



Yavapai
Library
Network

Celebrating Forty Years

Annual Report

FY2024-2025

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A Message from the YLN Administrator

Dear Stakeholders and Friends,

I am excited to be writing to you as the new YLN Administrator, a role I stepped into in mid-November 2025. Prior to this position, I served as the East Regional Library Manager at Yavapai County Free Library District (2023-2025) and the Librarian-Circulation Services at Prescott Public Library (2021-2023). Since arriving in Prescott in 2021, I have been continually inspired by the spirit of collaboration and community that defines the Yavapai Library Network. It is a privilege to now serve this remarkable network in a leadership capacity, and I am grateful for the opportunity to support the libraries and people who make the YLN so special.



Minh Nguyen, MA/MLS

*Yavapai Library Network
Administrator*

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Fiscal year 2024-2025 was a period of both transition and growth for the YLN. Thanks to our collective resilience and commitment to collaboration, we continued to deliver exceptional library services across Yavapai County while navigating significant organizational changes.

Key Milestones and Changes

- Koha Migration Completed:** After months of planning and preparation, we successfully migrated to Koha—our new integrated library system—in August 2025. This transition marks a major step forward, providing a more flexible, user-friendly, and sustainable platform for our member libraries.
- Departures:** This past year, we bid farewell to several member libraries, including Tri-City Prep, Seligman Unified School District, and The Orme School. While their absence is felt, the strength of our network remains robust, and we continue to welcome opportunities for future partnerships.
- Staff Changes:** Our long-time Systems Librarian, Chanel Wheeler, departed the YLN team and is now serving as the Cataloging Librarian at Prescott Valley Public Library. We are grateful to Karie Straube for stepping gracefully into this critical role. Toward the end of the fiscal year, Sherryl Masterman transitioned to County ITS, and we

welcomed Shane Irwin to the team. As for myself, I am honored to now serve as the YLN Administrator. We hope that these personnel changes will bring fresh perspectives and renewed energy, strengthening our ability to support member libraries through technical assistance, training, and innovation.

Looking Ahead

In fiscal year 2025-2026, our priorities will focus on strengthening governance, refining policies, and revitalizing collaboration across the network.

- **Governance & Policies:** We will be revamping the network's Bylaws and policies to help streamline decision-making and update roles across the network.
- **RFID RFP:** Our current contract with Tech Logic expires June 30, 2026. The revival of the RFID Request for Proposals (RFP) will allow us to modernize tagging and inventory systems, improving efficiency and accuracy in circulation and materials management.
- **User Groups:** User groups will be re-energized with expanded opportunities for professional development, peer mentorship, and subject matter expertise. By strengthening these collaborative forums, we aim to empower staff across all member libraries to share best practices and drive innovations.

Thank you for your continued support of the Yavapai Library Network!

Sincerely,
-Minh Nguyen



Yavapai Library Network and Yavapai County Free Library District Offices in Prescott, Arizona.

About the YLN

The Yavapai Library Network (YLN) is a countywide collaboration of libraries across Yavapai County, Arizona. Established in 1985 through a partnership between Yavapai College Library and Prescott Public Library, the network has steadily expanded over the decades. Fiscal year 2024-2025 marked the **40th anniversary** of the YLN, and the network has grown to encompass **59** member libraries—including academic, public, K-12, and special/museum libraries—along with six unique special collections.

At its core, the YLN is built on a strong tradition of collaboration and cost sharing. Its shared system ensures that even residents in remote areas can access a collection of more than one million items. By pooling resources and expertise, the network continues to enhance efficiency while upholding the principles that have guided it since its inception. This commitment to working together has created an unparalleled level of library service across Yavapai County.

YLN Membership

COLLECTIONS ACCESS

The Yavapai Library Network (YLN) member libraries work together by sharing both virtual and physical resources. Physical materials are transported across Yavapai County via a courier service. Once they arrive at our central hub in Prescott, they are sorted by an automated materials handler and then dispatched to the appropriate receiving libraries. This efficient process allows patrons to request materials from any member library and expect delivery within a week.

COLLABORATION

The YLN features many user groups in which members are encouraged to participate. These groups offer the chance to enhance professional skills and collaborate with others in areas such as circulation, cataloging, youth services, marketing, e-materials, and more. At times members of the user groups are called upon to provide subject matter expertise or assistance, such as when going out to RFP for YLN-wide resources.

SHARED TECHNOLOGY & RESOURCES

The YLN shares an integrated library system, Koha, and an online public catalog, Aspen Discovery. Member libraries have access to the Yes! Calendar, the Overdrive/Sora e-materials platform, discounted library cards, barcodes, RFID hardware and tags through Tech Logic, and tech support.

*Includes physical items and digital items.

**Estimates by Arizona Office of Economic Opportunity, July 1, 2025.

***Based on the BERK Return on Investment study, 2021 Update.

1,283,345
Total Available Items*

920,221
Physical Items

480,501
Physical Titles

363,124
Digital Items

347,392
Digital Titles

79,298
Physical Items
Added FY24-25

Yavapai County Population**

253,595

102,966 Residents with a
YLN Library Card
= 41% of the County

21,778
New Users this Year

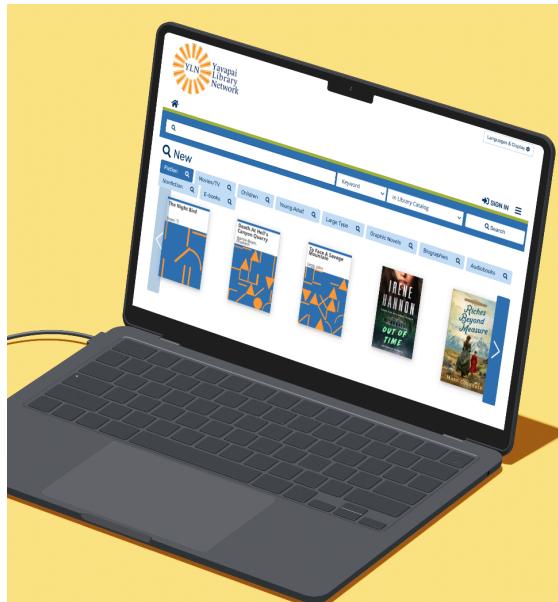
\$6.43
Average return on investment
per dollar spent***

Benefits of YLN Membership

BENEFITS TO PATRONS

- **SHARED CATALOG**

- Patrons are able to borrow items from other YLN libraries and have them delivered to their home library via courier service



- **DIGITAL LIBRARY**

- Ebook Central
- New York Times Digital Edition
- Overdrive (Libby; Sora for K-12)

- **ONLINE LEARNING RESOURCES**

- AncestryLibrary®
- Britannica Library
- Business Resource and Statistics
- Chilton Library
- Gale in Context
- Gale Legal Forms
- Hobbies & Crafts Reference Center
- Home Improvement Reference Center
- Mango Languages
- NoveList Plus
- Peterson's Test and Career Prep
- Udemy® online video courses
- Science, History, & Social Studies Resources

BENEFITS TO MEMBER LIBRARIES

- 24/7/365 Tech Support
- Data Backup & Recovery
- Subscription Database Authentication
- Software Training
- Online Public Access Catalog
- Mobile App
- Koha ILS
- RFID Tagging
- Cataloging Services
- Authority Update Services
- Conversion Services
- AR & Lexile Level Updates
- Automated Student Uploads
- Library Card Printing for Schools
- Library Best Practices
- Library Mentorship
- Training
- User Group Meetings
- Marketing Support
- Purchasing Power

YLN Profile (FY24-25)

22 Public Libraries

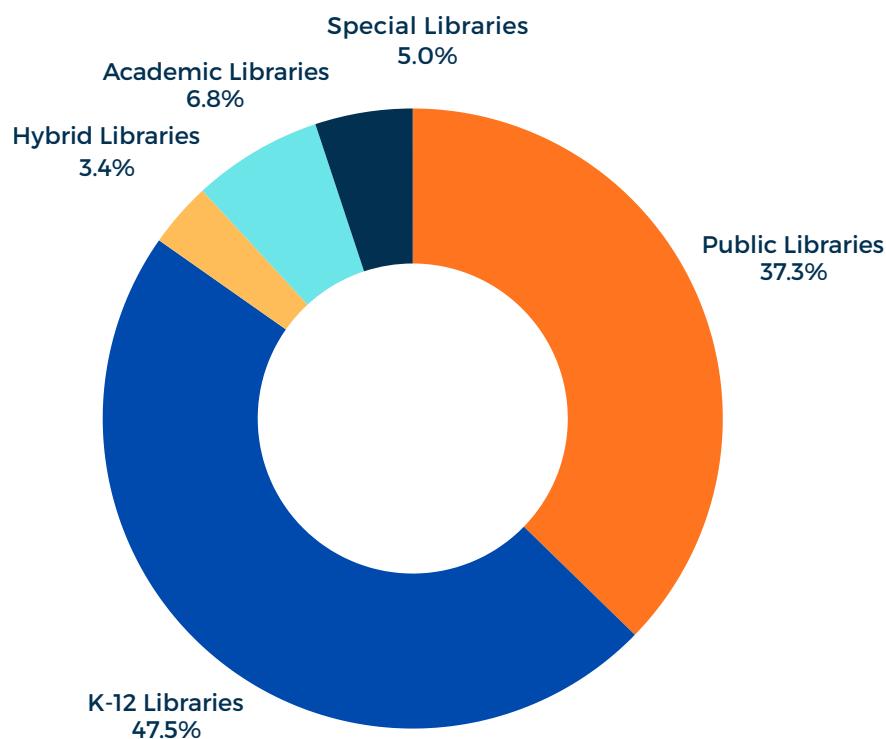
28 K-12 Libraries

2 Hybrid Public/K-12

4 Academic Libraries

3 Special Libraries

6 Special Collections



"The only thing that you absolutely have to know is the location of the library."

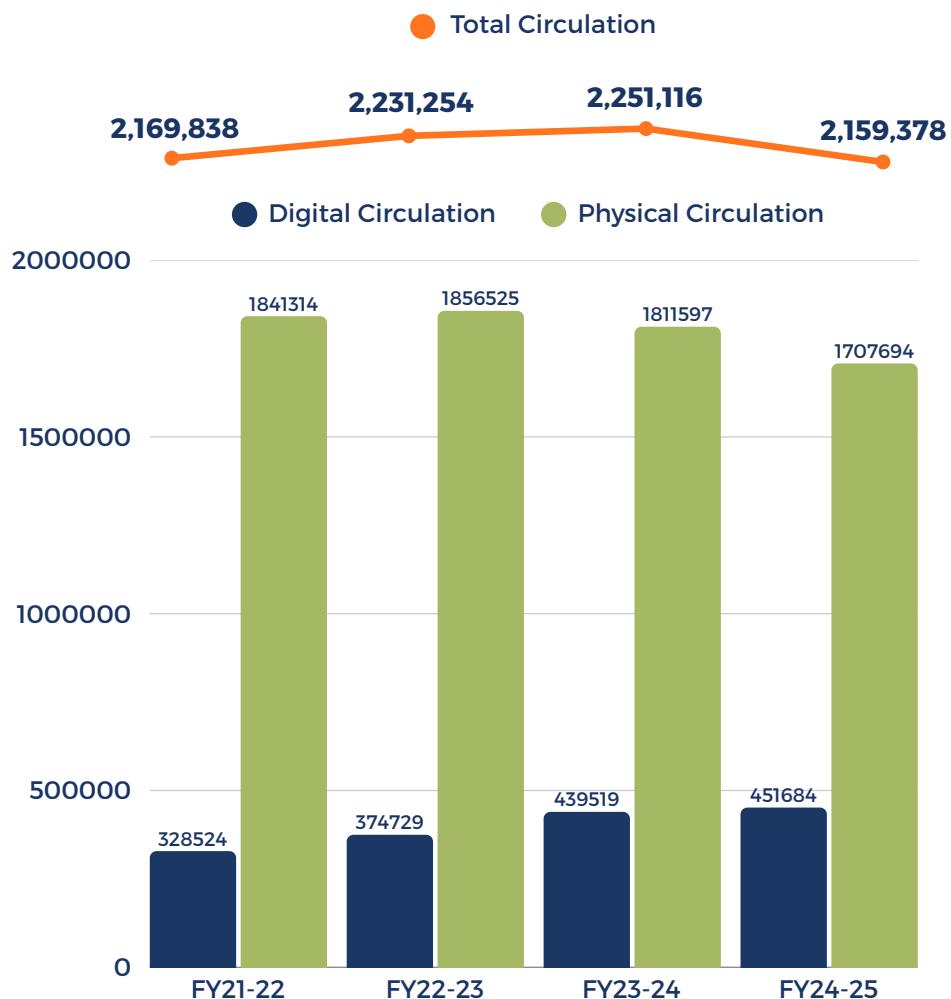
- Albert Einstein

Circulation Trends

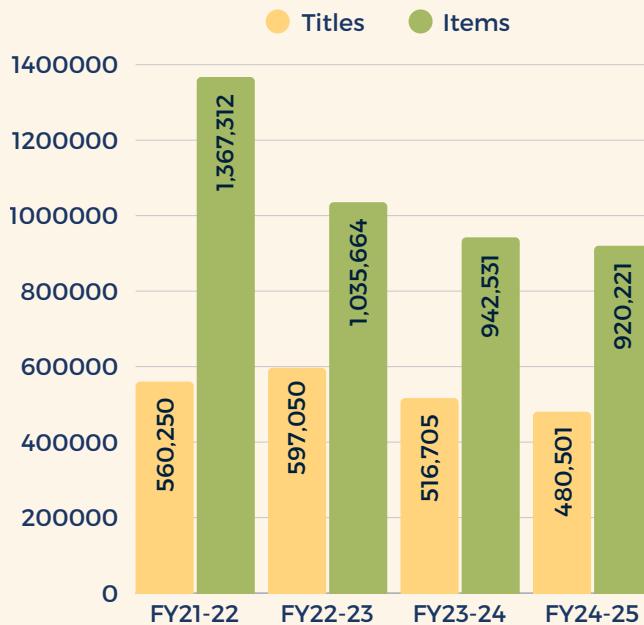
Our circulation statistics reveal a dual narrative of sustained physical usage and evolving digital preferences among YLN patrons.

In FY24-25, total circulation reached **2,159,378** items. While physical circulation (including physical checkouts and subsequent renewals) has seen a modest decrease of **7%** since post-COVID FY21-22, digital engagement has surged during that same timeframe. Digital circulation—which includes Overdrive/Libby checkouts*, Overdrive/Sora checkouts, and ProQuest Ebook Central titles used—grew by **37%**, from 328,524 in FY21-22 to 451,684 in FY24-25. Is it worth noting that digital materials now account for **21%** of all circulation, a significant increase from 15% in FY21-22.

*Includes items that YLN patrons checked out from Reciprocal Lending Agreement (RLA) systems.



Physical Holdings



As Yavapai College libraries transition into *Centers for Learning and Innovation*, physical collections have been strategically streamlined to prioritize digital accessibility. This intentional shift has contributed to a reduction in physical holdings reflected in the network's aggregate data. At the same time, core digital platforms—including Libby, Sora, and Ebook Central—continue to demonstrate strong growth, with Ebook Central now providing access to more than **282,899** titles.

Digital Holdings - Titles

Sora

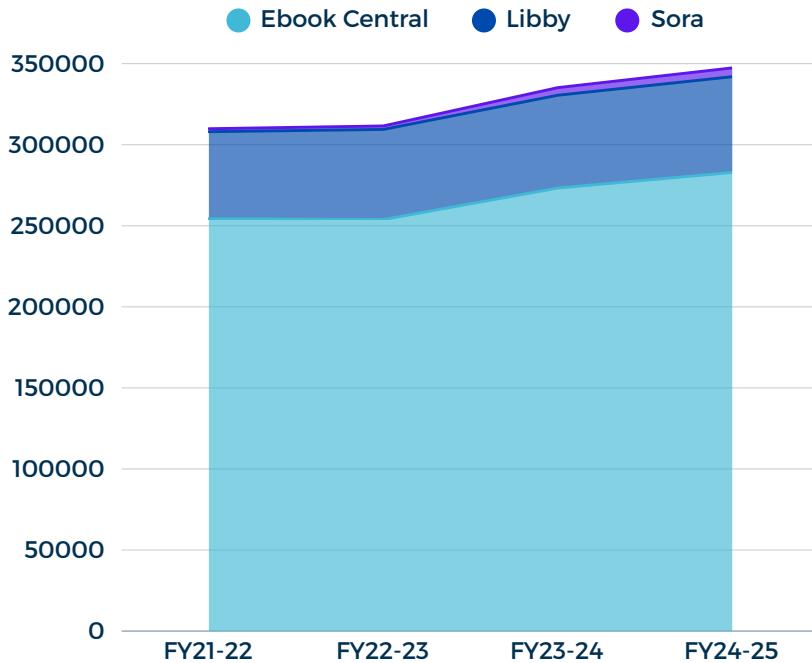
FY21-22: 1,844
FY22-23: 2,145
FY23-24: 4,684
FY24-25: 5,427

Libby

FY21-22: 53,679
FY22-23: 55,575
FY23-24: 57,230
FY24-25: 59,066

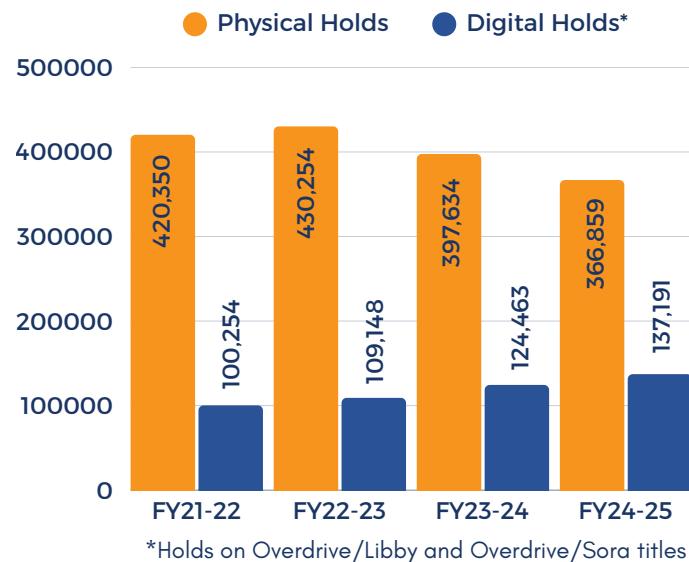
Ebook Central

FY21-22: 254,350
FY22-23: 253,866
FY23-24: 273,300
FY24-25: 282,899

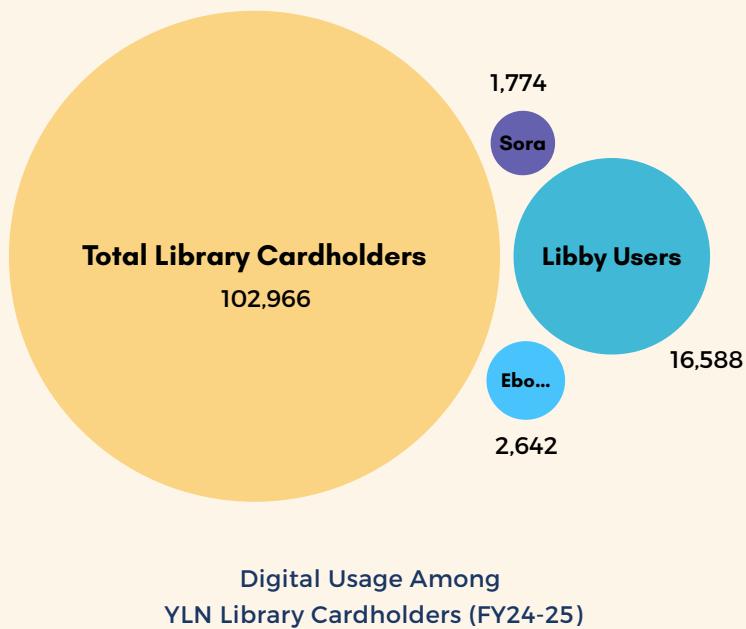


Holds - Physical & Digital

Evolving digital engagement is further reflected in a steady decline in holds on physical items alongside a rise in digital holds over the past several years. Between FY21-22 and FY24-25, physical holds dropped by 15%, while digital holds increased by 37%. As a result, digital materials now account for **27%** of all item holds in the YLN.



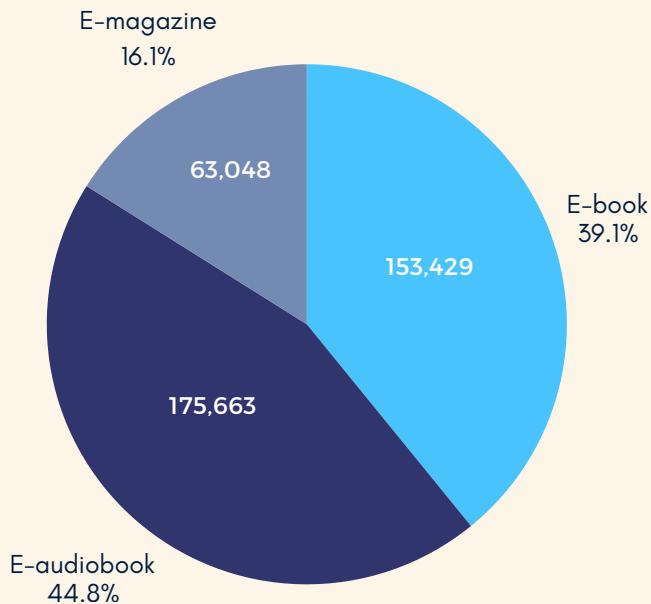
Digital Library Usage



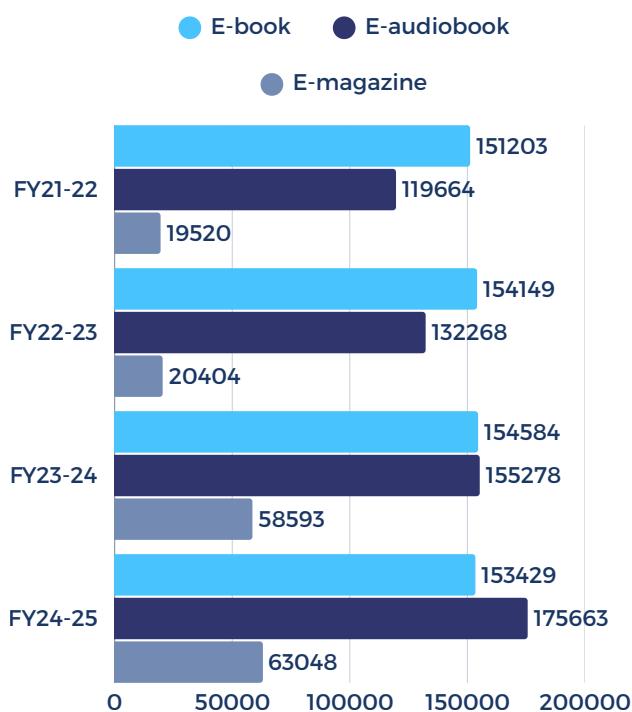
Digital library users are library cardholders who accessed digital content platforms such as Libby, Sora, or Ebook Central during the fiscal year. While usage of Sora and Ebook Central remains relatively limited—with 1,774 and 2,642 unique users respectively—Libby has emerged as the dominant platform for digital engagement in the YLN’s ecosystem. In FY24-25, Libby users reached 16,588*, accounting for **16.11%** of total user base, a notable increase from 13.62% the prior year.

*Updated January 2026: OverDrive revised its reported user statistics; this report now reflects the corrected number.

Overdrive/Libby Insights



FY24-25 Overdrive/Libby Checkouts = **392,140**



After steadily increasing over the past few years, e-audiobook checkouts surpassed e-book checkouts in Libby circulation for the first time in FY23-24, albeit by a narrow margin (0.19%). In FY24-25, e-audiobooks emerged as the most used format on Libby, with 175,663 checkouts accounting for **44.8%** of all Libby circulation. E-magazines also experienced significant growth, surging by **187%** between FY22-23 and FY23-24 and continuing to increase in FY24-25. In contrast, e-book checkouts have remained relatively stable. Together, the growth in e-audiobook and e-magazine use reflects evolving patterns in digital library usage and format preferences.

Mango Sessions



**YLN patrons held 4,328
Mango sessions, up 6%
from last year.**

*"A different language is a
different vision of life."*

— Federico Fellini

YLN Catalog App



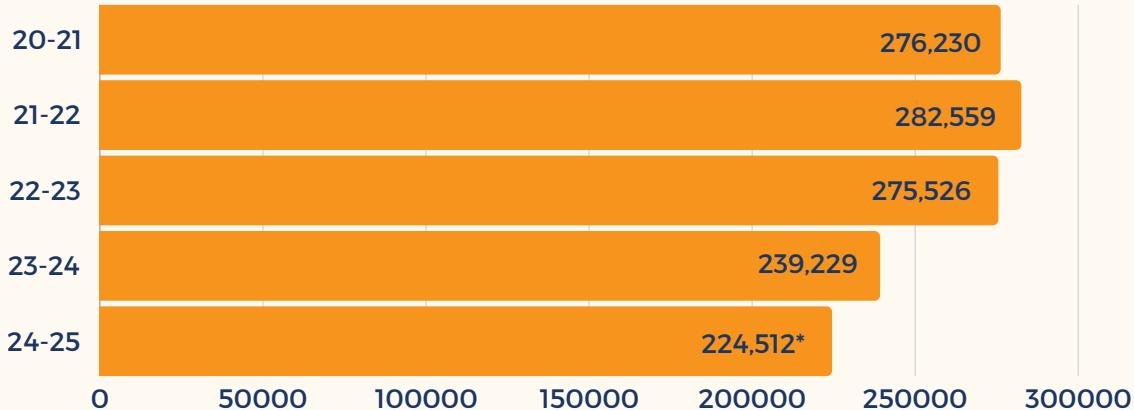
**YLN patrons placed 56,684 holds
through the mobile app,
representing 11.3% of all holds
—both digital and physical—
across the YLN.**

*"Books are the
quietest and most
constant of friends;
they are the most
accessible and
wisest of counselors,
and the most patient
of teachers."*

— Charles W. Eliot.

Transits

● Number of items sent via transit per year



*Does not include items sent to/from YLN for cataloging.

*"A good
system
shortens the
road to the
goal."*
-Unknown

593,801 **TOTAL ITEMS
SORTED***

75,408 **TOTAL MILES
DRIVEN**

68 **WEEKLY
DELIVERIES**



Budget Breakdown

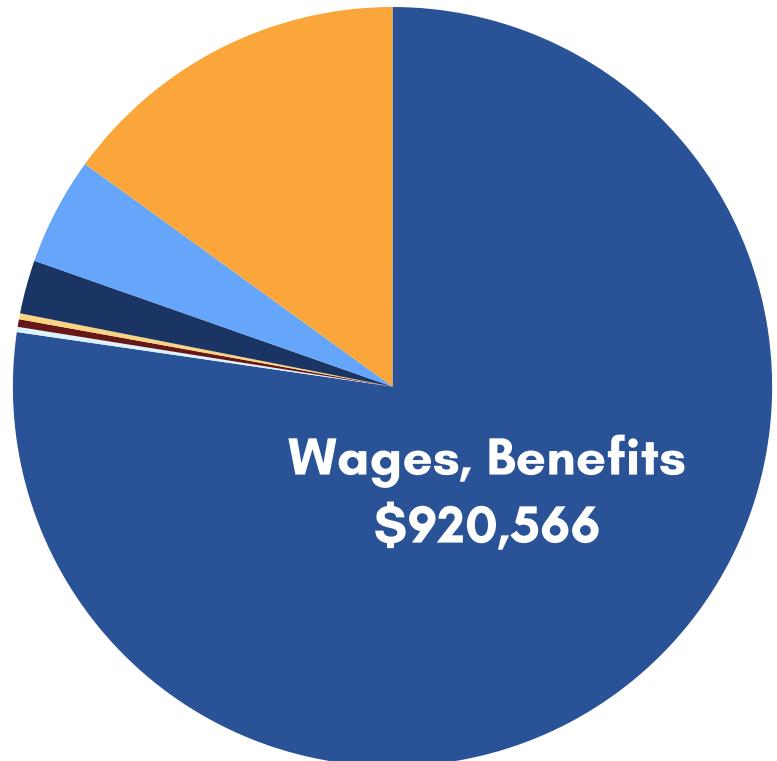
The FY25-26 level of funding budgeted for YLN operations is **\$1,190,948**. This includes staffing, maintenance, subscription fees, fees associated with the sorting facility, and all other expenses. All YLN staff are now consolidated in the wages and benefits section of the below chart.

The **YLN budget** is fully funded by the Yavapai County Free Library District, and is **separate from the YLN reserve fund**.

**FY25-26
Budgeted
\$1,190,948**

**FY24-25
Forecasted
\$1,010,968**

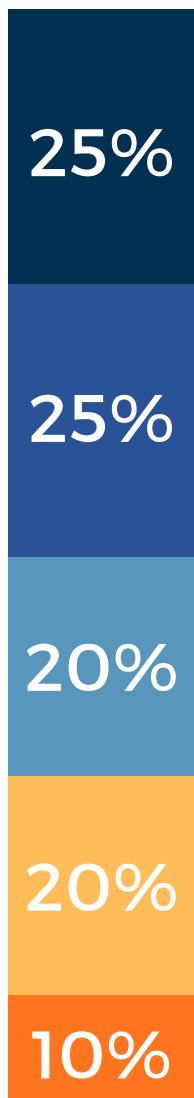
Wages & Benefits \$920,566
Dues, Memberships, & Subscriptions \$178,950
Building/Land Rental \$54,729
Supplies \$27,200
Furniture \$3,000
Communications \$3,861
Computer Equipment \$2,652



Assessment Formula

A reserve fund was established to ensure that YLN members enjoy leading-edge technology. The membership is billed \$200,000 annually to help support this fund.

The reserve fund rolls over from year-to-year ensuring funds are available for a large reserve expenditure related to technology or services. Replenishing the reserve fund is the only fee that members are currently charged on an annual basis. **As of June 30, 2025**, this fund's balance was **\$446,747.78**. Each library's portion of this bill is determined by this detailed assessment formula. The YLN's Steering Committee directs how these funds are spent.



CORE ACCESS 25%

A base amount is assessed that is the same for every library. This ensures every library pays a fair amount. This functional area covers basic access to the integrated library system.

TRANSITS 25%

A major expense of the YLN is the cost of transporting materials from library to library. The formula's transit fee is based on the number of items borrowed by each library, not the number of items loaned.

STAFF 20%

The number of people accessing the integrated library system also places a burden on resources. This billing amount is determined by the number of paid staff, volunteers, and student workers performing staff functions in this system.

CIRCULATION/HOLDS 20%

The library user activity also contributes considerably to system use. The biggest portion of library user activity is circulation with the second largest portion consisting of holds. Libraries that circulate more items to their patrons pay a higher percentage of this functional area.

ITEMS/LIBRARY USERS 10%

The final functional area deals with maintaining and storing data. The number of items and the number of library users all take up space on the system. Storage space is inexpensive, which is why this functional area is the smallest percentage.

The configuration of these functional areas ensures that no single library pays more or less than its fair share. The amount billed to each member is on the next page.

Capital Reserves

Fund Fees 2024-2025

Member	Locations	%	FY23-24	FY24-25	Difference
Ash Fork School District	1	0.60%	\$1,188.38	\$1,199.00	\$10.62
Canon Elementary School	1	0.60%	-	\$1,195.27	\$1,195.27
Camp Verde Community Library	1	3.80%	\$7,379.18	\$7,601.31	\$222.13
Camp Verde Unified School District	1	0.83%	\$1,566.02	\$1,652.38	\$86.37
Camp Verde AR Lab	1	0.60%	\$1,290.83	\$1,200.54	-\$90.29
Chino Valley Public Library	1	3.74%	\$7,767.96	\$7,487.73	-\$280.23
Chino Valley Unified School District	3	2.30%	\$4,523.56	\$4,607.22	\$83.66
Clarkdale/Jerome Elementary School	1	0.81%	\$1,547.60	\$1,618.04	\$70.44
Cottonwood Public Library	1	6.98%	\$13,972.22	\$13,957.30	-\$14.93
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	1	2.00%	\$3,935.24	\$4,008.98	\$73.74
Humboldt Unified School District	9	6.43%	\$12,998.94	\$12,862.94	-\$136.00
Jerome Public Library	1	0.89%	\$1,769.32	\$1,776.93	\$7.61
Mayer Unified School District	1	0.69%	\$1,357.61	\$1,373.45	\$15.85

Capital Reserves

Fund Fees 2024-2025

Member	Locations	%	FY23-24	FY24-25	Difference
Mingus Union High School	1	0.62%	\$1,258.95	\$1,245.66	-\$13.29
The Orme School of Arizona	1	0.53%	\$1,066.05	\$1,066.81	\$0.76
Prescott College	1	1.31%	\$2,583.71	\$2,616.32	\$32.62
Prescott Public Library	1	17.13%	\$33,845.23	\$34,259.47	\$414.24
Prescott Unified School District	6	4.04%	\$8,359.08	\$8,085.21	-\$273.87
Prescott Valley Public Library	1	13.63%	\$27,981.44	\$27,262.93	-\$718.52
Community Library Sedona	2	8.54%	\$16,985.64	\$17,073.83	\$88.18
Sharlot Hall Museum	1	0.75%	\$1,485.19	\$1,496.90	\$11.71
Seligman School District	1	0.62%	\$1,228.16	\$1,235.01	\$6.85
Skull Valley Elementary	1	0.52%	\$1,036.47	\$1,047.33	\$10.86
Verde Valley Archaeology Center	1	0.58%	\$1,149.36	\$1,157.86	\$8.50
Yavapai College	2	2.67%	\$6,572.98	\$5,340.02	-\$1,232.96
Yavapai County Free Library District	16	18.22%	\$34,900.06	\$36,443.60	\$1,543.54
Yavapai County Law Library	1	0.56%	\$1,126.37	\$1,127.96	\$1.59
Total	59	100%	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00	

YLN Directory

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Ash Fork Public Library

450 W. Lewis Ave
Ash Fork, AZ 86320
P: 928-637-2442

Bagdad Public Library

700 Palo Verde Rd #C
Bagdad, AZ 86321
P: 928-633-2325

Black Canyon City Community Library

34701 S. Old Black Canyon Hwy
Black Canyon City, AZ 85324
P: 623-374-5866

Camp Verde Community Library

130 N. Black Bridge Rd
Camp Verde, AZ 86322
P: 928-554-8380

Chino Valley Public Library

1020 W. Palomino Rd
Chino Valley, AZ 86323
P: 928-636-2687

Clark Memorial Library

39 N. Ninth St
Clarkdale, AZ 86324
P: 928-634-5423

Congress Public Library

26750 Santa Fe Rd
Congress, AZ 85332
P: 928-427-3945

Cordes Lakes Public Library

15989 S. Cordes Lakes Dr
Cordes Lakes, AZ 86333
P: 928-632-5492

Community Library Sedona

3250 White Bear Rd
Sedona, AZ 86336
P: 928-282-7714

Community Library Sedona in the Village

25 W. Saddlehorn Rd
Sedona, AZ 86351
P: 928-282-7714

Cottonwood Public Library

100 S. 6th St
Cottonwood, AZ 86326
P: 928-634-7559

Crown King Public Library

23550 Towers Mountain Rd
Crown King, AZ 86343
P: 928-632-5986

Dewey-Humboldt Town Library

2735 S. Corral St
Humboldt, AZ 86329
P: 928-632-5049

Jerome Public Library

600 Clark St
Jerome, AZ 86331
P: 928-639-0574

Mayer Public Library

10004 Wicks Ave
Mayer, AZ 86333
P: 928-632-7370

Paulden Public Library

16 W. Big Chino Rd
Paulden, AZ 86334
P: 928-636-1202

Prescott Public Library

215 E. Goodwin St
Prescott, AZ 86303
P: 928-777-1500

Prescott Valley Public Library

7401 E. Skoog Blvd
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314
P: 928-759-3040

Seligman Public Library

54170 N. Floyd St
Seligman, AZ 86337
P: 928-422-3633

Wilhoit Public Library

9325 Donegal Dr, Ste B
Wilhoit, AZ 86332
P: 928-442-3611

Yarnell Public Library

22278 S. Highway 89
Yarnell, AZ 85362
P: 928-427-3191

Yavapai County Free Library District Office

1971 Commerce Center Cir, Ste D
Prescott, AZ 86301
P: 928-771-3191

**PUBLIC/K-12 SCHOOL
JOINT-USE LIBRARIES****Beaver Creek Public/School Library**

4810 E. Beaver Creek Rd
Rimrock, AZ 86335
P: 928-567-4034

Spring Valley Library

17320 E. Mule Deer Dr
Mayer, AZ 86333
P: 928-642-1295

K-12 SCHOOL LIBRARIES**Ash Fork Joint Unified School District**

46999 N. 5th St
Ash Fork, AZ 86320
P: 928-637-2561

Abia Judd Elementary School Library

1749 Williamson Valley Rd
Prescott, AZ 86305
P: 928-717-3263 x133

Bagdad Unified School District

PO Box 427
500 Sultan Way
Bagdad, AZ 86321-0427
P: 928-633-4101

Bradshaw Mountain High School Library

6000 E. Long Look Dr
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314
P: 928-759-4128

Bradshaw Mountain Middle School Library

12255 Turquoise Cir
Dewey, AZ 86327
P: 928-759-4900

Camp Verde AR Lab

410 Camp Lincoln Rd
Camp Verde, AZ 86322
P: 928-567-8027

Camp Verde Unified School District Library

410 Camp Lincoln Rd
Camp Verde, AZ 86322
P: (928) 567-8000

Chino Valley High School Library

760 East Center St
Chino Valley, AZ 86323
P: 928-636-2298 x211

Cañon Elementary School Library

34630 School Loop Rd
Black Canyon City, AZ 85324
P: 623 374-5588

Coyote Springs Elementary School Library

6625 N. Cattletrack Dr
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314
P: 928-759-4300

Clarkdale-Jerome Elementary School District

1615 Main St
Clarkdale, AZ 86324
P: 928-634-5035

Del Rio Elementary School Library

1036 North Road 1 West
Chino Valley, AZ 86323
P: 928-636-4414

Glassford Hill Middle School Library

6901 Panther Path
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314
P: 928-759-4600

Granite Mountain Upper Elementary Library

1800 Williamson Valley Rd
Prescott, AZ 86305
P: 928-634-5035

Granville Elementary School Library

5250 N. Stover Dr
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314
P: 928-759-4300

Heritage Middle School Library

1036 North Road 1 West
Chino Valley, AZ 86323
P: 928-636-4414

Humboldt Elementary School Library

2750 S. Corral St
Humboldt, AZ 86327
P: 928-759-4400

Lake Valley Elementary School Library

3900 N Starlight Dr
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314
P: (928) 759-4200

Liberty Traditional School Library

3300 N. Lake Valley Road
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314
P: 928-759-4500

Lincoln Elementary School Library

201 Park Avenue
Prescott, AZ 86303
P: 928-717-3249 x111

Mayer Elementary School Library

12568 E. Main St
Mayer, AZ 86333
P: 928-642-1101

Mingus Union High School Library

1801 E Fir St
Cottonwood, AZ 86326
P: 928-634-7531

Mountain View Elementary School Library

8601 E. Loos Dr
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314
P: 928-759-4700

Prescott High School Library

1050 N Ruth St
Prescott, AZ 86301
P: 928-445-2322 x133

Prescott Mile High Middle School Library

300 South Granite St
Prescott, AZ 86303
P: 928-717-3241 x422

Skull Valley Elementary School Library

3150 Old Skull Valley Rd
Skull Valley, AZ 86338
P: 928-442-3322

Taylor Hicks Elementary School Library

1845 Campbell Ave
Prescott, AZ 86301
P: 928-717-3276

ACADEMIC LIBRARIES**Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Library**

3700 Willow Creek Rd
Prescott, AZ 86301
P: 928-777-3811

Prescott College Library

220 Grove Ave
Prescott, AZ 86301
P: 928-350-1300

Yavapai College Library - Prescott Campus

1100 East Sheldon St, Building 3, #6903
Prescott, AZ 86301
P: 928-776-2260

Yavapai College Library - Verde Campus

601 Black Hills Dr, Building M, #6951
Clarkdale, AZ 86324
P: 928-634-6541

"A library is not a luxury but one of the necessities of life."

— Henry Ward Beecher

SPECIAL/MUSEUM LIBRARIES

Sharlot Hall Museum Library & Archives

115 S. McCormick St
Prescott, AZ 86303
P: 928-445-3122

Verde Valley Archaeology Center

460 W. Finnie Flat Rd
Camp Verde, AZ 86322
P: 928-567-0066

Yavapai County Law Library

120 S. Cortez St, Room 112
Prescott, AZ 86303
P: 928-771-3309

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Arizona Archaeological Society Collection

Yavapai Chapter
P.O. Box 1098
Prescott, AZ 86302

Ecosa Institute

1300 W. Gurley St #2
Prescott, AZ 86303
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Highlands Center for Natural History

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The Museum of Indigenous People Research Library

147 N. Arizona Ave
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From left to right: Audrey Payne, John Clark, Agatha Florence, Minh Nguyen, Karie Straube, Jill Redmer, Shane Erwin, Nam Nguyen.

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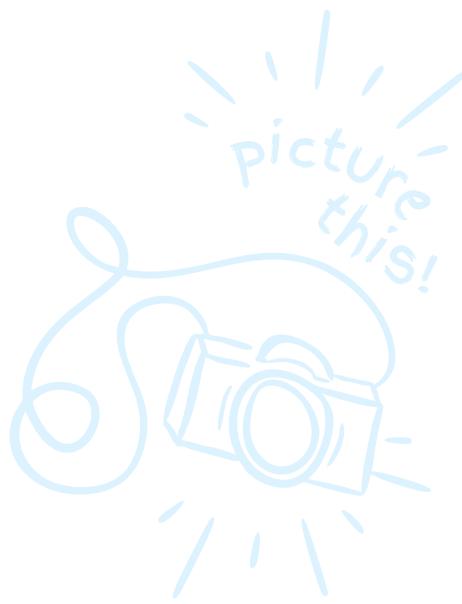
From left to right: Marc Schmidt, Chuck Bebee, Dennis Onnen, Karmela Brower.



Left to right, top to bottom: Patrons learn about the water cycle at the Cottonwood Public Library during a visit from the Yavapai County Flood Control District; A young patron creates a 'snow chicken' ornament for the Black Canyon City Community Library's Christmas tree; Nam Nguyen dresses as Bluey accompanied by Minh Nguyen as Hello Kitty outside the YLN office; Patrons participate in the "Unlimited Bubbles" event during "Fest in the West" to celebrate Prescott Public Library's 50th Anniversary; Cottonwood Public Library patrons come in dressed up for Halloween.



Left to right, top to bottom: The Storyteller Sculpture receives a new commemorative plaque honoring the original artist at the Black Canyon City Community Library; Community Library Sedona patrons and staff play with a parachute at Summer Reading Program party; Patrons participate in the "Touch-A-Truck" event during "Fest in the West" at Prescott Public Library; Beth Franklin sits with a patron at the Beaver Creek Public/School Library for an art class; A fin-tastic day in front of the inflatable dolphin, filled with stories, songs, and sea adventures with Storybook Theater from Hawaii at Community Library Sedona.

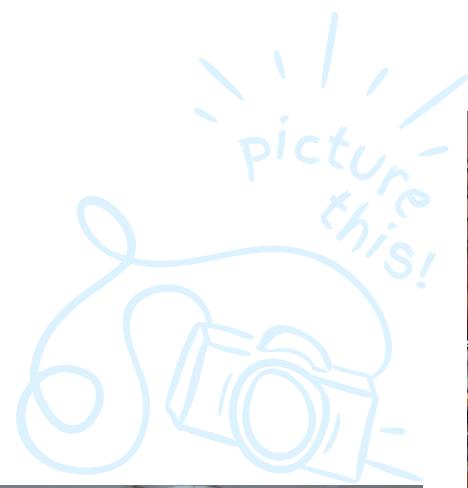


Left to right, top to bottom: Star Wars cosplay at Cottonwood Public Library's "Comic Expo"; Patrons enjoy solving challenges during the Puzzle Event at the Cottonwood Public Library; Nothing beats the joy of getting your first library card... plus face paint and balloon fun with Imagination Library and Community Library Sedona; Patrons enjoy the "More Choices for Voices" sensory storytime at Prescott Public Library.

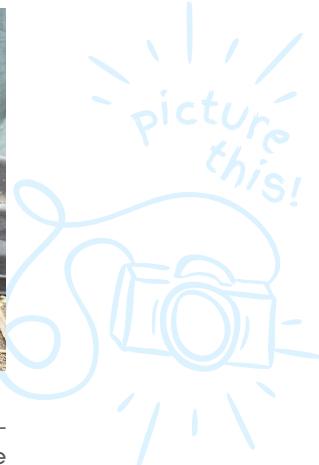


Left to right, top to bottom: Jan Marc "The Janimal" sits with program attendees as they show off their comic creations made during his event at the Beaver Creek Public & School Library; Children learn basic programming while experimenting with Ozobots at Black Canyon City Community Library; Patrons enjoy the beautiful weather outside at the Community Library Sedona Commons; Smokey the Bear visits the Heritage Park Book Fest.





Left to right, top to bottom: Creative minds at work—kids crafting clay pieces and bringing them to life with glaze in the Children's Department at Community Library Sedona; Patrons of all ages enjoying a grant funded XR project at the Black Canyon City Community Library; Participants learn problem solving at the Dewey-Humboldt Town Library's "Full STEAM Ahead!" club; Teens got creative at Community Library Sedona with upcycled materials, big smiles, and beautiful memory boards.

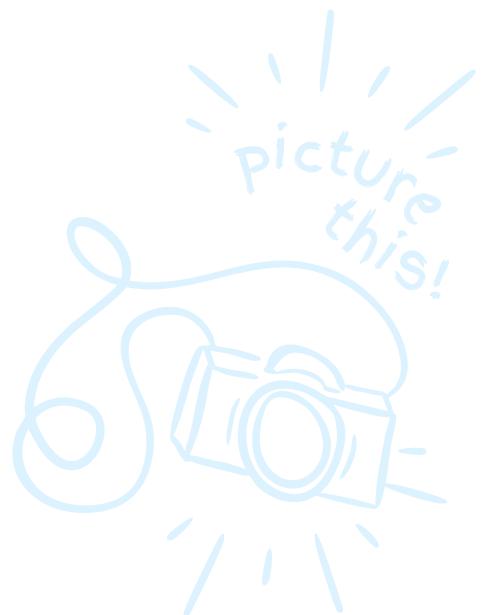


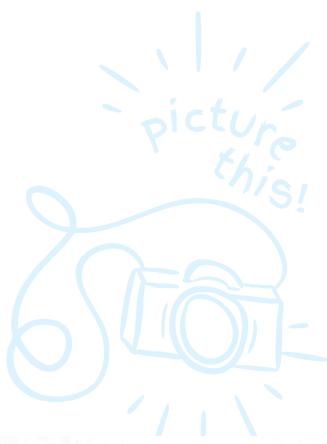
Left to right, top to bottom: "2025 Chicken Egg Hatch-Along Event" at Camp Verde Community Library (three photos) -- the incubated eggs were from an endangered chicken breed called "Swedish Flower Hens"; Students enjoy learning about Ozobots at Canon Elementary School; Prescott Public Library's Youth Services team won the Arizona Library Association (AzLA) Award for Outreach Services.





"Fest in the West" at Prescott Public Library to celebrate the library's 50th anniversary. Some highlights include: Live Music, Food Vendors, Kids Activities, Resource Fair, etc.





"Get Loud" - 30th Anniversary Library Celebration for Community Library Sedona, which has now become an annual community celebration.





Thank you.

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