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Dear Lyon Township Community,



As I start my 17th year as your Library Director, there is much to reflect on: our library has evolved, in response to the pandemic, but also to changes in technology and the community.

We transitioned to provide remote library services during the shutdown (and now for anyone with that preference), introduced contactless pickup, and offered hands-on activities for everyone to enjoy wherever they want.

Staying Connected

From the emergence of COVID to now, safety has been our number one priority; we followed local, State and Federal mandates and guidelines. We instituted quarantining of returned materials to drastically reduce risk of exposure to COVID, introduced curbside pickup, and enacted extra cleaning and sanitizing of the building. We also improved our WiFi so that it now reaches the entire parking lot 24/7, and added extra mobile hotspots for checkout for anyone who needs the internet.

Changing Gears

LTPL staff were quick to act during the shutdown to prevent disruption to your library membership: within days we livestreamed storytimes; events were moved online; and we increased our collection of downloadables and eResources. We shared cultural and educational virtual tours, essential health and local services' updates, completed wellness checks to our library members aged 70+, offered creative activities for edutainment, and issued library cards online to ensure ongoing access to LTPL's valuable services for everyone.

Looking Toward the Future

We regularly investigate and plan ways the library can serve you better. You can expect to see a series of surveys focused on LTPL collections, events and classes, services & technology coming out later this year for you to provide feedback. We hope that you will take a moment to share your thoughts and expectations with us; your input is invaluable in creating a future plan for the library to grow and adapt along with you.

Sincerely,
Holly Teasdale, Library Director



WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

How We've Adapted to COVID



To remain a safe, clean place for our residents, LTPL...

Enacted Safety Precautions with You in Mind:

- Contactless Curbside Pickup
- Virtual Tech Help & Genealogy Appointments for ongoing troubleshooting or research assistance
- PPE in the form of sanitizer, masks & gloves
- Cleaning of all public touch points

Grew our Collections:

- More hotspots, providing internet to residents at home or on-the-go
- New Chromebook collection for remote school/work
- Additions to the Library of Things, helping you with household projects & other needs



Introduced LTPL Reading Recommendations:

- Personalized lists of recommended books based on your reading preferences!

Expanded 24/7 Online Availability of the library:

- New eResources, including more school-specific learning/teaching materials
- Increased community awareness of LTPL's Digital Library online

Offered Fun & Creative Activities to enjoy safely at home:

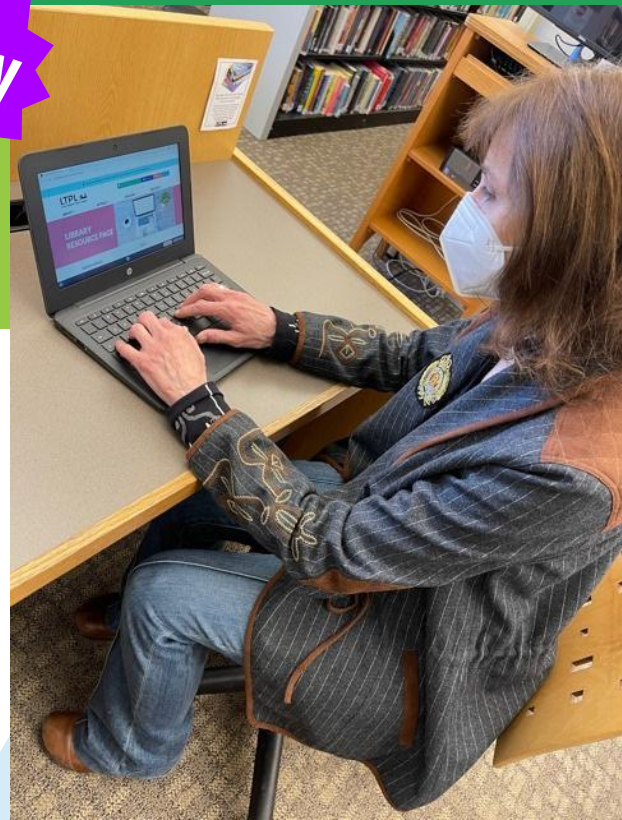
- Take & Make kits
- Virtual Events





SERVICES & ONLINE RESOURCES

Added to make your life *easier*...



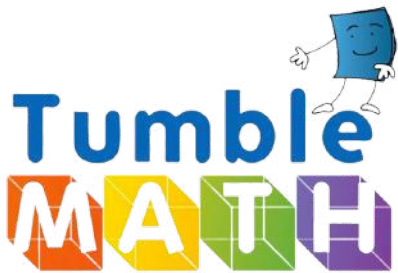
AudioBookCloud

"Available 24/7 with your library card"

Instant access to audiobooks; no limits. Listen while you exercise or do chores.



Stream graphic novels, eBooks, national geographic videos, educator resources, & audiobooks; no limits. Specifically for teens.



Stream animated and narrated math stories; no limits. Learning math is easier and more enjoyable.



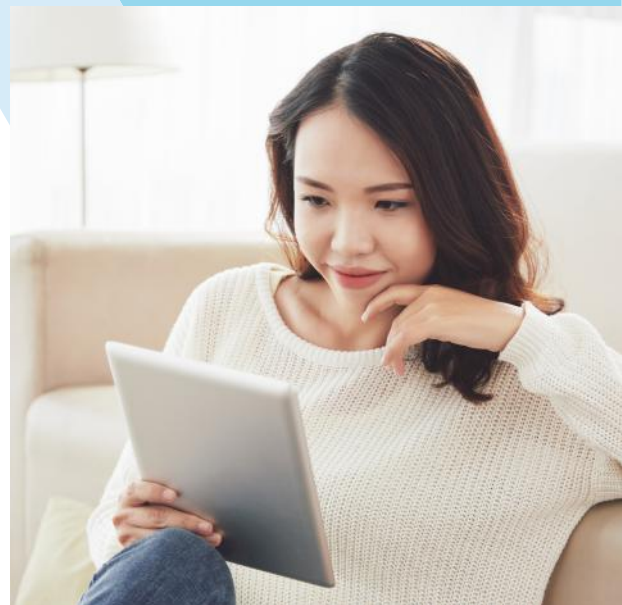
Animated stories paired with nonfiction eBooks; no limits, so you'll never run out of books for your child to read.



Mini-books, Worksheets, Printable Packs & Lessons for Fun & engaging Learning. For Grades Pre-K to 6.

LTPL's digital library + more digital resources are all available to you on our website!

CLICK HERE





2019 & 2020 Statistics & Accomplishments

- Awarded \$2,000 grant to create 23 STEAM-focused Discovery Kits.
- Awarded a grant to host UM Natural History Museum's Family Science series 3x: each workshop featured 4-5 hands-on learning stations.
- Held 121 Adult Events w/1,700 Adults in attendance & 143 Youth Events w/4,442 in attendance.
- Gifted 921 books to children, teens & adults. Gave away 2,850+ prizes & vouchers for free goods/services at local businesses.
- Installed new Copier & Printer with wireless printing.
- Updated Computers with Windows 10. Held over 5,650 Computer Sessions.



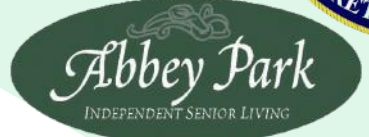
- Awarded a grant from the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission to offer 2 "Michigan Wildlife" classes from Red Oaks Nature Center staff.
- Awarded use of Oakland County Parks charter bus for one genealogy trip to the Burton Historical Collection in Detroit, valued at \$2000.00.
- Installed outdoor wireless internet access point; extending Wi-Fi into the parking lot for free 24/7 internet.
- Introduced READsquared, an online Summer Reading Event Tracker for logging reading time.
- 25,000+ Overdrive (Libby) checkouts



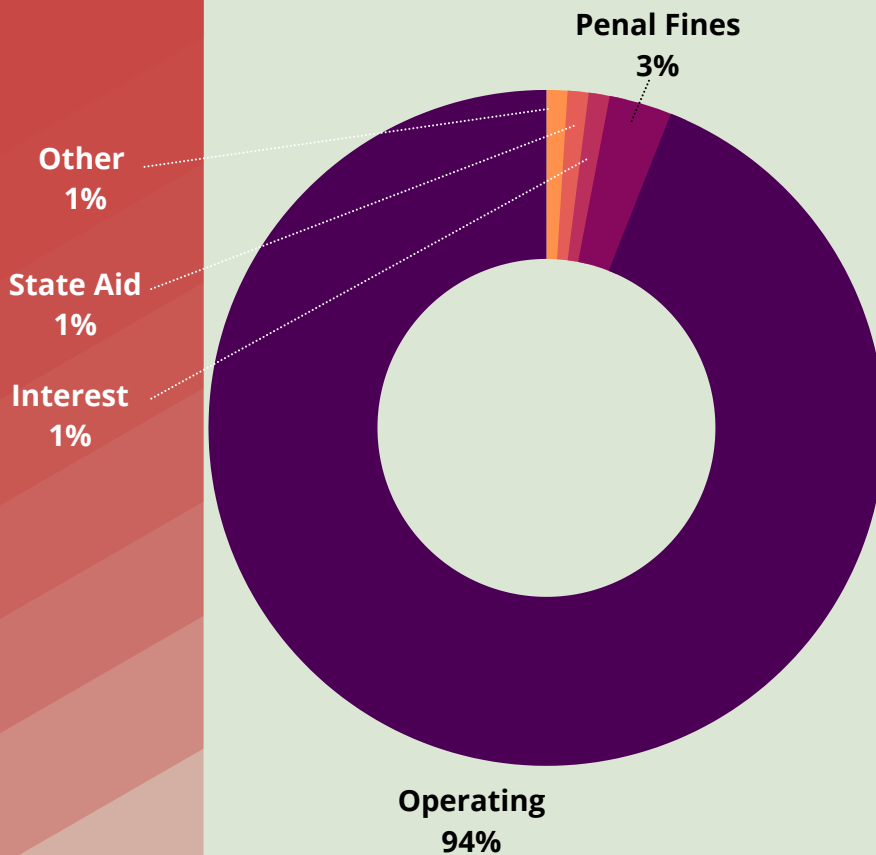
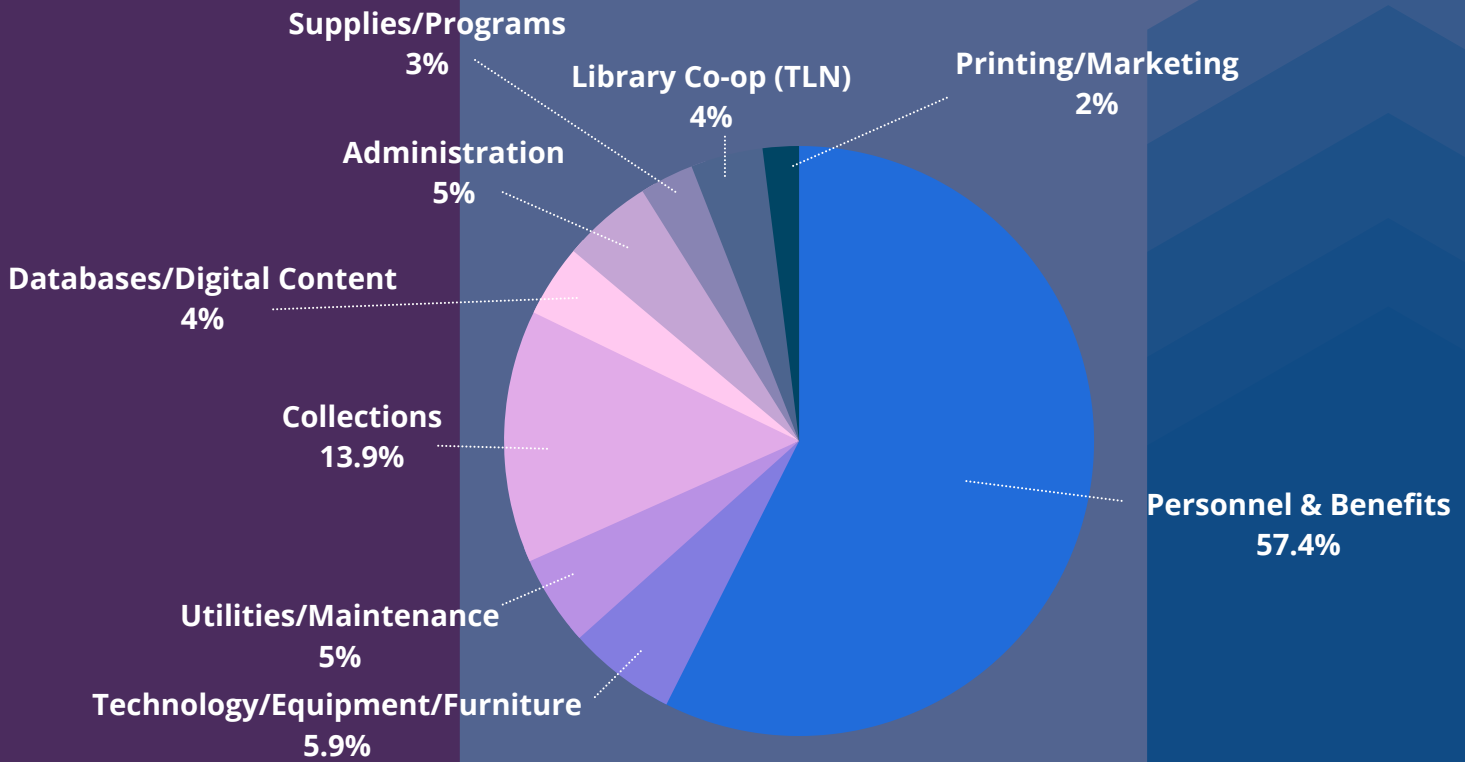


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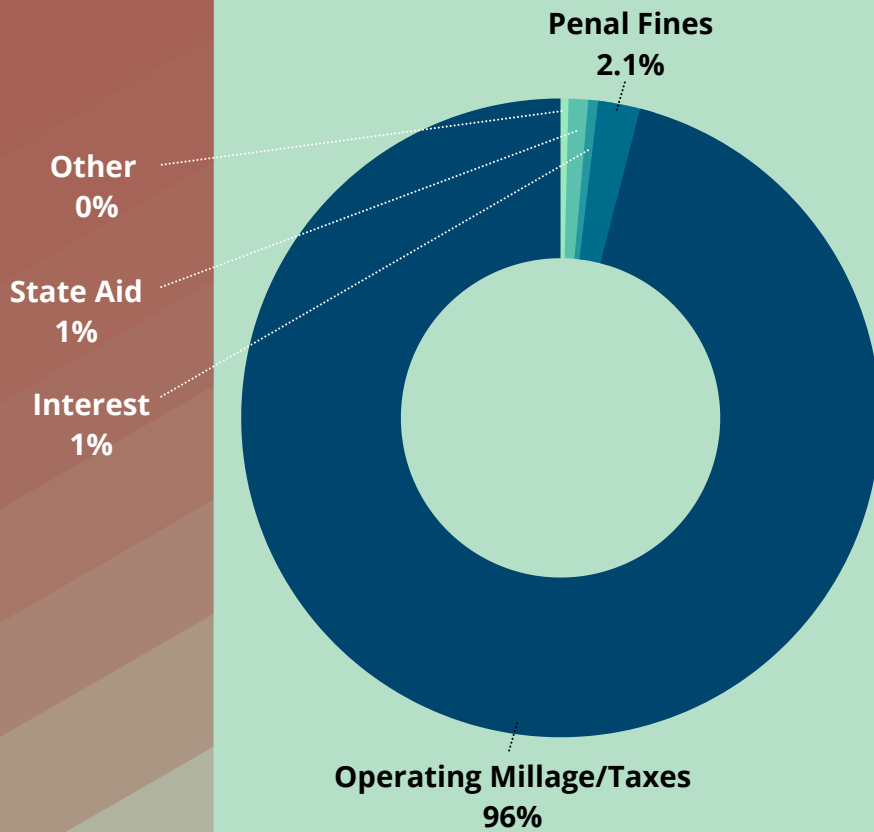
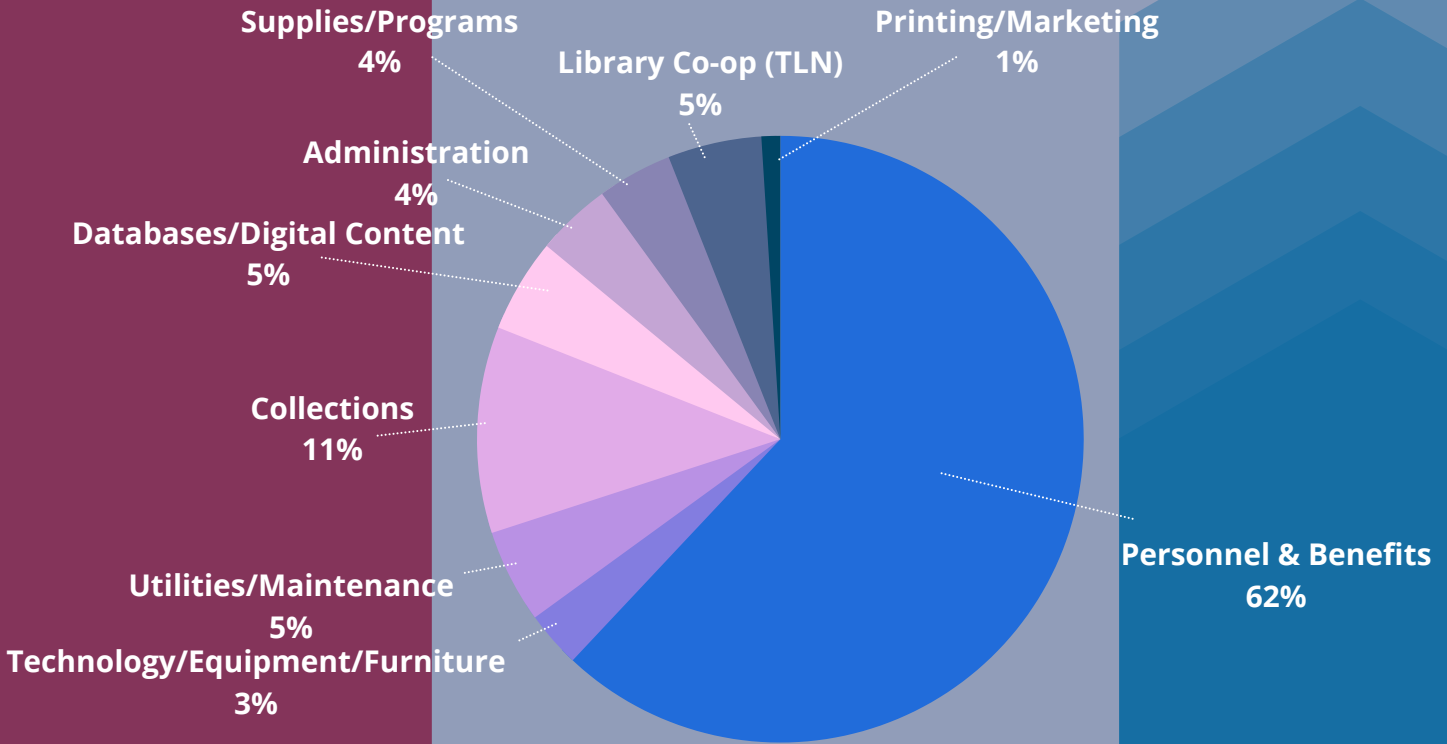


2019 Expenditures - \$913,866



2019 Revenue - \$1,133,094

2020 Expenditures - \$938,681



2020 Revenue - \$1,179,541