The background of the cover is a stack of books with spines in various colors: yellow, orange, red, green, teal, and purple. At the top, an open book with white pages and a yellow spine is visible.

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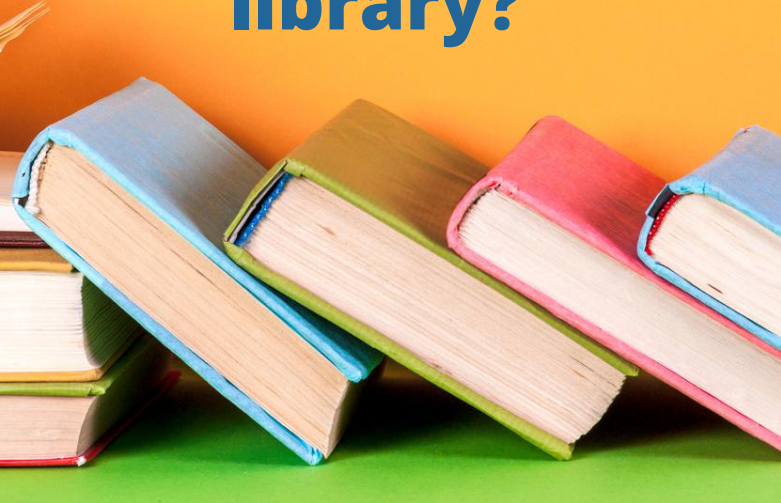
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# Who's who at the library?



## Library Staff

**Jessica Shirtz**, Library Director

**Kelsey Boldt**, Librarian (left  
December 2022)

**Heather Lander**,  
Children's Librarian

**Nicole Johnson**, Library Assistant  
(Librarian as of January 2023)

**Heidi Silverstone**, Library Clerk  
(Library Assistant as of February  
2023)

## Library Board

**Paul Olson**, President

**Elyse Bertucci**, Vice President

**Brooke Routhier**, Secretary

**Darren Boldt**, Trustee

**Stacie Nardi**, Trustee

*Dizz Firby*, City Council Liaison to the  
Library Board



# Friends of the Library



## Association of Friends of the Ishpeming Carnegie Public Library

**Kay Tupala**, President  
**Stacie Nardi**, Secretary  
**Ann Kananen**, Treasurer  
**Jodi Firby**, Assistant Treasurer

The Friends continue to pursue 501(c)3 non-profit status.

Two used book sales were held in July and December to great success!

The group continues to meet eight months of the year on the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM

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# REINVENTION

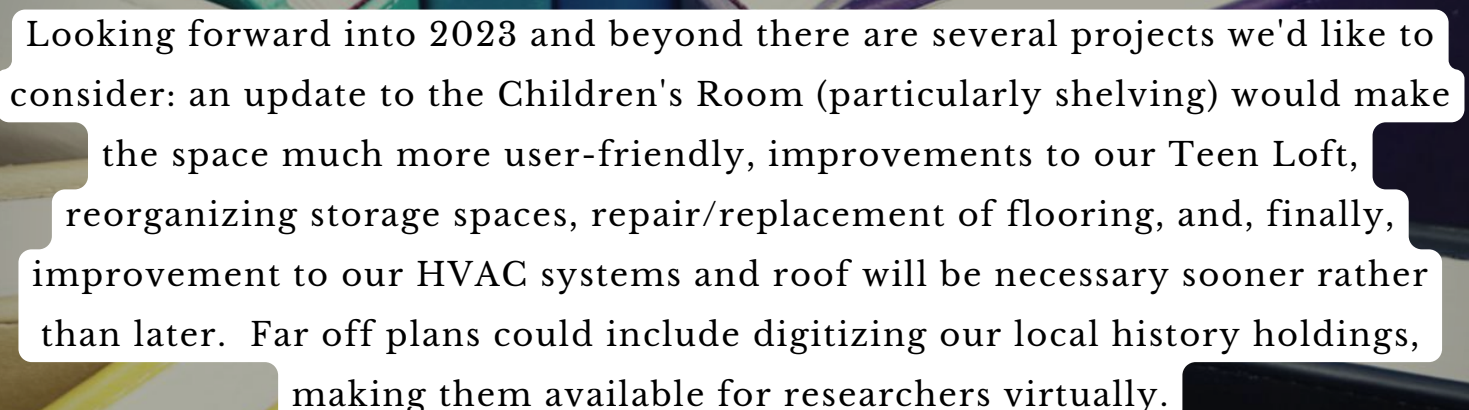
*Respectfully submitted by Jessica Shirtz, Library Director*

Necessity is the mother of invention, so they say. The year 2022 saw the reinvention of many library services. We began the year with only virtual or outdoor programming. By April, we were once again able to hold in-person events with a limited number of attendees.

We offered workshops instead of presentations, and continued to hold what programs we could outside instead of inside. Eventually even those limitations were removed and we were able to return to programming "as usual".

What we discovered, though, is that we liked some of the changes, and they seemed to be preferred by our community. We continue to offer workshops alongside presentations because they offer the opportunity to learn something unique. We still hold storytime and book clubs outside as well as inside in the nicer weather months because we could all use extra sunshine.

We're excited to use our hard-won knowledge to continue to make the library an inviting and safe space.



Looking forward into 2023 and beyond there are several projects we'd like to consider: an update to the Children's Room (particularly shelving) would make the space much more user-friendly, improvements to our Teen Loft, reorganizing storage spaces, repair/replacement of flooring, and, finally, improvement to our HVAC systems and roof will be necessary sooner rather than later. Far off plans could include digitizing our local history holdings, making them available for researchers virtually.

# BY THE NUMBERS



\*January - September 2022; data from October - December 2022 unavailable.

# CIRCULATION

*The number and character of items checked out during this year.*

# 52%

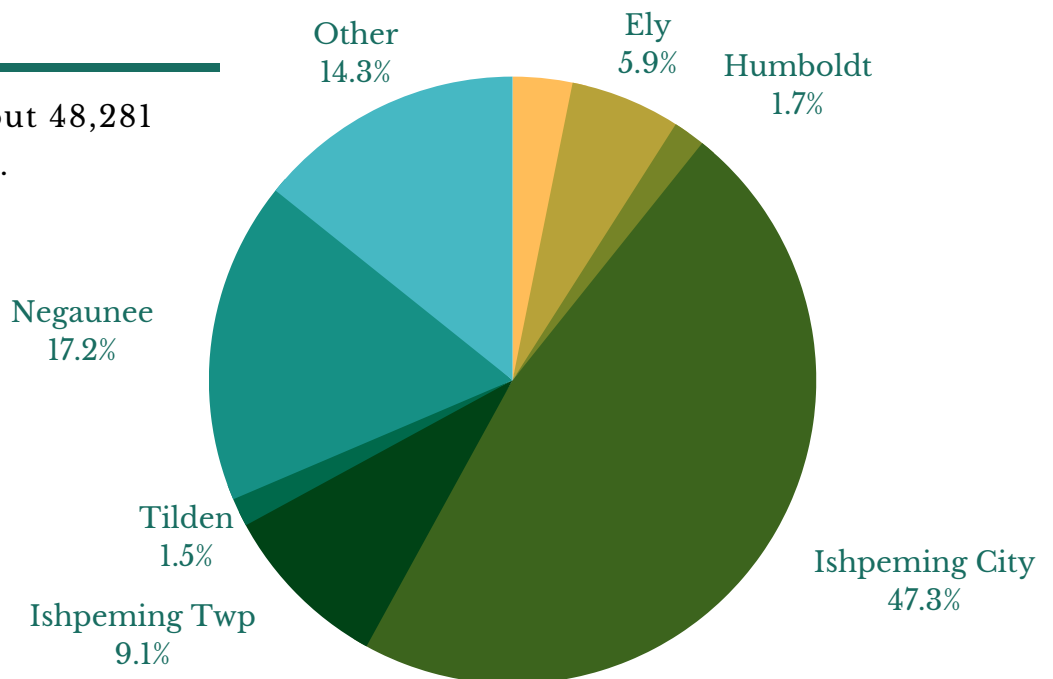
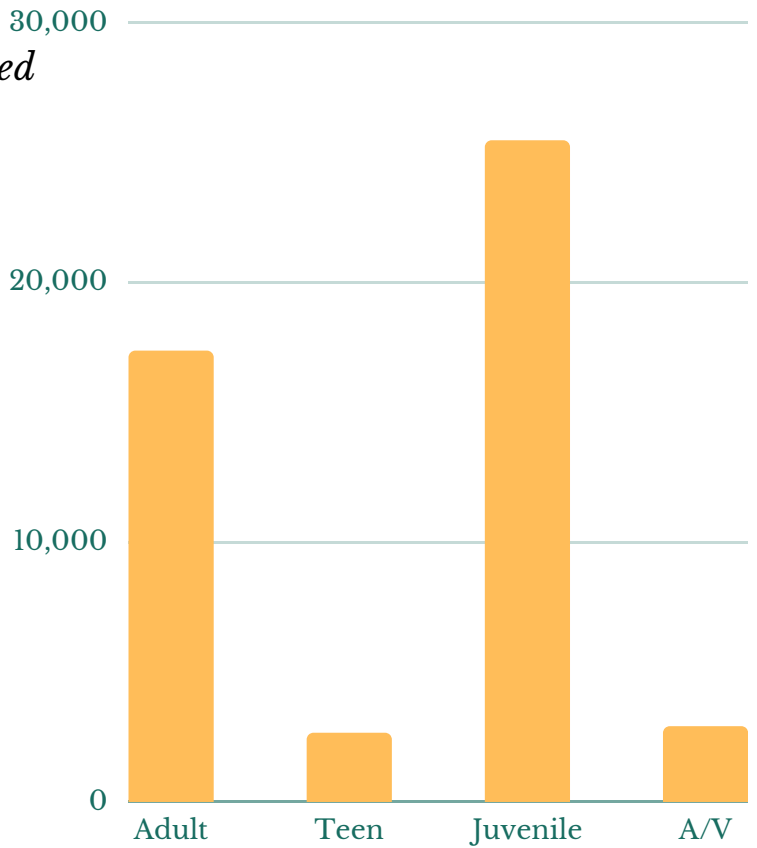
OF ITEMS CIRC'D ARE FOR KIDS

Juvenile items continue to be the most checked out at the library.

# 48K

TOTAL CHECKOUTS

Library users checked out 48,281 physical items this year.





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# PROGRAMS

*Regular, in-person programs are back! These totals do not include Summer Reading programs.*

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## 23

### Adult Programs

150 attended our programs for adults, including ICPL Book Club, Dinner & a Movie, Coffee & Donuts, Crochet Club, and a horror writing workshop!

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### Teen Programs

287 participated in our programs for teens, including Art Cart Crafts, book clubs, and Self-Care Fridays.

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## 22

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## 79

### Children's Programs

2,826 took part in our programs for kids, including outdoor and indoor storytimes, Little Explorers, Afternoon Movies, and Take & Makes.

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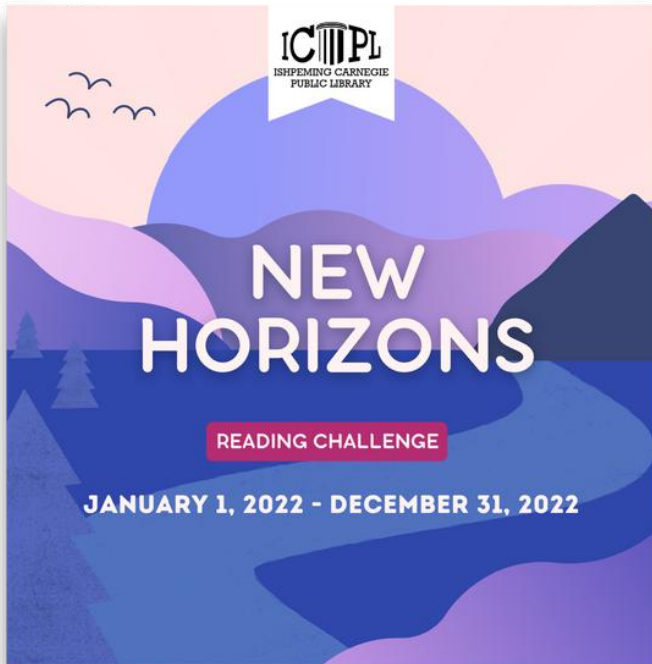
### Zoom Programs

We had 74 attendees at Zoom programs between January and April. Once we were back to in-person programs we dropped the Zoom option.

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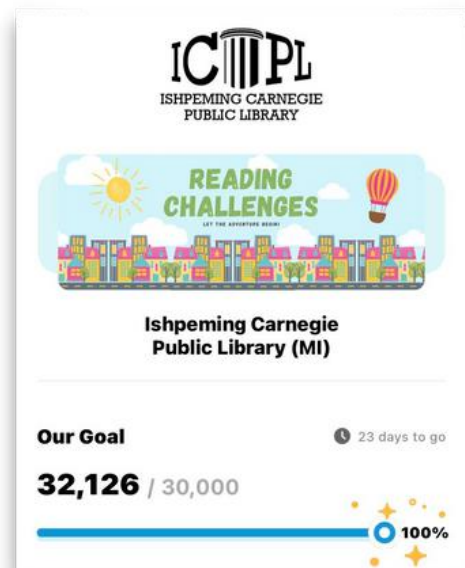




The library offered monthly, seasonal, and yearly reading challenges in 2022.

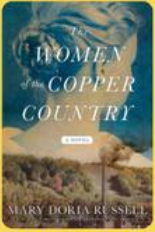


**New Accounts: 140**  
**Total Readers: 223**  
**Challenges: 22**  
**Logged Books: 11,139**  
**Logged Minutes: 275,892**



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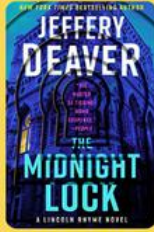
## TOP 5 ADULT BOOKS 2022



THE WOMEN OF THE COPPER COUNTRY



WE KEPT OUR TOWNS GOING



THE MIDNIGHT LOCK



THE PARIS DETECTIVE



FEAR NO EVIL

## TOP 5 TEEN BOOKS 2022



FIREKEEPER'S DAUGHTER



HEARTSTOPPER VOL. 4



THE RUINS OF GORLAN



AIN'T BURNED ALL THE BRIGHT



LORE OLYMPUS VOL. 1



## TOP 5 KIDS BOOKS 2022



DOG MAN: MOTHERING HEIGHTS



DOG MAN: BRAWL OF THE WILD



MINECRAFT: GUIDE TO COMBAT



DOG MAN: FETCH-22



GUTS



*The library now has access to six shared collections across the state of Michigan, resulting in ten times the digital collection available for checkout!.*

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**2957** eBooks

2,957 eBooks were checked out from the Great Lakes Digital Library site or the Libby app. 888 magazines circ'd.



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## eAudiobooks

eAudiobooks continue to be popular checkouts; some months overtaking eBook circulation.

**3665**

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**3491** Shared Collection checkouts

3,491 digital items were checked out from the five (now six) additional shared collections.

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## Average Monthly Unique Patrons

The number of Libby users each month varied from 125 to 157. There were also 101 patrons who began using Libby or the GLDL last year!

**142**

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# OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES

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## Summer Reading

Summer Reading was held both inside and outside this year, with several workshops and presentations offered by staff and performers for kids, teens, and adults!

Our programs wouldn't be possible without our sponsors:

## Kids & Teens

390 registered to participate  
81 reading log completions  
1,042 participated in 33 programs, including the Michigan Science Center, Alex Thomas & Friends, crafts and book clubs!

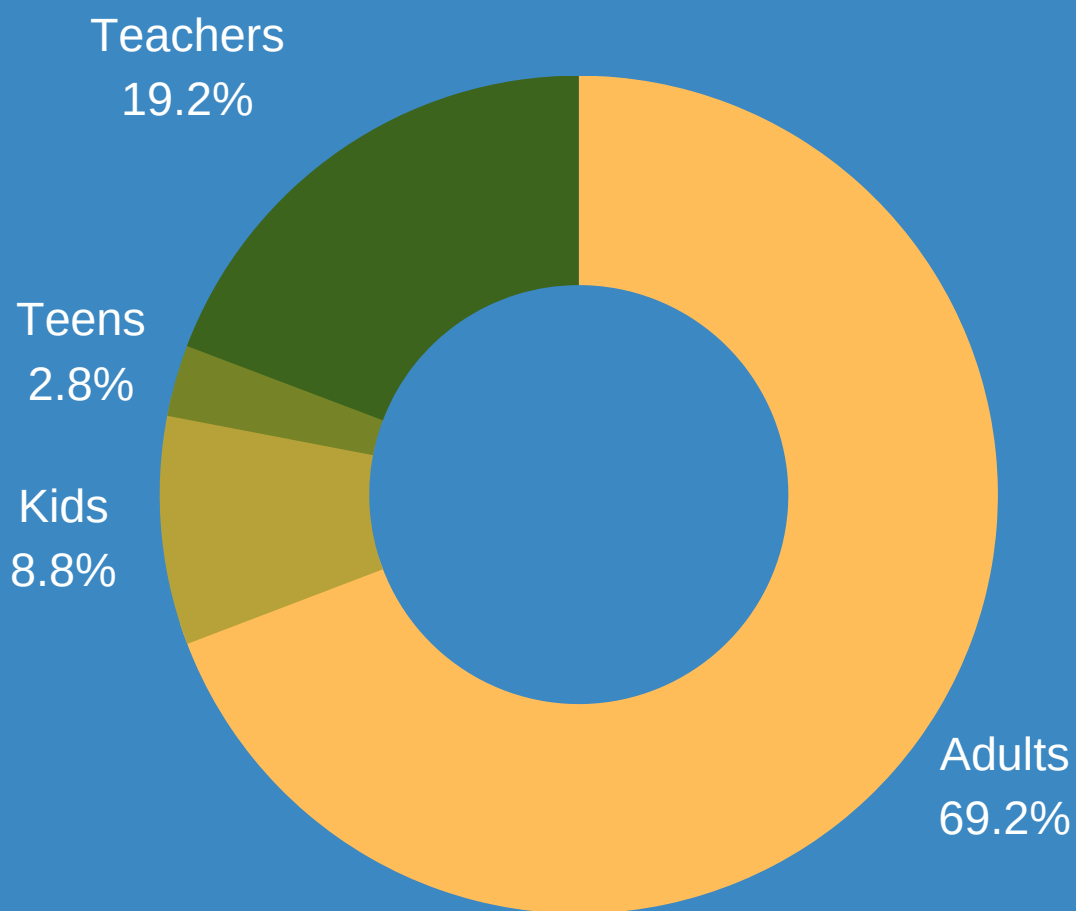
## Adults

119 participated in 5 in-person programs, including book clubs, presentations by Phyllis Michael Wong, Jack Deo, plus an *Anatomy of a Murder* installation on loan from the Beaumier U.P. Heritage Center. A whopping 120 book reviews were submitted!





# Who uses the library?



\*Percentage of items checked out on cards belonging to the listed demographics.

# 2022

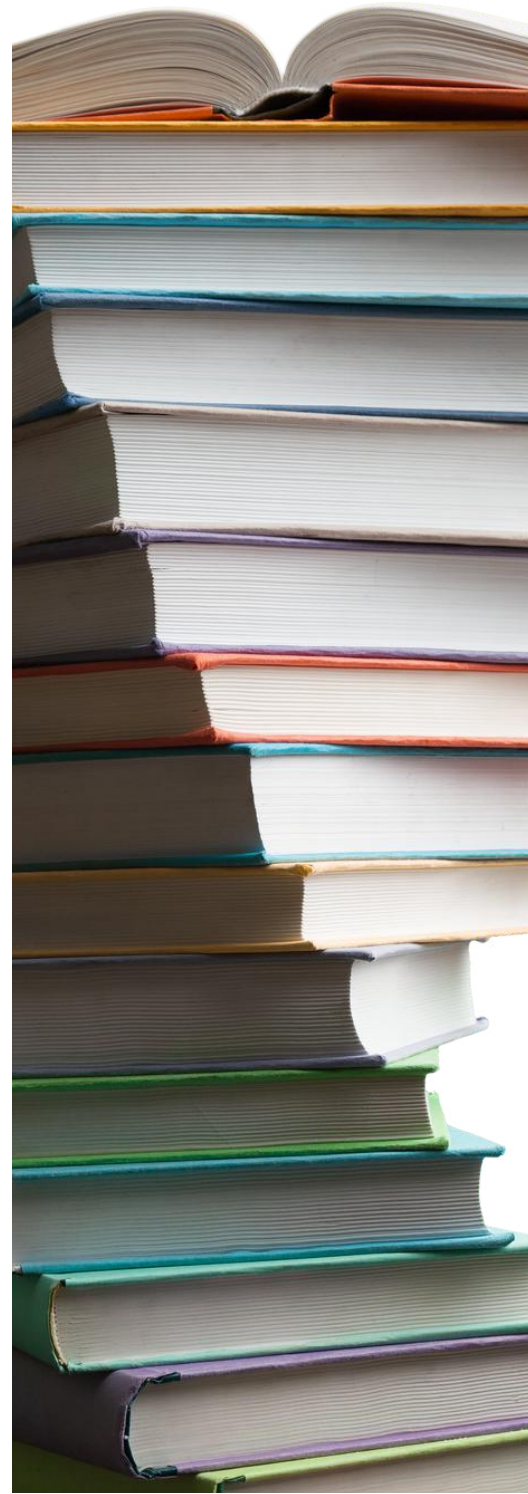
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Checkouts	22,814
Cardholders	3,830
State Aid	\$6,034
Penal Fines	\$12,695

# 62%

of Ishpeming City residents  
have an active library card.

Ishpeming  
City



# 2022

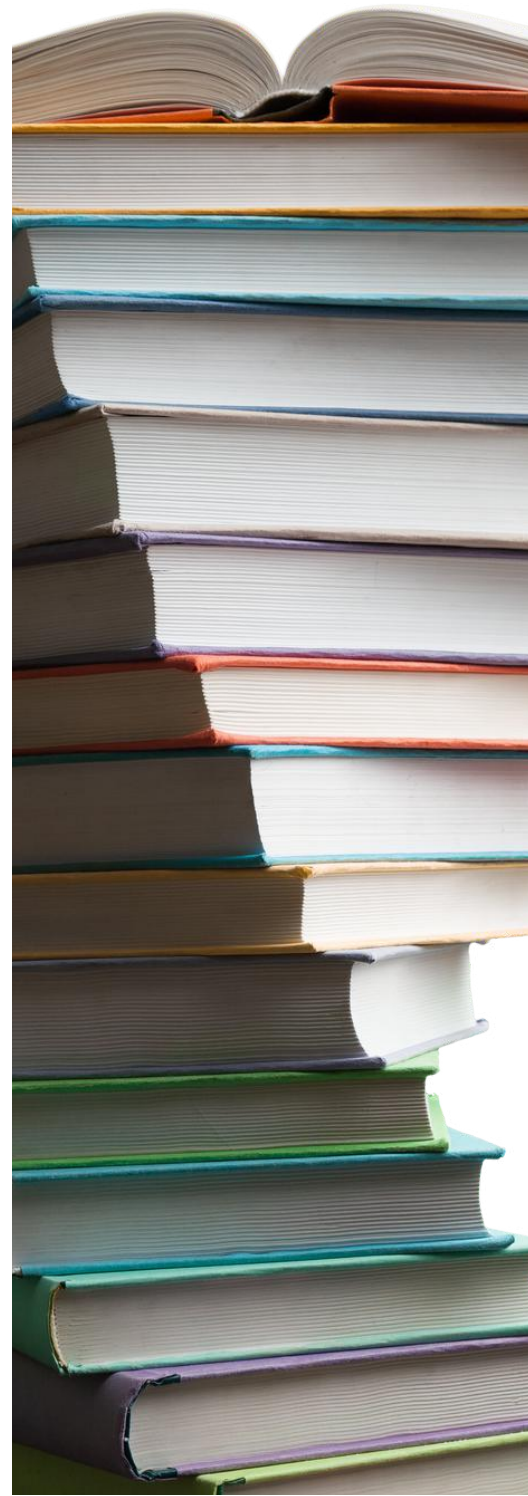
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Checkouts	1,531
Cardholders	196
Contract Fee	\$351
State Aid	\$245
Penal Fines	\$516

# 78%

of Champion Township residents have an active library card.

Champion  
Township





# 2022

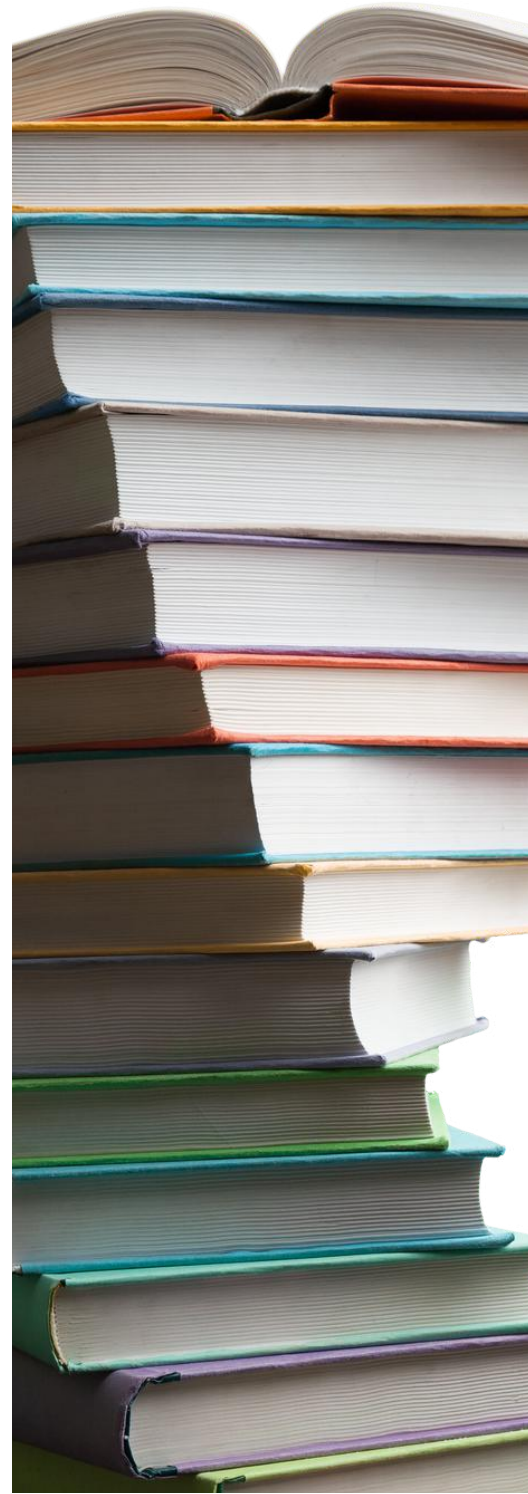
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Checkouts	2,829
Cardholders	316
Contract Fee	\$2,358
State Aid	\$1,867
Penal Fines	\$3,928

# 16%

of Ely Township residents  
have an active library card.

## Ely Township



# 2022

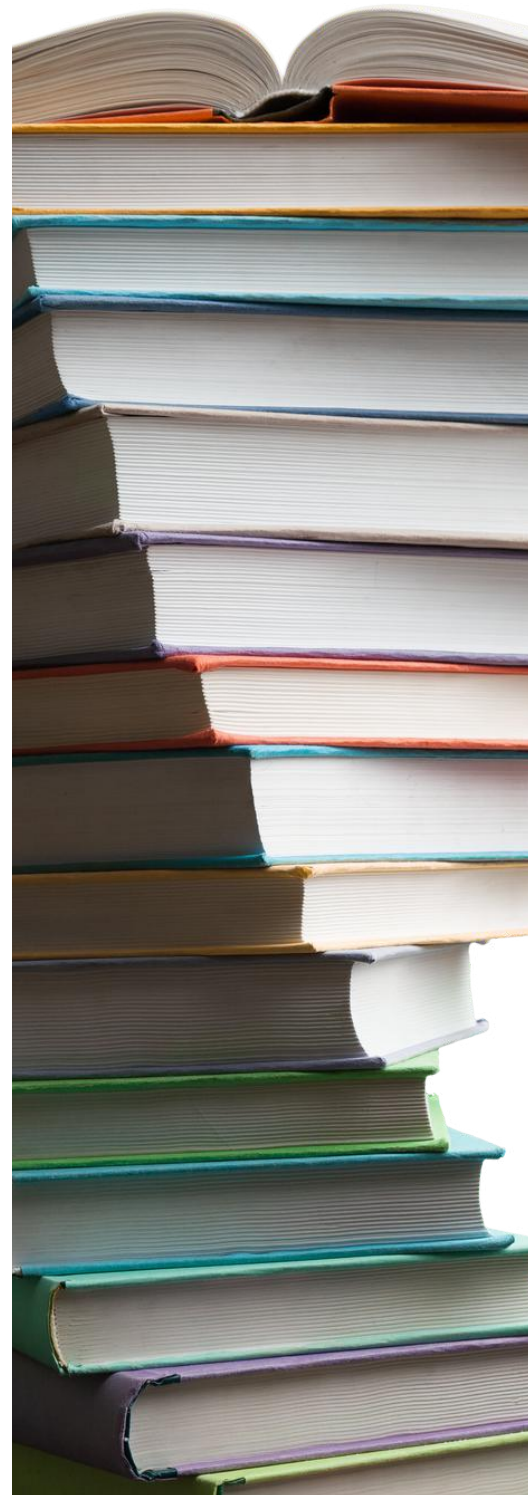
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Checkouts	823
Cardholders	53
Contract Fee	\$417
State Aid	\$322
Penal Fines	\$678

# 16%

of Humboldt Township residents have an active library card.

Humboldt  
Township



# 2022

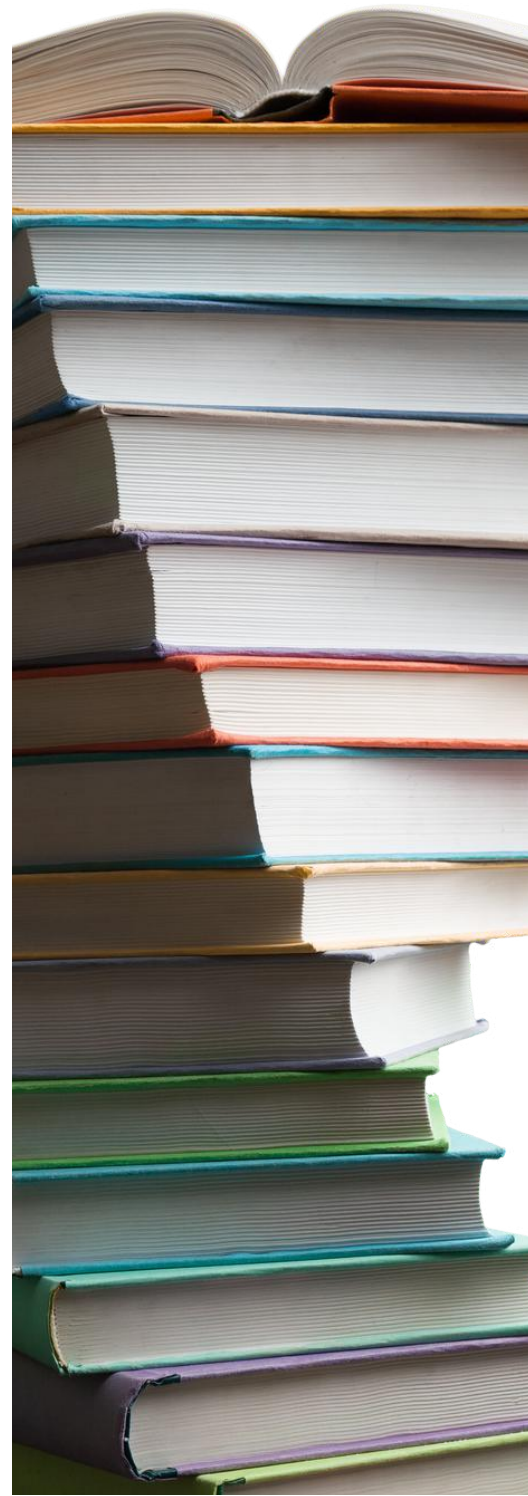
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Checkouts	4,384
Cardholders	582
Contract Fee	\$4,132
State Aid	\$3,333
Penal Fines	\$7,013

# 17%

of Ishpeming Township residents have an active library card.

Ishpeming  
Township



# 2022

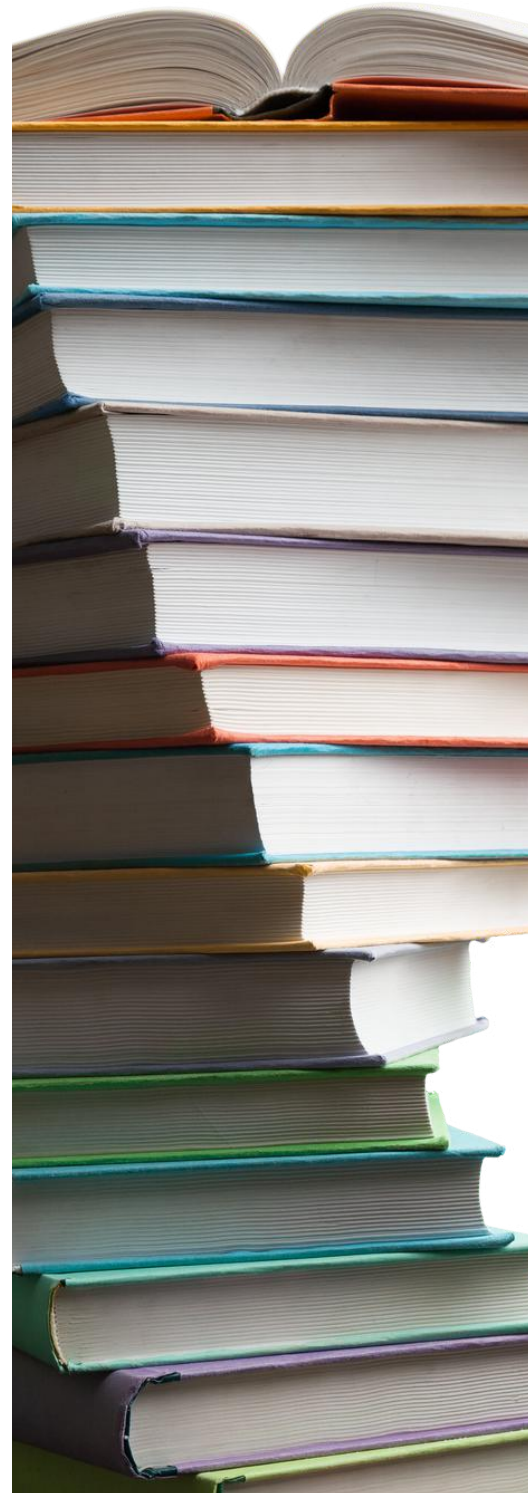
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Checkouts	733
Cardholders	171
Contract Fee	\$1,177
State Aid	\$1,027
Penal Fines	\$2,160

# 16%

of Tilden Township residents  
have an active library card.

Tilden  
Township



# 2022 BUDGET

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Highlighted Line Items	Budgeted Amount
Salaries	\$134,367
Part-Time Salaries	\$31,828
Office Supplies	\$3,015
Office Supplies - Special Programs	\$2,000
Operating Supplies	\$1,100
Repair/Maintenance Supplies	\$520
Professional Services	\$3,950
Communications	\$1,355
Utilities - Electricity	\$5,600
Utilities - Water/Sewer	\$900
Utilities - Natural Gas	\$4,000
Repairs & Maintenance	\$3,650
Vehicle Rentals	\$800
Books	\$20,000
Periodicals	\$2,500
DVDs	\$2,000
Audiobooks	\$4,000
Special Funds	\$5,000
State Aid - Library System	\$18,850