Chairman's report. There are no public comments. Next thing would be approval of the minutes of last month. That would be April 23<sup>rd</sup>, have you had a chance to look over those minutes? Do I hear a motion?

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** Motion to approve the minutes, April 23, 2025.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** I second.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Thank you. All in favor?

**TRUSTEES:** Aye.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** All right, minutes are approved. Thank you. Madam Director, are you ready for your report? Oh, I'm sorry, my report. I don't have a report. Well, I do have a report. We talked briefly last month about efforts to save money for libraries that have been taken from, money wise. The ALA has a website devoted to advocacy. I just wanted to tell you that they had a campaign to get people to write to their Congressman and Senators, and they got a really good result from it. I just wanted to point out, and you could go to ALA and put in advocacy, and it will tell you how to take advantage of the resources they have. But they had an all-out effort to get money back for the libraries that had been taken away. They ended up with 25,000 emails sent and phone calls made, and they also had a lot of social media posting and so on. So I just want to encourage you all to look at the ALA website. It's not political, they're 501(c)(3), and they know, you know, to stay away from any partisan or

political lobbying. But this is about budgets for libraries. They make it very easy. They have this thing online, you just click on buttons, and they dial the phone for you for your Representative. Then you can leave a voicemail, or sometimes they'll answer, and it's very easy. They also have a template of a letter to send to your Representatives, and it summarizes the information and gives you more information if you want to customize it in certain ways. So that, that is something I think we can do, we can all do about the budget issues that are arising. So that was my report.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Just a comment.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Yes.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** I went -- I guess our Foundation has an alert and I sent an email -- a letter to Senator Warnock and got a very detailed letter back from him. I was sort of impressed with it, maybe a week or so, that actually detailed that showed he -- talking about.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** I got a similar letter. He did, and he had researched it already. This is something that's gone on for a few years, asking for the budget not to be cut. It looks like it's been effective every year. This year, they were afraid it wouldn't be as effective. But the numbers of people who submitted calls and letters were great. It's good, you know, that somebody read it, and you know somebody read it if you got a letter referring to the subject matter that you were concerned about, it wasn't just a general -- statement.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** I think the House budget Bill that passed this last week zeroed out the amount for libraries and museums. There's no money in the House version of this Bill, so it'll depend on what the Senate does with the Bill.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Which is going to be an overhaul, right? I had heard it was going to be completely changed. They don't know how.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Well, I think on the House side, it was zero. So the House has now passed the Bill, and it's over to the Senate. So there's a lot of -- some resistance to the ideas that are in that Bill in the Senate. So they'll probably have a different version.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** So, there may be an opportunity for all of us to use this. I think Erin can tell us about hers. So, I got Gayle mixed up with me here in the agenda. So I'm sorry for that Gayle, but --

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** That's okay, sometimes I want to be a retired Judge.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** It's not bad most days. Okay, so I was -- I was thinking you might want to stay for Gayle's report, so you can either go ahead, or we'll let Paul in.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Oh, Mr. Kaplan can go ahead.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Are you ready, Paul?

### **WORK ORDERS REPORT**

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Oh, sure. Okay, this is the work orders for the month of -- through the end to the month of April. We had over 214 work orders, which is quite a bit. However, what I'm glad to say is that out of 214 over 84 percent was completed. So we had 214 work orders, and 178 of them were completed, which is pretty, very high, and it's good to hear. I don't know of anything major unless nobody called me, and I don't know anything about it. But I haven't heard anything major at all. I tell you, most of the HVAC, the majority is from Central



Library. It seems like every month there's something at Central Library that has to be done, repaired, fixed. It's just, it's the nature of this system, and all the rest of them are sporadic throughout the entire system. But so just give you an idea of where we are. But things are getting done, and I don't know of anything else. Really, there's nothing at this point. We're going along. So far, we don't have any problem with air conditioning because we didn't need any air conditioning. But we'll wait and see when hot weather comes, we'll see where we are. We'll end up using spot coolers someplace, always happens. So we'll find that out pretty soon. But right now, we're in pretty good shape.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Good. Well, we've had a few situations here with Central being too cold over the last few days. It was like a meat locker in here yesterday, and today has been much better. But the boiler had a problem, and so that boiler is quite interesting some days. I didn't know it'd be quite as cold as it got on a day almost in June, but it was. But they have straightened it out or the most part today.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Yes, and I think in some cases, after talking to a few people and also talking to Mr. Collins, you know, some of these things, we couldn't replace it if we didn't have enough budget to replace some of these boilers and things that are, that are having problems with. There wasn't -- not enough money. So, we decided to go along, we go ahead and do the repairs as they come along. So that sometimes some of the reasons some of these things fail.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Right.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** It's quite a bit of money for all this, majority of it.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Right, takes a lot.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** The thing with -- and also my feelings, my personal feeling, everything with the design built. So we had a contractor, and they would design and build it the way they are. They would then submit the submittals to us, and we either would approve it or not approve it. That, sometimes that's a problem. Sometimes I feel that maybe we should have done all the mechanical systems ourselves, not ourselves, but dictate what we want, have the parts available for each one of these systems and have it here. Now, when something goes wrong, we're trying to stock parts wherever they stock it at for some specific boilers that are having problems. But if we had, through the program where all of the mechanical system was what we wanted in there, we, being the thing -- our DREAM team. I think it would have been the best -- better off. But we have what we have, we're living with it, we're doing the best we can. They do keep spare parts for some boilers that are kind of temperamental. But we march along with it, it's what we have to do.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Right.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** So -- and, you know, you hear, when I tell you there's over 200 work orders, 214 work orders that represents a lot of money. You realize there's labor involved, there's material involved in that. You know, if I had to come up with a budget of what it costs to keep all the system going, I'd probably be surprised, very surprised. I did, this is very much the beginning, I figured out what it costs to operate this building per year, just the mechanical

system, not talking about lights or anything. I told everybody, you're around \$88,000, is what I figured. No, it can't be. Yes, it is.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** It is.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** It is that much money.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** If we could all speak a little louder, I think the court reporter is having trouble.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Oh, okay. I will.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Thank you.

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** Paul, would the challenges with the boiler and the HVAC system now, what does that say for five years from now?

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** We're limping along, we're doing the same thing. You know, unless - unless the heat plate and something that splits where we have to replace it, other than that, we're just going to go along, do the repairs, replace the controls. You know, everything is digital controls. So you're not doing the repairs, you're actually replacing the computer, replacing the logic board, and that's all you can do. I mean, unless you do another bond referendum for another two or three \$100 million, and we pull all the boilers out, put all new equipment in there.

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** So the equipment can cost that much?

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Equipment is very expensive. I wouldn't tell you how much it is. I would have to figure out what each one is, all 34 libraries.

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** But, okay, so but just Central?

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Central is very expensive. I could certainly find out. I can talk to the right people, but it's -- it just costs a lot of money to run the building. You know, I'm not including electric or anything, I'm just talking about the environment, your plumbing, you know, you're heating, your fire protection, all that kind of -- but basically, the boiler. If it's too cold in here, nobody can work. It's too hot in here, nobody can work, so --

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** So when we look at budgets every year, do we need to start requesting padding for these things that are inevitable too?

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** I don't know how he figures, how the DREAM team figures out the budget for this. I think we figured -- I was throwing in an average of two to three hours per problems, labor problem, for labor, because, you know, the way, I figured, you never know what's going to happen. You don't know. So you know you best -- you do the best you can. I mean, it's 34 build -- it's a lot of buildings. I think the Fulton County has about 235 buildings that they actually own, 34 is quite a bit of them right there. But they're working on it, we keep them going.

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** Okay. Thank you.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Any other questions for Mr. Kaplan? Okay, you can move on to the Executive Director's report.

## **25-24 DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

### **LIBRARY SERVICES AND TRENDS**

### **25-22 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

## **25-23 MONTHLY USAGE SUMMARY**

### **FCLS LOOK AHEAD EVENTS/PROGRAMS**

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Okay. Well, good evening, everyone. Good to see you, good to be here. We have quite a few things, and we've been extremely busy during this month of April, during the month of April. So I want to bring up again a few things before we get to the unfinished business. You should have by now, you didn't receive it maybe until today, but -- well, first of all, let's look at our financial reports and all that, see if you've got any questions. We are down to where we have little over \$19 million, good \$19 million to expend. So we're keeping up -- keeping track of all that. We're beginning to head into Summer Reading. With your assistance, and of course, with the great financial assistance of the Foundation, we're able to continue with Summer Reading and those traditional things that we've come to expect. Our monthly usage statistics are concerning. As you will note, the programming is still down. We are in the process of hiring Children's Librarians. They've been, over the last three weeks, doing interviews. In fact, today, all day today, interviews have been going on to fill various positions. We had someone we just hired, and they just quit. So we had someone we offered a job to the other day as a Children's Librarian, and she quit without ever coming on board. So these are the kinds of things that keep us between 30 and 34 vacancies, because they just keep going up and down. We've had several retirements, and then other people because of medical reasons to leave. So those things are affecting us. Those things usually start happening in the summer months because that's when people tend to make those types of decisions. So we are noting that our programming is down, and that we are conscious of that and working toward it. Our circulation statistics, April 2020 -- April 2025 over 2024, are slightly up by about 3,000 items. So, we know that we need to boost our circulation, and we've been talking and working with county leadership with the idea of requesting more funding for materials as well. You'll see a presentation, you probably saw the first presentation about that this past meeting last week, and we'll follow back up on it next week. We found that we have a problem with, in the sense of Hoopla, I guess it's a good problem to have. We're 17th in the nation of users of Hoopla. That's books and music and all sorts of audio tapes online. The problem with it, though, is we pay about \$2 a person for it to be used. Out of our 210,000 or so users, we have -- we're 17 percent high usage in the whole nation. The problem is that right now, we allow ten checkouts. We're recommending that we go to five with the Commissioners' approval, because we don't want to do something and take it away from public without their knowledge, without the Commissioners' knowledge. But it is getting to be problematic in the sense that we're going to run out of funding before this year is over if we -- in order to maintain Hoopla. In order to maintain it, our recommendation is that we drop it to five instead of ten Checkouts. The public won't like that, of course, but that may be what we'll have to do. So we brought that as part of the County Manager's discussion points last week. Then we were asked to come back at the next meeting, which is next week, next Wednesday, to answer a few questions that they had. So we'll be providing some up to date, some updates, rather, on that situation.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Is that said checkouts per year or something, or how --

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** No, it's at one -- each time you go, you could checkout ten. So now, we're recommending five, because it's getting so expensive to continue with allowing ten. We'll run out of money before the year is over, or we're asking for another 625,000 to continue with the ten, allowing ten checkouts. Then next year would be the same problem, though, so because it's moving at such a fast pace. So anyway, that's what we've taken before the Commission. Any questions on the financial aspects of it or monthly usage?

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Could I just make a little observation? This is, I don't know, it surprised me when I look at the circulation data that the libraries that are in the city tend to have much lower circulation than the libraries that are in the non-city of Atlanta areas. I'm just curious as to kind of why that is, or is it -- and wondered about why, if it's a smaller population that those libraries are providing services to, or is it -- is it some other factor involved in why our city of Atlanta libraries seem to be performing at a lower level than the ones in the county?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** That has been a question that we've wrestled with for a while. But part of it has to do with the fact that there are more people, we believe, in the north end of the county who are readers and users of libraries. The people in the lower -- in the southern area of the county tend to be more computer users. They don't necessarily have those -- that equipment in the homes, and so they come to the library for a lot of that. A lot of computer users in the north end of the county come when their printer breaks down at home or something like that. As far as readership goes, there have been concerns that we need to really look closer at the materials we purchase, because sometimes we make assumptions that what is going to be feasible for one neighborhood is going to be for another, and so you can't make those assumptions. So in our purchases, we have to think about who's going to read what author, who's going to want to read what children's book. They don't go -- they're not the same everywhere. It's just, that's just the truth, it's not the same. I remember when I was a Children's Librarian at the Cleveland Avenue Library, I would visit my schools, and I had this grand plan when I became a Children's Librarian, it's my first professional-level job. I was going to introduce the classics to these high school kids. I had it in my mind, oh, it's going to be so great, because I wanted to be at one time, a professor of literature. So I go over there with my grand plan, and they just looked at me like, who is this crazy woman? So I went back another time, it was in October, and I decided I still am going to introduce them to a classic. So I chose to read the Raven to them, and they were fascinated by it. I had these 6-foot tall guys sitting up in their seats, engrossed in that poem. So I said if they don't know but one poet, that's Edgar Allan Poe. So you can't make assumptions, is why I tell that story often. Because then they came into the library, and said, where is that Poe man's book? They, so now at least through their lives, they know one, one poet that was considered a classical poet. So I think sometimes we buy the same, we buy in bulk, and we distribute the books in bulk, and we say ten over here and ten over there. The ten over here may not move, because they're not the ten that the community really wants. So we've got to get more in tune with our communities. We've got to get out there and visit with NPU's and with parental groups and with PTAs and teens, and all that to see what they really want to read. We do happen to

know that there's some books that we put in certain libraries, we might as well just hand them out, because they're going to come back. But we know that because it happens. So we have to be -- and people want them, but then they don't stay on the shelves, because it's not our business that -- it's not our fault that it doesn't stay. People tend to want to keep them in their own collections. So that happens a lot with some of the more popular authors who are different ethnicities. So that's, that's been a problem for us. So there are a lot of things that go into that question.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Yes.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** But it's something that's an age-old question that we're dealing with. I think that we have a lot of great luck when we do One Book, One Read, when we do things like Book Talks in schools for kids or whatever age. When we go out and do book talks, I remember being in college, and I had a professor of English who loved to sit on the desk once a week and just read to us college kids from a piece of literature, and we loved it. So, people like to be read to. I think we did more of that if we go out and we pick books, and we -- we take them to the people. We don't necessarily expect them to come in, and then we'll build that readership. I think we'll have people doing what those kids did in school at Cleveland Avenue, where they come in searching for the novel that we read from or for the poem that we read. So that's, that's the approach that I've been trying to put together with our administrators and with our managers.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Appreciate that.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** You're welcome.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** That just was an observation, because you can see it in the data.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Right. Yes, data is showing it more and more.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Am I wrong in thinking that maybe the -- some of those libraries are in more populous areas? Obviously, they are in more areas where there may be more readership, I guess, but they may be in more populous areas too?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** I think that has a lot to do with it. I think it does. Yes, we have a lot of people who have moved to this area now. I'm from Atlanta. So, we have a lot of people who moved here from Boston and Seattle, places that really are where the readership is a lot different. They brought some of that with them, and they have moved north, though. So that, that tends to go with them.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Yes.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** It tends to be expressed. When we -- when I worked the desk at Northeast Spruill Oaks, when I was a Manager at Ocee Library and Head of Reference at Northeast Spruill Oaks, when I worked at the old Alpharetta Library, those were the people that came in, people who were here from somewhere else. The people from Boston, I mean, that area, everybody must have gone to some Ivy League school up in that area, because they love to come in and get the most current edition of whatever we got. So those things make a difference. It's kind of changing over in certain quadrants. But it's happening as people move south, as more and more people move in and realize that, yes, there's a lot to be offered in all over this area of Atlanta and all these other communities.

We've got 15 county -- 15 cities in the county. I think that we just have to do a better job of getting the word out. That's what we try to do at our Library Access, we feature as many books as we can, we do that on the Library Access of FGTV, we talk up those things. That's why it's important to have these author visits, because then we bring the writer to the people.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** In addition to that, I would like to add, when you look at the city of Atlanta, of course, you have a lot more libraries in Atlanta than you would say Sandy Springs, or you would say Dunwoody. Or, you know, Atlanta, we have libraries, you know, you have Adamsville/Collier Heights, then you have Washington Library, then you have Library on Cascade. So there are a lot more libraries in the city of Atlanta than you would have in other areas.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Any more questions?

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** I got a -- I have a question. So do we still checkout -- do they still checkout computers, the little laptop --

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Yes.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** -- computers?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Yes, we do.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** How many libraries, all libraries do that, or just --

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** No. At any -- it's just like a book. If you find it in the card catalog, you check it out.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Okay.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Over 800 of them.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** So if somebody had a computer and the library is closed, can they go to the parking lot and catch a signal?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** They can.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Is that every, every library?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Yes.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Do we advertise that at least, so they know they can come there?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** We don't really advertise it as such, as far as a big advertisement. But people tell people in the -- who visit the different branches that they have access to a certain point out in the parking lot. We do have people who use them, who use the parking lots just for that purpose.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** The circulation of these computers that we have, is it going well?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** It's been going well since we instituted over, what, nine, ten years ago?

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Yes.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Yes, very well.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** That's good to hear.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** It stays circulating all the time. They very rarely come back damaged or not working, very rarely does that happen. People really do appreciate it.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** That's great.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** You still have the hotspots too, right?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** No, we don't do hotspots. We can't do the hotspots --

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** Okay. You don't do that.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** -- that got to be -- that became very costly. We were paying 43, at one point, \$43,000 a month to keep those things going. It just became to cost prohibitive. We weren't able to do it. Look ahead for the events, please expect the next issue of the Library Access to come out. It should be out by tomorrow, we -- was the plan. I thought it was going to be today, but it talks about all the Summer Reading activities coming up. You know, Summer Reading Program last June 1 to August 1. As I said earlier, it's funded very much so by our Library Foundation. We're very pleased they were able to help us with these t-shirts that you all have received and all of us have received, and we're just very excited. It's a very exciting time of the year for us as library workers and also for the public. They really look forward to it. Any questions about anything other than what we've already talked about?

**TRUSTEES:** (No responses.)

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Moving to -- is it okay now to move to unfinished business?

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Yes, I do have a question about Summer Reading. Is there a list in Access of the times and places of those kickoffs?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Yes. Those that were submitted should be in there.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Okay.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** I did see some, I just didn't see all of them. I think all of them weren't listed last week. But I did see quite a few of them listed already.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Some don't get in in time for the issue to go to publication, because they have to -- you have to coordinate those dates as to when you're going to have, if you've got performers coming or whatever. Sometimes they don't get into the publication. But usually we put together a whole list of the ones that when the list has expanded. So you may see different ones coming in at different times with different dates.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** Okay, thank you.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Do -- this is a -- I'm probably taking too much time asking questions because I don't know much yet. Do we have kind of a regular liaison with the Atlanta Public School System and probably the Fulton County as well, to see how our libraries are supporting what they're doing or what they're doing is -- is enhanced by the libraries in the neighborhood?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Well, we have -- we have a committee of Youth Services Librarians who are tasked with going out to the various schools periodically, once a week, every two or three times a month, something like that. So they stay in touch with the schools that way, primarily APS. Fulton County Schools have been very reluctant to allow it. In fact, most systems have had problems allowing us in, because they have such tight schedules. They don't have time for us all the time. They can't bring the kids to us because they don't have the buses like they used to have, it's so costly. But we are able to go to different parent-teacher meetings and things like that -- I mean, parent-student meetings and teacher meetings. So that's helps a lot, staying in touch with the Teachers, staying in touch with the Media Specialists, the Head Media Specialists, that has been very helpful to us. As far as

APS goes, we have Class Pass, which allows the kids to use their ID card as their library card. So that boosts our circulation in very many ways. It even helps with our online offering such as Hoopla. But Fulton County Schools did not want to get in it because they want us to take Hoopla out so that they can determine that children -- they thought there was materials like movies and what have you that children shouldn't see or shouldn't have access to. We can't separate; we can't pick and choose what's in Hoopla. So they have decided they will not participate in the Class Card, the Class Pass. So and if they did, it would be a -- probably increase everything with Hoopla and our other online services. But we tried to get them at least twice over the last five years to enter into that with us so that the children would have that access. They also don't have to pay fines. They do have to pay for missing items if they lose them. But they do not have to pay fines if you got a Class Pass. So we do work with the schools, we try to work with the kids. We do all we can to entice them to be readers, and all that. But as I said, APS has been the main school system that has worked with us on that, and some of the private schools.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** So one other idea I had, I was -- my granddaughter graduated from Midtown, and so I got a chance to look at her yearbook at the graduation party. There's club, after club, after club listed in there, and all their pictures and things like that. It, what occurred to me was, in the summer, they don't have any club activities, whether it's the -- whether it's the robot club or the whatever club it might be, maybe if there was some outreach, those clubs could meet within our neighborhood libraries. That would be another way to get youth into the library in the summertime.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** That's a great idea. We also do already offer some clubs that are not necessarily tied specifically to schools. But for instance, the Alpharetta Library has for many, many years offered an astronomy club. They have chess clubs, the South Fulton Library has consistently offered a chess club. That is led by one of our fellows who works in IT, who discovered that we -- there was a need for it and interest in it. So we do have some clubs that the kids can take advantage of, but I will mention that to our Librarians about tying into those existing clubs that the schools have. I don't know what that would entail. That could be some kind of collaboration we'd have to schedule, but we can look into that, certainly.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Okay.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** I can attest to the fact that at Mays High School, they are very, very close with the Librarians at Cascade. I know it's Evelyn Lowery now, but you know, for us old folks, it's still Cascade Library. They actually had a Literature Fair, a Literary Fair. They have something called In These Lit Streets, where they really talk about, you know, and utilize the library, Literature Club or Literary Club. I do remember attending the Lit Fair, where the Librarians from Cascade came over. It was kind of like a camp, because everybody had a tent, and they had food under their tent, where the people could go to all the different tents, and you know, talk about, you know, what they're doing in the library, and this kind of thing. So I do know, at Mays High School, they have a very good Librarian, Ms. Smith, has a very close relationship with the Cascade Library.



**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** I wanted to bring to your attention, this month's Director's Report. Normally, what I do is I go through, they send me all the, everything they've done during the month. I pick and choose the ones that are, I feel, that really stand out in my mind, and I bring them and put them in this report. This time, you should have every library listed. It took a lot to get to this, and I hope I didn't miss anybody. But I wanted you to see this. So, if you'll pay attention when you have some time and read over it, I think you'll find it very interesting. It's all the libraries, and what they did in the -- just in the month of April. People may think that, well, that the readership is not what it is on this side of town, but there are other things they're doing. But the -- and that's what the community wants. So, you are going to see all kinds of programs listed here that are just amazing to me. I couldn't believe it, some other things here that they have going, the Chief Magistrate Judge going over to the Hapeville Library to talk about free legal information. There's the Asian American Journalists Association at the Buckhead Library; tax preparation at East Roswell. We've got the Alzheimer's Association at Northside partnering with us. The Atlanta Regional Commission partnering with the Palmetto Library. As you know, Atlanta Regional Commission primarily operates out of Downtown Atlanta. Library Dads, which a group of dads has decided reading is very important, and they meet regularly now at the Wolf Creek Library, and were featured recently on the Today Show, I believe it was, just last week or the week before. Fulton County Senior Services partnering with the Adamsville/Collier Heights Library. The Northwest Library Scotts Crossing, United Way's Learning Spaces are partnership; Ocee Library's Craft Programs and Senior Living Facility Events; the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library, partnering with the Japan/America Society of Georgia and the Consulate General of Japan of Atlanta. So that's keeping the traditions of the King Center as well, going forward. Ponce de Leon having volunteers with the Highland Music Studio; Sandy Springs, with 1400 students who attended an egg hunt as they went through with Easter. So just lots of things like that you're going to see. Hometown Heroes at the College Park Library; the Roswell Library had a Spring Carnival with over 200 participants. The East Point Library had a light breakfast with parents and Administrators at the Park Lane Elementary School. Helping Mamas, where they're giving away diapers to mothers and wipes for the babies at the Fairburn Library. The Cascade Library dealing with the Dementia Friends of Atlanta and the US Securities and Exchange Commission for Programs in April; just things that you wouldn't necessarily think that the library would be doing, but we're doing it. National Poetry Month was big all around, but particularly at the Metropolitan Library. Dogwood had a lot of programming that they're getting ready for. Summer Reading, we had here at Central Library, Tika Sumpter, who's an actress and a writer, featured her book, a children's book called I Got It From My Mama, and it was attended by well over 200 people. So there are lots of things that they're doing, and they may not fit the bill of traditional library services, but it's making a difference. One thing that was very much stood out at the Alpharetta Library is a quote here where it says: Thank you so much for accommodating me and my students. Today was the last to take the final, and if they couldn't take it today, I don't know what would have -- what they would have -- what we would have done. This was a GSU Professor at the Alpharetta campus who asked could

they use -- could she use our meeting room at Alpharetta, so they teach -- the children could take their final exam because the air had gone out and everything was a problem for them at the school. East Atlanta Library's Bilingual Story Time; Kirkwood's Dream Machine Innovation Lab, which is a part of AI that they're teaching the kids and staying on top of technology. We've got all kinds of Anime clubs and different drop-in clubs at the Southeast Atlanta Library, which is in the old Carver Homes community. We've got the Adult Resume Drafting Workshop at Washington Park, make and take at Adams Park. Staff at South Fulton have a four-week program on video game development. Mechanicsville has really embraced the Social Worker that we have here. They tell me that they're always calling on them to go out and meet with people who have actually scheduled a time for one of the social workers to come out and help them with all kinds of things, whether it's a place to stay that night, whether it's food, whether it's food stamps, whatever it might be, that's what they're doing. Then the Milton Library has this huge event. This is the second one, 650 patrons in one day attended their MALCon, and that's a big event. It's carnival-like atmosphere. It kind of reminds you of a Dragon Con type of an event. Then Money Smart for kids at Northeast Spruill Oaks. So, there's a lot of activity going along, and I just want you to be able to see that, that although there may be things that we think are important, the way we look at things, or that I look at things, there are lots of things they're doing that matter. I think it's very important to take note of that. So, I wanted to just -- I don't normally go through this much detail with the programming and all, but I really want you to be able to see that there's a lot going on, a lot of activity, a lot of involvement, and a lot of -- a lot of dedication. Any comments or questions on that?

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Does our Commissioners realize all the things that we do?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** I don't think they do.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Did you --

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** We've got to do a better job of making sure they do.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Did you ever send them something where they can sit there and read it, or they don't --

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** I should send them this.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** You should send over --

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Yes, you should.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Okay.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **CENTRAL LIBRARY - UPDATE**

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** I really should. I just thought about, since you said that. Yes, that's a lot, there's a lot that goes on every day. They're not just twiddling their thumbs. So I know I had somebody tell me years ago, when I first started working at the library, oh, you work at the library, you get to read books all day long. I'm like, oh, no, I wish I did. That's not what we do. We do a lot of things, and they do a lot of things. So, I just wanted to bring those things to your attention. Now, as we talk about Central Library, just yesterday, I was able to attend the better -- the Best Buy Teen Tech Center's first graduation of 10 students.

It was very, very nice, on the fifth -- on the fifth floor. It was just a nice event where they were able to have a little, sort of informal thank you and congratulations to the students who participated. It was just really wonderful. So that was a great activity. They have -- four of them received scholarships through the United Negro College Fund, where the advisors at the tech -- Teen Tech Center helped them to apply for those scholarships. They were \$10,000 scholarships for four students. So that has come out of their participation in the Best Buy Teen Tech Center. Some of you may not be aware, but we -- it took us five years to get that -- that sent -- that center. I heard about a grant. I mentioned it to Dr. Small, and she ran with it, and worked five years to get it in the makings. So now it has taken off. We started with two students, and now we're up to an average of 40. They come in every single day to learn what they can about sewing, all the different equipment that they have for uses online, all sorts of things they're learning to make online. They use the -- what's that machine that they use to make things?

**MRS. AUDREY CLARY:** Cricket?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Cricket machine, there's the other one.

**MRS. AUDREY CLARY:** 3D printer.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** 3D printer, 3D printers. They -- they're fascinated by all that, and they're learning. These are things they can put on a resume that, which was really what the advisors advised them to do when they help these kids to get these scholarships. So it's a really good thing. Then I wanted to also make you aware that here at Central, the -- soon we will have the different departments, five departments, I can't always keep them in my head, from Health and Human Services in the county, are moving on the seventh floor here at Central, and between mid-July and the end of July and mid-August is when they will be moving in. So we won't have as much dealings with them, they're fully operational on their own. We will just have information at the desk downstairs. So we're coordinating how that's going to flow, to letting people know. It's primarily their senior level staff, so it won't be just every staff member. There's not enough space for that. But it's going to be quite interesting to see how it flows and goes. But that's still in the works, so I just wanted to make sure you are aware of that.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** Will the library receive any funds from their leasing that part of the building?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** No, it's a county building, so, no. Wish we could.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Anything on the vacant space downstairs?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** We're still looking into that because it's going to cost --

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Still nobody's, nobody has --

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Nobody has come up with anything that they'd like to put there like a coffee shop. We'd like a coffee shop. But there has been some talk, there's so growth that we're having, and so we are thinking, we need some of that space. But we got to wait and see how much money Al Collins will be able to gather up, and finalize all these, once Peachtree is open. Hopefully, Peachtree will open by mid-June. So, we're very excited about how that project is going. So as soon as all that's kind of wrapped up and the

highlighted funds are remaining, then we can see what space might be available to us, because we're about to hire an archivist, is one thing that's going to happen. We're very excited about Central having its own archivist that will take us to another level of service, where we can provide genealogy classes and other things. We can showcase some of these other items that we have kind of hidden behind the scenes. The Margaret Mitchell collection, there's a lot more to it than people know. So there's just a lot more things that archivists will help us be able to do and acquire. So we do have one at Central, I mean, at Auburn, but that's for that very specific research library. So we feel that we need that to help the second-floor space, general, special collections. So got a lot going on. Any questions?

**TRUSTEES:** (No responses.)

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Thank you very much.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** You're welcome.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** That was very comprehensive. But we shouldn't worry about taking too much time with our conversations, because we are lucky to be here and to get to talk about libraries. We're just library lovers, and we need to admit that and appreciate the fact that we're involved is work, because it's so nice to see all that's going on. If you're ready, Erin.

#### **AFPL FOUNDATION UPDATE - ERIN DREILING**

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** Yes. Before I do my remarks, can I just offer a plug for the Library's website? You were going through all that awesome programming. As a user, if you go to the library's website, you can search the catalog, but you can also search events, and you can search by branch, but you can also just plug in. I know because I did this over the weekend, Summer Reading Kickoff, and they'll all pop up right there.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Yes, that's true.

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** So, you can search by branches and by topic and by demographic. It's really, really, really cool, the different ways you can slice and dice. I think when I searched over the weekend, there was like 150 events listed. So I think just as a testament to the list you just gave, but as a user, I love it. It's awesome.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** It's getting updated --

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** It's updated frequently, so --

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** -- this week. No, but it's getting updated again this week.

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** Oh, is it?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Yes.

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** Oh, okay, great.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** I forgot to say that.

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** But yes, if you're looking for the most, you know, up-to-date listing of Summer Reading Kickoffs, it's at -- it's awesome, so kudos to your team there. But so I'm here -- I know Michelle Taylor Willis has attended the last several, and as a Vice Chair of our Board, sort of our official liaison to the Board of Trustees meetings. But she had work called her away today, so I'm attending. But so just wanted to say thank you to those of you who came out and attended our tour of the Auburn Avenue Library, and thank you to Mrs.

Holloman's team for hosting us for that tour. That was a real treat for our donors and some of our partners and stakeholders. So thank you to those of you who came out for that. We're working on other ways for us, our Board and for the Board of Trustees to interact. I know, I think Michelle mentioned our year-end social, which is in December, December 12<sup>th</sup>, I think, at the last meeting. Obviously, the official invitation for that hasn't gone out, but -- and we're working on some other opportunities, maybe a book swap with Nina and Jeff Steely, who's our Board Chair, so stay tuned for those. But thank you very much for those of you who came out, it was really a pleasure to have you. Also, I think you were talking earlier about library advocacy. So one of the things that we have officially launched is our Action Network, which is really just a tool to amplify advocacy tools that some of our partners may be doing. Our first email went out this week and it highlighted the ALA tool that you mentioned, so for folks to contact the elected official about the budget for next year for IMLS. So that's a great tool that's out there. But one of the things that we heard a lot from our donors and stakeholders and folks that work with us is that there's so much clutter, I don't know what to do, right? So, this Action Network is our way of saying, like, here's something for you to do. You love your library, here's something for you to do today. So for the month of May, that was using the ALA tool. We also highlighted the Georgia Public Library Service and their year-end review that they put out for 2024 because it showcased the impact that libraries have on Georgia, and had really, really cool impact numbers in it. So if you haven't had a chance, you can go to AFPLF.org, go to advocacy, and sign up for the Action Network. It's just an email, an additional email in your inbox. But it's, again, a great way to engage folks who are library lovers, but who need a little bit of help figuring out what they can do to help their library. Then we'll have that list if we need it for other purposes too. So the -- you know, we're thrilled, Summer Reading, I think, has been talked about, is about to kick off. The Library Foundation is so excited to support that, Workforce Development Programs like Career Online High School. So there's so much exciting stuff going on at the library. As I mentioned that event searching made my heart feel really good to pull that up and see all the really cool programming that's happening over the next couple of months at the libraries. Also our MOU, or our partnership agreement, our little task force is back up and running. I want to say thank you to Beverly and Nina for their amazing input on that. So they've been helping with that along with a couple of our Board Members. I think we've got a really good draft. I don't know if either of you want to add anything, but that has gone to some stakeholders for review, and hopefully we'll be coming to you all for input in the near future. So anything that you would add? Okay. Do you have any questions about the Library Foundation or anything I can share help with, thoughts, feedback?

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** What kind of goal do you have for fundraising?

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** Goal do we have for fundraising?

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Yes.

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** That's a really good question. We, as a nonprofit organization, our budget is completely fundraising. So I think our budget this year is 547,000? I'd have to

double check that, but the majority of that is Foundation and individual donors. So yes, any specific about the number of donors or anything like that you're curious about?

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** So some of that is raised from Foundation, so you --

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** Yes. So two exciting recent gifts, just to give you examples, in case it's helpful, we did a collaborative grant application with the DeKalb Library Foundation and the Gwinnett Library Foundation, because we all are funding Summer Reading. So, we did a collaborative grant application to the Sartain Lanier Family Foundation. We each received \$15,000 that will go towards Summer Reading. So that's part of the funds we'll be using to help support Summer Reading Programming T-shirts incentives this year. So that's just an example of one recent grant. We also received a grant from Dollar General Foundation that'll be going towards general literacy programming, say, some programming here at Central and then workforce development. So programs like Career Online High School. So those are just two recent grants that we received to support library programs. Yes. But if you ever have specific questions, I am super happy to talk and our audits and 990s are posted on our website for transparency too.

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** Erin, can you share with Paul, as a newer member of the Board, kind of how well you are doing compared to previous years, the trajectory of the Foundation, and then perhaps share, kind of how the Board, the Foundation, been working together over the last few years versus previous years?

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** Oh, that's a good question. Well, I think we have some folks with more historical perspectives. I'm fairly new to the organization. I think there have been full-time -- like, there's definitely been part-time staff members, and there have been occasionally full-time staff members. But I think I'm the, like, first like, full-time staff; is that correct?

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Definitely, yes.

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** So, I've been with the organization for a little over a year. I think our Board is amazing; I'm a little biased, of course. But the Library Foundations Board is folks from different sectors, North Fulton, South Fulton, all sorts of different voices at the table. They're all really passionate about libraries. So I think that's one of the strengths of our organization, and part of why I came to work here was the strength of the Board. Then obviously, I love libraries as well. I sort of grew up around in libraries. So the mission is very near and dear to me. But the organization has grown pretty substantially over the last couple years to the point where the organization was like, we need a staff member to help push this to the next level and evolve. So, with that comes a few growing pains, but -- but yes, I think I'm excited about our trajectory. We completed a strategic plan last fall that our Board approved in December. So items like the Action Network were included there. At the end of that strategic plan -- I'm going get the number wrong, but the hope is, I think it's 1.4 million to the library at the end of that five-year strategic plan. So, this year is sort of a foundational year for that strategic plan, but hopefully setting us up for future growth in the next couple of years. So does that answer your question? Was like a really, really quick elevator-speech version.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Tell me about the part of your effort that supports the speakers that we get. I think that some here to the Central Library, are there also kind of speakers that can go to district library -- I mean, branch libraries, or how does that work?

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** Yes, that's a good question. A lot of the speakers we support are here. But different branches do have, say, restricted funds. So some of the Friends Groups raise restricted funds that we help administer, or folks may have given us a, you know, money for a specific branch, or something like that. Most of our money is program specific, so things like One Book, One Read, which is here at Central. As part of Summer Reading, each branch does get, like, a little pot of money they can use for programming that's throughout the county. But you know, most of our programming, programming we support is system wide. Yes.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** I'd like to say, I'm a new member of the Foundation Board. I'm very happy to be on the Board. I would just like to share that the fact that all of us are here today, that we're all a part of the Advocacy Committee, so we should advocate for the library. Also, you know, in our different circles, you know, just ask people if they would like to donate, you know, somewhere in your conversations with them. I found -- I found that being on the Library Board is very exciting for me, and I love to share the fact that I'm on the Library Board and talk with people about going to the library for one thing, and the benefits of, you know, being a part, you know, of the library and the time that they spent in the library, and how much it means. So I just wanted to put that little plug in that, you know, we can all advocate, you know, for the library, and you know, the Library Board and the Foundation and helped raise money because we know that we need it.

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** Well, and our mission as part of that strategic plan, we boiled down to, I think it was, it was a long paragraph that it existed for some time, but it's: Advocate, Partner and Invest. That's really, we're a nonprofit organization that is here to advocate for the library, partner with, and help execute their vision, or help support their vision and then invest in the Library System. So we're a way for individuals, corporations, foundations, to invest in the library and support public dollars.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** Utilize it in numerous ways. But one of the things too, because the library have meeting spaces that you know, some of them are free. So if you know people who want to have a meeting, they can come to the library. But something else that we talked about is having fraternities and sororities to partner with the library, and you know, just adopt the library and those kind of things. So that's kind of like what I'm looking and excited about. Chip.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** That's wonderful.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Well, there are a lot of organizations that have service projects.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** Yes.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** So, we're asking if they could adopt a library as one of their service projects. They don't have to stay ten years doing this --

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** No.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** -- if they don't want to. But maybe they do it for a year. This is their service project at this particular library, because we do have about 14 libraries that currently do not have Friends Groups, so that could be one way of getting that kind of assistance.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Great ideas. Thank you, Beverly, for reminding us.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** Thank you, Nina.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** That's why we're here. Anything else? Anymore questions for Erin?

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** Just again, if you have questions, you want to talk, learn more, or offer ideas or input, I am always happy to do coffee or lunch, as is Michelle.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Was that right about the zero number in the -- in the House Bill.

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** Yes.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Okay.

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** Yes, it was zero. IMLS is zero for --. So, it's part of why we picked it for the thing to feature this month.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** So if you're going to advocate its focus on our two Senators to get them to produce something for us.

**MS. ERIN DREILING:** The ALA tool is really neat, again, a plug. If you go to it, you can actually see, you can search yourself and your elected officials, and you can see how they voted in the past too. So it does have some automatic text, but you can also modify it based on that. So I thought that was kind of a cool -- oftentimes, it'll be just a button to hit, but this was like you could see, see the history of how they voted, so you can modify your message, which I thought was really neat.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** The specific issue that they were pushing this week was appropriator letters for the Appropriations Committee, the people who are members of that committee, they call them appropriator letters. They have one of those that you can fill in the blank, and they have a record showing if your Senators voted for that or if they signed the appropriator letter. The last three years, you can see what they did. They all signed it, but some of them had not signed it this year, and it was the last minute this past week. Then they said they got a rush of signatures in the very last minute. So the effort that they put forth, the ALA really paid off. They have a big audience. Well, let's see. The only thing we have left, tell me if I'm wrong, is the new business, the nominations of officers.

### **RENTAL POLICY - DISCUSSION**

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** The rental policy. I still don't have anything to report on the rental policy agreement with the county.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** That's too bad. It would be nice to have a coffee shop.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Oh, it would be wonderful to have a coffee shop.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** I don't even drink coffee.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Hopefully, they'd have other things like tea or whatever. We're still trying to get --

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Yes.



**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** I was just in a wonderful coffee shop at Grant Park, sort of a brand new, it's called the Grant Park Coffee Shop, and it's got a lot of space in it. It's a new African American operator. Be interesting to contact her, see if she wanted to have a branch down here, since she obviously knows how to run a coffee shop.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Okay. Well, you know, I can't do it, but you can. Put in a call for us, Mr. Bolster.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Pardon?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Put in a call for us.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** Okay.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **NOMINATIONS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OFFICERS**

### **MOTION**

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Okay. As far as the last item, I believe it was two months ago, we had our last vote. Beverly for Vice Chair, and myself for Chair, and our -- just to keep it clean with the bylaws, we voted so that she and I would be in office until the June meeting, because the bylaws say that the officer should be elected in June, and that way you're not making the term go into the middle of the year and not at a normal time. So do I hear a nomination for Vice Chair? We'll -- we can do the nominations today and vote next month so that you know who you have to vote for. So does anybody have -- yes?

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** I nominate Beverly.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Good. Thank you very much.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** Thank you.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Okay. So we'll take a vote on that. All in favor of Beverly as a candidate for Vice Chair.

**TRUSTEES:** Aye.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** I think the motion carries. Okay. I'll --

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** Can we just vote for a slate? That there's no change, for a slate?

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Yes, we could do it as a slate.

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** I'll make a motion that we vote for slate of the existing officers for a new term?

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Okay.

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** I'll second that.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** All in favor?

**TRUSTEES:** Aye.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Okay. We have a slate with current officers carrying over to next month. We will have elections then, an election then, which won't be too exciting, but --

**MR. PAUL KAPLAN:** Hopefully.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** That's all we need.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** I know. You might have to give a speech, Nina.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** I'm having a hard enough time just with the minimum here. Oh, and our Director has one more thing.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** In my long diatribe of all the things I talked about earlier, about what's going on the library I failed to talk about the Auburn Avenue Research Library has a wonderful exhibit about Phil Freelon, he's now deceased about three years ago. But he was a wonderful African-American Architect that set all sorts of trends in that field. He actually was a designer of the Auburn Avenue Research Library as we know it, and the National Civil Rights Museum, which is here in Atlanta. So if you get a chance to go and see that exhibit, it's very well done, extremely professionally done. He actually went to school with Al Collins, who himself is also an architect. He knew Phil Freelon very well. They were architects in Chicago. So if you get a chance to go by and see it, it's a beautiful exhibit, it really is.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** There's also a bulletin board exhibit of Annie McPheeters, the one who is pictured on the library cards. It's got old photos and just letters, signed documents. It's very nice. Gives you goose bumps. It's right around the corner from the other one. Those photographs are beautiful, and drawings just --

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** I must say that I lingered at the front desk with the new person that does research there, who she said she came from the Georgia State Library Archives. So, she is going to help me with some research I'm doing.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Good, good, great.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** My next little writing project is to write about race and the founding of the Atlanta Public School System, which is --

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** That'll be interesting.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** It is an interesting story, it has its downs and its ups in it. But I need to do a little more digging at the archives down there.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** I think I want to share two things. One thing, I got a chance to meet the President of the American Library Association. She was here, so I got a chance to meet her. That was very exciting. The other thing is the volunteer reception that they had; it was so amazing. That was my first time attending, and it was really nice. They gave the most awesome gifts. I mean --

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Oh, yes.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** It was like season passes to the Aquarium and, you know, dinners and \$100 gift cards. I volunteered, but I didn't get a chance to get a little ticket. But practically everybody, everybody there, got something, and they got the most awesome gifts. So you want a nice gift around, what, April, go do some volunteering at the library. I mean, it was so many -- and it was like, pull a ticket. So it was -- their gifts were so nice. I was, like, really impressed.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** I think this was the first year we were able to give away so many.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** Oh, they gave away a lot. Movie theater tickets, Fox Theater tickets, it was just everything, everything you can imagine.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Plan for next year.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** Yes.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Put it on your calendar.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** It was nice. I won't miss another one. This time, I'm getting a ticket.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** I was sorry I missed the grand opening of the Cleveland Avenue Library.

**MS. BEVERLY RICE:** I missed that one too.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** I dropped my calendar, and then a whole bunch of family stuff, kind of --

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** Got in the way.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** -- pushed it aside. So, anyway.

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Well, we've Peachtree coming up. It's the last one of the renovated projects. ML King and Peachtree were put last because they're leased facilities. But ML King, of course, we opened about two months ago, reopened about two months ago, and now Peachtree is almost there, it's almost ready.

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** It's a long-term lease is what we have there?

**MRS. GAYLE H. HOLLOMAN:** Oh, yes, that's definitely a long-term lease, it's almost into perpetuity. It's a very long lease there.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

### **MOTION**

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Well, if there's no, nothing further, do I hear a motion to adjourn?

**MR. PAUL BOLSTER:** So, moved.

**MR. D. CHIP JOYNER:** Second.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Second, thank you. All in favor?

**TRUSTEES:** Aye.

**CHAIR NINA RADAKOVICH:** Thank you. This meeting is adjourned.

**(Whereupon, the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees concluded at 5:06 p.m.)**

**May 2025**

**Announcement**

The Cleveland Avenue Library reopened for full operations on Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. The branch was closed for 2.5 years for extensive renovations due to a fire.

**Observances**

- National Mental Health Month
- National Bike Month
- National Tennis month
- Cinco de Mayo
- Asian American/Pacific Islander Heritage Month
- Mother's Day
- National Pet Month
- National Barbecue Month
- Zombie Awareness Month
- Jewish American Heritage Month
- Free Comic Book Day
- Older Americans' Month
- National Gardening Month

**Special Happenings**

- *Roswell Reads' 20th Anniversary Celebration*, a literary highlight of the season. The event featured renowned international author Fredrik Backman alongside beloved local writer, Mary Kay Andrews. Branch staff joined in the festivities with a vibrant month-long display showcasing all 20 books that have been featured by Roswell Reads over the past two decades. Special thanks to the Friends of East Roswell Library for their generous support in making this celebration possible.
- May marked the 40th Anniversary of the Friends of the Roswell Library. The library celebrated with a special event honoring four decades of dedicated support. Since its founding, the Friends group has been instrumental in promoting literacy, funding programs, and enhancing resources for the community. The celebration highlighted their lasting impact, featuring speeches, memories from longtime members, and recognition of their continued commitment to making the library a vibrant center for learning and connection.

## **Partnerships**

- Fulton Films held an Open Casting Call workshop with over 60 registered patrons. Attendees received a free headshot and presentation from industry experts.
- Staff at the East Point Library partnered with the city of East Point to host a 2-day Entrepreneurs Boot Camp. The workshop allowed attendees the opportunity to have a one-on-one session with a human resource professional about starting a business and best practices for a company.
- Staff at the Central Library partnered with Goodwill Industries to present a Job Fair (see attached flyer).

Staff visited schools and day care centers to spread the word about the 2025 Summer Reading Program. Adults, including visitors at senior centers, were made aware of the special programming planned during that time, which spans June 1<sup>st</sup> through August 1<sup>st</sup>.



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**FULTON COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM**  
**MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - TOTAL LIBRARY**

AS OF MAY 31, 2025

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SERVICE	2025 BUDGET	MAY	2025 YTD	2025 YTD	2025 YTD	YTD %	BUDGET
TYPE	ALLOCATION	ALLOCATION	EXPENDITURE	ENCUMBRANCES	YTD COMMITTED	COMMITTED	BALANCE
REG SALARY	15,884,775	1,736,836	7,093,507	-	7,093,507	45%	8,791,268
SALARIES-OVERTIME	5,000	-	-	-	-	0%	5,000
PART TIME SALARY	676,539	53,696	215,590	-	215,590	32%	460,949
BENEFITS	8,124,289	754,461	3,212,927	-	3,212,927	40%	4,911,362
BOOKS	3,195,007	150,558	1,121,278	1,223,428	2,344,706	73%	850,301
OFFICE EQUIP. REPAIR	61,057	4,369	26,365	37,962	64,327	105%	(3,270)
EQUIPMENT	145,561	68,009	93,133	3,474	96,607	66%	48,954
OFFICE FURNITURE	5,538	-	1,947	-	1,947	35%	3,592
PROFESSIONAL SERV	26,800	350	3,900	4,315	8,215	31%	18,585
COPIER MACHINE	176,000	23,191	88,144	-	88,144	50%	87,856
SUPPLIES	172,397	9,435	80,447	264	80,711	47%	91,686
COMPUTER HARDWARE	639,600	275,212	419,443	-	419,443	66%	220,157
RENT	293,224	17,375	130,678	155,819	286,497	98%	6,727
OTHER SERVICES	527,226	32,347	175,489	28,524	204,013	39%	323,214
TRAVEL/CONFERENCE	11,500	430	650	-	650	6%	10,850
HOPITALITY	44,643	58	7,774	-	7,774	17%	36,869
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	30,511	267	3,810	-	3,810	12%	26,701
GENERAL INSURANCE	622,596	51,883	259,415	-	259,415	42%	363,181
ARTS-CFS	750	-	-	-	-	0%	750
CONTINGENCY	278,630	-	-	-	-	0%	278,630
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30,921,643</b>	<b>3,178,478</b>	<b>12,934,498</b>	<b>1,453,787</b>	<b>14,388,284</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>16,533,359</b>

# FULTON COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

## MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - BY ORG TYPE

AS OF MAY 31, 2025

ORGANIZATION	SERVICE	2025 BUDGET	MAY	2025 YTD	2025 YTD	2025 YTD	2025 YTD	BUDGET
TYPE	DESCRIPTION	ALLOCATION	ALLOCATION	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBRANCES	COMMITTED	% COMMITTED	BALANCE
PUBLIC SERVICE	REG SALARY	12,066,585	1,277,753	5,195,490	-	5,195,490	43%	6,871,095
	SALARIES-OVERTIME	5,000	-	-	-	-	0%	5,000
	PART TIME SALARY	676,539	53,696	215,590	-	215,590	32%	460,949
	BENEFITS	6,193,664	564,760	2,403,131	-	2,403,131	39%	3,790,533
	BOOKS	2,289,218	112,298	256,490	1,223,428	1,479,918	65%	809,300
	OFFICE EQUIP. REPAIR	61,057	4,369	26,365	37,962	64,327	105%	(3,270)
	EQUIPMENT	105,795	67,939	87,816	3,474	91,290	86%	14,505
	OFFICE FURNITURE	3,106	-	1,295	-	1,295	42%	1,811
	PROFESSIONAL SERV	20,000	350	3,900	4,315	8,215	41%	11,785
	COPIER MACHINE	175,000	23,191	88,144	-	88,144	50%	86,856
	SUPPLIES	60,412	2,314	18,418	-	18,418	30%	41,994
	RENT	293,224	17,375	130,678	155,819	286,497	98%	6,727
	OTHER SERVICES	216,641	15,142	88,736	193	88,929	41%	127,712
	HOSPITALITY EXPENSE	25,252	58	1,931	-	1,931	8%	23,320
	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	2,000	-	-	-	-	0%	2,000
	GENERAL INSURANCE	404,826	33,736	168,678	-	168,678	42%	236,149
	ARTS-CFS	750	-	-	-	-	0%	750
<b>Total</b>		<b>22,599,069</b>	<b>2,172,979</b>	<b>8,686,662</b>	<b>1,425,192</b>	<b>10,111,854</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>12,487,215</b>



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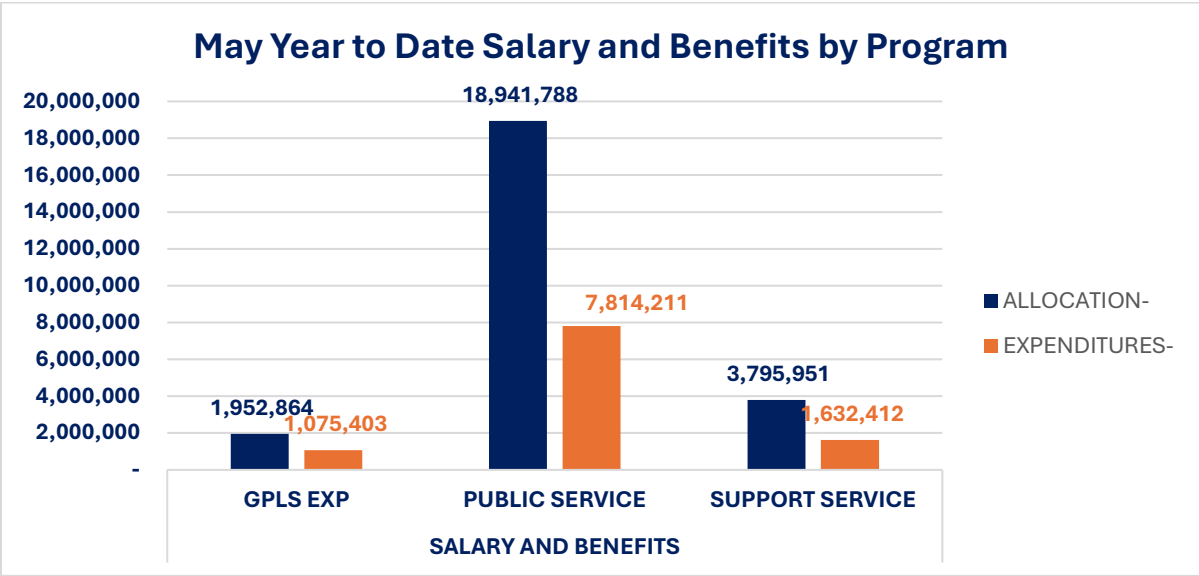
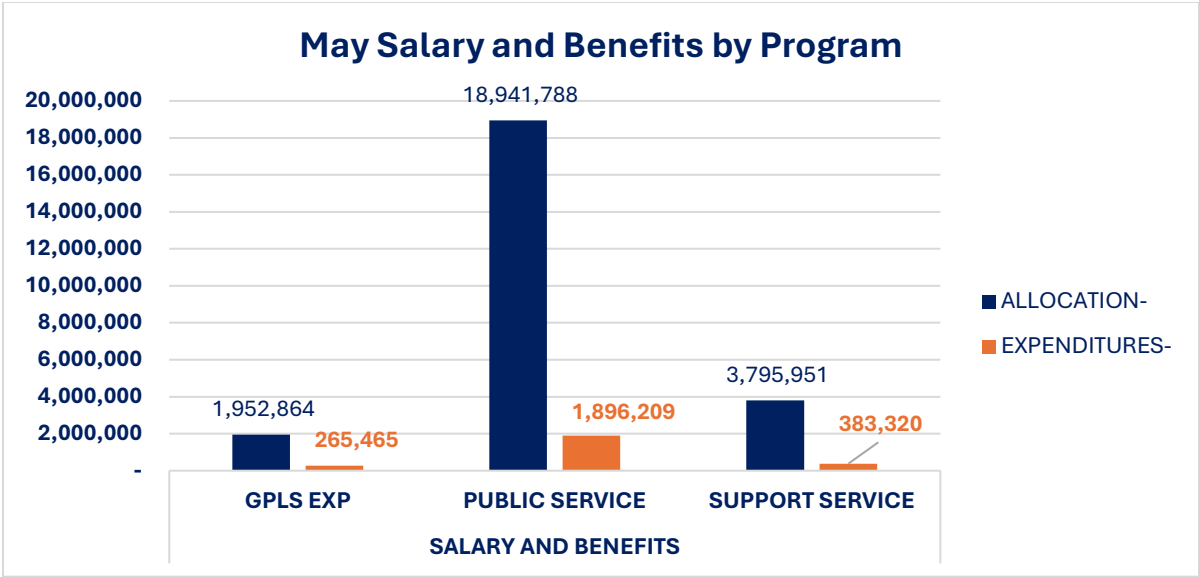
AS OF MAY 31, 2025

ORGANIZATION	SERVICE	2025 BUDGET	MAY	2025 YTD	2025 YTD	2025 YTD	2025 YTD	BUDGET
TYPE	DESCRIPTION	ALLOCATION	ALLOCATION	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBRANCES	COMMITTED	% COMMITTED	BALANCE
SUPPORT SERVICE	REG SALARY	2,503,605	267,130	1,124,907	-	1,124,907	45%	1,378,698
	BENEFITS	1,292,346	116,190	507,504	-	507,504	39%	784,842
	EQUIPMENT	39,766	70	5,317	-	5,317	13%	34,449
	OFFICE FURNITURE	2,432	-	651	-	651	27%	1,781
	PROFESSIONAL SERV	6,800	-	-	-	-	0%	6,800
	COPIER MACHINE	1,000	-	-	-	-	0%	1,000
	SUPPLIES	111,985	7,122	62,029	264	62,293	56%	49,692
	COMPUTER HARDWARE	639,600	275,212	419,443	-	419,443	66%	220,157
	OTHER SERVICES	310,585	17,205	86,753	28,331	115,084	37%	195,501
	TRAVEL/CONFERENCE	11,500	430	650	-	650	6%	10,850
	HOPITALITY	19,391	-	5,843	-	5,843	30%	13,548
	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	28,511	267	3,810	-	3,810	13%	24,701
	GENERAL INSURANCE	217,770	18,148	90,738	-	90,738	42%	127,033
	CONTINGENCY	278,630	-	-	-	-	0%	278,630
<b>Total</b>		<b>5,463,921</b>	<b>701,773</b>	<b>2,307,645</b>	<b>28,595</b>	<b>2,336,240</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>3,127,681</b>

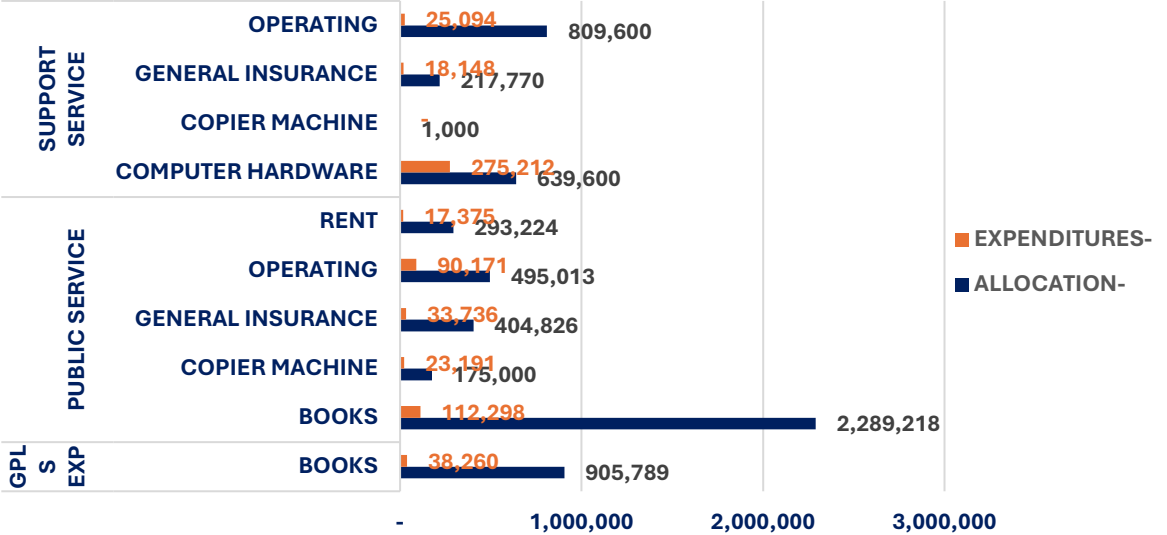
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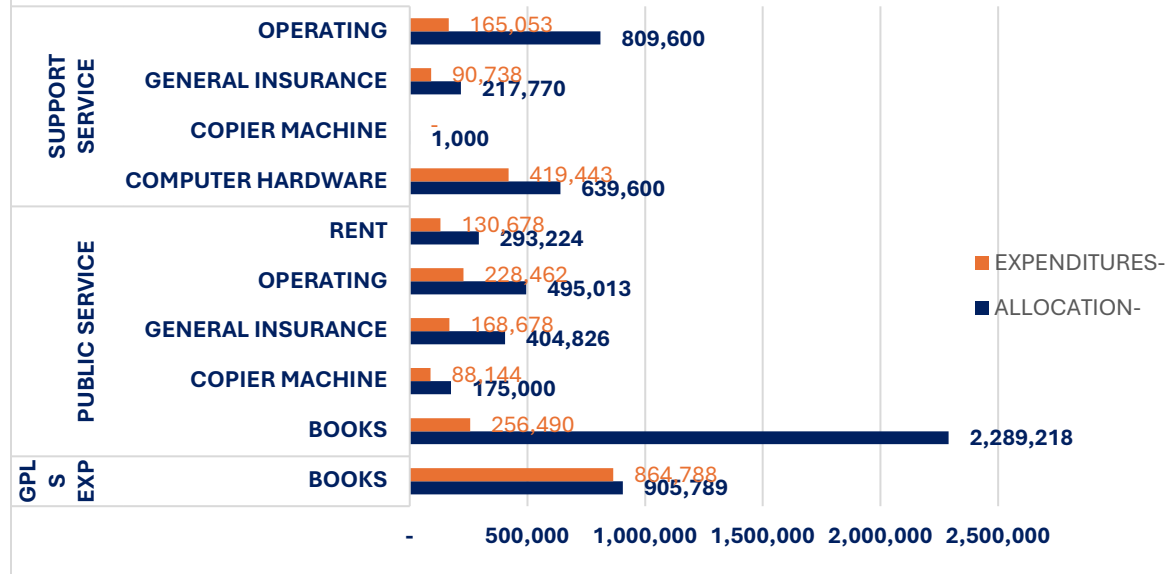
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TYPE	DESCRIPTION	ALLOCATION	ALLOCATION	EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBRANCES	COMMITTED	% COMMITTED	BALANCE
GPLS EXPENDITURES	REG SALARY	1,314,585	191,954	773,110	-	773,110	59%	541,475
	BENEFITS	638,279	73,511	302,292	-	302,292	47%	335,987
	BOOKS	905,789	38,260	864,788	-	864,788	95%	41,001
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,858,653</b>	<b>303,725</b>	<b>1,940,191</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,940,191</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>918,462</b>



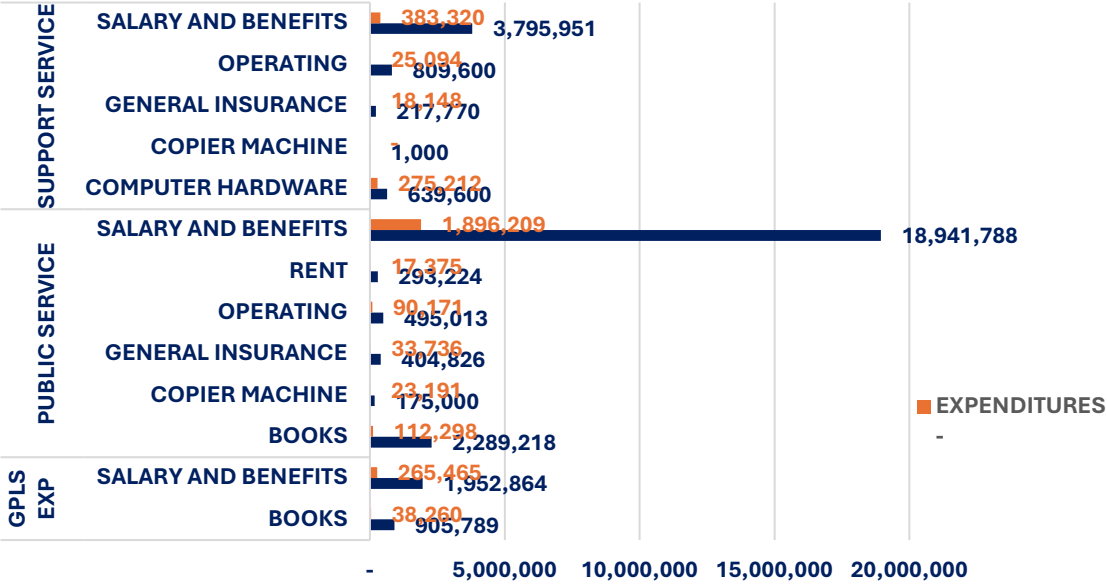
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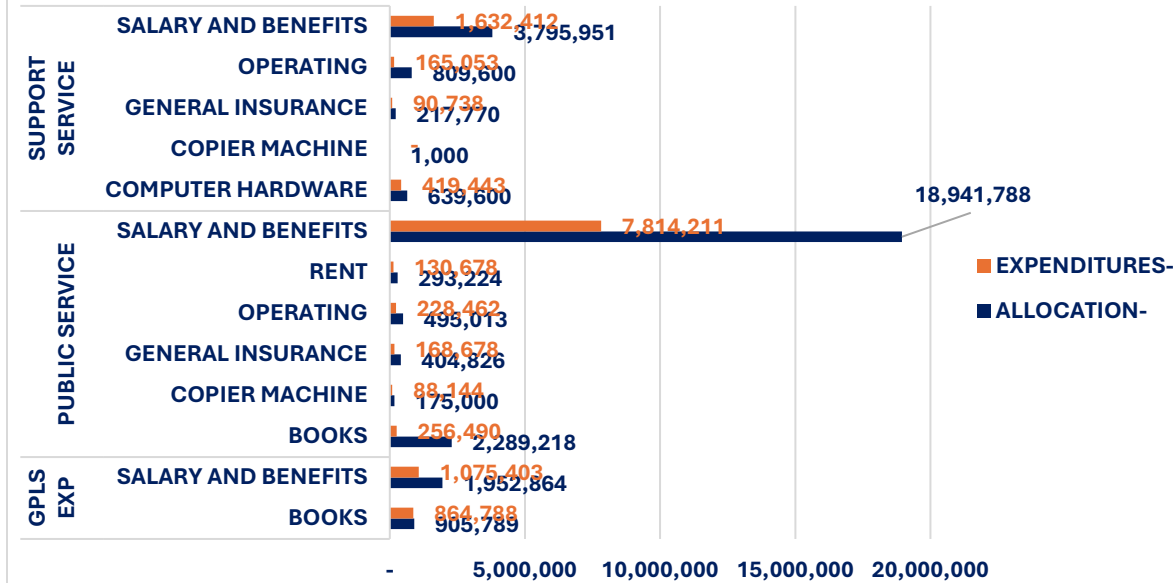
## Year to Date Expenses by Program



May Total Expenses By Program



## Grand Total Expenses By Program



## Monthly Usage Summary - May 2025

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Activity and Description	2025	YTD	2024	YTD	YTD % +/-
Circulation					
Total number of items checked out of the library	200748	926833	192991	938961	-1%
Holds					
Number of requests by patrons	51,140	231725	49972	238197	-3%
Visits					
Number of people entering a library for any reason	201465	907626	291416	1037963	-13%
Computer/Internet Usage					
Number of computer sessions (Internet access and office software)	75153	366429	69650	290008	26%
Number of hours of computer use	30,986	149679	27213	114688	31%
Web Page Visits					
Number of times people have visited the library's websites	1383582	6437244	1366897	6324260	2%
Web Visitors					
Number of people who visited the library's websites	219,588	1015987	233231	1052142	-3%
Virtual Circulation					
Number of materials downloaded or streamed	187905	919170	167936	823483	12%
Virtual Circulation Users					
Number of people who downloaded or streamed	39332	193644	33987	177429	9%
Children's programs					
Library sponsored programs offered for children (birth - 12)	245	1331	228	1484	-10%
Number of people attending programs	6788	33159	12158	40864	-19%
Teen Programs					
Library sponsored programs offered for teens (13 - 17)	69	357	91	463	-23%
Number of people attending programs	717	3642	1323	5404	-33%
Adult Programs					
Library sponsored programs offered for adults (18 + )	464	2386	296	1550	54%
Number of people attending programs	3957	30733	3570	17646	74%
Programs - Total					
Library sponsored programs offered (includes all-ages not counted)	927	4822	747	4311	12%
Number of people attending programs	19723	96149	18658	86554	11%
Meeting Rooms					
Non-library sponsored meetings or activities scheduled	515	2289	227	1621	41%
Number of people attending meetings or activities	5853	30494	3603	23933	27%



## May 2025 Executive Write Up

Peachtree library was closed to the public during the May reporting period.

## Fulton County Library System Circulation Stats - May 2025

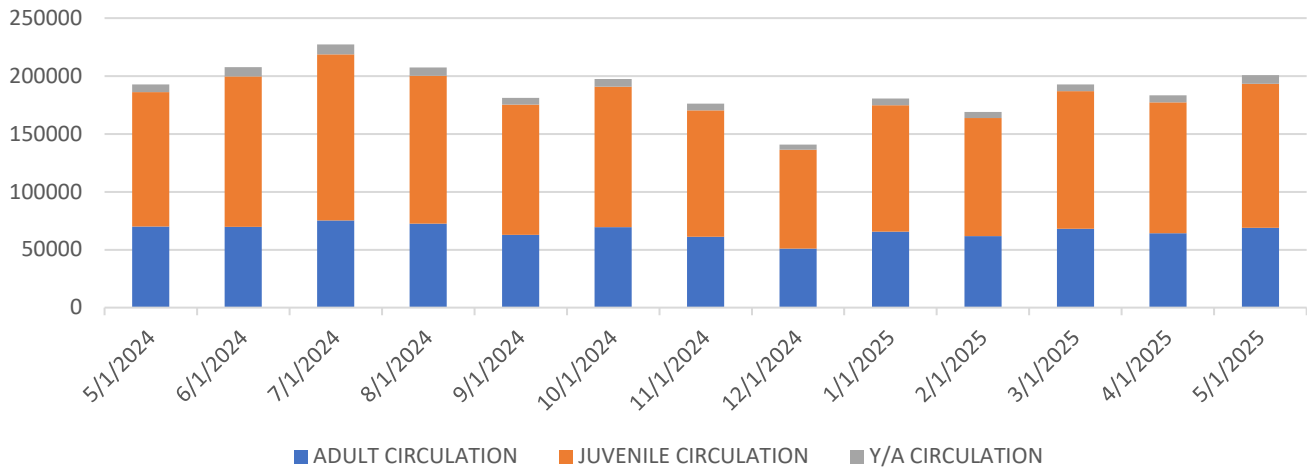
AGENCY NAME	ADULT	JUVENILE	Y/A	OTHER	Month- 2025 TOTAL	Month- 2024 TOTAL	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2025 CIRC	YTD 2024 CIRC	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
ADAMS PARK	440	462	55	0	957	1126	-169	-15.01%	4,585	5,095	-510	-10.01%
ADAMSVILLE/COLLIER HEIGHTS	502	509	50	0	1061	1648	-587	-35.62%	5,514	7,115	-1,601	-22.50%
ALPHARETTA	5821	14325	768	10	20924	20314	610	3.00%	94,149	95,126	-977	-1.03%
BUCKHEAD	4704	6416	281	5	11406	10042	1364	13.58%	54,929	49,591	5,338	10.76%
CLEVELAND AVE	219	185	14	0	418	22	396	1800.00%	498	118	380	322.03%
COLLEGE PARK	561	703	54	0	1318	2068	-750	-36.27%	8,324	9,862	-1,538	-15.60%
DOGWOOD	240	303	15	0	558	615	-57	-9.27%	2,038	4,687	-2,649	-56.52%
EAST ATLANTA	2132	3608	180	5	5925	5772	153	2.65%	29,571	29,683	-112	-0.38%
EAST POINT	688	314	52	0	1054	97	957	986.60%	3,794	679	3,115	458.76%
EAST ROSWELL	4776	7989	391	9	13165	12130	1035	8.53%	60,799	60,243	556	0.92%
EVELYN G. LOWERY @ CASCADE	914	1150	138	1	2203	2225	-22	-0.99%	10,762	10,670	92	0.86%
FAIRBURN	729	904	32	0	1665	1630	35	2.15%	8,167	7,775	392	5.04%
GLADYS S. DENNARD @ SOUTH FULTON	1267	1667	113	0	3047	2991	56	1.87%	14,009	14,797	-788	-5.33%
HAPEVILLE	632	633	59	0	1324	1893	-569	-30.06%	7,273	9,267	-1,994	-21.52%
JOAN P. GARNER @ PONCE DE LEON	5240	6101	430	8	11779	10536	1243	11.80%	56,628	51,919	4,709	9.07%
KIRKWOOD	1610	4026	199	0	5835	5894	-59	-1.00%	29,728	28,190	1,538	5.46%
LOUISE WATLEY @ SOUTHEAST ATLANTA	703	1300	144	0	2147	1921	226	11.76%	10,552	10,215	337	3.30%
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR	438	478	15	1	932	91	841	924.18%	4,190	1,696	2,494	147.05%
MECHANICSVILLE	222	171	15	2	410	580	-170	-29.31%	2,242	3,302	-1,060	-32.10%
METROPOLITAN	1297	2782	86	2	4167	4503	-336	-7.46%	22,740	24,310	-1,570	-6.46%
MILTON	4328	10849	510	8	15695	16697	-1002	-6.00%	68,929	77,283	-8,354	-10.81%
NORTHEAST/SPRUILL OAKS	2909	7999	628	6	11542	10854	688	6.34%	51,065	51,199	-134	-0.26%
NORTHSIDE	3671	7022	336	5	11034	10282	752	7.31%	49,419	48,981	438	0.89%
NORTHWEST @ SCOTTS CROSSING	1332	2914	164	2	4412	3024	1388	45.90%	18,788	16,663	2,125	12.75%
OCEE	4973	12895	1077	7	18952	17981	971	5.40%	88,186	85,687	2,499	2.92%
PALMETTO	405	795	51	0	1251	1594	-343	-21.52%	6,180	7,301	-1,121	-15.35%
PEACHTREE	388	214	20	0	622	3955	-3333	-84.27%	3,095	20,773	-17,678	-85.10%
ROSWELL	6249	10035	454	17	16755	15168	1587	10.46%	73,170	70,781	2,389	3.38%
SANDY SPRINGS	6660	12256	483	18	19417	19034	383	2.01%	86,043	92,214	-6,171	-6.69%
WASHINGTON PARK	441	645	49	1	1136	1515	-379	-25.02%	5,774	6,839	-1,065	-15.57%
WEST END	589	737	60	0	1386	1263	123	9.74%	7,399	6,948	451	6.49%
WOLFCREEK	1264	2688	119	0	4071	2911	1160	39.85%	19,221	15,097	4,124	27.32%
<b>BRANCHES TOTAL</b>	<b>66344</b>	<b>123075</b>	<b>7042</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>196568</b>	<b>190376</b>	<b>6192</b>	<b>3.25%</b>	<b>907,761</b>	<b>924,106</b>	<b>-16,345</b>	<b>-1.77%</b>
CENTRAL	2435	1490	198	7	4130	2585	1545	59.77%	18,635	14,549	4,086	28.08%
OUTREACH SERVICES	1	0	0	0	1	2	-1	-0.5	9	11	-2	-18.18%
AUBURN AVENUE RESEARCH	47	2	0	0	49	28	21	75.00%	428	295	133	45.08%
<b>SYSTEM TOTAL</b>	<b>68827</b>	<b>124567</b>	<b>7240</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>200748</b>	<b>192991</b>	<b>7757</b>	<b>4.02%</b>	<b>926,833</b>	<b>938,961</b>	<b>-12,128</b>	<b>-1.29%</b>

## FULTON COUNTY SYSTEM STATS AT A GLANCE - May 2025

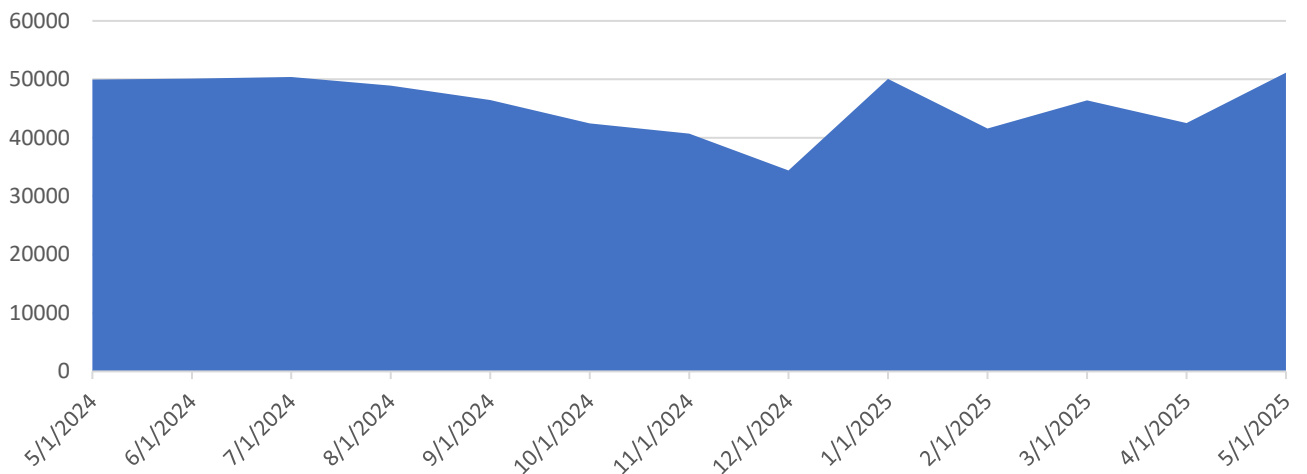
AGENCY NAME	TOTAL CIRCULATION	TOTAL REGISTRATIONS	COMPUTER USAGE	LIBRARY VISITS	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	PROGRAM ATTENDANCE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS	MEETING ATTENDANCE	VOTER REGISTRATIONS
ADAMS PARK	957	98	2353	4,348	25	31	6	52	0
ADAMSVILLE/COLLIER HEIGHTS	1061	80	2959	4,568	54	149	7	85	2
ALPHARETTA	20,924	867	1106	11,070	32	1301	17	555	0
BUCKHEAD	11,406	695	2479	10,818	39	1253	45	774	0
CLEVELAND AVE	418	66	324	2574	1	60	1	15	0
COLLEGE PARK	1,318	101	3033	4,655	6	58	5	50	0
DOGWOOD	558	43	1101	1,078	19	41	0	0	0
EAST ATLANTA	5,925	277	2133	7300	11	94	9	164	0
EAST POINT	1054	217	1442	6319	48	346	30	214	1
EAST ROSWELL	13,165	392	1067	6,176	31	322	7	60	2
EVELYN G. LOWERY @ CASCADE	2,203	209	2856	1,774	18	219	86	414	0
FAIRBURN	1,665	204	913	2467	17	126	22	68	5
GLADYS S. DENNARD @ SOUTH FULTON	3,047	270	3061	5,707	41	799	36	245	2
HAPEVILLE	1,324	96	1142	1609	29	284	18	133	0
JOAN P. LOWERY @ PONCE DE LEON	11,779	488	6707	7,131	20	367	1	4	0
KIRKWOOD	5,835	221	613	4,900	20	433	4	37	0
LOUISE WATLEY @ SOUTHEAST ATLANTA	2,147	69	2544	4306	33	179	10	80	0
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR	932	98	456	1328	22	102	22	103	0
MECHANICSVILLE	410	28	1759	2,675	12	19	5	41	0
METROPOLITAN	4,167	181	3736	4,383	20	347	45	395	0
MILTON	15,695	547	638	7,049	59	1228	13	188	5
NORTHEAST/SPRUILL OAKS	11,542	346	491	5,817	41	819	12	165	2
NORTHSIDE	11,034	404	825	6,897	17	901	3	52	0
NORTHWEST @ SCOTTS CROSSING	4,412	159	2031	1,816	22	254	1	18	0
OCEE	18,952	649	866	11,728	35	908	2	12	0
PALMETTO	1,251	76	424	2,369	26	310	13	256	0
PEACHTREE	622	190	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROSWELL	16,755	703	1987	13194	50	1386	15	332	0
SANDY SPRINGS	19,417	890	3291	15,315	56	2437	3	20	3
WASHINGTON PARK	1136	82	2974	4,343	7	112	6	101	7
WEST END	1,386	118	2041	5,311	28	126	6	38	0
WOLFCREEK	4,071	197	1125	3,750	24	351	21	484	0
<b>BRANCHES TOTAL</b>	196,568	9,061	58,477	172,775	863	15,362	471	5,155	29
CENTRAL	4,130	485	16615	26,028	46	533	44	698	12
VIRTUAL PROGRAMS					3	30			
OUTREACH VIRTUAL PROGRAMS	1	6	0	0	10	3663	0	0	0
AUBURN AVENUE RESEARCH	49	13	61	2662	5	135	0	0	0
<b>SYSTEM TOTAL</b>	200,748	9,565	75,153	201,465	927	19,723	515	5,853	41

## May 2025 Executive Summary – Charts

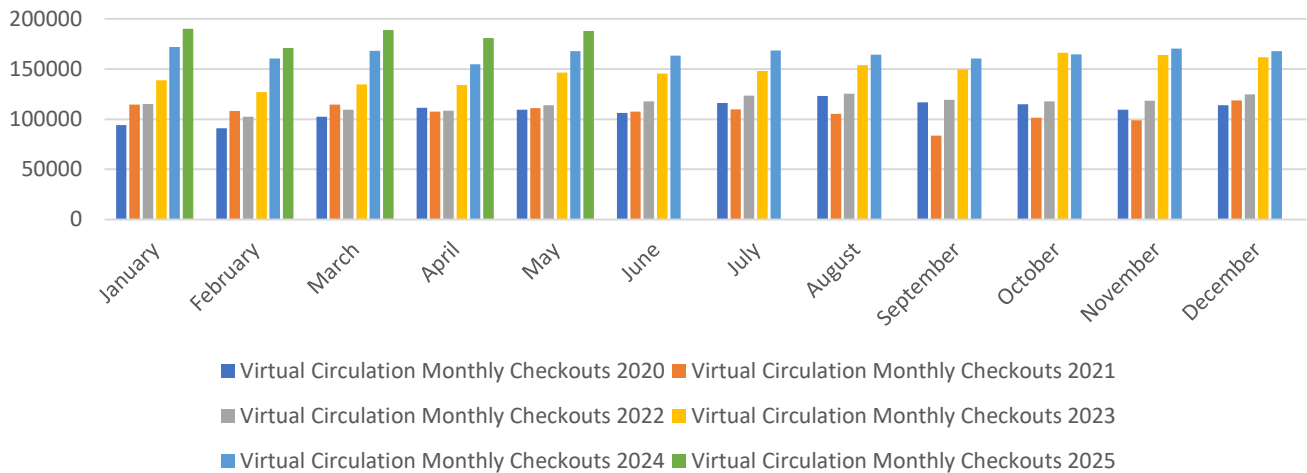
### Circulation



### TOTAL HOLDS

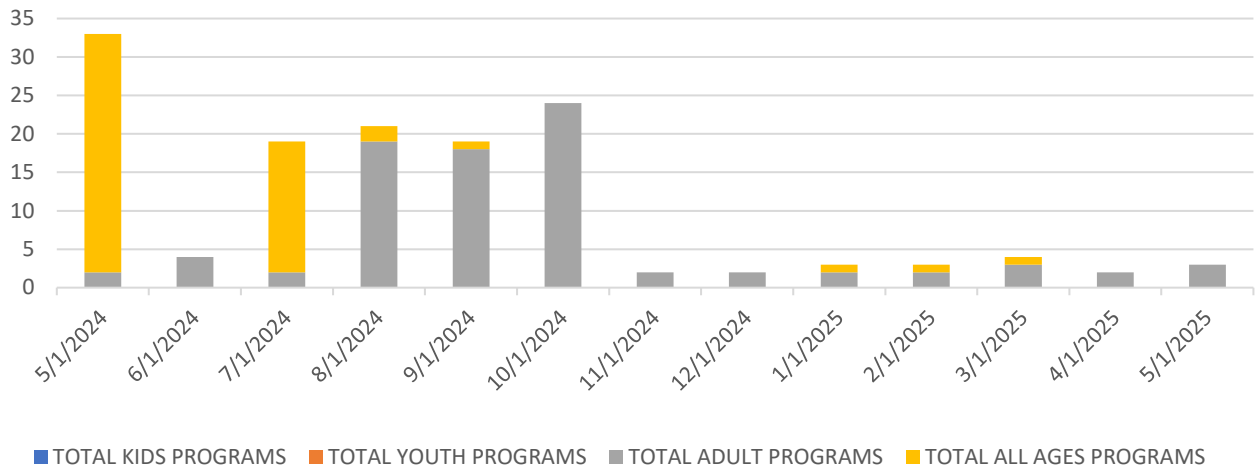


### Virtual Circulation 2020 vs 2021 vs 2022 vs 2023 vs 2024 vs 2025



January 2022 virtual circulation and virtual circulation users' numbers were revised upward due to Hoopla.

### Virtual Programs



### Virtual Program Attendance

