January & February 2023

17,252 **IN-PERSON** VISITS

Up 40% from the same period last year



11,237 **DIGITAL ITEM USE**

FFL patrons downloaded/ streamed 9,475 items from Libby, 1,301 items from Hoopla, and 461 movies from Kanopy



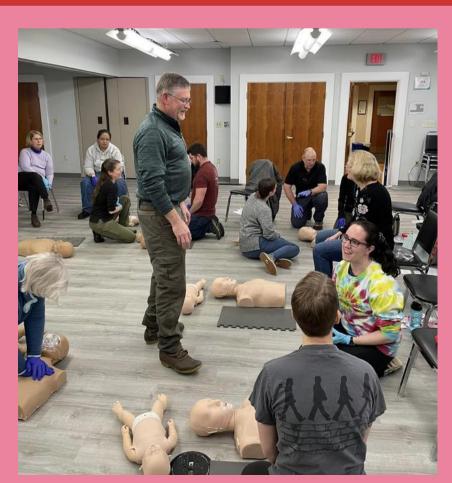
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189 **PROGRAMS**

Including 2 concerts (88), Meet the Masters art series (79), a full CPR/AED course (20), a full cookie decorating workshop (22), and more

41,193 ITEMS **CHECKED OUT**

We loaned 29,956 physical items (up 12%) from last year) and 11,237 digital items (up 13%) from last year)







2,818

PROGRAM **PARTICIPANTS**

Participants were up 320% from last year! In addition to our scheduled programs, 384 people dropped in during February Break week to do our Mario Scavenger Hunt!

The library enables me to read books on any topic, attend talks, musical events, movies and lets my grandchildren enjoy camps!! What a wonderful community asset!!

-Marcelle E.

I love my library because of all that it offers to the community. It is a place to connect with people through workshops, programs, musical performances and movies. The staff is welcoming and helpful. The library continues to evolve and meet patron needs. It is an anchor in the neighborhood! -Linda M.

They help me teach my kids about the value of libraries and reading. We love doing the Take and Make projects too!

-Lindsay V

I like the programs and Ms Kristen, Ms Nina, Ms Heather, Mr Mike and everyone else!! I am a life-long reader. The FFL is the best library I have ever patronized. The staff is alway very polite and helpful. If materials are not available at Fayetteville they will find them for me. The building is beautiful, and when out ot town visitors come I always bring them to our beautiful building.

-Randy A.

The staff is always so pleasant and hepful! Love the movie selection too!

-Jan Y.

It's a wonderful place to bring my kids for playdates, meet other parents, and be surrounded by books. My 7 yo loves talking to friends about what they are reading and getting the latest graphic novels.

-Ren M.

Books help me imagine a better world. By reading and writing I can learn new things, make new friends, and discover passions I haven't heard of before. The Library is helpful and educational, so many items to choose, hard to resist... The library staff are ALWAYS kind, polite, friendly, knowledgeable and SO MUCH MORE! Fayetteville Free Library - the best - my favorite. Thank you all!

-Anne M.



Sample responses from our Library Valentines campaign

It's the perfect place, whether summer, spring, winter or fall to relax, reflect, renew and explore. The perfect haven to step away from it all and become lost among the stacks.

I love my library because I have been a book lover since I was in grade school. There are so many books that I want to read, but can't afford to buy. The library gives me a chance to enjoy them all and then let others enjoy them!

It has amazing teen programs

-Mary O.

-Laurie O.

-Ava T.

Our family loves reading new books from the library, playing with the toys and meeting friends in the playroom, going to story time, doing the picture walk outside, and coming to special events for kids and family we just love how there are so many nice activities and programs!

-Danica B.

The staff is very helpful & pleasant. The environment is very clean & welcoming.

-Jeannette Davis.

"I just like it." "I like the toys." "I like the toys at the library."

-Tyler (Age 2)

-Blair F.

You have so many wonderful programs at the Fayetteville Library! I attend the Well Read Book Group, Sunday concerts, Wednesday Walking Group and many of the art programs. I regularly take books out of the library, both actual books as well as ebooks. I could not survive without you! Thank you! -Heidi T.

It is a fantastic community resource for all ages and has a vast array of spaces within the facility. It also has a huge and vast collection of items!

-Jennifer B.

The FFL is my favorite place! It is my "home library." It was such an important part of my growing-up and I still love coming here, being in the community, and learning new things! Libraries are key to democracy.

-Rebecca R.

I love words. The library has books, films, concerts full of them. Thanks

-Dave H.