

Annual Report FY2025



Eastern Oklahoma Library System

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From the Director

KATHY SEIBOLD, MLIS, Ed.D.



This past year has been transformative for the Eastern Oklahoma Library System. In FY25, we circulated 229,598 digital items and 662,322 physical materials, reflecting continued strong engagement across our service area. We proudly launched three renovation projects, delivered a record number of outreach programs, and strengthened our community through new partnerships and collaborations.

One of our most exciting milestones was the launch of the *Imagine More* campaign. This long-term initiative aims to transform the Muskogee Public Library into a 21st-century community hub, featuring co-working spaces, enhanced children's areas, makerspaces, and an innovative genealogy center.

We are thankful to the City of Muskogee Foundation for its generous \$1.5 million seed donation toward the *Imagine More* campaign. We also extend our heartfelt thanks to the Muskogee voters who, on July 8, 2025, approved an additional \$1.1 million in a capital improvement investment.

Our new partnerships are examples of our commitment to collaboration. We are working with the Library of Congress on a pilot project to co-construct an interactive digital experience at the Muskogee Public Library. We are also collaborating with the Cherokee Nation to install distance learning equipment in five libraries for asynchronous Cherokee language classes. A grant from the Carolyn Watson Rural Oklahoma Community Foundation will further our mission by bringing adult literacy programs to five libraries.

From providing engaging programs for patrons of all ages to leading local fundraising efforts, our dedicated staff worked tirelessly to support the diverse needs of our communities. We are deeply grateful to our patrons, partners, and supporters for their unwavering support and contributions. It is because of you that we were able to make this year one of progress and impact.

Inspiring Imagination and Ideas!



Kathy Seibold, Executive Director



Cherokee County

Hulbert Community Public Library
Tahlequah Public Library

Muskogee County

Q.B. Boydstun Library (Fort Gibson)
Rieger Memorial Library (Haskell)
Muskogee Public Library
Warner Public Library

Delaware County

Grove Public Library
Delaware County Library (Jay)
Kansas Public Library

Adair County

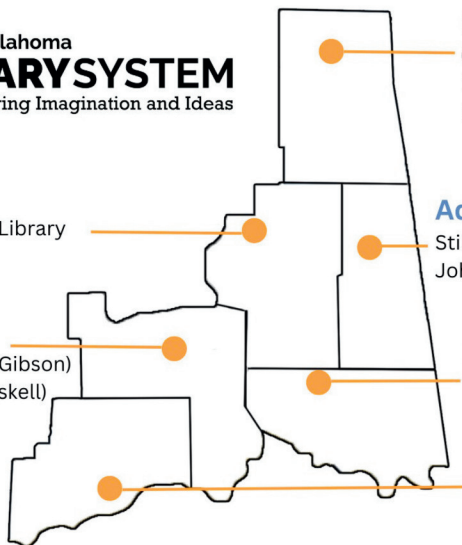
Stilwell Public Library
John F. Henderson Public Library (Westville)

Sequoyah County

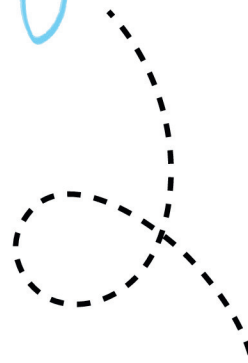
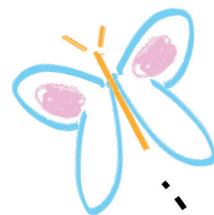
Stanley Tubbs Memorial Library (Sallisaw)
Muldrow Public Library

McIntosh County

Jim Lucas Checotah Public Library
Eufaula Memorial Library



6 Counties
15 Branches
4,163 square miles
238,472 Residents
76,857 Cardholders



Board of Trustees

Outgoing Officers

Reggie Cotton, Outgoing President

Angy Purget
Outgoing Vice President

Sally Meador,
Outgoing Treasurer



Mike Jackson
Incoming President
City of Warner

Shannon Vann
Incoming Vice President
City of Sallisaw

Robyn Burris
Incoming Treasurer
City of Eufaula

Sherry Deaton
City of Fort Gibson

William Eckstein
Adair County

Nancy Farrier
City of Stilwell

Glen Clark
City of Hulbert

Todd Franke
Delaware County

Sue Ann Ghormley
City of Westville

Peggy Glenn
City of Tahlequah

Mike Jackson
City of Warner

Ashley Morgan
City of Haskell

Karen Martin
McIntosh County

Walter Rau
Sequoyah County

Yvette Ross
Cherokee County

Tammy Sparkman
City of Muldrow

Tim Thompson
Muskogee County

Kelly Trumbull
City of Grove

Shannon Vann
City of Sallisaw

Andrea VanSandt
City of Kansas

Judy Waterbury
City of Jay

Key Personnel

Kathy Seibold
Executive Director

Shelley Brandon
Business Manager

Rachel Reid
Technical Services Manager

James Williamson
Information Technology Manager

Wendy Burton
Marketing Manager

Shavonne Cragg
Human Resources & Central Services
Coordinator

Laurie Gibson
Information Technology Librarian



Branch Managers

Tessa Dubois
John F. Henderson
Public Library
Kansas Public Library

Bethia Owens
Muldrow Public Library
Stanley Tubbs
Memorial Library

Julie Poor
Muskogee Public Library

Rachele Horney
Stilwell Public Library

Jeremy Jones
Tahlequah Public Library

Kenny Matthews
Jim Lucas Checotah
Public Library

Amanda Grantham
Eufaula Memorial Library

Heather Ross
Q.B. Boydston Library
Hulbert Community Library

Brenda Newnam
Grove Public Library

Sarah Jackson
Rieger Memorial Library
Warner Public Library

Shelly Cook
Delaware County Library



System-Wide Increases

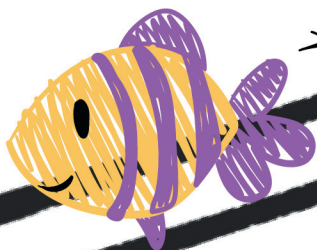
Computer/Wi-fi Use **53%**

Meeting Room Use **52%**

Reference Services **18%**

Outreach **11%**

Revenue **9%**



Grants Awarded:



Oklahoma Humanities, *Let's Talk About it Series* — Hulbert Community Library, Grove Public Library, Delaware County Library, Tahlequah Public Library

Science Museum Oklahoma, *Science Programs* — Hulbert Community Library, Q.B. Boydston Public Library

Tahlequah Community Foundation, *Creative Studio* — Tahlequah Public Library

Kirschner Trusts, *Books for Children/Early Literacy* — Muskogee Public Library

Grove Rotary Foundation, *Interactive Play Station & StoryWalk®* — Grove Public Library

Oklahoma Historical Society, *Genealogy Records Digitization* — Muskogee Public Library

United Way of Adair County, *Summer Reading Program* — Stilwell Public Library

City of Muskogee Foundation — Imagine More Campaign for Muskogee Public Library

Oklahoma City Community Foundation Carolyn Watson Rural Community Grant, *Expansion of Adult Literacy Services to Adair, Cherokee, and McIntosh counties* — EOLS

Library of Congress Project

Over the next two years, the Library of Congress will partner with Eastern Oklahoma Library System and Cleveland Public Library to pilot an innovative national initiative. Together, we will co-create two cutting-edge digital experiences designed to help communities in Eastern Oklahoma and Cleveland interact with digital library collections in new, dynamic ways that truly bring history and culture to life.

Facilities Updates:

In FY25, the Eastern Oklahoma Library System proudly launched a system-wide facilities update campaign to revitalize our library buildings. Thanks to the incredible collaboration with city staff, Friends of the Library groups, and the EOLS Board of Trustees, we successfully completed improvements at Eufaula Memorial Library, Rieger Memorial Library, and Q.B. Boydston Library—creating brighter, more welcoming spaces for our communities to learn, connect, and grow. With a 9.07% increase in revenue last year, we are now well-positioned to extend these improvements to additional branches across our service area.



Statistics ««

Door Count

495,057

e-Circulation

229,760

Computer & Wi-fi Use

194,442

Reference Questions

20,569

Traditional Circulation

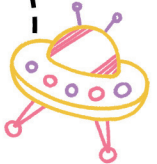
432,734

Meeting Room Use

3,946

Program Attendance

58,909



VALUE*

Traditional Circulation	\$7,445,057
e-Circulation	\$2,295,980
Computer/Wi-Fi Usage	\$1,944,470
Programs & Attendance	\$715,641
Community Room Usage	\$198,200
Reference Services	\$406,943

\$13,006,291

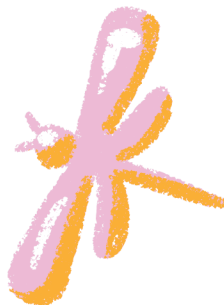
**MLA Library Value Calculator, FY25*



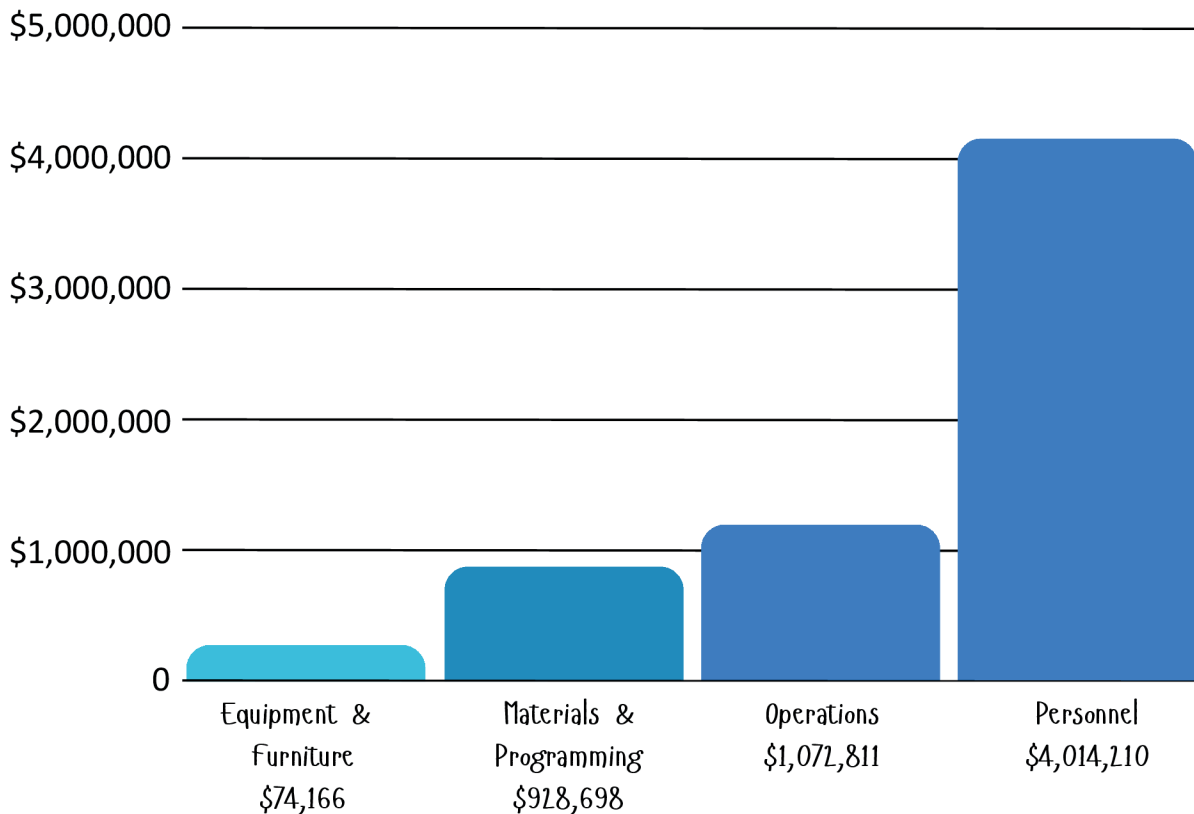
Total Revenue

FY24 **\$6,658,677**

FY25 **\$7,262,795**



Expenditures



Grants, Pledges & Donations
\$2,337,000

Reading Challenges

1,632,726 minutes read system-wide

853 challenge completions

3,410 registrants

8,277 rewards redeemed

24,897 books read

Cardholders

76,857

Collection Items

351,313





LOCATIONS

ADAIR COUNTY

STILWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY
5 North 6th Street
Stilwell, OK 74960
918-696-7512

JOHN F. HENDERSON
PUBLIC LIBRARY
1152 North Williams Avenue
Westville, OK 74965
918-723-5002

MUSKOGEE COUNTY

Q.B. BOYDSTUN LIBRARY
201 East South Avenue
Ft. Gibson, OK 74434
918-478-3587

RIEGER MEMORIAL LIBRARY
116 North Broadway
Haskell, OK 74436
918-482-3614

MUSKOGEE PUBLIC LIBRARY
801 West Okmulgee Avenue
Muskogee, OK 74401
918-682-6657

WARNER PUBLIC LIBRARY
207 8th Street
Warner, OK 74469
918-463-2363

CHEROKEE COUNTY

HULBERT COMMUNITY LIBRARY
210 North Broadway
Hulbert, OK 74441
918-772-3383

TAHLEQUAH PUBLIC LIBRARY
120 South College Avenue
Tahlequah, OK 74464
918-456-2581

SEQUOYAH COUNTY

MULDROW PUBLIC LIBRARY
711 West Shawntel Boulevard
Muldrow, OK 74948
918-427-6703

STANLEY TUBBS MEMORIAL LIBRARY
101 East Cherokee Street
Sallisaw, OK 74955
918-775-4481

MCINTOSH COUNTY

JIM LUCAS CHECOTAH
PUBLIC LIBRARY
626 West Gentry Street
Checotah, OK 74426
918-473-6715

EUFULA MEMORIAL LIBRARY
301 South First Street
Eufaula, OK 74432
918-689-2291

DELAWARE COUNTY

GROVE PUBLIC LIBRARY
1140 NEO Loop
Grove, OK 74344
918-786-2945

DELAWARE COUNTY LIBRARY
429 South 9th Street
Jay, OK 74346
918-786-0103

KANSAS PUBLIC LIBRARY
200 West Tulsa Avenue
Kansas, OK 74347
918-868-5257

