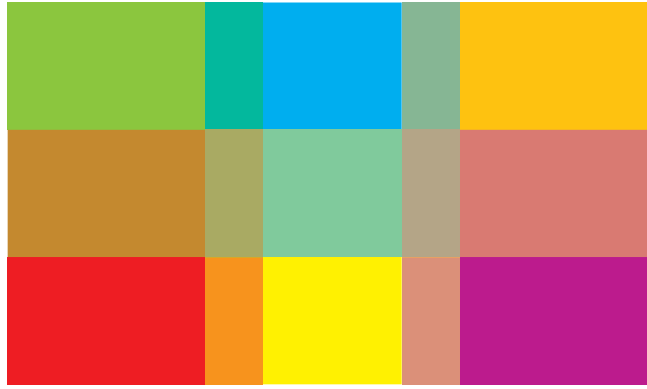




Albany County Public Library
Foundation
2025–2026
Annual Report



New Mission & Core Values!

The Albany County Public Library Foundation strengthens, supports, and sustains a vibrant public library through advocacy, responsible stewardship, and community partnership.



Albany County Public Library

Foundation

Dear library supporters,

In FY26, the Albany County Public Library Foundation contributed \$123,282 to your public library! This is \$20,000+ more than last year. Your willingness to support the ACPL Foundation is why we are able to continue strengthening your public library at a high level to provide a significant impact.

The ACPL Foundation Board of Directors and staff greatly appreciate our generous donors that ensure we can provide a \$60,000 annual disbursement to ACPL, as well as funding for other needs. In FY26, the \$60,000 disbursement supported all ages programming, materials, the bookmobile, technology, library supplies, building maintenance, travel for outreach and between branches, and continuing education.

Additional funding supported library outreach, special projects, designated purposes, and staff longevity. Beyond financial support, ACPL Foundation staff provided time (1,000+ hours) to library projects in FY26 by working on updates to the bookmobile, managing several projects, and hosting outreach events. For example, in FY26, the ACPL Foundation worked with three local artists in coordination with the construction project.

The majority of staff time for ACPL projects in FY26 provided project management support to the large-scale, ongoing infrastructure project. With this project coming to an end in 2026, the board will evaluate how the ACPL Foundation can continue to support the new spaces. With the time needed for this project coming to a close, our staff is excited to be able to debut a couple new events this year!

Here are a few FY26 highlights:

- Completed a 5-year strategic plan and developed a new mission statement and core values.
- For our core value of **Accessibility**: Met our fundraising goals because of you! This means ACPL can offer important resources and services to everyone in our community. The ACPL Foundation works to assist in removing barriers and addressing needs.
- For our core value of **Legacy**: Received \$332,502 in bequests or planned gifts from AMAZING donors to support ACPL in perpetuity.
- For our core value of **Bold Advocacy**: The ACPL Foundation advocates for your public library in our local community and around the state, especially during Legislative Session.
- For our core value of **Community**: Hosted a multi-purposes spaces grand opening, utilizing the ACPL Foundation Sally Dieterich Fund, as well as other outreach events and opportunities.
- For our core value of **Integrity**: Reviewed our policies and procedures; evaluated staff compensation, established organizational priorities, and set measurable goals.
- Learn more about this past fiscal year's successes on pages 4–5 of the annual report.

In FY27, the ACPL Foundation plans to continue supporting ACPL with its entire programming budget, the bookmobile project, check out materials, technology, professional development for staff, building maintenance, library supplies and travel. Ensuring that ACPL is fully funded only happens because of you. Your donations make a significant impact at ACPL!

Thank you for being a steadfast supporter and making ACPL thrive!

Caitlin White
Executive Director

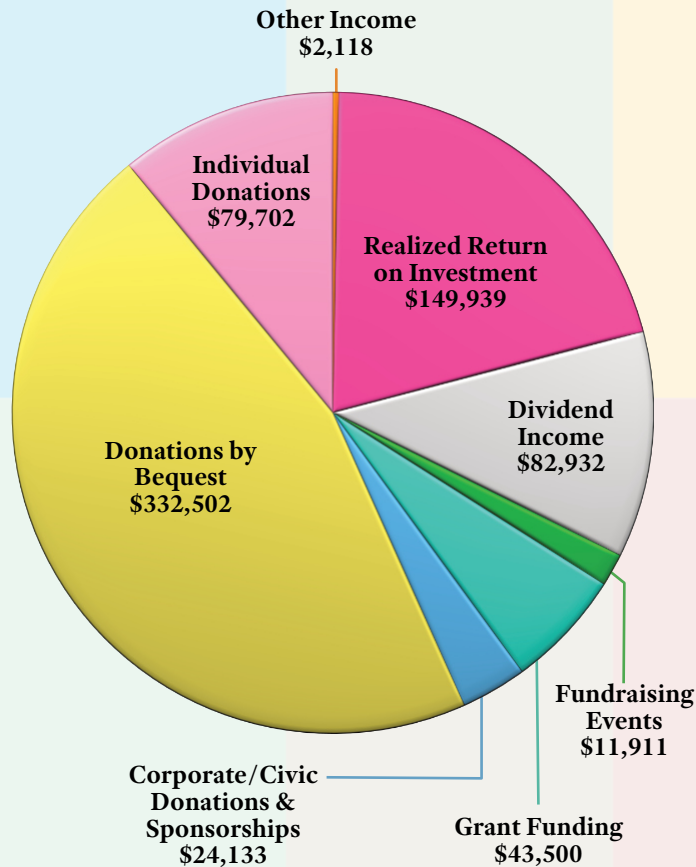
Rajeev Patel
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FY26 Financial Summary

Ways You Can Help

Total Income: \$726,737



Total FY26 Contributions to the Library: \$123,282

Annual Disbursement: \$60,000

*The annual disbursement supported all ages programming, materials, the bookmobile, technology, library staff continuing education, travel between branches, public relations, library supplies, and building maintenance.

Milstead Fund Project: Main Area Furniture	\$24,131
Bookmobile Project	\$10,827
Outreach	\$8,764
Restricted Fund Project: Mural Expansion	\$5,500
Library Staff Support/Gifts	\$4,684
Restricted Fund Disbursement	\$4,094
Designated Donations	\$2,202
Construction Support	\$1,691
Grant Project – Section Signage	\$597
Mears Fund Project: Welcome Kits	\$506
Dieterich Fund Project: Construction	\$286
Grand Opening	
Total:	\$123,282

- 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 and convenient! Consistent funding from monthly donations helps the ACPL Foundation plan for upcoming projects.
- Make a gift in honor or in memory of a family member or friend.
- Participate in an ACPL Foundation fundraiser or event. We have some fun new events to add to the calendar this year!
- Work with your place of business to become a corporate sponsor. Your business could become a Sponsor of the Month and receive great benefits!

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

Leave a Legacy

In FY26, the ACPL Foundation was the grateful recipient of several bequests. We would like to recognize the generous late donors that provided a bequest: Robert A. & Marlene J. Campbell, Anne Mears, Daniel Nelson, and Vincent Siren.

- You can make a similar impact! Remember the ACPL Foundation in your estate plans or consider establishing a major gift now for a specific library project. Check our Planned Giving page on our website at foundation.acplwy.org for more information.
- The ACPL Foundation federal tax ID number is: 83-0240069. Our website also notes sample language for making a gift in your will or trust.
- Contribute to an ACPL Foundation restricted fund that provides funding for a specific purpose in the library. Restricted funds are listed on the back page.
- Have you already included a gift in your will or trust? Let us know!

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.

Donors can contact the ACPL Foundation office to discuss which opportunity works well for you. We accept donations online, through the mail, or in person. Contact Executive Director, Caitlin White (307-460-2481 or cwhite@acplwy.org) with any questions.

Making a Great Library Even Better!



WyoGives: Kicked the fiscal year off by raising \$29,280 from amazing donors and sponsors, with a boost from the Hughes Charitable Foundation.

Library Disbursement: Provided \$15,000 to ACPL.

Sponsor of the Month: Pole Mountain Pharmacy.

Grant Funding: Received \$500 from Walmart for library materials.



Volunteer Day: Partnered with First Interstate Bank to work on exterior painting projects and general clean up.

Sponsor of the Month: First Interstate Bank.

Grant Funding: Received \$4,000 from Rocky Mountain Power Foundation.



Construction Character Contests: The ACPL Foundation hosted a contest for each of the new multi-purpose spaces during construction. We loved the creativity!

Sponsor of the Month: TAG Technologies.

JULY

Grant Funding: Received \$25,000 from the Guthrie Family Foundation. One area supported by the Guthrie Family Foundation is check out materials.

Sponsor of the Month: Smile Doctors.

Foam Party: This outreach event, sponsored by Smile Doctors Laramie, had 275+ attendees.



AUG

SEPT

Grant Project: Wrapped up a grant project to install new technology across ACPL's three branches, thanks to support from the Wyoming Intertie Community Investment Program.

Sponsor of the Month: Scott Crist with Hammontree Real Estate.

Library Disbursement: Provided \$15,000 to ACPL.



OCT

NOV

Advocacy Award: Executive Director, Caitlin White, received the Wyoming Library Association's Library Hero of the Year award for her work on ACPL's construction project and her commitment to Wyoming library advocacy.

Sponsor of the Month: Gateway Fuels & Liquors

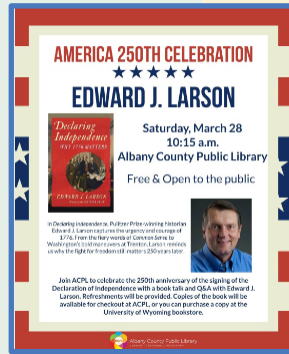
Holiday Giving: You helped us raise \$20,000 during holiday giving and with the Giving Tree to support ACPL!

ACPL Staff Support: Provided a holiday party and recognition for library staff.



DEC

FY26: July 2025–June 2026



—**250th Celebration:** The ACPL Foundation partnered with ACPL and the University of Wyoming to host Pulitzer Prize-winning historian, Edward Larson.



—**Grant Funding:** Received \$10,000 from the Wyoming Community Foundation for programming and materials. In FY26, ACPL offered 366 programs to 16,017 attendees!

—**Sponsor of the Month:** Toyota of Laramie.

—**Library Disbursement:** Provided \$15,000 to ACPL.

—**Outreach:** The ACPL Foundation engages in outreach by hosting different events, tabling with information, and spreading the word about the amazing services and resources available at ACPL.

—**General Support:** The ACPL Foundation provided funding for essential library operations costs in FY26, such as building maintenance, library supplies, and travel between branches.

—**Sponsor of the Month:** TigerTree. Our friends at TigerTree provided over \$8,000 worth of in-kind landscaping work to help ACPL keep its grounds in good shape.

—**Bookmobile:** The ACPL Foundation supported general operations of the bookmobile. ALBY was able to visit Laramie parks, West Laramie locations, schools, and our rural communities.

JAN

—**Fundraisers:** Blind Date with a Book had a record year, raising \$9,000+! Thanks to our title sponsor, Toyota of Laramie, and our theme sponsors.

—**Continuing Education:** ACPL staff benefited from professional development opportunities, funded by the ACPL Foundation. This support means ACPL staff are prepared to put on programs, develop the collection, and conduct other important tasks.

FEB

MAR

—**Construction Grand Opening:** The ACPL Foundation hosted the grand opening of the multi-purpose spaces to celebrate the rejuvenation project. Thanks to the Sally Dieterich Fund for supporting this event!

—**Sponsor of the Month:** UniWyo Credit Union.

—**Library Disbursement:** Provided \$15,000 to ACPL.

APR

MAY

JUNE

—**Summer Reading Program:** ACPL's Summer Reading had 1,562+ sign-ups who collectively read 22,000+ hours. This summer-long program is possible because of our donors!

—**Sponsor of the Month:** Elevate Real Estate.



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

Thank You to Our Generous Donors!

Thank you for supporting your public library! The ACPL Foundation had 357+ donors (individuals, families, and organizations) in FY26.

Sponsor of the Month Contributors

Elevate Real Estate
First Interstate Bank
Gateway Fuels & Liquors
Hammontree Real Estate with Scott Crist
Pole Mountain Pharmacy
SmileDoctors
TAG Technologies
TigerTree
Toyota of Laramie
UniWyo Credit Union

Individual Donors in FY26

Anonymous Donors
Rollin & Carolyn Abernethy
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Alyssa Addington
Mark & Jennifer Andersen
Ryan & Allison Anderson
Jake & Stacie Anfinson
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First Interstate Bancsystem Foundation
Guthrie Family Foundation
Rocky Mountain Power Foundation

Walmart
Wyoming Community Foundation
Organization Donors in FY26
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Absolute Acrylic Nail Spa & Salon
Ace Hardware
Alibi Wood Fire Pizzeria & Bakery
Apollo Online Corp
Atmosphere Mountainworks
Big Hollow Food Co-Op
Bond's Brewing
Breeze Thru Car Wash
Centennial Social Club
City of Laramie Parks & Recreation
Coal Creek Coffee & Brewery
Dairy Queen Chill & Grill
Daylight Donuts
Dickey's Barbeque Pit
Firehouse Subs
First American Title
Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers
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HighPoint CPAs
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Jessica Nicole Photography
Kellers Bakery
Laramie Garden Club
Laramie Ice & Event Center
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Night Heron Books
Northridge Discount Liquors
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Qdoba's Mexican Eats
Range Community Insurance
Republic National Distributing Company
Riverstone Bank
Roamstead Realty
Ross Store Foundation
Rotary Club of Laramie
Spine & Injury Clinic
StagePoint Federal Credit Union
Sugar Mouse Cupcake House
SVAR LLC
Taco John's
TAG Technologies
The Chocolate Cellar
The Human Bean
The Soda Pit
The Still Package Liquors
TigerTree
Tough Guys Landscaping & Lighting
TownSquare Title of Wyoming
True Value of Laramie
Visit Laramie
Windy City Pet Store

Coming Up in FY27!

- **NEW FUNDRAISER! A Bookish Social: Books, Bites & Banter** - Saturday, October 10, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. More details coming soon!
- **Leaving a Legacy:** Learn about major and planned gifts to the ACPL Foundation – Sunday, October 11. More details coming soon!
- **Blind Date with a Book:** Sales open mid-January 2027
- **Appreciation Night:** Late June 2027

ACPL Foundation Board of Directors in FY27

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FY27 Planned Funding to the Library



Total: \$71,358+



**All Ages Programming,
Outreach, Bookmobile
& Public Relations**
\$18,800



Technology
\$9,390



Library Supplies
\$9,380



**Materials (books,
movies, music, etc.)**
\$7,600



**Building
Maintenance**
\$6,400



**Professional
Development**
\$5,000



Library Staff Support
\$4,600



Travel
\$3,430



**Restricted Funds
Disbursement**
\$11,358+



Special Projects
TBD



Bookmobile Major Gift
TBD



**Infrastructure Grant
Project Support**
TBD



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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.

John M. 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 and former 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, romance, and mystery books.

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

Friends of the Book Sale Fund: This fund is in honor of the work of the Friends of the Library Book Sale Crew. Interest from the fund is used to support the adult fiction collection.

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.

Anne Mears Fund: Anne Mears was a longtime library supporter. Interest from this fund is used for the ACPL Foundation mini-grant program.

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 historic Wyoming Room.

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 adult Large Print books and audiobooks.

Susan Simpson Fund: Simpson served as the ACPL county librarian is a library supporter. 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.