

Albany County Public Library
Foundation
2021–2022
Annual Report

Albany County Public Library Foundation Mission Statement

The mission of the Albany County Public Library Foundation is to generate funds through gifts, endowments, memorials and special programs in order to improve the Albany County Public Library in perpetuity through specific programs, direct financial assistance and community outreach.

For community, for connection, for creativity...

Think ACPL

The mission of the Albany County Public Library is to build meaningful connections, inspire growth, cultivate curiosity, and enhance community.

ACPL Mission & Vision 2022



Albany County Public Library

Foundation

Dear friends,

Because of your amazing generosity, our biggest accomplishment in FY22 was providing more than \$116,000 to your Albany County Public Library! We are incredibly thankful to be able to continue providing this level of funding, as our community begins to recover from the pandemic and during this time of inflation. Thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts!

The ACPL Foundation Board of Directors and its staff sincerely appreciates our generous donors. Your support allowed us to provide a \$60,000 annual disbursement to ACPL. This \$60,000 went to support all ages programming, materials, building maintenance, travel, and supplies. Due to library budget shortfalls, your contributions allowed the ACPL Foundation to increase its materials disbursement to \$27,000. Additional funding supported a mini-grant project, library outreach, special projects, designated purposes, and staff longevity.

In addition to financial support, ACPL Foundation staff provided more than 600 hours to library projects in FY22. For example, the executive director spent time starting an art appraisal project, working on the bookmobile project, managing grant projects with library staff, and hosting outreach events.

Here are a few FY22 highlights:

- Accepted a bequest donation from the estate of Sally Dieterich. This funding created a named endowment fund to assist the library in perpetuity. The Sally Dieterich Restricted Fund will be used for all ages programming.
- Provided \$29,370.74 from ACPL Foundation Restricted Funds to support special projects and purposes.
- Debuted the permanent StoryWalk® around the exterior of the Laramie branch.
- Received \$53,209 in grant funding the Guthrie Family Foundation, Wal-Mart, the Wyoming Arts Council, and the Wyoming Humanities Council.
- Succeeded in maintaining the ACPL Foundation investment accounts to retain total assets over \$2 million as of June 30, 2022.

The ACPL Foundation is proud to have continued its high level of funding to the library during a year when fundraising was still difficult due to the pandemic. We are excited to announce that in FY23, the ACPL Foundation will be debuting a new annual fundraiser and in-person events will be returning.

In FY23, the ACPL Foundation is again filling gaps in the ACPL budget where regular funding is down. A great area of need for ACPL is funding for the library's collection of books, movies, music, games, and other items. The ACPL Foundation is providing a higher level of support in this area. It is also increasing efforts to support staff professional development.

You make a positive impact on your public library, and we are grateful for your continued support.

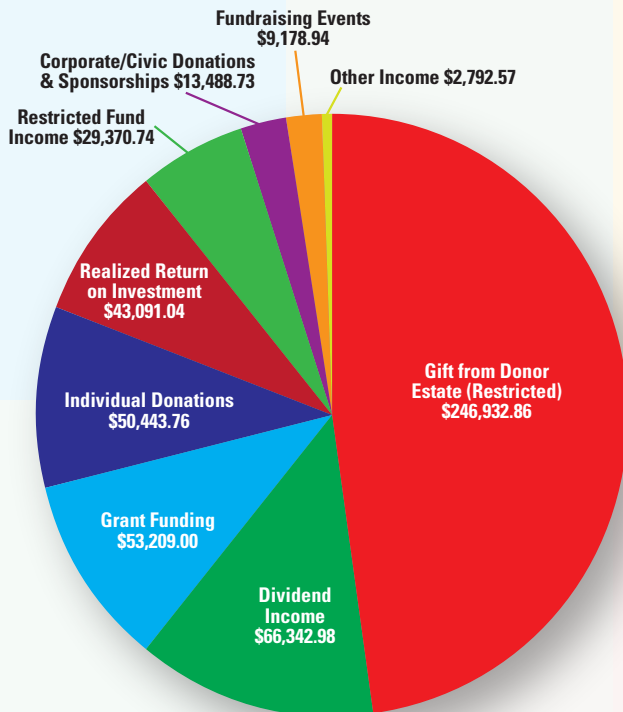
Thank you for being part of our community of library supporters!

Caitlin White
Executive Director

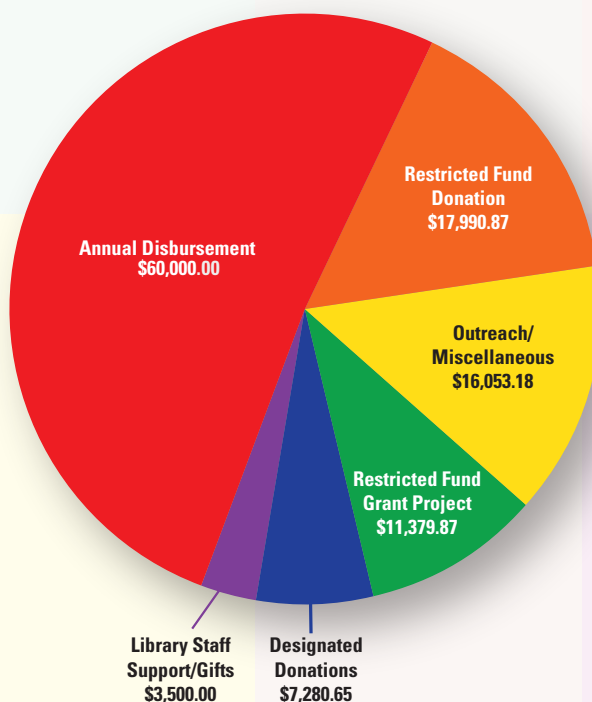
Rajeev Patel
President, Board of Directors

FY22 Financial

Total Income: \$514,850.62



Total Contributions to the Library: \$116,204.57



Ways you can help

Ways to Give

- Give anytime and in a way that works best for you on the ACPL Foundation website: foundation.acplwy.org. Check out our Ways to Give page.
- Become a monthly donor. It's easy! Consistent funding from monthly donations helps the ACPL Foundation better plan for upcoming projects.
- Make a gift in honor or in memory of a family member or friend.
- Participate in an ACPL Foundation fundraiser. Watch for news about our fall fundraiser!
- Work with your place of business to become a corporate sponsor. Your business could become a monthly sponsor and receive great benefits.

**When you give online or with a credit card, the ACPL Foundation pays a small processing fee. You can now opt to cover this fee so your full donation goes to help the library!*

Leave a Legacy

- Remember the ACPL Foundation in your estate plans or consider establishing a major gift now for a specific library project.
- Contribute to an ACPL Foundation restricted fund that provides funding for a specific purpose in the library. Our restricted funds are listed on the last page of this report.

Donate Your Time

Library advocates are the voice of public libraries. Join other library advocates and volunteers to ensure our library legacy remains vibrant, relevant, and fully funded. Library advocacy doesn't need to be complicated. Spread the word by telling your community why you value the library.

Volunteer for the ACPL Foundation by:

- Providing time or resources to one of the organization's events. We are in search of volunteers for our fall event!
- Hosting a "friendraiser" with your circle of friends to build more support for the library.

Donors can contact the Foundation office to discuss which opportunity works well for you. The Foundation accepts donations online, through the mail, or in person.

Please contact Executive Director, Caitlin White (307-460-2481 or cwhite@acplwy.org) with any questions.

ACPL Foundation Board of Directors in FY23

Rajeev Patel, President
Barbara Chatton, Vice President
Brett Kvenild, Treasurer
Jessica Flock, Secretary
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Bookmobile



The ACPL Foundation continued to provide support for this project in FY22. The ACPL bookmobile started providing services from the mobile branch with regular stops over the summer months. In addition to funding, the ACPL Foundation has also supported the library by planning and hosting bookmobile outreach events.



StoryWalk®

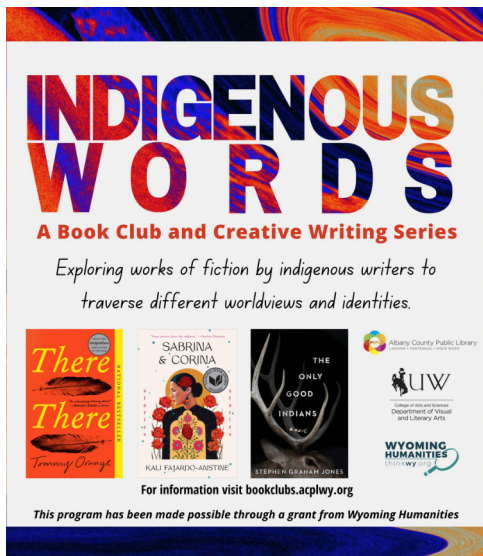


The ACPL Foundation's Love Family Fund made it possible to install a permanent StoryWalk® around the exterior of the main branch of the library. ACPL will have a story displayed around the library each week. Partners on the project were: Ryan Bagley and Shawn Graef with the U.S. Forest Service Law Enforcement; the Rotary Club of Laramie, City of Laramie Mosquito Control, Cowboy Glass, volunteers from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, and Tim Gaddis.



Programming

In FY22, ACPL returned to its regular in-person programming. The library was able to debut several new programs, such as Test Tube Tuesdays, Creative Aging events, and the Indigenous Words Book Club and Creative Writing Series. A programming highlight this year was the Black History 101 Mobile Museum and Keynote. This program was funded by the Sally Dieterich Restricted Fund.



Gem City Nights

With support from the Wyoming Arts Council, the ACPL Foundation partnered with the Laramie Plains Civic Center for Gem City Nights in summer of 2021. The organization brought in three children's performers and hosted children's art activities.



Materials

This past year, the ACPL Foundation prioritized helping the library with collection funding. In FY22, the library checked out 175,522 physical materials. Your donations made it possible for ACPL to continue to provide new materials to the community.



Learn more at foundation.acplwy.org/the-impact

Fundraising & Events in FY22

Annual Appeal

You helped us raise \$50,443.76 in FY22!

Other Fundraisers

General Business Sponsors	\$13,028.49
Banned Books Week Scavenger Hunt	\$275.12
Blind Date with a Book	\$1,728.13
Community Support	\$3,866.00
(Thanks to Toyota of Laramie Cares, O'Dwyers, Target Circle, & Ace Hardware!)	

Thank you sponsors!

- First Interstate Bank
- Corthell & King, P.C.
- Gateway Fuels & Liquors
- Hammontree Real Estate with Scott Crist
- Pole Mountain Pharmacy
- Premier Bone & Joint
- Toyota of Laramie
- Tiger Tree
- Edward Jones with Jim Ninneman
- Groathouse Construction
- Laramie GM Auto
- Roots Out West
- Trihydro Corp.



Amazon Smile

In FY22, **116** individuals (that's 10 more donors over last year!) supported the ACPL Foundation on Amazon Smile resulting in a \$407.33 donation! Your shopping on Amazon.com can help us raise more for the library. Shop on smile.amazon.com and specify the ACPL Foundation as your designated charity.



Amazon Wish List

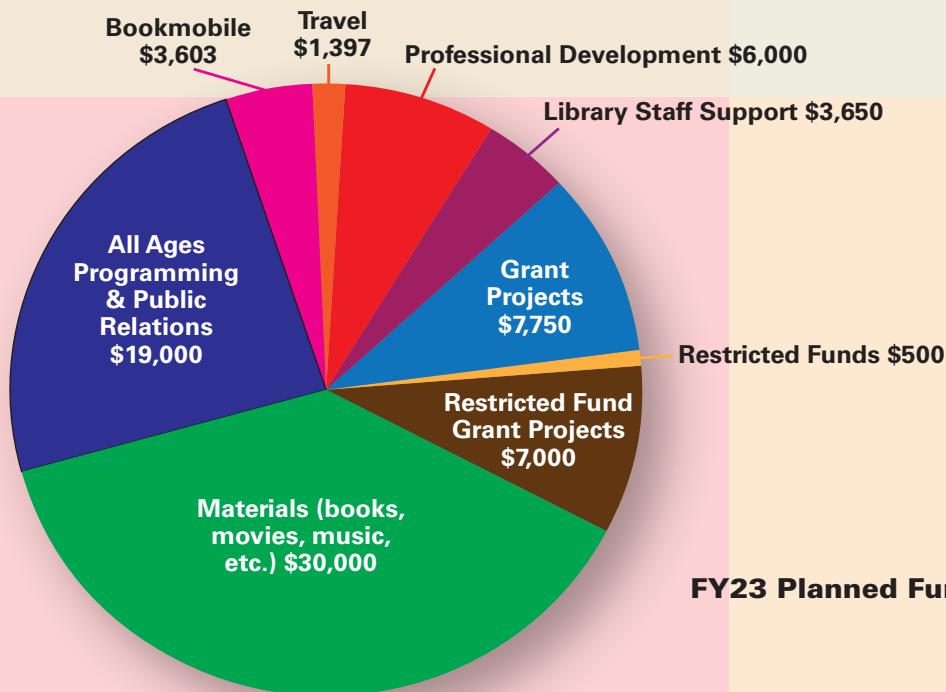
Help the library lower its supply costs! We had an anonymous donor provide a large in-kind donation of supplies and other items, and it made a BIG difference to ACPL.

When you purchase an item off the ACPL Foundation Amazon Wish List, the library benefits by being able to spend more on programming, materials, and technology. Shop at <https://amzn.to/32ghbVQ> and consider adding a small extra item to your cart to benefit your public library.

Coming Up in FY23!

- Fall Fundraiser: Mark your calendar for Boos & Q's: A Spooktacular Trivia & Game Night on October 8 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Support the public library by competing in Halloween-themed trivia and games.
- Cupcake Ball, A Valentine's-Themed Family Dance: February 10
- Blind Date with a Book: February 14
- Appreciation Night: June 2023

FY23 Planned Funding to the Library



FY23 Planned Funding Total: \$78,750

Thank you to our generous donors!

Thank you for supporting your public library! The ACPL Foundation had 394 donors (individuals, families, and organizations) in FY22.

Individual Donors in FY22

Rollin & Carolyn Abernethy
Amanda Ackerman
Samantha Alcorn
Lauren Allen
Jim & Robinette Andersen
Shantel Anderson
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Halena Bagdonas
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*Deceased.

Organization Donors in FY22

Ace Hardware
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Dollar General
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Contribute to an ACPL Foundation Restricted Fund:

Each restricted fund was created to benefit a specific purpose in the library. On a fiscal year basis, a portion of each fund provides the library with funding for specific programs or materials.

Colleen Asplund Fund: Asplund was a former ACPL children's librarian. Interest from this fund is used for children's materials in the library.

John Burman Fund: Burman was the longtime chair of the ACPL Foundation board, served on the library board, and was a significant library supporter. The fund is used for general purposes.

Barbara Chatton Fund: Chatton is a longtime supporter, volunteer, and ACPL Foundation board member. Interest from this fund goes to the library for its children and young adult collections.

Gwendolyn Cook Fund: Cook was a former head of library circulation. Interest from this fund is used to purchase cookbooks, Regency Romance, and mystery books for the library.

Sally Dieterich Fund: Dieterich was a longtime library patron and supporter. The fund is used for library programming.

Friends of the Book Sale Fund: Formerly the Penny Schenker Fund, this fund was set up to honor the work of the Friends of the Library Book Sale Crew. Interest from the fund is used to buy science fiction materials.

Love Family Fund: J. David and Jane Love were longtime library supporters. This fund is used for the ACPL Foundation mini-grant program.

Neva Miller Fund: Miller was a former ACPL children's librarian. Interest from this fund is used for children's materials in the library.

Agnes Milstead Fund: Milstead was a former ACPL Foundation board member and library advocate. Interest from this fund is used for the ACPL Foundation mini-grant program.

Mary Lou Pence Fund: Pence was a local author. Interest from the fund supports the library's Wyoming Room. The Wyoming Room houses local and state historical documents, books and information.

Adele Russin Fund: Russin was a longtime library supporter and former library board member. Interest and half of the fund's annual contributions benefit the library's Large Print books, audiobooks and Play-A-Ways.

Susan Simpson Fund: Simpson served as the ACPL county librarian and continues to support the public library. Interest from this fund is used for staff training and development opportunities.

Have you considered including the ACPL Foundation in your estate plans? We welcome the opportunity to work with you to create a structure that suits your passions and works within your overall estate plans.