

2024-2025

SEDALIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

ANNUAL REPORT

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OUR VISION

The Sedalia Public Library strives to be a trusted source at the heart of our community, connecting every person to opportunities, enriching lives, inspiring curiosity, and leading to a lifetime of learning.

OUR MISSION

Bringing individuals, information, and ideas together.



OUR STAFF

Library Staff 2024-2025

Full Time Staff

Jamie Sparks, Director

Ashley Beck, Circulation Supervisor

Bob Brown, Custodian

Kaylee Daniel, Outreach & Adult Services

Judy Poole, Technical Services Librarian

Kristen Whisnant, Children's Librarian

Part Time Staff

Stephanie Sneed, Office Manager

Skylar Brines, Library Clerk

Cindy Lea-Thompson, Library Clerk

Bridget Lenhardt, Library Clerk

Molly Greene, Library Clerk

Sydney Whittall, Library Clerk

Substitute Staff

Patty Long

Deana Pomajzl

OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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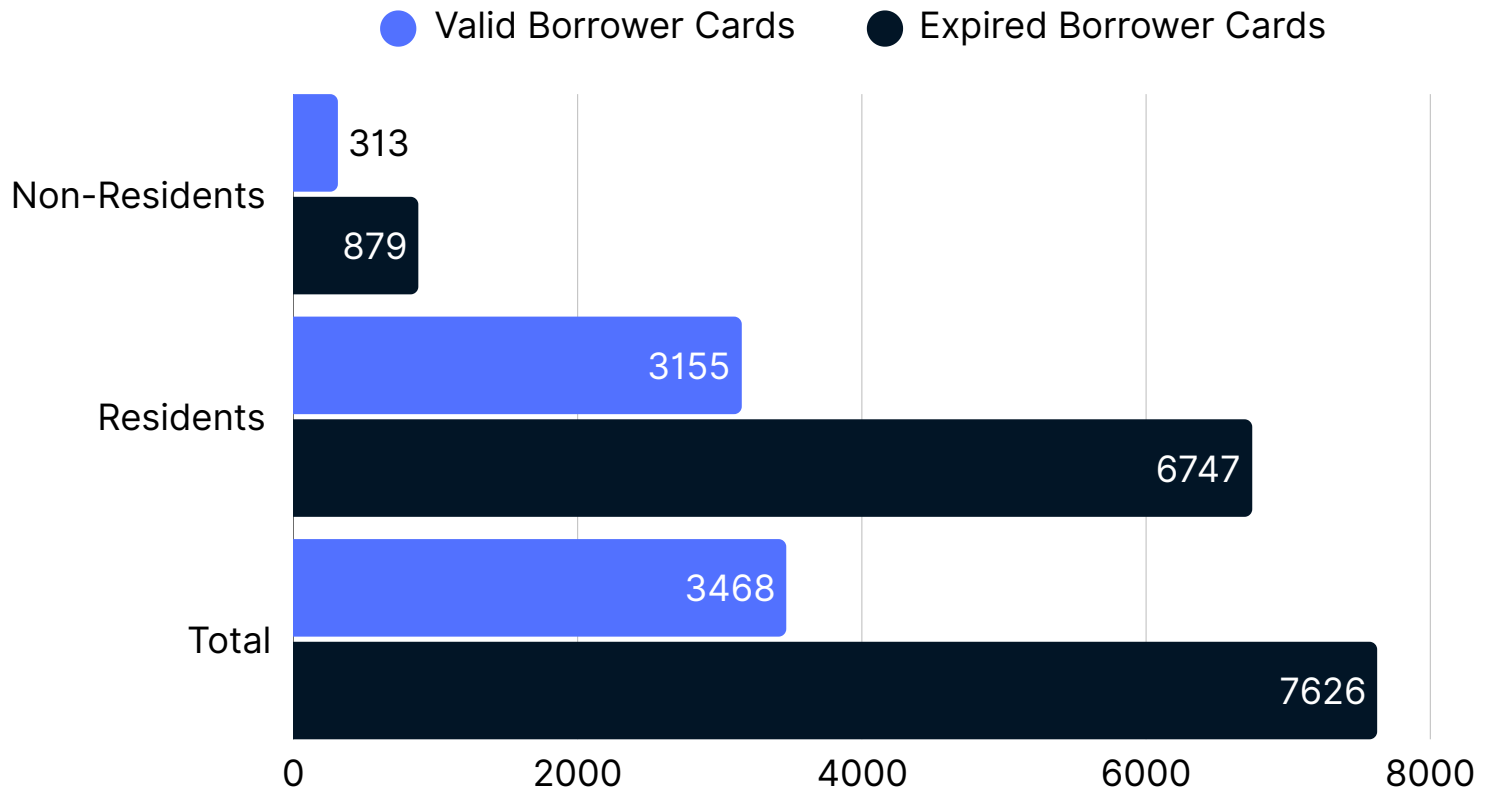
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OUR PATRONS

The legal service area of the library district is 20,022 (as of 2020).

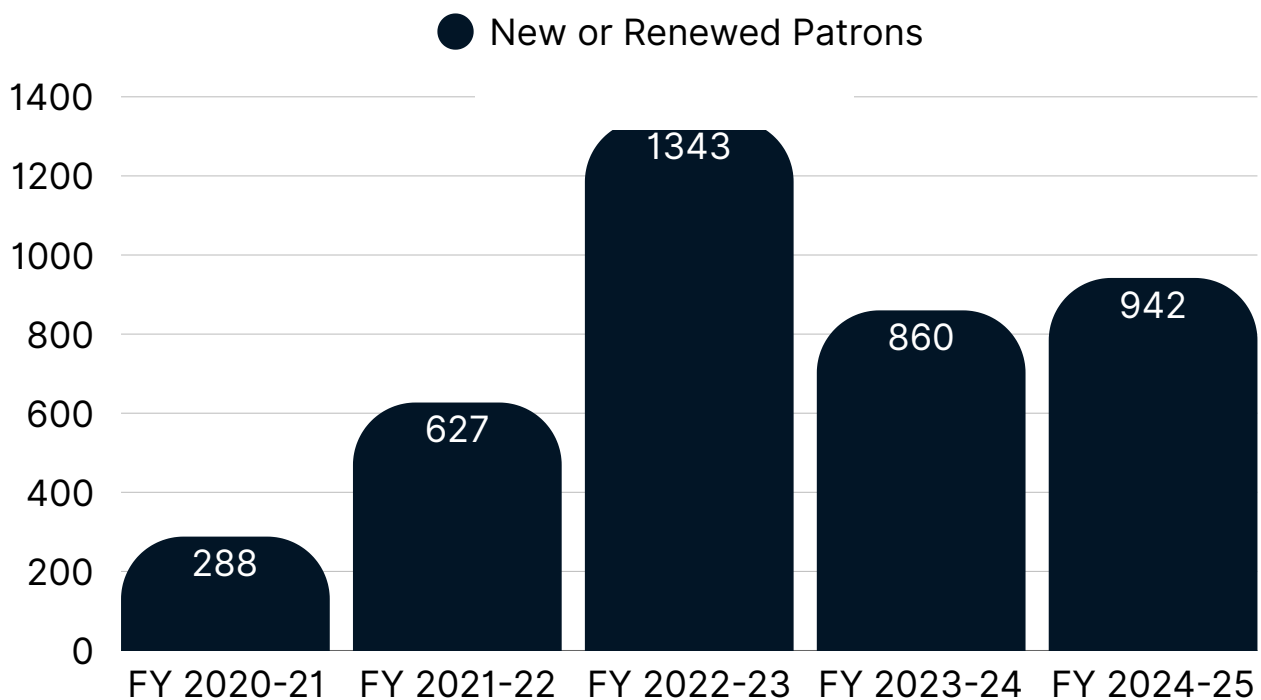


- Valid borrowers are patrons with a card that is not expired.
- Expired borrowers have a card, but it needs to be renewed in order to use it.

- Active borrowers (have checked out materials in the last 6 months) is 1,085 or 9.78%.
- 2023-2024-10.75%
- 2022-2023-8.63%

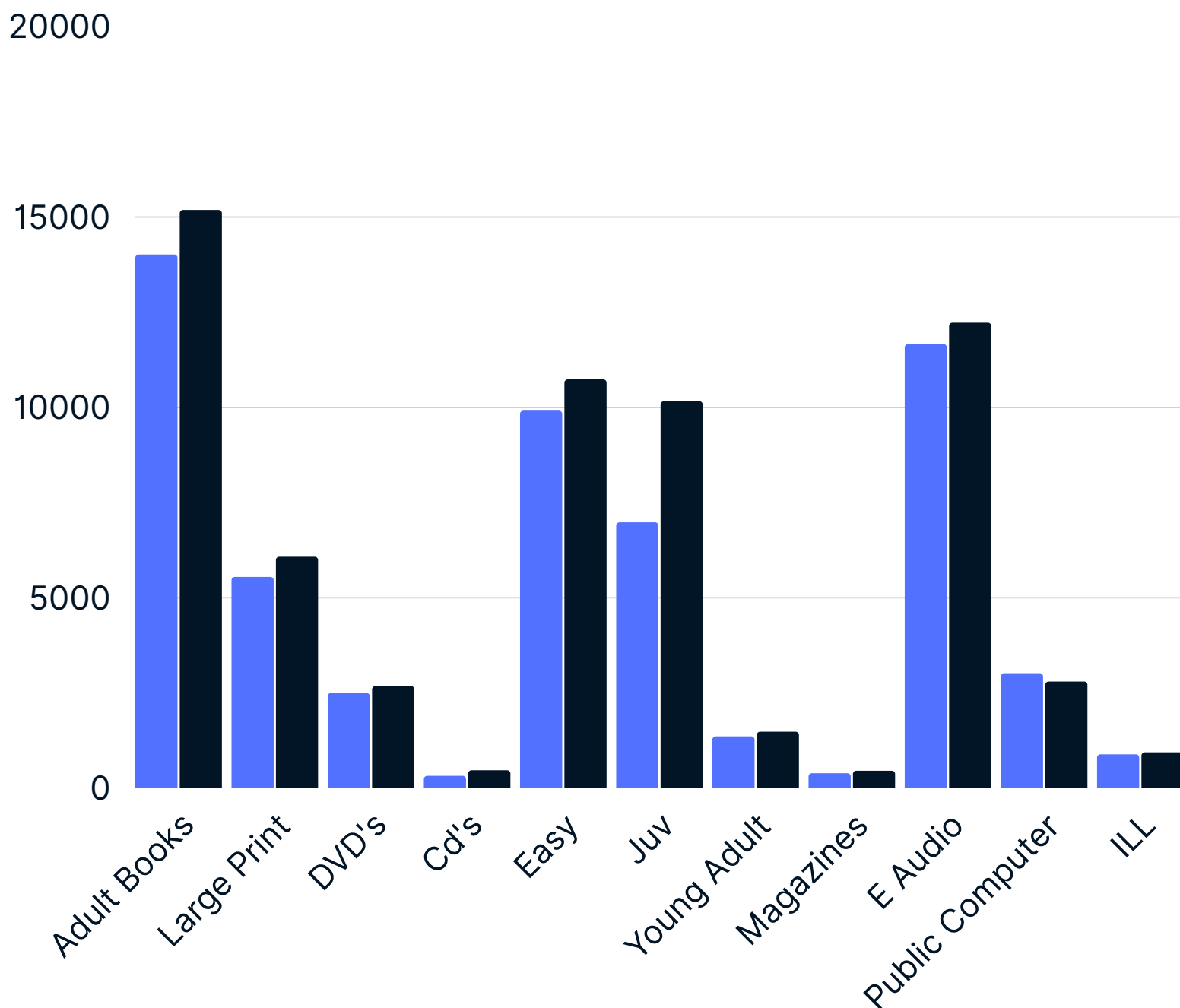
NEW OR RENEWED PATRONS

We have worked hard the last few years to increase our patron count since Covid. We are pleased to see so many patrons renewing their cards and new patrons coming in to get a library card.



CIRCULATION SUMMARY

● Check outs FY23-24 ● Check outs FY24-25



The Library offers 50,000+ physical items for checkout, as well as numerous electronic resources from Libby, Hoopla, and Tumblebooks.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

Monthly Programs:

- Preschool Storytime
- LEGO Club
- Bookworms
- 3rd Saturday

Special Events:

- School Field trips
- Take Your Child to the Library Day
- Family Days-Follow the Recipe & Game Day

Summer Reading:

- KC Exotic Animals Show
- Outdoor Skill with Boy Scouts
- Nature Crafts
- Hike at Bothwell Lodge

Special Programs:

- Robot kits from the MO State Library
- Fire Safety with Fire Department
- Author Visit with Colter Jackson
- Visit with Santa
- Read with a Therapy Dog
- Summer Reading Program
- Winter Reading Program



Most Well Attended Events:

- Preschool Storytime
- Santa Visit
- Reading with a Therapy Dog

ADULT PROGRAMS

Monthly Programs:

- Book Club
- Chess Club
- Create & Connect

Special Programs:

- Genealogy
- Cookie Decorating
- Guest Authors
- 3rd Saturday Family Events
- Budgeting 101
- Book Tasting
- Healthy Eating on a Budget
- Pop Up Art Show
- BINGO Night
- Library Card Sign up Month
- Teacher Cards

Winter Reading:

- February

Summer Reading:

- June & July

Passive Programs:

- Community Puzzles
- Craft Swap
- Book Recommendations
- Crossword Puzzles
- Game Swap
- Christmas Postcards
- Blind Date with a Book
- Bookmark Swap

Most Well Attended Events:

- BINGO Night
- Create & Connect; Recycled Books
- Create & Connect; Make a Knit Blanket



OUTREACH & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Outreach Patron Statistics:

- 48 patrons served
- 48 delivery trips
- 2557 materials checked out
- 86 materials donated to Outreach facilities

Excel Adult High School Statistics:

- 6 patrons interviewed
- 4 scholarships awarded
- 1 Graduate (May 2024)

Community Events:

- First Thursday's
- Farmer's Market
- Pride Picnic
- Trick or Treat Downtown
- City of Sedalia Scarecrow Contest
- Annual Spring Book Sale



FINANCIAL SUMMARY

FY 2024-2025

Revenue Budget: \$911,740

Actual Revenue Received: \$950,267

Expenditures-

Personnel Budget: \$504,700

Personnel Actual: \$490,939

Non-Personnel Budget: \$253,000

Non-Personnel Actual: \$229,130

Capital Expenditures Budget: \$54,040

Capital Expenditures Actual: \$36,262

COP Debt Service (loan) Budget: \$100,000

COP Debt Service (loan) Actual: \$99,995

Total Expenditures: \$856,326

Cash Reserve: \$1,104,588

Cash Investments (CD): \$490,000