

Popular Annual Financial Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED **DECEMBER 31, 2022**

WE ARE PLEASED TO PRESENT the Popular Annual Financial Report for the year ended December 31, 2022. The Popular Annual Financial Report is an unaudited report that summarizes the library's general government financial and operating activities and provides a way for them to be easily understood by the reader. The summarized information includes 2022 calendar year resources, expenditures and current projects/building updates.

The Library has also published an Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the year ending 2022. The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report is an audited report and is prepared on a Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) basis, which requires greater disclosure than the Popular Annual Financial Report. Copies of the Popular Annual Financial Report and Annual Comprehensive Financial Report may be requested from the finance department by calling 614-807-2600 or on the library's website at worthingtonlibraries.org/about/reports-plans.

2022 was still not a typical year, but while we continued to face challenges, we also continued to move toward a sense of normal. We used available resources and staffing to introduce more services and materials to the people in our community. We continued to serve patrons through the distribution of COVID-19 test kits, while resuming normal operating hours, increasing program and service offerings at all three locations and expanding our digital offerings.

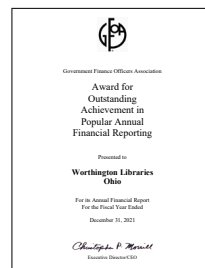
We saw a slight increase in overall revenue compared to the prior year. Most of this increase was related to an increase in investment income and intergovernmental revenue from the State of Ohio through the PLF (Public Library Fund). The state saw a significant increase in tax revenue from both sales tax and personal income tax in calendar year 2022, which flowed through to Ohio's library systems.

Overall expenditures were significantly under budget and increased just slightly over the prior year. This includes modest increases in general fund spending for salaries and benefits, supplies, and purchased and contracted services.

Our library has a strong financial foundation due to support provided by the community. We continue to plan and forecast for what comes next. The financial outlook for the State of Ohio at the end of 2022 is better than anticipated, and we are hopeful for what the future holds as we move forward.

- MONICA BAUGHMAN

Interim Chief Fiscal Officer



Our 2021 report has earned recognition from the Government Finance Officers Association as an outstanding achievement.



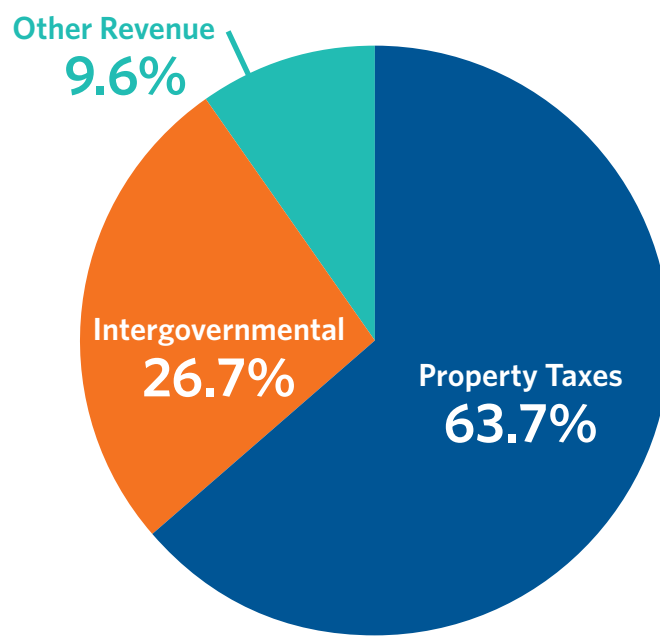
Library Revenues and Resources

Property taxes are the main source of revenue for the library, making up 63.7 percent of total revenues. Voters in the Worthington School District passed a permanent 2.6 mill property tax levy in 2005 and a 2.2 mill permanent replacement levy in 2013. We work to make this revenue last as long as possible through conservative budgeting.

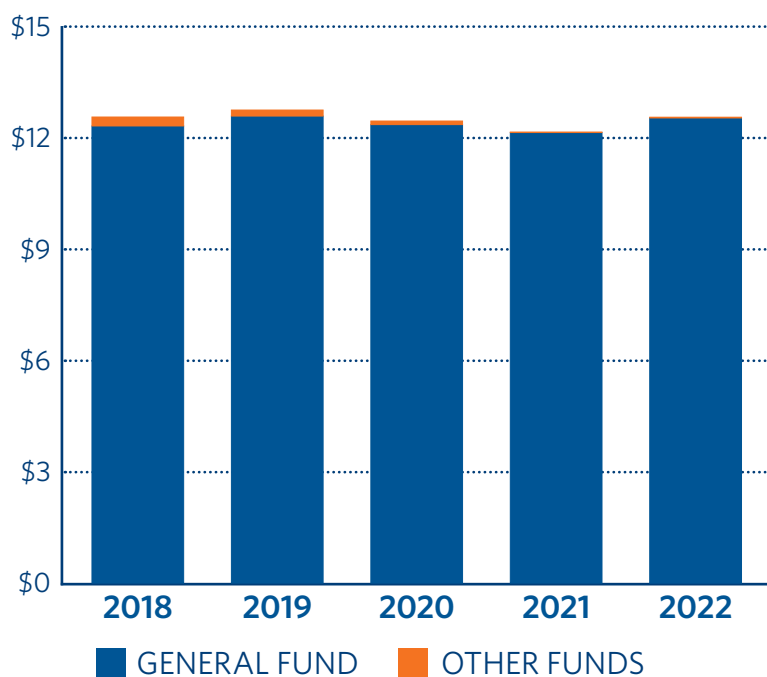
Intergovernmental revenue is primarily composed of Public Library Fund (PLF) revenue and homestead and rollback revenue. PLF revenues are generated based off a legislative approved percentage of the State of Ohio's General Revenue Fund. As per the state's budget for the 2022-2023 biennium effective July 2022, the PLF appropriation is currently based on 1.70% of the State's General Revenue Fund. Each county receives a portion of this allocation, which is further allocated to the library systems located in the county. Intergovernmental revenues made up 26.7 percent of total revenues at Worthington Libraries. In 2022, PLF revenues increased 8.11 percent compared to the prior year. This was largely a result of the state's continued recovery from COVID-19 and greater than expected GRF (General Revenue Fund) revenues primarily due to sales tax revenues and personal income tax collections exceeding expectations.

Other sources of library revenue are composed of fines and fees, investment income, services provided to other entities, gifts and donations, and refunds and reimbursements.

TOTAL REVENUES 2022 All Governmental Funds: \$12.3 million



TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL REVENUES 2018-2022 (in millions)



Total revenues for the general fund have remained relatively consistent over the last five years. In 2022, total revenue increased slightly compared to the prior year. The increase was partially due to the increase in Public Library Fund (PLF) revenue tied to greater than expected sales tax revenue and property tax collections. In addition to higher than expected PLF revenues from the State, total revenues increased overall related to the increases in investment income and slight increase in property tax revenues.

Library Services and Expenditures

LIBRARY SERVICES:

Public Services and Programs

Public service staff including circulation, adult/youth services, library managers as well as termination benefits and Friends of Worthington Libraries expenditures.

Collection Development and Processing

Materials selectors and technical services staff are included in this category, as well as the purchase of all books and the processing costs associated with those purchases.

SUPPORT SERVICES:

Facilities Operation and Maintenance

Facilities management staff are included in this category as well as utilities, groundskeeping, property insurance and materials and supplies necessary to maintain the three separate library locations.

Information Services Support

Technology and IT staff are included in this category as well as technology related professional services, rent/leased software and minor technology furniture and equipment.

Business Administration

Library administration, finance, board of trustees, and community relations staff are included in this category as well as liability insurance, tax collection fees and professional services.

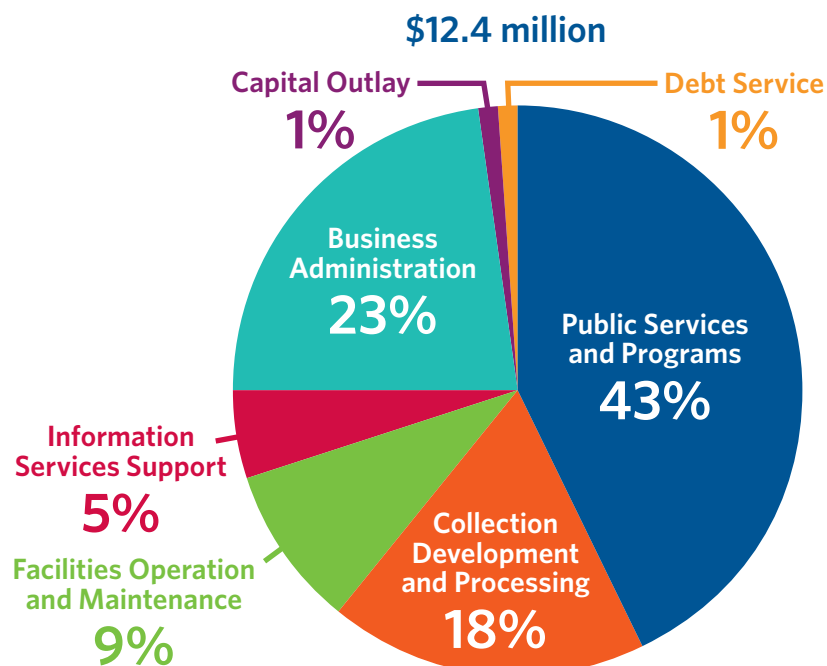
Capital Outlay

Construction, major repairs and renovations to library facilities and equipment.

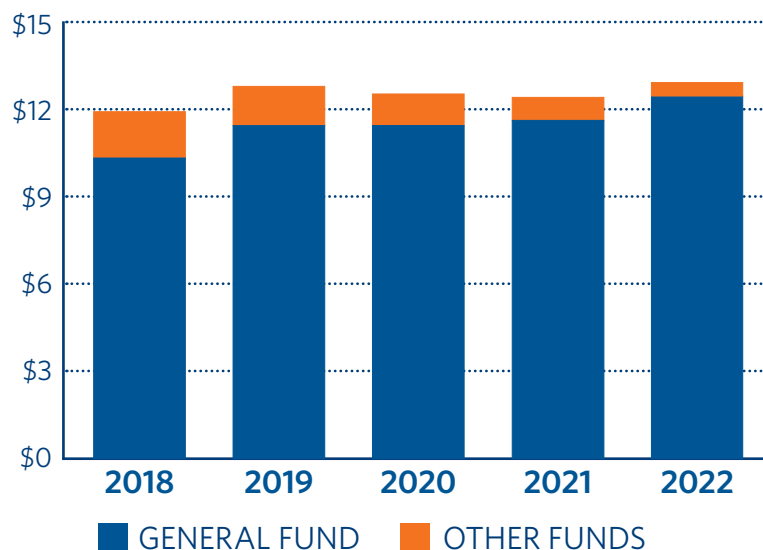
Debt Service

Principal and interest on debt.

TOTAL EXPENDITURES 2022



TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL EXPENDITURES 2018-2022 (in millions)



General fund expenditures were \$11.4 million for 2022, a decrease of \$200,000 from the prior year. The decrease in general fund spending was spread across the fund categories with increases in some and decreases in others, offsetting overall expenditures to a decrease. Overall expenditures increased slightly as we spent more on capital projects in 2022 compared to the prior year.

Library Facilities Update

OLD WORTHINGTON LIBRARY

Old Worthington Library is located in the heart of downtown Worthington. This location houses our largest collection of materials and is the largest by square footage. During 2022, this location continued to be a major hub for the disbursement of COVID-19 testing kits. Updates to the building included installation of digital signage outside reservable meeting spaces, completing the installation of a building automation system and other updates related to our Energy Conservation, Lighting and Building Automation Project and replacement of the 24/7 pickup locker system.



NORTHWEST LIBRARY

Northwest Library is located on Hard Road close to the major intersection of 270 and Sawmill Road. This location serves both Worthington and Columbus Metropolitan Library patrons as it sits on the border between our two library jurisdictions. During 2022, this location continued to be a major hub for the disbursement of COVID-19 testing kits. The drive-up window continued to be a popular service point. Updates to the building included installation of digital signage outside reservable meeting spaces and replacement of the 24/7 pickup locker system.



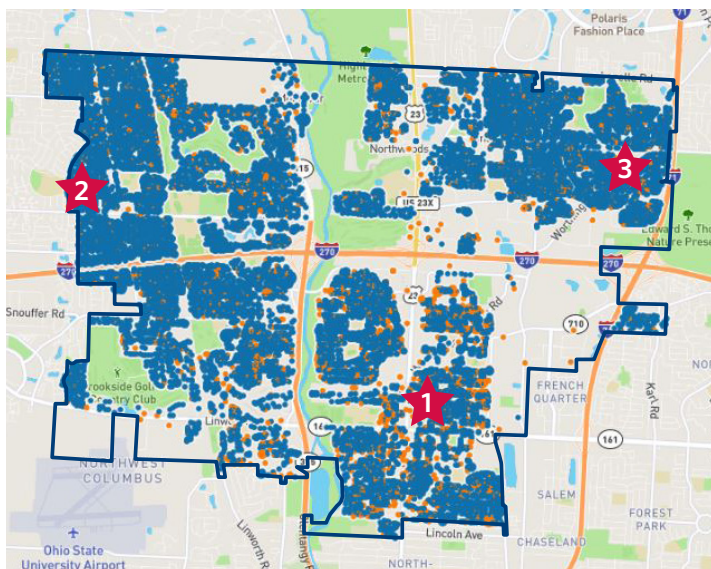
WORTHINGTON PARK LIBRARY

Worthington Park Library is located in the Worthington Park Shopping Center and primarily serves the northeast part of the library's service district. During 2022, this location continued to be as a major hub for the disbursement of COVID-19 testing kits. Updates to the building included installation of digital signage outside reservable meeting spaces. As the population continues to grow in this segment of our service area, patrons took advantage of the additional space this location has to offer as both circulation and registered borrowers increased compared to the prior year.



DIGITAL LIBRARY

We consider our digital presence, worthingtonlibraries.org, to be our fourth location. We opened all 13 of our study rooms to online reservation early in 2022. Custom digital signage installed outside each room displays the online schedule for each room, allowing patrons to see which rooms are currently in use and which are available. Later in the year, we created a new, more prominent section on our website to house listings of all the non-traditional materials - "gear, gadgets and kits" - the library has to borrow.



LIBRARY USERS within Worthington Libraries' service area, 2022

- Library user
- Worthington Libraries' service area
- ★ 1 Old Worthington Library
- ★ 2 Northwest Library
- ★ 3 Worthington Park Library