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**BELONG, LEARN,
CONNECT.**

YOUR LIBRARY. OUR STORY.

2024 ANNUAL REPORT

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OUR MISSION

Evanston Public Library connects our diverse community through learning, discovery, and shared experiences, providing equitable access to resources, fostering personal growth, and creating inclusive spaces where everyone can belong, learn and connect.

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THE EPL CONTINUES TO PROVIDE SPACE FOR LEARNING, CREATIVITY, AND COMMUNITY.

Dear Friends and Supporters of the Evanston Public Library,

As we look back on 2024, we are filled with immense pride and gratitude for all that our library has accomplished. This past year was one of growth, connection, and impact, and it would not have been possible without the dedication of our staff, volunteers, partners, and the unwavering support of our patrons and donors.

From welcoming over 440,000 visitors to hosting over 1,800 programs, the Evanston Public Library continued to provide a space where learning, creativity, and community come together.

With new initiatives like the **Innovation Station** and the **Mobile Living Room**, we expanded our reach and ensured that everyone, regardless of age or background, had access to the resources and programs they needed to thrive.

As we move into 2025, we are excited to continue our work guided by the principles of **Belong, Learn, Connect** from our new strategic plan. Our mission remains to create spaces where everyone in Evanston feels a sense of belonging, where creativity is nurtured, and where learning happens for people of all ages. This year, we will expand our programs and collections, enhance access to technology, and strengthen our community partnerships to ensure that the library remains a place where everyone can thrive.

We invite you to stay connected with us—by visiting our branches, participating in programs, and sharing your ideas for how we can best serve Evanston. Your involvement helps us grow and evolve as a community resource. If you are inspired to support our efforts, your generosity will ensure that we continue building inclusive spaces that bring people together and provide the resources that empower learning and creativity.

Thank you for being a vital part of our story. Together, we will continue to build a stronger, more connected Evanston throughout 2025 & beyond.

Warm regards,

Yolande Wilburn | *Executive Director*
Evanston Public Library

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TURNING THE PAGES OF CHILDHOOD

Equitable Access for Children: We give young readers the chance to explore and learn—no matter their background or ability—so they can grow and thrive.

HOW DOES IT FEEL TO WIN THIS AWARD?

The co-winner of the top Blueberry Award, Rasha Hamid, author of *How to Bird*, writes: "I'm so excited to be one of the recipients of the 2023 Blueberry Awards. As a parent and educator, I have spent decades looking for books that reflect the extraordinary diversity of our earth and also that center Black and brown children in urban communities."



THE BLUEBERRY AWARDS

The Blueberry Awards honor children's literature that strengthens kids' connections with nature and fosters action for the planet. In 2021, Evanston Public Library established the Blueberry Awards to address a shortage of awards recognizing the best nature and climate books published each year.



STORY QUEST SUPPORT CONTINUES

Our partnership with Mudlark Theater continued on the Story Quest program, a hybrid book and theater club, thanks to a grant from the Evanston Arts Council.



ABC BOOSTERS

Since 2012 the ABC Boosters program, an early literacy initiative funded partly by a grant from local partner Evanston/Skokie School District 65, has connected Evanston teens with rising kindergartners to work on literacy skill-building over the summer.



101 GREAT BOOKS FOR KIDS

Each year, our staff reads hundreds of books to determine which 101 books are representative of a diverse array of people and experiences. The list confronts issues of immigration, LGBTQ issues, Black Lives Matter, struggles with poverty, and being differently-abled.



SCHOOL VISITS

In 2024 EPL staff transported crates of books to local schools to bring programming and resources to children as a way to foster a love for reading, enhance critical thinking skills, and provide students with valuable resources to support their academic and personal growth.



BOOK BUDDIES

Every week, high school volunteers read to preschoolers through our Book Buddies Program at the Robert Crown Branch Library, fostering intergenerational connections and inspiring young children to develop strong literacy skills.



READING TO CATS

Reading to Cats, a partnership with Paws and Claws Cat Rescue, lets kids practice literacy by reading to rescue cats. Due to its popularity, it's now a regular event where kids can read with furry friends, using books provided or their own.

EMPOWERING THE NEXT GENERATION

Equitable Access for Teens: EPL supports teens' growth by offering a safe, fun space to develop new skills, connect with peers, and access knowledge, technology, and opportunities equally.



STEM FOR TEENS

In 2024, Evanston Public Library was awarded over \$39,000 by the Office of the Illinois Secretary of State to fund the Library's STEM programming for middle school students including the Sew It, Code It, and Film It Challenges, as well as other STEM programming which was offered free to students across the city.

THE TEEN LOFT

Space means different things to different people, and for teens, having their own space offers teens freedom to express themselves. In 2024, the Teen Loft at the Main Branch provided a place for teens to connect, share ideas and communicate. With over 9,000 books, audiobooks, graphic novels, and an extensive e-materials collection, it caters to both leisure and learning, with resources selected to suit diverse interests.

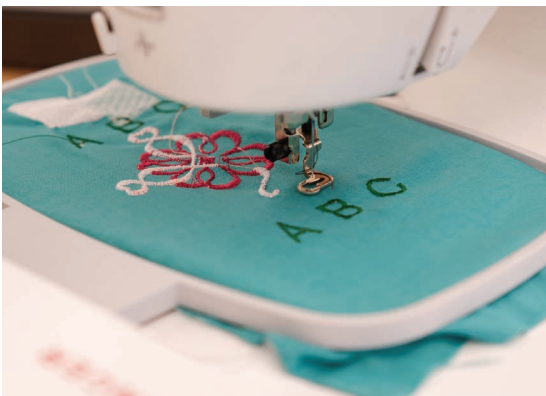
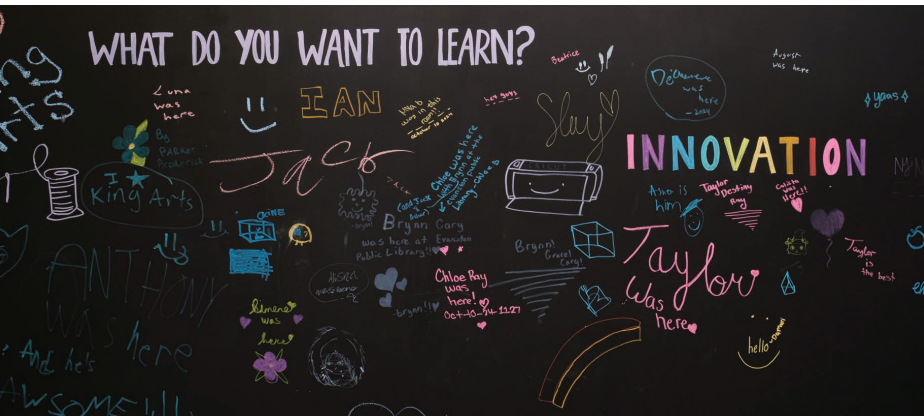


TEEN SCENE AT ROBERT CROWN

The Robert Crown Center Branch Library hosts a teen drop-in time where teens can come and hang out, relax, or work on projects in a comfortable space. It's a casual opportunity for teens to connect with friends, access library resources, or just unwind after school.

CREATING TOGETHER: INNOVATION STATION

In 2024, EPL opened the Innovation Station, a creative DIY space that offers tools and resources for makers to bring their community projects to life. This space is where makers can get creative, design and build crafts, art and other items. Patrons can work on personal projects or collaborate with the community. We provide the space and technology—visitors bring the ideas and supplies! From crafting to coding, designing to building, this is the place to imagine, create, and innovate.



INNOVATING ACCESSIBILITY FOR ALL

"I've always enjoyed sewing, but due to limited mobility in my legs, using a foot pedal can be difficult. After speaking with the Maker staff about this, I was amazed to find that they had set up accessible sewing machines for me the next time I visited. The staff is not only incredibly supportive but also takes the time to listen and ensure the space is truly accessible, so everyone has the chance to create."

—EPL Patron

A LIFETIME OF KNOWLEDGE

Nurturing Curiosity: We spark interest and support lifelong growth through a wide range of programs and innovative services providing people with ideas, knowledge and skills to last a lifetime.



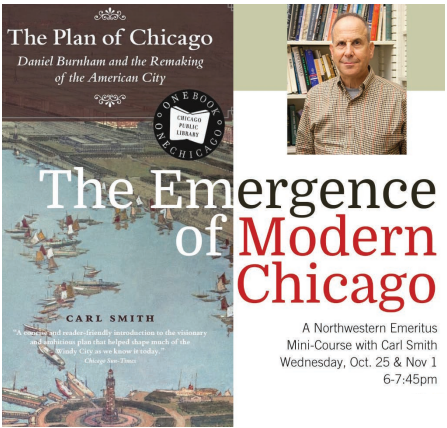
NEA BIG READ: A CATALOG OF UNABASHED GRATITUDE

Evanston Public Library was awarded a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to provide our community with free copies of Ross Gay’s book of poetry, *Catalog of Unabashed Gratitude*, to be given away at a variety of events from September 2024 through May 2025. The National Endowment for the Arts Big Read is designed to broaden our understanding of our world, our communities, and ourselves through the joy of sharing a good book. NEA Big Read is a program of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest.



NEA BIG READ EVENTS IN 2024

Some of our Big Read Events included a Kick-off Event, Art & Poetry Workshops, Death Cafe, Paper Making Classes, Art-Making in the Time of Crisis Events and Children’s Storytimes.



EXPERT LED MINI-COURSES

Throughout the year we hosted expert-led programming at the library offering unique opportunities for the community to learn from professionals in various fields. Events included lectures, Northwestern Emeriti Organization mini-courses, a Middle East & North African Studies lecture series, legal courses and more.

LANGUAGE CAFES

In addition to hosting Oakton College ESL classes two times per week, EPL provided Language Cafes for participants to engage in casual conversation to help build comfort and understanding in a variety of languages including Spanish, English, French, Russian, Mandarin Chinese, Japanese and Italian. The Language Cafe is open to both fluent speakers and new learners and adapts each session to the preferences and language needs of the attendees.

WELLNESS SERIES

The library hosted a series of wellness workshops designed specifically to connect with Black/African community members. Each workshop series focuses on different aspects of wellness, offering valuable tools, support, and resources to attendees. Topics include strategies for stretching budgets while making healthy food choices, making informed financial decisions, and improving emotional well-being. Led by expert presenters, these workshops provided essential, life-changing support to our patrons.

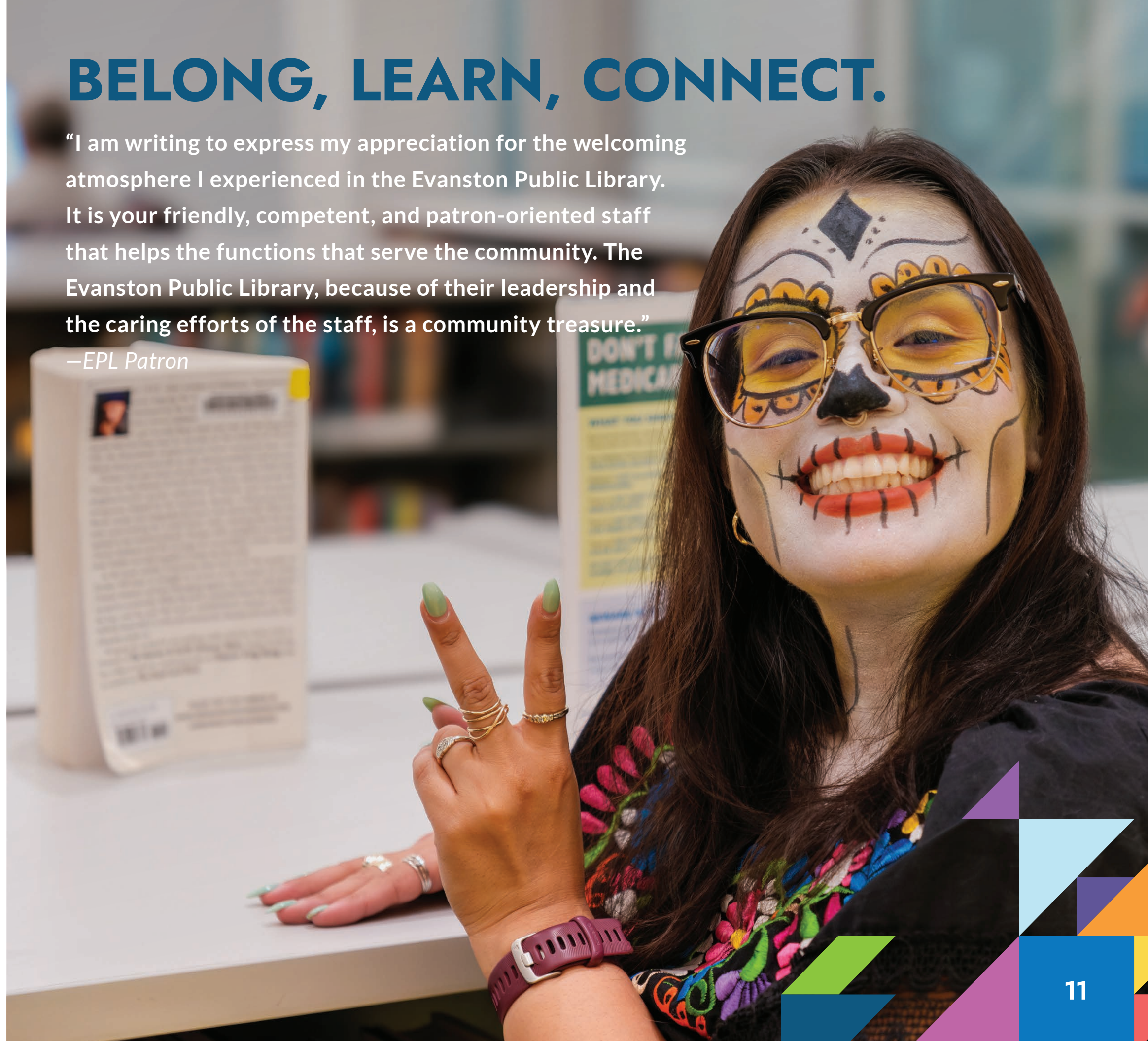
OUR VISION

To ignite limitless possibilities, inspire bold ideas, and empower every person to build a connected, inclusive community.

BELONG, LEARN, CONNECT.

“I am writing to express my appreciation for the welcoming atmosphere I experienced in the Evanston Public Library. It is your friendly, competent, and patron-oriented staff that helps the functions that serve the community. The Evanston Public Library, because of their leadership and the caring efforts of the staff, is a community treasure.”

—EPL Patron



PROGRAMS FOR OLDER ADULTS

Establishing Connections: EPL provides a feeling of inclusivity and belonging by creating spaces where every person feels welcomed, valued, and empowered to share their stories and experiences.



AGELESS GRACE

In 2024, our Older Adult offerings expanded at the Main Library to include Ageless Grace, a brain and body health program. Kate Jordan, Engagement Services Coordinator for Older Adults, became a Certified Educator of the program, allowing us to offer it on a weekly basis.



WITS WORKOUT

This brain health program developed by University of Illinois Extension challenges participants with word play, recall, trivia, numbers, and creative exercises; along with brain health training. EPL staff facilitated Wits Workout monthly and developed a devoted following. In addition to completing activity worksheets, participants engaged with one another and enjoyed sharing their brain health journey together.

**AGELESS GRACE, WITS
WORKOUT AND AHA! WERE
FUNDED IN PART BY A GRANT
FROM AGEOPTIONS.**



BOOKS ON WHEELS

Books on Wheels helped to provide 132 Evanston-based residents with access to a large selection of books, audiobooks, and DVDs. In 2024 there were nine volunteers who helped make deliveries throughout Evanston. The program moved over 3,720 pieces in circulation for our patrons in need.



MONTHLY ART WORKSHOPS

With a grant from AgeOptions and a community partnership with The Mather Initiative, EPL hosted monthly art workshops at both library locations. Offerings included Valentine & Halloween pop-up card creation, paper bead making, wood carving, paint-by-numbers, paper making, mosaic making and flower arranging (for individuals 55 & up).



AHA! ACTIVE HEALTHY AGING

Active Healthy Aging (Aha!) is a fitness class for older adults led by fitness professionals and was held at the Robert Crown Center throughout the year. Activities varied and provided participants with just the right amount of exercise to keep them active and stay healthy.

ENGAGING IN OUR COMMUNITY

Evanston Public Library continued to establish itself as a leader in community engagement by offering equitable access to information, resources, and programs. We focused on supporting historically marginalized communities, promoting belonging, and worked to empower all residents to connect, learn, and thrive. We did this through offering innovative and engaging activities, programs and outreach initiatives that took EPL programs to places beyond the walls of the library.

Library staff visited many locations and spaces, connecting directly with community members throughout Evanston in parks, at community events and celebrations. Staff member Kate Jordan facilitated a monthly senior resident program where she visited participants to provide them library resources and cards, bringing the library directly to their living space. In December, EPL began hosting Turning Point Behavioral Health's Mobile Living Room outside of each Library branch to help bring resources directly to patrons in need.

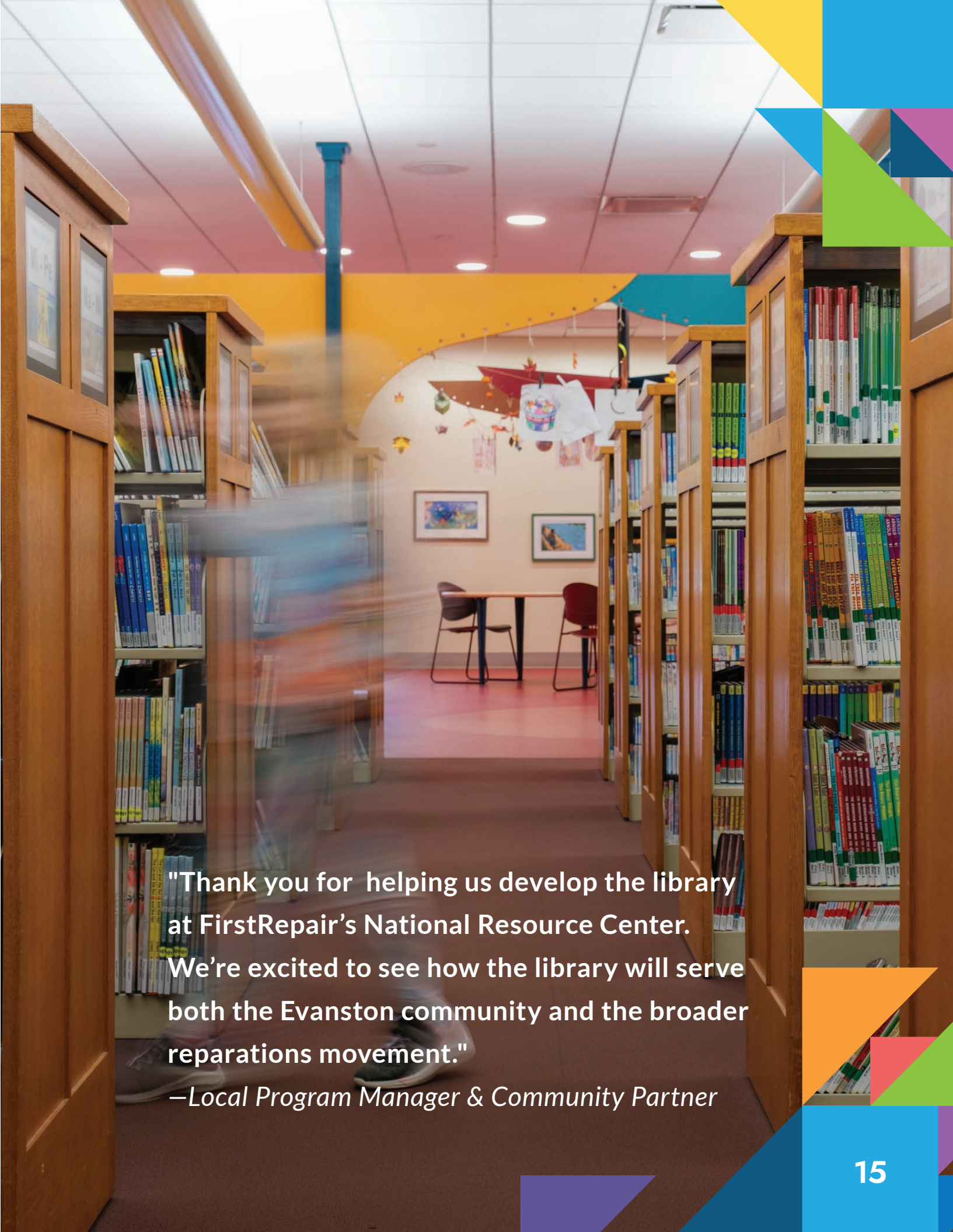
Staff also brought their expertise and kindness to celebrations and events throughout Evanston

including the Umbrella Arts Festival and First Fridays. They participated in the Connections (for the Homeless) Community Picnic, Open Community's Walk/Roll the Redline, Bethel AME Health Fair and Back-to-School Jam, and were the hosts of an End of Summer Block Party Bash in Elks Park.

Staffers additionally represented EPL at important community meetings such as the Reparations Town Hall and at the National Reparations Research Center and Library. They also proudly displayed their EPL affiliation at celebrations like the Pride Picnic, the Juneteenth Parade, the Evanston Powwow and a local Kwanzaa Celebration.

In 2024, EPL staff worked tirelessly to positively impact our community by providing free access to resources, education, and technology, bridging gaps for those who may lack other opportunities.

We also served as a gathering space where people connected, shared ideas, and engaged in activities that fostered a sense of belonging and civic engagement.



"Thank you for helping us develop the library at FirstRepair's National Resource Center. We're excited to see how the library will serve both the Evanston community and the broader reparations movement."

—Local Program Manager & Community Partner

CREATING POSITIVE CHANGE

Community Wellbeing: We enhance the well-being of our patrons by providing space to connect and support each other and by creating opportunities for social interaction and personal growth.



SPANISH SPEAKER PROGRAMS

The library hosted impactful programs for the Latino community, including a Spanish-language Mental Health First Aid training and an entrepreneurship workshop series. To celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, the library organized Noche de Juegos, a family-friendly game night made possible in part by support from Oakton College.



COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

In 2024, the EPL received a \$25,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) to bring *1619: The Journey of a People* to Evanston. The funding allowed the library to continue its collaboration with Fleetwood-Jourdain Theater and start a new partnership with Northwestern University's Office of Neighborhood and Community Services.



THE CROWN BRANCH

EPL's second Evanston location hosted community-driven programs that promoted connection and learning including the Repair Café, which encourages sustainability and community-building through volunteer-led efforts. The library also celebrated traditions like the Day of the Dead with crafts, story-time, and an ofrenda, while the monthly Death Cafe offered a supportive space for grief and death discussions.

A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

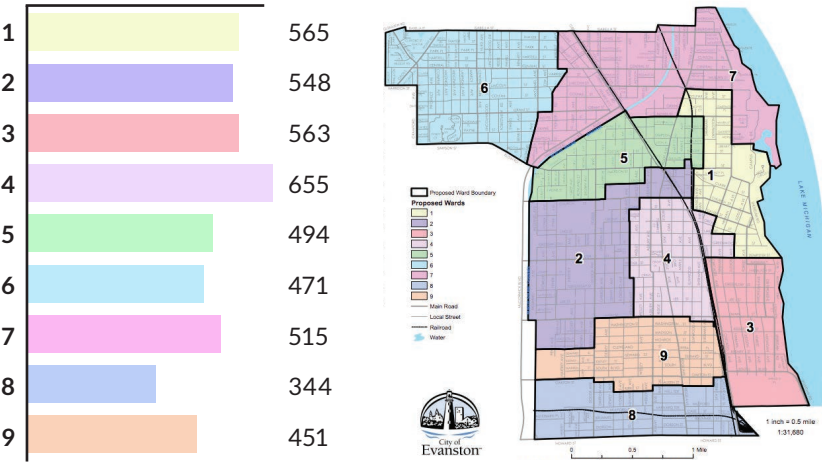
The future of Evanston Public Library revolves around creating modern, inclusive spaces that evolve with the needs of the community. As part of our strategic plan, EPL aims to modernize our facilities, embracing sustainability and ensuring accessibility for all. By prioritizing inclusivity and promoting a sense of belonging, EPL intends to establish a library environment that not only serves as a hub for learning and connection but also embodies the values of community collaboration.

EPL is committed to expanding services that promote lifelong learning, foster community engagement, and empower individuals to explore emerging technologies. New initiatives will include workshops on Artificial Intelligence (AI), Virtual Reality (VR), coding, and digital media creation, with a focus on inclusion and representation from historically marginalized groups. We will also introduce sustainability-themed programs to raise environmental awareness, further solidifying our role as a vital, forward-thinking community resource.

In the years to come, we pledge to continue to promote sustainable practices that protect our environment and contribute to a more resilient community.



NEW LIBRARY CARD REGISTRATIONS BY WARD IN 2024



2024 REVENUE & EXPENSES

Revenue Type	2024 Budget
Gifts, Donations & Endowments	\$616,999
Tax Levy	\$8,213,664
Intergovernmental & Grants	\$250,213
Other Revenue	\$89,794
TOTAL	\$9,170,670

Expense Type	2024 Budget
Salary & Benefits	\$7,303,028
Library Collection	\$911,500
General Operating	\$1,502,977
TOTAL	\$9,717,505

1,114,188
Items Checked Out in 2024

305,843
Physical Items Available

6,933
Children Ages 0-11 Who Attended Programs

43,442
Public Internet Sessions at EPL

7,605
Total Volunteer Hours

440,017
Total Library Visits

9,822
Adults Who Attended Programs

3,829
Tweens and Teens Who Attended Programs

29,428
Total Number of Card Holders

277
Total Volunteers

2024:
A LOOK
AT THE
NUMBERS



INDIVIDUAL GIVING AND FAMILY FOUNDATION SUPPORT

\$50,000 +	Lewis-Sebring Family Foundation	Ann C. Gunter	Anne Berkeley	Gerrie Liaw	John Arndt	Jeanine and Chris Coupe-Ryding	Michael Gomez
Julianne Farley	Carol Liner	Karen Alter-Hanson and Brian Hanson	Better World Books	Sally Macnamara	Kat Atienza	Christine Cox	Neal Goodfriend
\$25,000 +	Bob and Carol Lounsbury	Paul Hartzog	Beverly Bloom	Cynthia Martin	Gerry and Rita Bambrick	Jennifer Coyne	Cynthia Anne Gordon
Anonymous	Sarah Utley and Angus Macaulay	Allison Henry	Jeffrey Boarini	Mary Martin	Elaine Bankoff	Joyce Crane	Margie Gordon
\$10,000 +	Lucinda Fox and John Mancini	Carole Henry	Jane Neumann and Steve Bogira	Robert Martin	Carol A. Barnett	Candace Crawford	Cheryl Graham
Anonymous	Linda M. Otto	Jack Bishop and Margot Hodgson	Joan Borg	Louise Mason	Gary Newman and Mary Beth Barrett-Newman	Carolyn Crimi	Elizabeth and David Graham
Monica Gormley	Robert Pitt	Shawn and Sarah Iles	Brian Bowen	Nancy Mathyer	Michael and Felicia Baskin	Elizabeth and Jerry Cummings	Erica and Dale Granchalek
Margaret and Paul Lurie	Amy and Sam Reichert	Gerald and Barbara Israelite	Julie Strauss and Joel Brown	Elaine Frangedakis and Patrick McFadden	Lawrence Bauer	John Darrow	Judith Gravdal
Revada Foundation	Rosenbaum Witt Family Fund	Carol Ivy	Carl and Jeanine Brownell	Janet and Christian Messenger	Gerhard Baumann	David and Sheila Daskovsky	Marla Green
\$5,000 +	Catherine Saccany	Gweneth G. Jessen	Cynthia Bumbry	Clayton Miller	Megan Baxa	Susan Dauber	Nahoko Green
Michael and Laura Boutross	Joan Safford	Elaine and Matt Moy Johnson	Karin Ruetzel and Tony Burt	James Millikan	Allison and Benjamin Becker	Kim Davis	Lisa Greene
The Edward & Rose Donnell Foundation	Judith Falconer and John Saliba	Marla Johnson	Sandra Waxman and Steven Bussolari	Kelly Morgan	Bell Family	Michael and Barbara Davis	Lisa Meyerowitz and Daniel Greene
The Howard S. Dubin Family Foundation	Jacob Schtevie	Tim and Kate Kane	Robin and Joseph Caprile	Kristin Munsch	Robert Benirschke	Peter Debelak	Cynthia Greising
Kenneth Forbus	Enid and Gary Shapiro	Mary Anne Diehl and James B Kauffman	Virginia Carr	Joan T. Naper	Anne Berenberg	Barbara and Richard DeCoster	Victor Grimm
Marianne and Dave Griebler	Lynne Simon	Janice Kaye	Bernie Cohen and Judy F. Chiss	William J. Neilson	Elizabeth Mages and Chris Van Den Berg	Deborah DeManno	Mary Griswold
Joseph and Ilana Harrow	Kirsti MacPherson and Greg Sorenson	Ben and Nicole Van Laan	Alice Chrostowski	Carol and Brian Nielsen	Kathy and Louis Berger	Alfred D. Andreychuk and Allan Deptula	Bruce Amsterdam and Ilene Grossman
Burt Jamison	Moira and Scott Stein	The William W. & Pamela C. Lane Foundation	Georgia A. Cohen	Bette and Ronald O'Nan	Terri Bernsohn	Harvey and Barbara Dershin	Bruce Gurley
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Adele and Roland Martel	Richard and Joyce Talsky	Dona LeBlanc	Sue Burzawa and Kevin Coughlin	Susan Weinstein and Steven Pasimeni	Katherine Best	Sally and Pierre deVincentis	Cheryl Haack
Judith L and Thomas A. Monroe	David Taylor	Michael Schnur and Janice J. Liten	John and Mary Jo Crosby	Vaishali Patel	Anne and Bill Bevan	Ruthanne DeWolfe	Cathleen and John Hammerschlag
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Ruth D. Rosin	Vail Family Foundation	James and Joanell McKenna	Claire Zulkey and Steven Delahoyde	Maria K. Udo and Lawrence H. Pinto	Madhu Bieber	Eric Diekhans	Lyndal Hanna
\$2,500 +	Jean and John Wadsworth	John and Thekla Metz	Deborah Diamond	John Pratt	Helga Binder	Leo and Bonnie Dohogne	Laura and James Hansen
Anonymous	Kristie Walstrum	Stephanie and Brian Miller	Jon and Susanne Dutcher	Dean Radcliffe	Phyllis Bird	Barbara Siles Donnelly	Jackie and Dennis Harder
Catherine Crimmins	Lisa and Jason Way	Nancy S. Moffett	Jeffrey and Stephanie Engstrom	Gail Radzevich	Patricia and Edward Blumen	Anne and Larry Donoghue	Harper Family Fund
Paul and Mary Finnegan	Nancy Weber	Susan and Thomas F. Moran	Linda Faller	John and Susan Ross	Linda and Bob Bonges	Celestine Van Dorpe	Beth Hebert
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Mills-Smith Family Fund	\$500 +	Judy Newton	Bill and Lynda Frillman	Judy and David Schiffman	David Boyk	Elena Garfield and Modesto Duarte	Dan and Anna Van Heukelem
Elizabeth Mitchell	Anonymous (15)	Anthony and Andrea Nocchiero	Mary and Larry Gavin	Julie Kimmel and Philip Schluter	Stephanie Davis and Brad Dunlap	Peter Laundry and Shirley Dugdale	Catherine and Ben Hicks
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\$1,000 +	Riva Branch	The Sanko Family	Susan Held	Kathy and Robert Slaughter	Patricia Broughton	Susan and Scott Feldman	Mary L. Hotson
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Wendy Pollock and Peter Gann	Michael Brody and Elizabeth Ester	\$250 +	Timothy Keiderling	Joe and Jan Womack	Susan Cherry	Cara Gaziano	Linda Kellough
Tina and Daniel Garrison	Suzanne Farrand	Anonymous (Anonymous 11)	Margaret Kelly	Sara Young	Mary Chlebowski	Rosie Rees and Gene Servillo	Clare Kelly
Susan Gilkey	Nona C. Flores	Mary Ellen and Kenneth Alexander	Cynthia Kirk	\$100 +	Crispina Chong	Jean Gershuny	Joanne Kelly
Deborah Crimmins and Paul Goerss	Anne Flosi	Amy Anichini-Schaal	Alexandra Kirsch	Anonymous (54)	Sono Fujii and Claudio Katz	Karyn Reif and Eric Gershuny	Michael and Lou Anne Kelly
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INDIVIDUAL GIVING AND FAMILY FOUNDATION SUPPORT

2024

Saul Klibanow	Anita and Bill Miller	Barbara and Tom Resnick	Steve and Susan Stroh	Lucy Barron	James Fong	Kornfield/Wild Family	Eugene Ring
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Kris Koenig-Morel	Pamela and Wayne Miller	Julie Johnson and Lance Rips	Carol Johnson and Gregory Sultan	Ravi Batista	Nessia Frank	Phyllis Kravitz	James Rohrbach
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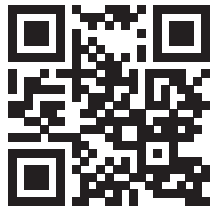
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