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Library Board Meeting

PROPOSED AGENDA

October 15, 2026 | 6:00 PM

Board Meeting

1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. **Action Required:** Approval of agenda
4. Public comment – *Total time not to exceed 30 minutes, 3 minutes per speaker*
5. **Action Required:** Minutes: Approve September 17, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
6. Library of Michigan Foundation 2026 Citation of Excellence Award
7. Director's report: Drew Macaulay, Director
8. **Action Required:** Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of August 2026
9. Review of Board Bylaws, Policies and Procedures
10. Board Calendar of Events
11. Committee reports:
 - A. Art & Exhibitions – Brianna
 - B. Building - Jonathan
 - C. Finance – Kevin
 - D. Friends of the FPL – Kelly
 - E. Personnel – Erin
 - F. Schools – Meghan
 - G. Strategic Plan - Brianna
12. **Action Required:** Committee Appointments
13. Review action items
14. Announcements/comments from board members

NEXT MEETING: November 19, 2026

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Proposed Minutes

September 17, 2026 | 6:00 PM

Board Meeting

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Kelly Farrah at 6:01 p.m.

2. Roll call

Denise Coté, Meghan Evoy, Kelly Farrah, Erin Hooper, Jonathan Ross,
Director Drew Macaulay and Assistant Director/Recording Secretary Kricket Hoekstra also present.
Brianna Foraker and Kevin Yezbick were absent with notice.

3. **Action Required:** Approval of agenda

A MOTION BY Evoy and seconded by Hooper to approve the agenda as presented; passed unanimously.

4. Public comment – *Total time not to exceed 30 minutes, 3 minutes per speaker*

A MOTION BY Evoy and seconded by Ross to approve the August 20, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented; passed unanimously.

6. Website Platform

A. Website Platforms Presentation, Jeff Milo and Everett Pine

B. Board discussion of website platform options

C. Action Required: Decision on website platform

A MOTION by Coté and seconded by Hooper to approve a contract with Weblinx; passed unanimously.

7. Director's report: Drew Macaulay, Director

Report is included in supporting documents, covering building, staff and holiday updates as well as the results of a recent community engagement poll.

8. **Action Required:** Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of August 2026

A MOTION BY Coté and seconded by Evoy to approve the finance reports for August 2026;
passed unanimously.

9. Review of Board Bylaws, Policies and Procedures Discussion

10. Board Calendar of Events

11. Committee reports:

A. Art & Exhibitions – Brianna: did not meet this month

B. Building - Jonathan: report in supporting documents

C. Finance – Kevin: report in supporting documents

D. Friends of the FPL – Kelly: did not meet yet this month

E. Personnel – Erin: report in supporting documents

F. Schools – Meghan: report in supporting documents

G. Strategic Plan - Brianna- did not meet this month

12. **Action Required:** Committee Appointments

13. Review action items

14. Announcements/comments from board members

Hooper learned that there is grant money in Michigan for K-12 programming, and the FADL youth department is working on a proposal.

Farrah will be speaking to the Ferndale Area Democrats group on October 22nd.

15. Adjourn

A MOTION by Hooper and seconded by Evoy to adjourn at 7:22 p.m.; motion passed unanimously.

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Director's Report – 10/15/2026

Events

On October 10th we partnered with Love and Other Books to help host the Banned Together Book Festival. We hosted five free panel discussions with authors who have experienced censorship, and provided fun crafts for all ages around the theme of banned books. Over 160 folks attended. It was a super busy and fun day throughout the library. Big thanks to librarians Emma Clemons and Damon Verdema, and to Jeff Milo for coordinating and working the event.

Building Updates

Our HVAC well water integration containment tubing developed a leak on 10/5. Fortunately, the leak was slow, appeared in the staff area, and did not damage any collections. The plumbers created a short-term fix to contain the leak, and then were here on Tuesday 10/13 to attempt to resolve the underlying issue with repairs to the backflow control system.

Staff Updates

Technical Services Specialist Kerrie Patterson has won the 2026 MLA Support Staff of the Year Award! Kerrie was hired in 2012 as a circulation specialist and holds an associates degree in library services. In 2022, she was promoted to Technical Services Specialist. Over the past 14 years, she has become a quiet backbone to our library, holding us up. Her deep understanding of our collections and how they should be prepared for circulation has facilitated important changes in our library, including the transition to Ferndale METIS in Youth, the creation of the library of things, and the rollout of the romance collection. Kerrie will be honored at the MLA annual conference awards dinner on October 28th. Everyone who works with Kerrie sees her as a source of valuable institutional knowledge and helpful direction. We are lucky and grateful to have her on staff.

Out of Office Dates

I will be on PTO Friday October 23rd through Monday October 26th accompanying my daughter to scenic Cleveland. I will be at the MLA Leadership Academy on Tuesday the 27th, and at the MLA annual conference on Wednesday the 28th. Kricket will be available as administrator on those days.

Library Statistics 2026	CURRENT Month	Running Monthly AVG	Year to Date	Jan 2026	Feb 2026	Mar 2026	Apr 2026	May 2026	June 2026	July 2026	Aug 2026	Sept 2026	Oct 2026	Nov 2026	Dec 2026
Library Revenue From Service Desks															
Fees	\$ 79.50	\$93.93	\$ 845	\$ 123.00	\$ 92.00	\$ 126.00	\$ 94.00	\$ 59.00	\$ 119.00	\$ 29.89	\$ 123.00	\$ 79.50			
Fax	\$ -	\$1.17	\$ 11	\$ 8.00	\$ 1.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1.00	\$ -	\$ 0.50	\$ -			
Ref Desk (misc)	\$ 812.12	\$899.78	\$ 8,098	\$ 744.31	\$ 933.86	\$ 1,205.86	\$ 1,193.28	\$ 737.60	\$ 950.05	\$ 772.73	\$ 748.21	\$ 812.12			
Prints/Copies	\$ 33.70	\$19.39	\$ 175	\$ 5.20	\$ 15.25	\$ 33.40	\$ 14.10	\$ 6.35	\$ 6.20	\$ 43.70	\$ 16.65	\$ 33.70			
Lost Items	\$ 204.00	\$44.26	\$ 398	\$ 60.99	\$ 13.99	\$ 32.99	\$ 29.99	\$ -	\$ 16.34	\$ 40.00	\$ -	\$ 204.00			
Non-Res Cards	\$ 50.00	\$19.44	\$ 175	\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 50.00			
Donations	\$ 8.00	\$41.68	\$ 375	\$ 20.33	\$ 15.20	\$ 126.17	\$ 24.20	\$ 29.00	\$ 65.75	\$ 56.50	\$ 30.00	\$ 8.00			
Earbuds/Flash Drives	\$ 2.00	\$4.44	\$ 40	\$ 5.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 2.00			
Total Library Earnings	\$ 1,189.32	\$1,122.82	\$ 10,105	\$ 980.31	\$ 1,079.30	\$ 1,550.42	\$ 1,356.57	\$ 859.95	\$1,187.34	\$ 944.82	\$ 957.36	\$ 1,189.32			
Friends Earnings															
Book Store	\$ 624.50	\$ 616	\$ 5,540	\$588.75	\$ 462.06	\$ 560.50	\$ 530.00	\$ 544.00	\$732.00	\$749.55	\$ 748.50	\$ 624.50			
Swag	\$ -	\$ 17	\$ 156	\$1	\$ 95.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$10	\$ -	\$ -			
Online Sales	\$ 531.49	\$ 316	\$ 2,840	\$82.74	\$ 185.59	\$ 140.00	\$ 118.99	\$ 236.34	\$285.22	\$577.90	\$ 682.01	\$ 531.49			
Total Friends Earnings	\$ 1,155.99	\$ 948	\$ 8,536	\$672.49	\$ 742.65	\$ 700.50	\$ 648.99	\$ 830.34	\$1,017.22	\$1,337.45	\$ 1,430.51	\$ 1,155.99			
Library Usage															
Physical Visits	11039	10665	95983	8,272	9,023	11023	10379	10095	11987	11,930	12,235	11039			
Home Delivery	4	3	27	3	2	2	1	2	4	6	3	4			
New Users	189	162	1456	166	134	146	116	150	165	173	217	189			
Public Computer Sessions	1168	1285	11566	1164	1252	1461	1250	1202	1291	1338	1440	1168			
Reference Desk Interactions	1637	1760	15840	1855	1704	1920	1849	1679	1705	1715	1776	1637			
Youth Desk Interactions	569	646	5811	546	737	684	525	444	772	780	754	569			
Circulation Desk Interactions	875	750	6749	655	647	715	690	594	639	940	994	875			
Teen Space Attendance	185	83	751	76	79	108	141	96	25	21	20	185			
Total Programs Offered	44	49	437	40	48	59	52	47	56	50	41	44			
Total Program Attendance	957	1227	11044	1277	1165	1331	975	1530	1542	1139	1128	957			
Total Library Checkouts	16514	17263	155367	16966	16181	17990	16645	15312	17475	19304	18980	16514			
Total Digital Checkouts	6958	6848	61629	6796	6074	6751	6534	6952	6962	7210	7392	6958			
Items Loaned Through ILL	2000	1976	17783	2043	1976	2118	1897	1794	1749	2179	2027	2000			
Items Loaned Through MelCat	130	172	1545	220	175	199	155	150	175	173	168	130			
Items Borrowed Through ILL	3160	3067	27599	3129	3053	3286	2961	2716	2844	3270	3180	3160			
Items Borrowed Through MelCat	83	120	1079	143	110	138	134	137	110	115	109	83			
New Items Added															
Adult Books	314	310	2793	342	289	262	330	318	208	444	286	314			
CDs	29	24	220	23	24	23	23	29	6	34	29	29			
DVDs/Blu-rays	61	57	511	57	46	49	64	57	16	99	62	61			
Audiobooks	4	10	94	12	7	4	0	13	40	7	7	4			
Kids Books	156	251	2255	248	224	253	248	445	153	268	260	156			
Teen Items	7	44	394	36	26	71	39	67	47	70	31	7			
Magazines/Newspapers	69	76	683	77	79	88	77	70	80	66	77	69			
Puzzles/Board Games	14	13	120	15	20	6	13	4	31	9	8	14			

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Video Games	4	12	106	20	30	17	3	5	1	20	6	4			
Library of Things	2	3	24	0	3	5	9	1	0	1	3	2			
Vinyl Records	22	19	131			24	48	23	2	6	6	22			
Overdrive Advantage Titles	87	67	605	71	88	77	68	99	0	48	67	87			
Total Items (less OD Adv)	682	815	7331	830	748	802	854	1032	584	1024	775	682			
Circulation by Media Type															
Adult Books	5983	6412	57707	6555	5832	6571	6185	5969	6209	7339	7064	5983			
CDs	673	779	7014	691	774	886	807	703	912	834	734	673			
Audiobooks	61	95	852	117	104	140	90	77	105	87	71	61			
DVDs/Blu-rays	2444	2288	20591	2428	2306	2424	2150	1948	2260	2277	2354	2444			
Magazines/Newspapers	118	129	1159	126	117	161	115	107	187	100	128	118			
Puzzles/Boardgames	363	391	3520	461	436	383	392	322	419	490	254	363			
Video Games	214	242	2181	212	244	285	210	204	291	270	251	214			
Library of Things	106	95	857	61	86	87	76	81	115	134	111	106			
Youth Items	6980	7121	64085	6717	6523	7314	6950	5937	7359	8189	8116	6980			
Digital Circulation															
Overdrive Downloads	4345	4516	40643	4654	4153	4538	4470	4442	4632	4633	4776	4345			
Overdrive Total Users	1140	1139	10248	1168	1102	1130	1133	1129	1123	1132	1191	1140			
Overdrive New Users	81	78	704	80	52	75	70	73	88	93	92	81			
Kanopy Plays	1214	965	8685	737	713	867	758	1117	930	1158	1191	1214			
Kanopy Total Users	316	284	2559	258	263	276	272	282	281	298	313	316			
Hoopla Downloads	1399	1367	12301	1405	1208	1346	1306	1393	1400	1419	1425	1399			
Hoopla Total Users	510	501	4510	515	461	502	483	506	479	525	529	510			
Hoopla New Users	29	32	289	36	30	43	28	33	21	40	29	29			
Total Digital Checkouts	6958	6848	61629	6796	6074	6751	6534	6952	6962	7210	7392	6958			
Social Media															
Facebook New Followers	50	93	840	145	110	75	90	90	85	100	95	50			
TikTok Followers	8060	7694	69247	7327	7405	7500	7595	7730	7818	7867	7945	8060			
IG New Followers	200	496	4465	1250	1100	730	460	375	85	125	140	200			
Podcast Downloads	525	607	5460	200	150	985	825	700	725	850	500	525			

September Adult Programs	Program	Type	Adults	Teens/Kids	Zoom	Total		
	9/1/2026 Romance Book Club	Book Club	17			17		
	9/2/2026 Adult Take & Make - Sand Art	Craft	23			23		
	9/8/2026 Film Club - Mona Lisa Smile (2003)	Recurring	6			6		
	9/10/2026 Model Drawing - Jane Austin	Craft	18			18		
	9/10/2026 Outreach: The James	Outreach	8			8		
	9/11/2026 Movie Night: Practical Magic	Recurring	24	3		27		
	9/13/2026 Motor Om Yoga	Recurring	18			18		
	9/13/2026 Sunday Concert Series: Expedition	Concert	40			40		
	9/15/2026 GNBC: Persepolis	Book Club	10			10		
	9/16/2026 Fairy Lore & Legends (BTR)	Presenter	6			6		
	9/19/2026 Silent Book Club	Book Club	6			6		
	9/23/2026 Tiny Art	Art Reception	25	10		35		
	9/24/2026 Thurs Aft Bk Club: The Dutch House	Book Club	3			3		
	9/24/26 Spooky Crystal Ball Candlesticks	Craft	28			28		
	9/28/26 Fiber Arts Club	Recurring	15			15		
	9/29/26 FPBC - How to Commit a postcolonial murder	Book Club	19			19		
	9/29/26 Hex Appeal	Display	42			42		
	9/30/26 Seed Saving	Presenter	23			23		
	9/30/26 Library Card Sign Up Month	Display	25			25		
	9/30/26 Seed Library recipes	Display	49			49		
Total	21 programs, 3 passive, 1 outreach		308	13	0	321		
September Youth Programs	Program	Type	Adults	Kids	Total			
	9/1/2026 September Take-home kits (Spin Coloring)	Take-home Kits		18	18	General		
	9/1/2026 Zine Kits	Zine Kits		15	15	6-11		
	9/1/2026 Summer Scavenger Hunt (9/1-9/3)	Scavenger Hunts		0	0	General		
	9/1/2026 Outreach: Curriculum Support - tutoring and home	Outreach	1		1	Adult		
	9/3/2026 Middle Grade Tabletop RPG	Recurring Lib. Prog.		6	6	6-11		
	9/4/2026 Fall Scavenger Hunt (9/4-9/5)	Scavenger Hunts		3	3	General		
	9/4/2026 Baby Storytime	Early Literacy	16	14	30	0-5		
	9/8/2026 Fall scavenger Hunt (9/8-9/12)	Scavenger Hunts		11	11	General		
	9/9/2026 Family Storytime	Early Literacy	10	10	20	0-5		
	9/9/2026 Outreach: FLEL Curriculum Night	Outreach	45	29	74	6-11		
	9/10/2026 Outreach: FUEL Curriculum Night	Outreach	66	136	202	6-11		
	9/10/2026 Middle School Board Game Club	Recurring Lib. Prog.		3	3	6-11		
	9/11/2026 Baby Storytime	Early Literacy	7	6	13	0-5		
	9/13/2026 Fall Scavenger Hunt (9/13-9/19)	Scavenger Hunts		18	18	General		
	9/14/2026 Outreach: FMS Rainbow Club	Outreach	2	18	20	6-11		
	9/16/2026 Family Storytime	Early Literacy	9	9	18	0-5		
	9/17/2026 Middle Grade Tabletop RPG	Recurring Lib. Prog.		6	6	6-11		
	9/18/2026 Afternoon Baby Storytime	Early Literacy	7	5	12	0-5		
	9/20/2026 Fall Scavenger Hunt (9/20-9/26)	Scavenger Hunts		32	32	General		
	9/22/2026 Reading Rainbow	Recurring Lib. Prog.		6	6	6-11		
	9/23/2026 Tiny Art (Reception was 9/23)	One-time Lib. Prog.		50	50	General	All Ages Program	
	9/27/2026 Fall Scavenger Hunt (9/27-9/30)	Scavenger Hunts		11	11	General		
	9/30/2026 Outreach: Fall Story Trail - Spring book survey at t	Outreach	1		1	General		
	9/30/2026 Outreach: Fall Story trail - Spring book voting in Ki	Outreach		8	8	General		
	9/30/2026 Outreach: Summer 2026 Story Trail (June-Septem	Outreach	10		10	General		
	9/30/2026 Display: National Dumpling Day	Displays		5	5	General		
	9/30/2026 Display: Academia (YA)	Displays		4	4	12-18		
	9/30/2026 Display: Music	Displays		7	7	General		
	9/30/2026 Display: Comics Day	Displays		16	16	General		
	9/30/2026 Display: Fall	Displays		34	34	General		
	Library Programs	Outreach Programs						
Total	23	5	174	462	636			

Balance Sheet

Ferndale Area District Library As of September 30, 2026

SEP 30, 2026

Assets

Current Assets

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Capital Projects Account	182,206.00
General Account	2,639,057.72
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,821,263.72

Accounts Receivable	549.00
Due From Counties	76,693.76
Total Current Assets	2,898,506.48

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Liabilities and Equity

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	12,539.21
Wages Payable	32,836.28
Total Current Liabilities	45,375.49

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Equity

Current Year Earnings	1,797,413.45
Retained Earnings	1,055,717.54
Total Equity	2,853,130.99

Total Liabilities and Equity	2,898,506.48
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**FY 2027 Budget
Ferndale Area District Library**

General Fund - 101

Revenue

	September 2026	FY 2027 YTD as of 9/30/2026	FY 2027 Budget Approved 5/21/2026
101-271-404.000 - Voted Property Taxes	\$ 112,532.61	\$ 2,393,493.81	\$ 2,771,112.00
101-271-404.001 - Voted Property Taxes - Personal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36,719.00
101-271-567.000 - Library State Aid	\$ -	\$ 10,571.20	\$ 20,530.00
101-271-581.000 - Grants	\$ -	\$ 500.00	
101-271-607.000 - Fees for Services	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 2,115.00
101-271-627.000 - Charge for Services	\$ 843.22	\$ 2,394.76	\$ 8,880.00
101-271-645.000 - Print Sales & Copies	\$ 637.75	\$ 2,535.70	\$ 10,000.00
101-271-656.000 - Other Fees & Fines	\$ -	\$ 29,674.64	\$ 27,580.00
101-271-660.000 - Fines & Forfeitures	\$ 113.50	\$ 237.39	\$ 1,240.00
101-271-675.001 - Individual Donations & Honorariums	\$ 9.00	\$ 101.85	\$ 600.00
101-271-675.002 - Contributions from Library Friends	\$ -	\$ 78.94	\$ 3,500.00
101-271-675.003 - Special Event Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	
101-271-675.004 - Library Board Fundraising	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ 280.00
101-271-693.000 - Sale of Property	\$ 204.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 4,000.00
101-271-695.000 - Miscellaneous Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00
101-271-699.401 - Contributions from Capital Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenue	\$ 114,390.08	\$ 2,440,013.29	\$ 2,892,556.00

General Fund - 101

Expenses

	September 2026	FY 2027 YTD as of 9/30/2026	FY 2027 Budget Approved 5/21/2026
101-271-706.001 - Salaries - Full-time	\$ (86,476.87)	\$ (214,615.07)	\$ (760,982.00)
101-271-706.002 - Salaries - Part-time	\$ (19,782.19)	\$ (48,320.33)	\$ (235,489.00)
101-271-706.003 - Salaries - Subs	\$ (7,130.88)	\$ (17,606.84)	\$ (38,965.00)
101-271-715.001 - Social Security - Employee	\$ (9,190.66)	\$ (22,917.20)	\$ (80,152.00)
101-271-715.002 - Social Security - Employer	\$ (9,190.61)	\$ (22,917.09)	\$ (80,152.00)
101-271-716.100 - Health Insurance	\$ (11,225.20)	\$ (52,507.52)	\$ (169,758.00)
101-271-717.000 - Life Insurance - EE	\$ (746.96)	\$ (2,240.88)	\$ (8,983.00)
101-271-718.000 - Pension- ICMA-RC 401	\$ (5,809.14)	\$ (21,028.43)	\$ (75,250.00)
101-271-720.001 - Medicare - Employee	\$ (2,149.42)	\$ (5,359.60)	\$ (20,600.00)
101-271-720.002 - Medicare - Employer	\$ (2,149.40)	\$ (5,359.63)	\$ (20,600.00)
101-271-721.001 - Federal Income Tax - Employee	\$ (10,023.89)	\$ (27,391.46)	\$ (95,000.00)
101-271-722.001 - MI Income Tax - Employee	\$ (5,736.53)	\$ (14,387.57)	\$ (50,000.00)
101-271-722.002 - MI Unemployment - Employer	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
101-271-723.001 - Local Income Tax - Employee	\$ (426.02)	\$ (1,153.46)	\$ (5,000.00)
101-271-725.000 - Workers Compensation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,200.00)
101-271-730.000 - Postage, Mail Processing	\$ (2,634.74)	\$ (5,412.31)	\$ (23,000.00)
101-271-740.000 - Operating Supplies	\$ (2,623.22)	\$ (9,357.25)	\$ (42,000.00)
101-271-742.000 - Books	\$ (4,001.42)	\$ (20,495.33)	\$ (109,250.00)
101-271-743.000 - Periodicals	\$ (435.03)	\$ (5,058.43)	\$ (16,250.00)
101-271-745.000 - Audio-Visual, Video	\$ (3,355.63)	\$ (7,220.84)	\$ (35,000.00)
101-271-746.000 - Other Non Book	\$ (8,545.31)	\$ (31,077.04)	\$ (118,800.00)
101-271-748.000 - Materials Processing Supplies	\$ (483.60)	\$ (1,493.54)	\$ (5,000.00)
101-271-775.000 - Repair & Maintenance	\$ (2,271.50)	\$ (4,870.02)	\$ (38,000.00)
101-271-802.000 - Audit/Actuarial Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (7,790.00)
101-271-803.000 - The Library Network	\$ (1,985.25)	\$ (12,752.83)	\$ (59,775.00)
101-271-818.000 - Contractual Services	\$ (7,268.70)	\$ (13,596.20)	\$ (112,950.00)
101-271-818.003 - Labor Actions	\$ -	\$ (267.00)	\$ (11,295.00)

General Fund - 101	September 2026	FY 2027 YTD as of 9/30/2026	FY 2027 Budget Approved 5/21/2026
101-271-853.000 - Phone/Communications	\$ -	\$ (586.16)	\$ (7,105.00)
101-271-885.000 - Special Programs	\$ (1,426.68)	\$ (5,254.60)	\$ (30,000.00)
101-271-888.000 - Marketing	\$ (268.83)	\$ (879.27)	\$ (2,000.00)
101-271-900.000 - Printing & Publishing	\$ (4,599.86)	\$ (7,656.32)	\$ (27,500.00)
101-271-914.000 - Liability Insurance	\$ -	\$ (19,040.00)	\$ (19,000.00)
101-271-920.000 - Utilities	\$ (2,510.08)	\$ (8,736.92)	\$ (47,000.00)
101-271-931.000 - Facilities Maintenance	\$ (8,979.41)	\$ (17,561.78)	\$ (58,000.00)
101-271-943.000 - Equipment Rental	\$ (936.96)	\$ (2,889.95)	\$ (12,000.00)
101-271-956.000 - Miscellaneous	\$ (193.30)	\$ (326.05)	\$ (1,200.00)
101-271-957.000 - Training/Education	\$ (865.38)	\$ (2,291.73)	\$ (20,000.00)
101-271-958.000 - Memberships & Dues	\$ (1,089.39)	\$ (2,871.19)	\$ (13,000.00)
101-271-960.000 - County Delinquent Tax Chargeback	\$ -	\$ -	
101-271-965.401 - Contributions to Capital Fund	\$ -	\$ -	
101-271-977.000 - Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (5,500.00)
101-271-992.000 - Debt Svc- Principal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (380,000.00)
101-271-996.000 - Interest Expense	\$ (7,600.00)	\$ (7,600.00)	\$ (15,200.00)
Total Expenses	\$ (232,112.06)	\$ (643,099.84)	\$ (2,859,746.00)
Net Income / (Loss):	\$ (117,721.98)	\$ 1,796,913.45	\$ 32,810.00
Fund Balance Change:	\$ (117,721.98)	\$ 1,796,913.45	\$ 32,810.00
Fund Balance at the Beginning of the FY:	\$ 655,726.85	\$ 655,726.85	\$ 655,726.85
Fund Balance at the End of the FY:		\$ 2,452,640.30 85%	\$ 688,536.85 24%

**FY 2027 Budget
Ferndale Area District Library**

Capital Projects Fund - 401		FY 2027 YTD as of 9/30/26	FY 2027 Budget Approved 5/21/2026
Revenue			
401-271-699.101 - Contributions from General Fund		\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenue		\$ -	\$ -

				FY 2027 YTD as of 9/30/2026	FY 2027 Budget Approved 5/21/2026
Capital Projects Fund - 401					
Expenses					
401-271-965.101 - Contributions to General Fund			\$	-	\$ -
401-271-977- Capital Outlay			\$	-	\$ (5,500.00)
Total Expenses			\$	-	\$ (5,500.00)

Capital Fund Balance Change:	\$0.00	-\$5,500.00
Capital Fund Balance at the Beginning of the FY:	\$182,206.00	\$182,206.00
Capital Fund Balance at the End of the FY:		\$176,706.00

Income Statement (Profit and Loss)

Ferndale Area District Library

For the month ended September 30, 2026

	SEP 2026	AUG 2026	JUL 2026	JUN 2026	MAY 2026	APR 2026	MAR 2026	YEAR TO DATE
Income								
404.000 - Voted Property Taxes	112,532.61	2,054,763.84	226,197.36	86,369.11	58.05	25.62	31,574.56	2,393,493.81
404.001 - Voted Property Taxes - Personal	-	-	-	-	3,028.46	-	4,962.59	-
567.000 - Library State Aid	-	-	10,571.20	-	-	10,287.86	-	10,571.20
581.000 - Grants	-	1,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	1,000.00
607.000 - Fees for Services	50.00	25.00	-	25.00	25.00	-	1,050.00	75.00
627.000 - Charge for Services	843.22	720.21	831.33	899.70	1,018.79	1,023.14	960.21	2,394.76
645.000 - Print Sales & Copies	637.75	1,311.10	586.85	912.05	1,798.35	685.85	882.65	2,535.70
656.000 - Other Fees & Fines	-	29,674.64	-	-	-	-	-	29,674.64
660.000 - Fines & Forfeitures	113.50	92.89	31.00	144.00	34.00	89.00	197.00	237.39
675.000 - Contributions	-	-	-	(4.00)	4.00	(3,200.00)	3,200.00	-
675.001 - Individual Donations & Honorariums	9.00	29.00	63.85	69.40	34.03	8.67	125.67	101.85
675.002 - Contributions from Library Friends	-	-	78.94	(77.94)	-	3,250.00	-	78.94
675.004 - Library Board Fundraising	-	-	20.00	146.55	-	-	152.00	20.00
693.000 - Sale of Property	204.00	54.00	72.00	29.34	10.00	32.99	3,589.89	330.00
Total Income	114,390.08	2,087,670.68	238,452.53	88,513.21	6,010.68	12,203.13	46,694.57	2,440,513.29
Gross Profit								
Gross Profit	114,390.08	2,087,670.68	238,452.53	88,513.21	6,010.68	12,203.13	46,694.57	2,440,513.29
Operating Expenses								
706.001 - Salaries - Full-time	86,476.87	70,589.69	57,548.51	53,113.92	51,938.94	53,337.02	81,775.16	214,615.07
706.002 - Salaries - Part-time	19,782.19	15,831.77	12,706.37	10,990.01	12,231.82	13,292.02	19,200.16	48,320.33
706.003 - Salaries - Subs	7,130.88	5,071.00	5,404.96	6,655.79	4,152.22	4,312.73	5,824.71	17,606.84
715.001 - Social Security - Employee	9,190.66	7,567.36	6,159.18	5,786.03	5,642.29	8,658.02	5,836.91	22,917.20
715.002 - Social Security - Employer	9,190.61	7,567.36	6,159.12	5,786.00	5,642.32	8,658.05	5,836.96	22,917.09
716.100 - Health Insurance	11,225.20	10,625.20	30,657.12	(210.18)	12,380.39	11,632.57	12,770.15	52,507.52

	SEP 2026	AUG 2026	JUL 2026	JUN 2026	MAY 2026	APR 2026	MAR 2026	YEAR TO DATE
717.000 - Life Insurance - EE	746.96	746.96	746.96	746.96	746.96	746.96	713.74	2,240.88
718.000 - Pension- ICMA-RC 401	5,809.14	9,386.08	5,833.21	5,535.94	5,379.09	8,232.97	5,644.73	21,028.43
720.001 - Medicare - Employee	2,149.42	1,769.78	1,440.40	1,353.22	1,319.57	2,024.86	1,365.09	5,359.60
720.002 - Medicare - Employer	2,149.40	1,769.79	1,440.44	1,353.17	1,319.61	2,024.85	1,365.06	5,359.63
721.001 - Federal Income Tax - Employee	10,023.89	10,611.69	6,755.88	6,049.86	6,043.53	8,768.58	5,985.73	27,391.46
722.001 - MI Income Tax - Employee	5,736.53	4,807.67	3,843.37	3,592.65	3,508.51	5,363.62	3,643.55	14,387.57
723.001 - Local Income Tax - Employee	426.02	404.32	323.12	301.89	312.94	467.07	313.30	1,153.46
725.000 - Workers Compensation	-	-	-	2,045.00	883.52	52.00	-	-
730.000 - Postage, Mail Processing	2,634.74	2,777.57	-	2,525.12	314.75	-	12.05	5,412.31
740.000 - Operating Supplies	2,623.22	4,068.68	2,665.35	3,820.77	3,023.08	2,341.51	4,080.85	9,357.25
742.000 - Books	4,001.42	6,890.64	9,603.27	12,125.97	9,661.22	8,714.25	7,655.48	20,495.33
743.000 - Periodicals	435.03	3,165.00	1,458.40	45.00	45.00	435.03	3,061.00	5,058.43
745.000 - Audio-Visual, Video	3,355.63	188.33	3,676.88	4,506.36	2,576.47	1,536.71	2,999.22	7,220.84
746.000 - Other Non Book	8,545.31	8,907.42	13,624.31	11,925.94	4,369.22	8,319.85	7,791.32	31,077.04
748.000 - Materials Processing Supplies	483.60	623.81	386.13	259.36	113.93	276.23	248.70	1,493.54
775.000 - Repair & Maintenance	2,271.50	1,197.75	1,400.77	3,182.04	1,817.00	7,456.37	3,714.59	4,870.02
803.000 - The Library Network	1,985.25	-	10,767.58	2,580.25	-	10,767.58	-	12,752.83
818.000 - Contractual Services	7,268.70	3,249.60	3,077.90	4,257.30	3,597.41	11,088.90	15,103.22	13,596.20
818.003 - Labor Actions	-	267.00	-	-	-	-	-	267.00
853.000 - Phone/Communications	-	586.16	-	1,169.80	584.90	585.30	585.29	586.16
885.000 - Special Programs	1,426.68	908.19	2,919.73	5,904.67	6,263.87	2,719.07	1,789.15	5,254.60
888.000 - Marketing	268.83	112.33	498.11	(47.48)	207.69	331.95	465.57	879.27
900.000 - Printing & Publishing	4,599.86	3,056.46	-	3,256.83	489.21	-	18.00	7,656.32
914.000 - Liability Insurance	-	(590.00)	19,630.00	-	-	-	-	19,040.00
920.000 - Utilities	2,510.08	3,306.90	2,919.94	2,491.65	2,729.17	3,409.34	4,195.36	8,736.92
931.000 - Facilities Maintenance	8,979.41	4,462.42	4,119.95	8,338.57	1,613.33	7,678.91	-	17,561.78
943.000 - Equipment Rental Alloc.- General Fund Motor Pool	936.96	1,097.00	855.99	1,909.69	124.25	850.05	865.05	2,889.95
956.000 - Miscellaneous	193.30	73.25	59.50	59.50	59.50	73.25	87.00	326.05

	SEP 2026	AUG 2026	JUL 2026	JUN 2026	MAY 2026	APR 2026	MAR 2026	YEAR TO DATE
957.000 - Training/Education	865.38	1,186.94	239.41	302.70	1,322.89	390.20	2,418.00	2,291.73
958.000 - Memberships & Dues	1,089.39	1,081.44	700.36	782.43	672.14	3,513.13	750.61	2,871.19
992.000 - Debt Svc- Principal	-	-	-	-	-	-	375,000.00	-
996.000 - Interest Expense	7,600.00	-	-	-	-	-	15,100.00	7,600.00
Total Operating Expenses	232,112.06	193,365.56	217,622.22	172,496.73	151,086.74	198,058.95	596,215.71	643,099.84
Operating Income	(117,721.98)	1,894,305.12	20,830.31	(83,983.52)	(145,076.06)	(185,855.82)	(549,521.14)	1,797,413.45
Net Income	(117,721.98)	1,894,305.12	20,830.31	(83,983.52)	(145,076.06)	(185,855.82)	(549,521.14)	1,797,413.45

Income Statement (Profit and Loss)

Ferndale Area District Library

For the month ended September 30, 2026

	SEP 2026	SEP 2025	SEP 2024
Income			
404.000 - Voted Property Taxes	112,532.61	75,111.75	102,617.42
607.000 - Fees for Services	50.00	-	500.00
627.000 - Charge for Services	843.22	451.25	1,339.13
645.000 - Print Sales & Copies	637.75	562.20	1,373.10
660.000 - Fines & Forfeitures	113.50	15.00	325.51
675.001 - Individual Donations & Honorariums	9.00	6.95	15.20
693.000 - Sale of Property	204.00	45.00	1,412.61
Total Income	114,390.08	76,192.15	107,582.97
Gross Profit	114,390.08	76,192.15	107,582.97
Operating Expenses			
706.001 - Salaries - Full-time	86,476.87	78,746.84	51,694.93
706.002 - Salaries - Part-time	19,782.19	23,279.73	14,549.61
706.003 - Salaries - Subs	7,130.88	4,257.75	1,947.60
715.001 - Social Security - Employee	9,190.66	5,840.37	5,578.46
715.002 - Social Security - Employer	9,190.61	5,840.39	5,578.50
716.100 - Health Insurance	11,225.20	11,647.14	10,401.14
717.000 - Life Insurance - EE	746.96	713.74	705.35
718.000 - Pension- ICMA-RC 401	5,809.14	5,277.01	4,926.16
720.001 - Medicare - Employee	2,149.42	1,365.95	1,304.61
720.002 - Medicare - Employer	2,149.40	1,365.88	1,304.64
721.001 - Federal Income Tax - Employee	10,023.89	6,290.70	6,672.72
722.001 - MI Income Tax - Employee	5,736.53	3,629.92	3,417.49
723.001 - Local Income Tax - Employee	426.02	352.96	102.84
730.000 - Postage, Mail Processing	2,634.74	2,516.99	2,272.13
740.000 - Operating Supplies	2,623.22	5,488.75	3,391.64
742.000 - Books	4,001.42	6,179.29	2,530.17
743.000 - Periodicals	435.03	35.00	-
745.000 - Audio-Visual, Video	3,355.63	3,380.35	1,641.74
746.000 - Other Non Book	8,545.31	14,843.24	12,398.49
748.000 - Materials Processing Supplies	483.60	-	478.00
775.000 - Repair & Maintenance	2,271.50	783.90	-
803.000 - The Library Network	1,985.25	-	-
818.000 - Contractual Services	7,268.70	15,299.85	3,312.75
853.000 - Phone/Communications	-	1,068.02	534.54
885.000 - Special Programs	1,426.68	2,913.91	2,375.70
888.000 - Marketing	268.83	-	-

	SEP 2026	SEP 2025	SEP 2024
900.000 - Printing & Publishing	4,599.86	7,020.92	2,952.14
920.000 - Utilities	2,510.08	3,039.17	3,567.39
931.000 - Facilities Maintenance	8,979.41	5,958.78	2,921.55
943.000 - Equipment Rental Alloc.- General Fund Motor Pool	936.96	-	726.33
956.000 - Miscellaneous	193.30	87.00	87.00
957.000 - Training/Education	865.38	576.15	1,696.58
958.000 - Memberships & Dues	1,089.39	678.79	879.11
977.000 - Capital Outlay	-	-	64,639.47
996.000 - Interest Expense	7,600.00	15,100.00	-
Total Operating Expenses	232,112.06	233,578.49	214,588.78
Operating Income	(117,721.98)	(157,386.34)	(107,005.81)
Net Income	(117,721.98)	(157,386.34)	(107,005.81)

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2026 Board Calendar of Events

January:

- *Mid-Year Budget Amendments
- *Presentation of library audit
- *Library Director Personnel Review – Director submits self-evaluation
- *Board Offices and Committee Chairs
- *Proposed millage ballot information due to attorney

February:

- *Due: Feb. 1st, Annual State Library Survey – Complete and submitted
- *FY 2027 budget process begins
- *Library Director Personnel Review – Library Board completes Director evaluation forms

March:

- *Strategic Planning – Quarterly Review
- *FY 2027 budget process continues – board input
- *Director's Annual Evaluation – Closed Session

April:

- *FY 2027 draft budget presented to board
- *Publish in a newspaper the notice for the May Budget Hearing (required 10 days before the date of hearing)

May:

- *FY 2027 Budget Hearing
- *Proposed millage ballot language due to the City

June:

- *Due: L-4029 signed millage tax rate form to Oakland County & City of Ferndale
- *Final budget amendments for FY 2026
- *Approve renewal of Library General Property & Liability Insurance policy for FY 2027
- *Strategic Planning – Quarterly Review

July:

- *Begin new FY 2027

- *No Library Board Meeting

August:

- * Millage Election – August 4, 2026

September:

- *Strategic Planning – Quarterly Review

October:

- *MLA Annual Conference (Novi) October 28-30

November:

- *Conduct the annual library financial audit

- *Election Day November 3

- *Personnel Committee gives Board and Director review of how Director evaluation works

December:

- *Due: Audit must be filed with the State of Michigan by December 31

- *Due: Annual continuing disclosure paperwork for the library bond must be filed by December 31

- *Due S&P Global Ratings annual bond/audit filing response

- *Strategic Planning – Quarterly Review

October 2026 Ferndale Area District Library (FADL) Personnel Committee Report

Committee: *Board Chair Erin Hooper*
 Board Co-Chair Denise Cote
 Director Drew Macaulay
 Asst. Director Cricket Hoekstra

The committee met on Oct. 13, 2026.

Drafted updates to the following Employee Handbook policies were reviewed, discussed, and agreed upon:

- **Catastrophic Absence Time (CAT) Program**, expounding upon definitions.
- **Bereavement Time**, acknowledging relatives of employees' registered domestic partners.

The committee also discussed development of **a new position for a part-time Facilities Manager**.

- The Personnel Committee agrees on the necessity for hiring a part-time Facilities Manager.
- The committee reviewed a drafted job description for the role, which was pending attorney review at the time of this report.

Also discussed was an interpretation discrepancy of existing Board Bylaws Policy 13, which resulted in the late distribution of a follow up response related to a **confidential** grievance filed Aug. 6, 2026.

- The Board was sent the Personnel Committee Board chairs' final report on the matter on Aug. 25, indicating a response from the Director was expected by Aug. 31.
- The Director's response was received by the Personnel Committee Board chairs on Aug. 28; it was distributed to the rest of the Board immediately upon clarification of the misinterpretation Oct. 13.
- Personnel Committee Board chairs sent a formal response letter to the complainant on Sept. 18 concluding the grievance investigation.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is set for Dec. 11, 2026.

**Friends of the Ferndale Library (FFL)
Liaison (Kelly Farrah) Report for 10/15/2026 FADL Board Meeting**



FFL September 21, 2026 Meetings Highlights:

Active membership in The Friends is at 294!

Bookstore, Swag, Amazon and eBay sales continue to generate revenue every month, fueled in part by the quality and quantity of book donations.

The Friends will provide a swag bag for an upcoming Community Engagement session.

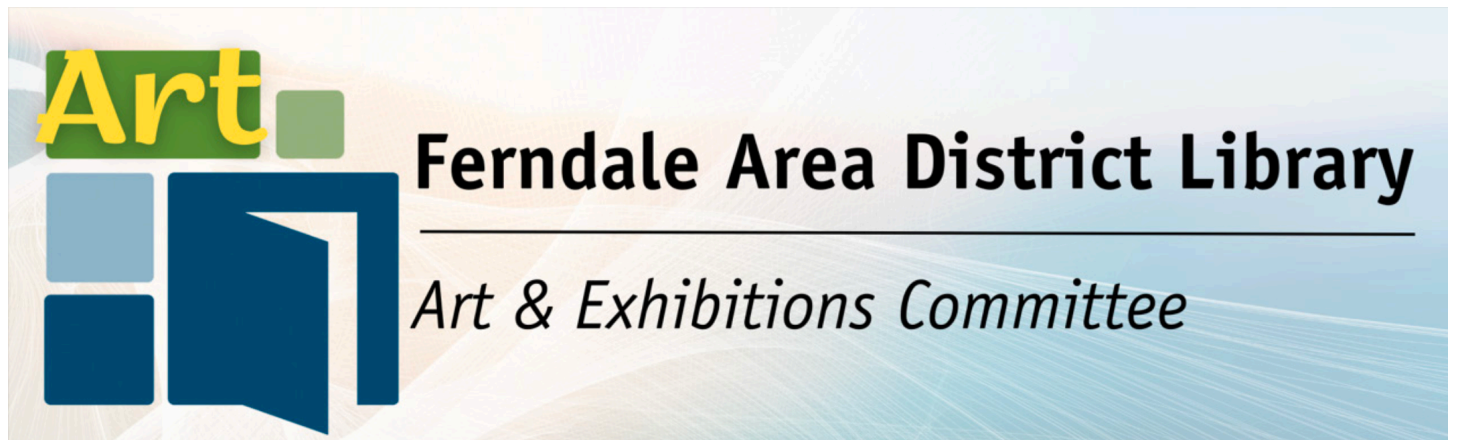
The Friends approved a sign company to create a decal sign for the back wall in the Bookstore.

Recent/Upcoming Events:

- Cranbrook Institute of Science's "After Dark: Pages and Pours" was on 8/29 , and Meghan Ograyensek who attended for FFL said it was a fun and well attended event.
- Beers and Bookworms at Urbanrest Brewing Company was on 8/30 with many new attendees.
- The last Park and Read event for 2026 was 9/14 at Garbutt Park.
- Table at Ferndale Fall Festival (10/3)
- Tabling at the Banned Together Book Fest in the library (10/10).
- **For Friends of Library Week, FFL will hold the annual Dip-Off on 10/18.**

FFL is also focusing on this year's Giftmas*, voting to add additional funds to the grant awarded for this annual event, and they are seeking gift ideas from staff and researching the items.

*Giftmas is 12 days of gifts to the library from the Friends of the Ferndale Library. Every year FFL asks staff from each department to put together a wish list of items they want for FADL, and the Friends give them a gift a day for the 12 days leading up to Christmas. These gifts are featured on FFL social media.



October 2026 Arts & Exhibitions Committee Board Report

FADL Arts & Exhibition Committee Members:

Jeff Milo, FADL Marketing Coordinator
 Eileen Toro, Community Member
 Michelle Ouellette, Community Member
 Ernest Fackler, Community Member
 Brianna Foraker, FADL Board Liaison

General	Tiny Art was another success with our patrons
Current Exhibit	-Tapestry of Seasons by Diana Fleysher is installed with a Reception on 10/25
Upcoming Exhibits	January: Linocut Group Show February-March - Stacey Macleod
Display Case Exhibits	This week: Oakland County Parks will have an artful and educational display in the glass case by the circulation desk on nocturnal animals & perceived "creepy" animals (for spooky season)

Youth Outreach Updates

10/15/26 Library Board Meeting



Story Trail at Martin Road Park

- **New fall book installed Mon, 9/28:** *No More Señora Mimí* by Meg Medina, illustrated by Brittany Cicchese.
- **Community vote for next story trail book**
 - Starting this fall we are asking the community to vote for our next book. This fall they are voting for our spring book.
 - We are excited to engage patrons outside the library in this new way while also gathering data on visits to the Story Trail (1 response = 1 visit).
 - 4 responses (meaning 4 visits) as of 10/8/26



School Year Outreach

- Throughout the school year we partner with teachers & principals across the schools to bring them programs and resources based on students' expressed interests and needs.
- **FECC Preschool Storytime**
 - Monthly storytime run by Damon V.
 - Next storytime: Tue, Oct 13
- **FMS Rainbow Club**
 - Social group for LGBTQ+ middle schoolers and allies run by Mary Grahame H.
 - Next meeting: Mon, Oct 12
- **UHS D&D**
 - Erin L. will run a D&D group at the school for UHS teens.
 - First meeting: Tue, Oct 13
- **UHS Library Visits**
 - Everett P. will introduce UHS teens to the library and engage them in library services, resources, and collections throughout the year.
 - First meeting: Thu, Oct 15
- **FHS Prism Club**
 - Julia H. will be working with FHS staff to run this new group.
 - First meeting: Thu, Oct 22
- **FUEL Battle of the Books**
 - New this year: We've asked FUEL 5th graders to vote for the 6th Battle Book. We'll know the winner next week and reveal it at the Battle Kickoff event in December.
 - Current count: 113 votes



Youth Outreach Updates

10/15/26 Library Board Meeting



(School Year Outreach continued)

- **FLEL First Five library tours**

- Two kindergarten classes will tour the library. They specifically want to learn about the library as a community resource.
- Tours will consist of a physical tour of the space, scavenger hunt in the Kids Corner, and community themed read-aloud.
- Tue, 10/20, will be run by Damon V.
- Wed, 10/21, will be run by Mary Grahame H.



- **Banned Together Book Fest**

- Sat, Oct 10 - Celebrating Banned Book Week in Ferndale
- Damon V., Emma C., and Jeff M. are partnering with the organization to host an author panel at the library.



- **New Coffee Shop Outreach**

- Mary Grahame H. and Emma C. have spearheaded a new, creative way to reach patrons outside the building to sign folks up for library cards, market programs, and answer library questions.
- Aligned with two Strategic Plan goals: Priority 1, Goal 1 & 2.
 - Responding to feedback from community engagement sessions.
 - An alternative way to reach teens after school.
 - Will provide data on the impact of engagement and inform the community needs of kids (under 13), teens, and adults.
- First event: Thu, Oct 15 at Red Hook



Highlights

- **September 21** - A kid was getting a new library card and told me that "You have the best books!!" and relayed that they read the summer Story Trail book (*Hidden Gem* by Linda Liu) in school.
- **October 1** - A family voting for the spring Story Trail book shared "we love the trail!" and that they go to the trail all the time.
- **October 8** - Patrons were delighted by the new browsable kids' dictionary in Youth (c/o Mary Grahame H.).



Strategic Planning Committee - October 26 Report

Committee Members: Brianna Foraker, Jeff Milo, Drew Macaulay,

Strategic Plan Priorities:

- 1.) Expand Accessibility
- 2.) Connect People to Information
- 3.) Invest Responsibly

Department Heads have established which activities pertain to each department and set targeted timelines for completing each activity. Department Heads will discuss progress on these activities weekly to monthly and provide updates at periodic department meetings, where you'll also be asked for input, ideas, and feedback.

Of the 39 listed activities, 27 of them are already in progress.

Complete:

One activity under 'Connect People to Information' is already complete: [Create physical space within the library for flyers, social service directories, and community outreach opportunities.]

Ongoing: For example, one activity under 'Connect People to Information' is ongoing: [Rely on staff expertise in collection development and provide opportunities for continuing education.]

Nearing Completion: Another activity is nearing completion under 'Expand Accessibility' is [Facilitate/offer drop-in and appointment-based “how-to” sessions to help patrons independently use Libby, Hoopla, and other library digital resources.]

On October 28th at Treat Dreams we will hold another Community Engagement session to help meet the requirements of the strategic planning and to check in with the public on how they're feeling about the progress and priorities.