

Arrowhead Library System

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CHARTER
ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM
2023

Objectives and Standards

The key objective of the Arrowhead Library System (ALS) is to facilitate equitable access to information and improve library operations to provide cost-effective and responsive services for all users. It will be accomplished by satisfying the following commitments:

- A. Public Service Commitment - To provide open access to information and library service to all Rock County residents as effectively and cost efficiently as possible.
- B. Intergovernmental Commitment - To work with local, county, state and federal agencies to coordinate and provide library services in ALS in compliance with state mandates.
- C. Management Commitment - To be accountable to the Arrowhead Library System Board, County Board, and the Division for Libraries and Technology (DLT) for managing the programs of the ALS in an effective, efficient, and professional manner. To be responsible for performing functions required of the ALS under Wisconsin Statutes.

Service Statements and Tasks

- A. Provide open access to quality library service to the 40,000 county residents of Rock County who do not maintain their own library.
 - 1. Equitably reimburse the public libraries in Beloit, Clinton, Edgerton, Evansville, Janesville, Milton and Orfordville for providing library service to residents outside these municipalities. 43.12
 - 2. Maintain and monitor reimbursement program to the public libraries in adjacent counties for serving Rock County residents. 43.12

- B. Provide Rock County residents with access to materials in school, academic and special library collections in Rock County, and to libraries in the rest of the State.
1. Maintain area-wide interlibrary loan program and participation in statewide interlibrary loan network. 43.24(2)(d)
 2. Promote and monitor the Infopass Program.
 3. Provide Rock County residents walk-in access to public libraries throughout the state by means of agreements with 14 other Wisconsin library systems. 43.24(2)g
 4. Provide a shared Rock County Catalog – SHARE for the 7 member libraries
 5. Integrate SHARE into the WISCAT Z-Catalog to ensure the accuracy of Rock County's WISCAT records.
 6. Continue multitype library system services through a "fee for service" program for non-public libraries in the system area. 43.24(2)(L)
 7. Provide delivery service five days a week to all Arrowhead Library System public libraries. 43.24(2)(fm)
 8. Participate in the State-wide Delivery Network.
 9. Maintain contract with Hedberg Public Library, Janesville to provide back-up reference services to member libraries. 43.24(2)(b)
- C. Expand and coordinate the cost-effective use of computer and communication technologies by ALS and system libraries.
1. Assist ALS libraries in the use of technology to provide better and more efficient library services.
 2. Assist area librarians in becoming knowledgeable about and taking advantage of, developing technologies to provide improved reference and resource sharing in Rock County.
 3. Provide shared access to fee-based reference products via the Internet.
 4. Provide ALS libraries access to and assist them in the use of the Internet for information and communication.
 5. Assist residents of Rock County in effective use and evaluation of electronic resources.
- D. Enhance and improve the knowledge and skills of library directors, staff, and trustees. 43.24(2)(e)
1. Support the continuing education needs of library staff. 43.24(2)(e)
 2. Select books and journals for the professional collection in coordination with area libraries in order to minimize duplication.
 3. Consult with libraries on problems and areas of concern on a regular basis and by special request. 43.24(2)(h)

- E. Together with area libraries and other service institutions, provide inclusive services to library users. Inclusive services reflect equity and accessibility for all members of the community. 43.24(2)(k)
 - 1. Provide deposit collections of books and other library materials in Rock County's nursing homes, health care and correctional institutions.
 - 2. Continue to encourage and assist libraries in providing materials and services to combat illiteracy and unemployment, and to respond to the special needs of the elderly and visually and hearing-impaired persons.
 - 3. Work with member libraries to implement provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

- F. Increase awareness about library services by Rock County residents.
 - 1. Distribute public service announcements to radio and television stations in the area.
 - 2. Send out regular news releases to area newspapers.
 - 3. Produce flyers, brochures, bookmarks, and other materials.
 - 4. Work with libraries in developing and implementing their own public information programs.
 - 5. Coordinate countywide library special events and observances.
 - 6. Provide a newsletter, the Monthly Memo, to all member libraries.

- G. Provide special programs and services for children and adults, which supplement individual library programs and services.
 - 1. Coordinate special activities during the Summer Reading Program.
 - 2. Coordinate activities, which foster reading readiness for preschoolers.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Arrowhead Library System

2023

<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT REQUEST</u>	<u>ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION</u>
Federal/State	\$0	\$0
Intergovernmental	0	0
Contributions	0	0
Fund Balance Applied	0	0
Transfers In	0	0
Deferred Financing	0	0
Sales Tax	0	0
Fees/ Other	0	0
Total Revenues	<hr/> \$0	<hr/> \$0
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT REQUEST</u>	<u>ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION</u>
Salaries	\$1,800	\$1,800
Fringe Benefits	138	138
Operational	1,409,128	1,409,128
Capital Outlay	0	0
Allocation of Services	0	0
Total Expenditures	<hr/> \$1,411,066	<hr/> \$1,411,066
<u>PROPERTY TAX LEVY</u>	\$1,411,066	\$1,411,066

ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM

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Budget Highlights

- The Arrowhead Library System is in the midst of a merger with the Lakeshores Library System that would be effective in 2023. The merger would not change Rock County's financial obligations in support of local libraries, and may result in operational savings in the future to the benefit of library patrons. The Rock County Board recently approved this merger.
- The tax levied by Rock County for the Arrowhead Library System (ALS) is levied only on property in the towns and the Village of Footville. All other municipalities have municipal libraries and are exempt from the tax. The money levied by the County is used to pay for specific items listed below.
 - Services provided by municipal libraries in Rock County to rural Rock County residents, known as the Participating Library Payment.
 - Services provided by libraries in other counties to rural Rock County residents, known as the Intersystem Agreement Payment.
 - Per diems for Arrowhead Library System committee members.

Revenue

- There is no revenue in the 2023 Arrowhead Library System budget.

Expenditures

- Under the Intersystem Agreement, Rock County will pay \$102,755 to other counties for Rock County residents’ use of their libraries, an increase of \$20,927 from 2022. A complete listing of the payments is detailed in the chart below.
- In 1997, the County Board decided to fund the ALS libraries through the Participating Library Payment using a formula that multiplies the local appropriation for each municipal library by the percentage of use by residents from all the towns and the Village of Footville.
 - 2005 Wisconsin Act 420 established a baseline reimbursement rate of at least 70% of the cost per circulation.
 - The County funding formula results in a payment of \$1,306,373, which is \$204,892 more than the State 70% formula.
 - The 2023 budget reflects an increase of \$68,248 due to a comparatively higher town use of municipal libraries. A complete listing of payments is noted below.

Participating Library Payment History

	2022	2023
<u>Community</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Request</u>
Beloit	\$413,395	\$445,420
Clinton	53,063	58,869
Edgerton	76,604	86,815
Evansville	67,627	72,960
Janesville	487,240	497,341
Milton	103,820	96,704
Orfordville	<u>36,376</u>	<u>48,263</u>
Total	1,238,125	1,306,373

Intersystem Agreement Payment History

	2022	2023
<u>Community</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Request</u>
Brodhead	\$20,390	\$23,260
Whitewater	26,172	47,491
Lakeshores	8,314	7,693
Jefferson Co. Libraries	3,680	4,352
Green Co. Libraries	2,282	2,062
Dane Co. Libraries	<u>20,990</u>	<u>17,897</u>
Total	81,828	102,755

Personnel

- Rock County is not responsible for personnel costs of the ALS budget.

Summary

- Given the payments mandated by state law and the agreement to reimburse at 100% of the formula amount, the recommended tax levy is \$1,411,066, an increase of \$89,313 or 6.8% from the prior year.
- This limited tax levy does not count against the County's levy limit under state statutes, as it is not levied on all taxable property in the county.

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Org Key and Description	2020	2021	2022	Actual As of	12/31/2022	2023	2023	County
<u>Object Code and Description</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>6/30/2022</u>	<u>Estimate</u>	<u>Department Request</u>	<u>Admin Recommends</u>	<u>Board Approved</u>
5000 LIBRARY SYSTEM								
Revenues:								
4220 State Aid	467,820	467,820	540,857	540,857	540,857	0	0	0
4410 Miscellaneous Fees	6,103	2,841	3,438	3,435	3,435	0	0	0
4550 Intergov Charges-Other Govt	252,645	260,892	284,448	284,448	284,448	0	0	0
4600 Contributions	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0	0
4640 Fund Balance	0	0	40,000	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenues	728,568	733,553	870,743	830,740	830,740	0	0	0
Expenditures:								
6110 Productive Wages	180,626	182,876	189,492	83,087	189,492	0	0	0
6130 Per Diems	1,354	1,250	1,800	600	1,600	1,800	1,800	0
6140 FICA	13,513	13,681	14,496	6,219	14,618	138	138	0
6150 Retirement	10,515	10,553	10,514	4,584	10,514	0	0	0
6160 Insurance Benefits	52,852	49,440	49,074	48,629	19,036	0	0	0
6210 Professional Services	221,038	178,631	269,076	177,867	269,076	0	0	0
6213 Financial Services	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0	0
6221 Telephone Services	1,271	1,325	2,000	696	1,400	0	0	0
6241 Repair&Maint-Vehicles	6,464	10,480	10,000	5,930	10,000	0	0	0
6242 Machinery & Equip R&M	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0
6310 Office Supplies	6,715	6,837	13,500	2,154	13,500	0	0	0
6320 Publications/Dues/Supscription	1,278	892	1,300	447	1,300	0	0	0
6330 Travel	520	262	3,000	106	3,000	0	0	0
6420 Training Expense	189,261	194,837	205,891	189,709	197,192	0	0	0
6430 Recreational Supplies	1,230,695	1,289,692	1,363,953	1,351,962	1,363,953	1,409,128	1,409,128	0
6490 Other Supplies	51	361	1,300	0	1,000	0	0	0
6510 Insurance Expense	5,416	5,877	6,000	5,776	5,776	0	0	0
6532 Building/Office Lease	14,000	14,000	14,000	8,167	14,000	0	0	0
6710 Equipment/Furniture	2,564	50	35,000	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	1,940,133	1,963,044	2,192,496	1,887,933	2,117,457	1,411,066	1,411,066	0
COUNTY SHARE	(1,211,565)	(1,229,491)	(1,321,753)	(1,057,193)	(1,286,717)	(1,411,066)	(1,411,066)	0

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Total For Location: LIBRARY SYSTEM	(1,211,565)	(1,229,491)	(1,321,753)	(1,057,193)	(1,286,717)	(1,411,066)	(1,411,066)	0

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TOTAL FOR LIBRARY SYSTEM	(1,211,565)	(1,229,491)	(1,321,753)	(1,057,193)	(1,286,717)	(1,411,066)	(1,411,066)	0