
**LANCASTER
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

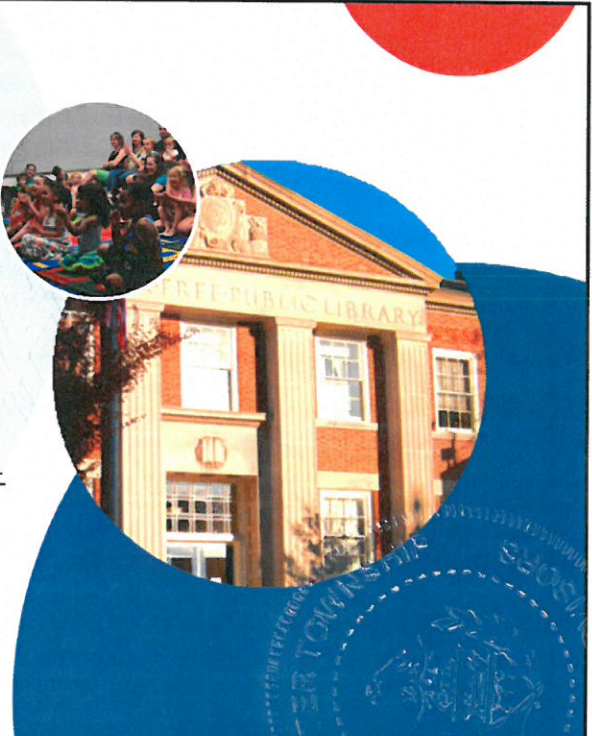
Serving Lancaster Since 1759

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Our Mission

The Lancaster Public Library inspires, empowers, and strengthens our community by connecting people with information, ideas, and enriching experiences.

By providing equitable access to vital educational resources, exceptional programming, and community-building opportunities, the Lancaster Public Library is recognized as a dynamic center of knowledge and a cornerstone of a thriving Lancaster community.



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Serving Lancaster Township

Lancaster Public Library welcomes over 18,400 Lancaster Township Residents cardholders annually.

20%

Lancaster Twp. Residents are Cardholders

50,000

Materials Borrowed Annually by Lancaster Twp.

\$1 Million

Worth of materials borrowed by Lancaster Twp. Residents

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Key Facts & Figures

Robust Collection

Over 192,000 items in our collection including an extensive collection of electronic resources

21% of budget spent on eResources

LPL Offers Most Materials in County

Roughly \$200,000 is spent annually to curate the collection, replacing old materials and adding to our collection. LPL lends our collection to other libraries throughout Lancaster County.

Provides Superior Service

LPL has more MLS holding librarians than any other library in the county. To stay competitive and retain talent, LPL has increased wages of our librarian staff. Answers over 2,000 reference questions a year

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Beyond the Books

- Duke Street Business Center
- Autism Resource Center
- Lancaster Collection
- Hotspot devices
- eResources – including eBooks, eAudiobooks, and streaming services
- Youth and Adult Programming
- American Girl dolls, table top and lawn games, museum passes, baking pans, musical instruments

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The Library's Annual Budget is

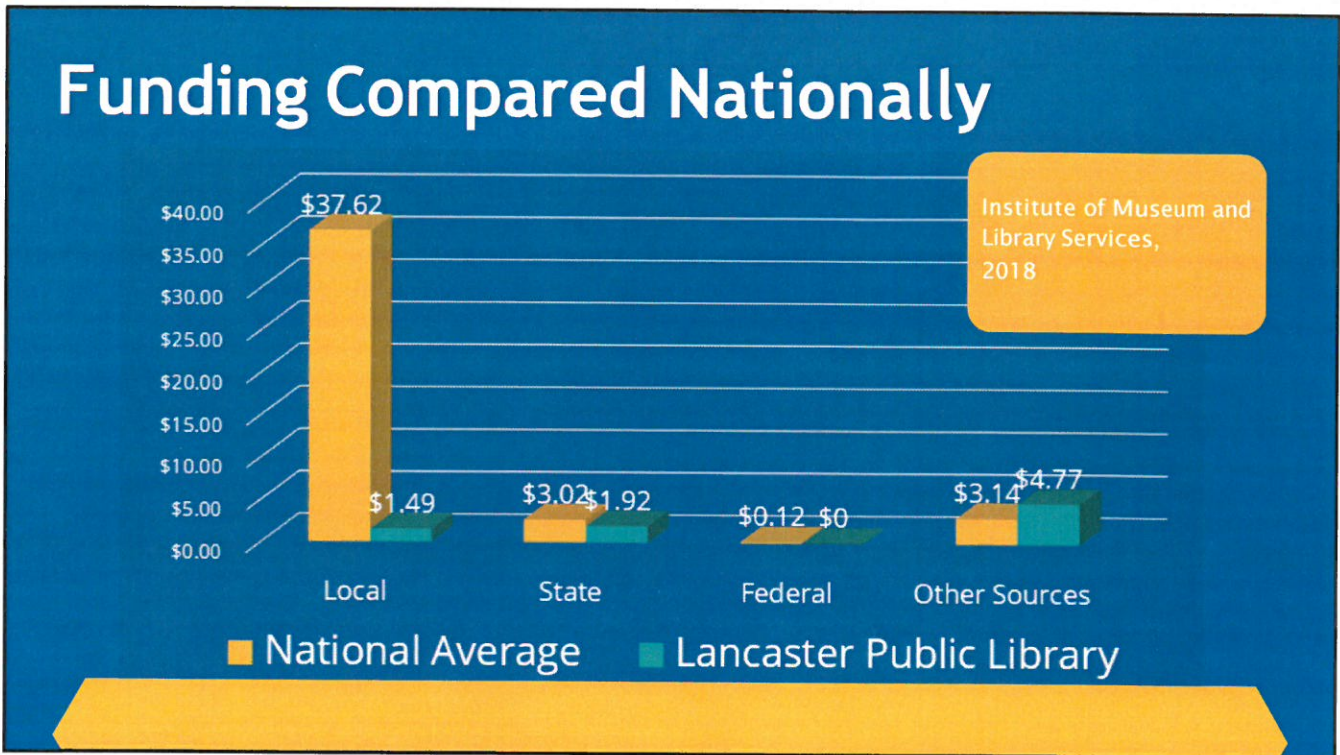
63%

Library Generated.

Library Generated funds are from Fundraising, Fines, and Fees.



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Comparison by Numbers

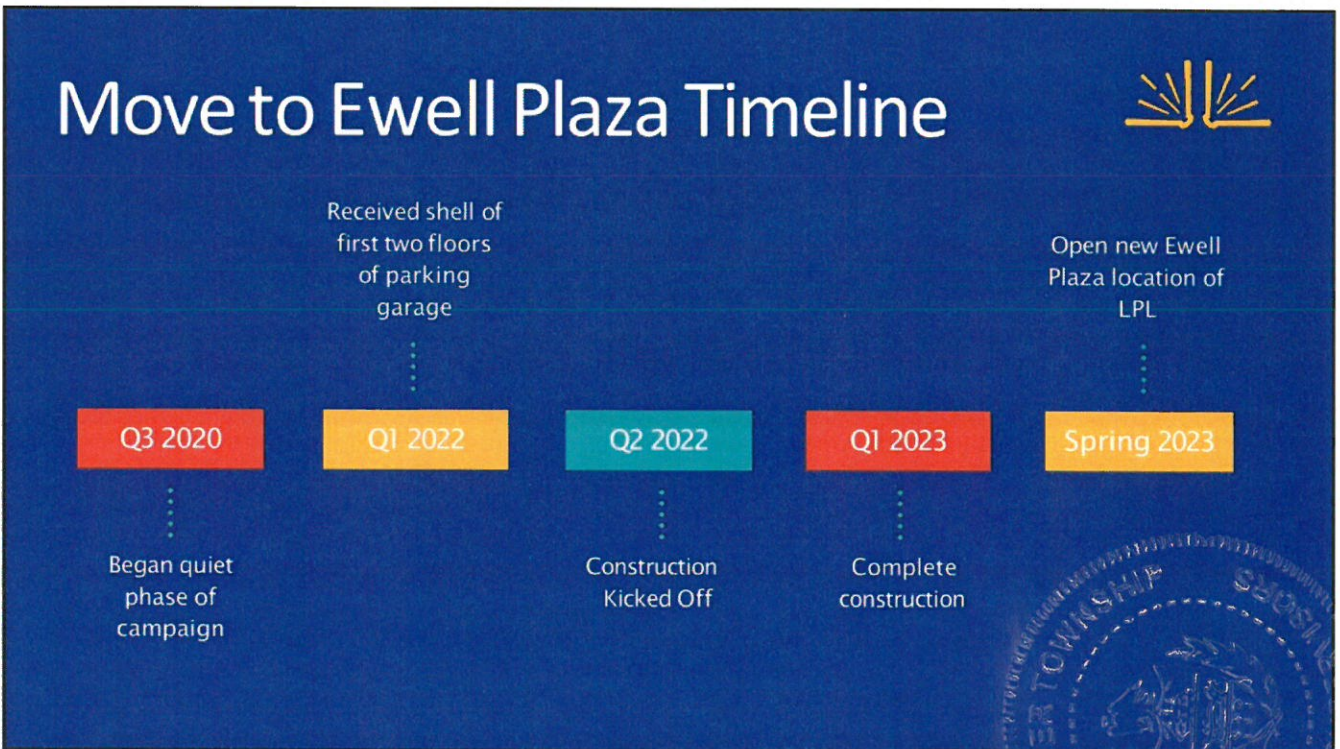
Pennsylvania has approximately 450 Public Libraries. Where Lancaster Public Library ranks in multiple categories is surprising

- 4 "Other Revenue" Meaning Library Generated & Fundraising
- 8 Largest Service Area and Materials
- 28 Operating Expenditures
- 99 Total Local Funding
- 429 Number of Staff Per Capita
- 439 Local Funding Per Capita

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