2025 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

LANSING Community LIBRARY



A note from our Library Director, Susie Gutenberger Fitzpatrick

What a year 2025 has been for our library community. In late 2024, our elevator unexpectedly broke down. We were able to quickly secure emergency funding for its replacement through the American Library Association, the Community Foundation of Tompkins County, and others. Thanks to this collective effort, our building was restored to full accessibility.

2025 was a Costumes and Cocktails year and we extend a heartfelt thank you to our Friends of the Library group for hosting another hugely successful fundraiser. The Friends bring fun, creativity, and vital support to our library. Libraries are spaces of curiosity, learning, and connection for everyone, and the Lansing Library remains committed to fostering inclusion, friendliness, and respect each and every day. We serve as a welcoming and safe space where all members of our extended community can come together in kindness and a shared love of reading. Fast facts below show some of the impact of our service.

The Board of Trustees joins me in sincere gratitude to our staff, volunteers, and friends for ongoing commitment. I look forward to continuing our vital work in the year ahead. See you at the library!

-Susie

FAST FACTS

21,200 VISITS

2,262 CARD HOLDERS

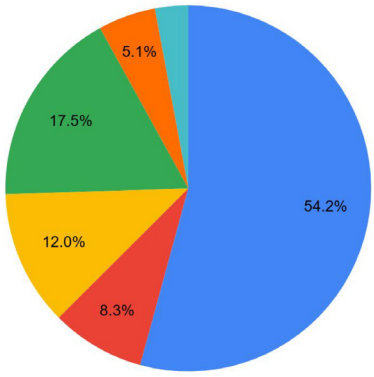
35,200 WEBSITE VISITS

50,340 CHECKOUTS

44,915 ITEMS OWNED BY LCLC

10,852 HOLDS PLACED

In 2025, the library offered **$415,302** worth of services and programming for the **$270,000** investment of Lansing taxpayers.



Funding Sources:

- Town of Lansing Tax Levy 54.2%
- Tompkins County 8.3%
- Grants 12%
- Gifts & Donations 17.5%
- Other 5.1%
- Investments & Endowment 2.9%

THANK YOU TO OUR DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS AND BOOK-SORTERS

We're so grateful for the time, energy, and care you put into keeping our library running smoothly and well-organized. Your dedication and willingness to lend a hand make all the difference—thank you for being such an important part of our community.

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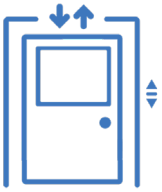
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SUMMER READING PROGRAM

276 Participants

667 Attended **37** Events



BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

A complete elevator replacement to ensure accessibility for all patrons.

Thank you to the friends for their incredible fundraising through the fantastic Costumes & Cocktails event, the cookie contest, and the Artisian Fair.

GRANT HIGHLIGHTS:

Total Grants: $80,262

Gifts & Donations: $6,778



American Library Association | Elevator Replacement

NY State Construction Aid | Elevator Replacement

Community Foundation | Summer Reading + Elevator

Senator Leah Webb | Program Support

Finger Lakes Library System | Program Support

Park Foundation | Screening of The Librarians Film

Community Arts Partnership | Performers & Arts Programming

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HOW *YOU* CAN SUPPORT *YOUR* LIBRARY

- **Join the Friends**
- **Shelve Books**
- **Work in the Garden**
- **Donate Used Books**
- **Volunteer at the Circ. Desk**
- **Assist with Special Projects**
- **Make a Monetary Donation**
- **Assist with Programming**



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