

2,225
library
card
holders



18,425
visitors
to the
library



81,880
library
website
visits

31,561
total
physical
holdings

6,327
items borrowed
from other
RCLS libraries

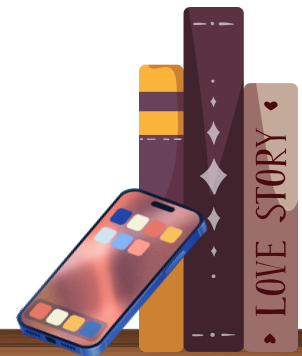


11,250
items loaned
to other
RCLS libraries

23,644
physical
items
borrowed



7,923
digital
items
borrowed



589
library
programs



4,885
program
attendees



A Message From Your Board

The Florida Public Library annual budget vote and trustee election will take place on Thursday, April 9, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the library. All qualified voters of the school district are eligible to vote. Absentee ballots are now available for those who are unable to vote in person. Residents will vote on the proposed 2026–2027 operating budget, which supports the library’s programs, collections, technology, and services for the community. Voters will also elect one library trustee to serve a full three-year term. Additional information about the proposed budget and a profile of trustee candidate Alison Harter are available on the library’s website.

Earlier this year, Jean Currie of the New York Library Association, Library Trustee Section presented the Velma K. Moore Award to Diane Arcieri, Vice President of our Board of Trustees. This prestigious award recognizes a library trustee who demonstrates exemplary service and meaningful contributions to their library and the broader library community.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and Library staff, thank you for your continued support of your hometown Library. Your participation and engagement help ensure that the Library remains a vibrant resource for our entire community.

The FPL Board of Trustees



Assemblyman Karl Brabenec extends his congratulations to Diane Arcieri, Trustee of the Florida Public Library, on receiving the prestigious Velma K. Award

2026-2027 Budget

The total proposed Library budget is \$595,681. The tax levy (amount voted on by taxpayers) is \$545,181. This figure represents an increase of \$13,124 over last year. The breakdown of budget figures includes:

Revenue

Tax Support	\$545,181
Library Charges	5,000
Grants/Aid	5,000
Interest	6,500
Donations	9,000
Carryover from Previous Year	25,000

Total Revenue \$595,681

Expenditures

Salaries	\$296,701
FICA/Dis/Med/401K	102,000
Library Materials	44,300
Programs	17,100
Technology	31,300
Office	12,400
Building Expenses	45,700
Professional Fees	31,180
Capital Reserve	15,000

Total Expenditures \$595,681

Highlights from 2025

- Hosted 209 Children’s Programs, 39 Young Adult Programs, 326 Adult Programs and 15 Family Programs with a total attendance of 4,885.
- An increase in both of Adult Fiction and Children Fiction Circulation Figures.
- Saw a 7% increase in our Digital Items Borrowed.
- Expanded our Library of Things to include a movie projector and 8’ screen, a Fujifilm Instax camera, Warming Mats, a Soil Sifter & more.
- Awarded an RCLS Community Engagement Grant for our Memory Care for Older Adults Program.
- Partnered with the Village of Florida to bring library programs to the Village Summer Rec Program including a special Art Program and an afternoon Magic Show.
- Expanded our Summer Reading Program to include a weekly Robotics Program, a Foam Party and the return of our Outdoor Movie Series.
- Continued to provided Notary Services to the community including appointments available on Sundays.



“We are the only species on the planet, so far as we know, to have invented a communal memory stored neither in our genes nor in our brains. The warehouse of this memory is called the library.”

- Carl Sagan



Election Day Programs - Thursday, April 9

Musical Storytime with Miss Nicole at 11:00 a.m.



Join Miss Nicole for a Unicorn inspired musical Storytime! Sing, listen to and play some music!

Scan the QR Code to be brought to the FPL Events Calendar and check out all our great programs!



The Jazz Ambassadors with Alex Prizgintas at 6:30 p.m..



Join musician Alex Prizgintas and the unique sound of his amplified cello as he returns to FPL with another performance! This program showcases a historical overview and noted selections from many of America’s great Jazz artists, such as Dave Brubeck, Dizzy Gillespie, Miles Davis, Benny Goodman, and Duke Ellington.



Friends of the FPL

The Friends believe excellent library services are important for everyone. Your membership dues and volunteer time help fund programs, furniture, purchases and more. We appreciate our Friends and hope you will join!

Friends Used Book Sale Friday, May 15

Preview Evening for current paid members of the Friends from 5 - 8 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, May 16 & 17
Sale is open to all from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Friends of the FPL Membership

New members and new ideas are always welcome!
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Circle one: \$5 Student \$10 Single or Family
 \$25 Sustaining \$50 Contributing \$100 Patron

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Monday - Thursday 10 - 8
 Friday & Saturday 10 - 5
 Sunday 12 - 5

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Summer Reading 2026

The Dinosaurs are Coming!



Look for complete details coming soon to our website.

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FPL Annual Budget Vote and Trustee Election
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Our Mission

The Florida Public Library strives to be the local community's best resource for materials that inform, educate, enrich, and entertain. The library serves patrons of all ages and backgrounds and promotes open and equal access to ideas, programs, and opportunities from early learning to personal and professional enrichment.

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Summer Reading Program Kick-Off & Wrap Up Events
 Library of Things
 Ancestry Library Edition
 Museum & Park Passes
 Poetry Cafés