



ALOHA COMMUNITY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2022-JUNE 30, 2023

The act of engaging with information, technology, and community in Aloha.

LI-BRAR-Y (verb)

In Aloha, the word “library” is a verb, a word that describes action. When we see a need in the community, we work together with our neighbors to meet that need.

In a traditional library sense, literacy is at the core of our mission. We champion the importance of reading and writing as foundational to success in learning and future employment. Sometimes, though, the library needs to be a little untraditional in order to spotlight the basic needs going unmet that affect children’s and adults’ abilities to learn and grow and be safe. That’s where ACLA comes in.

ACLA staff, volunteers, community partners, and visitors continue to take action to build an Aloha where everyone feels a sense of belonging. Where everyone gets enough to eat. Where everyone has school supplies to start the year off strong. Where everyone can go for personal care supplies to feel better about themselves. Where everyone has access to technology and the internet to stay connected. And yes, where everyone can get lost in the amazing worlds of the books on our shelves and dream about the future.

Thanks to the support of our community, ACLA continues to library every day, on behalf of, and in partnership with, our neighbors.

Because that’s how we library in Aloha.



Library in Motion

Aloha Community

Between July, 2022, and June 30, 2023...

197,082
items checked out

1,281
hours volunteered
by community
members

28,956
items in the
collection

136,400
minutes read by kids &
teens in the Summer
Reading Program

1,712
people attended
free public
programs

43,933
people came through
the Aloha Community
Library's doors

3,557
public computer
sessions

106
deliveries of library
materials completed

137
students started the
year ready to learn with
new school supplies



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How we library in Aloha...

We gather.

Our community highly values gathering together. Whether the gathering is a library program or a small study group, we help everyone find their place in Aloha.



We engage.

People have great ideas and energy to share. We provide opportunities to volunteer, and ensure local voices are heard during decision-making processes. Staying engaged with our community is how we build a stronger Aloha.



We connect.

The digital divide makes itself visible in several ways in Aloha. Helping neighbors stay connected, no matter the reason, is vital.



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Fiscal Year 2022-23 financials at a glance...

REVENUE

WCCLS Funding.....	\$564,010
Grants.....	\$3,566
Donations.....	\$75,181
Book Sales & Fundraising Events.....	\$26,347
Library Fees.....	\$3,411
<i>(patron printing, lost materials replacement)</i>	
Investment Income.....	\$4,669
Total Revenue.....	\$677,184

EXPENSES

Wages & Benefits.....	\$435,038
Building & Facilities.....	\$135,363
Programs.....	\$6,626
Collections.....	\$29,762
Other Operations Costs.....	\$61,503
Total Expense.....	\$668,292

ACLA Board and staff take actions to steward use of donor and taxpayer funds responsibly, including:

- Downsizing the library's physical space to reduce facility costs
- Seeking out and receiving grants to fund general operations
- Investing a portion of funds in a low-risk, fixed period CD to allow money to grow passively
- Considering all expenditures carefully to balance community needs with financial and staff capacity