Colorado Public Library Statistics

Thank you for filling out the Colorado Public Library Annual Report (PLAR)!

If you have any questions or concerns about the PLAR, please contact Charissa Brammer at brammer_c@cde.state.co.us or 720-648-2948 (voice or text).

Survey opens January 13th, 2025 and closes March 21, 2025.

When available, your responses from the previous year have been included either in italics next to the response box or prefilled for statistics that are the least likely to change from year to year.

Calculated statistics appear in shaded boxes and will automatically calculate as you fill out the survey.

General (1.1-1.38)

1.1Library's legal name	LAMAR PUBLIC LIBRARY
1.2Library's local name	LAMAR PUBLIC LIBRARY
1.3Address	102 EAST PARMENTER ST
1.4City	LAMAR
1.5Zip code	81052
1.6County	PROWERS
1.7Mailing Address	102 E. PARMENTER ST
1.8City	LAMAR
1.9Zip code	81052
1.10Telephone	7193364632
1.11Fax number	(719) 336-1294
1.12Web Address	https://lamarlibrary.colibraries.org/
1.13Legal Service Area boundary change	No
1.14Population of the Legal Service Area	11,745
1.15Legal Basis	Municipal Government (city, town or village)
1.16Geographic Code	County or Equivalent, overlap
1.17Is your library in a tourist community?	No

Contact Information

1.18Director's Name	Sue Lathrop
1.19Director's E-mail address	sue.lathrop@ci.lamar.co.us
1.20Person Completing Report (respondent)	Sue Lathrop
1.21Respondent's Title	Library Director
1.22Respondent's E-mail	sue.lathrop@ci.lamar.co.us

Registered Borrowers

1.23Number of resident registered users	4,072
1.24Number of non-resident registered users	525
1.25Total registered users (1.23 + 1.24)	4,597

Service Outlets

1.26 Do you have a central library? Or are you a single outlet library?	Yes
1.27 Number of Branch Libraries (do not include Central Library)	0
1.28 Number of bookmobiles	0
1.29 Number of outreach vehicles	1
1.30 Number of other outlets	1
1.31 Total Central and Branches	1
1.32 Total All Service Outlets	3

Public Service Hours

1.33 Annual Public Service Hours (Calculates from outlet data upon submission)	2,620
1.34 Weekly Evening & Weekend Hours (Calculates from outlet data upon submission)	12

Staff in Full Time Equivalents (FTE)

Please calculate your staff FTE figures as of December 31. Include all positions funded in your library's budget or funded by another entity on behalf of your library, whether or not they were filled. Count employees, not contractors or consultants (i.e., individuals associated with contracts for services). Please report these figures in terms of Full Time Equivalent (FTE). If your hours vary from week to week, use an average week for the calculation.

To calculate FTE's, total individual weekly hours (man hours) for all paid staff in a category and divide by 40. (Example - A 20-hour worker is calculated as follows: 20÷40 = .5 FTE. If we have 4 part time employees at 12, 16, 20, 20 hours per week: (12+16+20+20)/40 = 1.7 FTE for that category).

1.35 Total Librarians with ALA-accredited MLS	1.00
1.36 Total Librarians (including ALA-MLS)	2.00
1.37 All Other Paid Staff:	4.13
1.38 Total Paid Employees (1.36+1.37):	6.13

Operating & Capital Revenue (2.1-2.17)

Please report the amount of local operating revenue your library received. Do not include capital revenue in operating revenue. See definitions for more information.

Revenue - Operating

2.1City General Fund	$434,175
2.2County General Fund	$0
2.3City Sales Tax	$0
2.4County Sales Tax	$0
2.5City Mill Levy	$0
2.6County Mill Levy	$0
2.7District Mill Levy	$0
2.8Local Operating Revenue (2.1 through 2.7):	$434,175
2.9State Operating Revenue	$5,975
2.10Federal Operating Revenue	$0
2.11Other Operating Revenue	$16,455
2.12Total Operating Revenue (2.8 through 2.11)	$456,605

Revenue - Capital

Please enter the amount of capital revenue your library received.

2.13Local Capital Revenue:	$44,546
2.14State Capital Revenue:	$0
2.15Federal Capital Revenue:	$0
2.16Other Capital Revenue:	$0
2.17Total Capital Revenue (2.13 through 2.16):	$44,546

Operating Expenditures (3.1-3.42)

Operating expenditures are the current and recurrent costs necessary to support the provision of library services. Please report your library's expenditures using whole dollars only. If your library did not have any expenditures in a category, please enter "0". See definitions for more information.

Note, please report actual expenditures, not budget figures.

Staff Expenditures

3.1Staff Salaries and Wages	$286,437
3.2Staff Benefits	$58,733
3.3Total Staff Expenditures (3.1 + 3.2)	$345,170
3.4Amount spent on professional development	$0

Range of Professional Salaries

This list of professional positions is intended to be representative, not exhaustive. Please provide the current, actual salaries for the listed positions at your library, i.e., report the salaries being paid to employees as of the last day of the reporting period (December 31), not the possible salary range for a particular job classification. If a position does not exist in your library, simply leave it blank. Report these figures in whole dollars, and, if necessary, convert to an annual salary. If a range does not exist, please report the actual salary in the "High" column.

MLS/MLIS = an ALA-accredited master's degree in library and/or information studies

Director
Chief officer of the library or library system

	3.5 Annual Salary	3.6 Number of Hours Paid per Week	3.7 Does this position require an MLS?
3.5 Director Annual Salary	$78,250	40.00	Yes

Assistant Director

	3.8 Annual Salary (Low)	3.9 Number of Hours Paid per Week (low salary)	3.10 Annual Salary (High)	3.11 Number of Hours Paid per Week (high salary)	3.12 Is anyone in this position category (Asst Dir) required to have an MLS degree?
Assistant Director					

Department Heads / Branch Managers

	3.13 Annual Salary (Low)	3.14 Number of Hours Paid per Week (low salary)	3.15 Annual Salary (High)	3.16 Number of Hours Paid per Week (high salary)	3.17 Is anyone in this position category (Dept Head) required to have an MLS degree?
Department Heads, Coordinators, Senior Managers					

Managers or Supervisors of Staff

	3.18 Mgr/Sup Annual Salary (Low)	3.19 Mgr/Sup Number of Hours Paid per Week (low salary)	3.20 Mgr/Sup Annual Salary (High)	3.21 Mgr/Sup Number of Hours Paid per Week (high salary)	3.22 Is anyone in this position category (Mgr/Sup) required to have an MLS degree?
Managers or Supervisors of Staff			$58,260.00	40.00	No

Librarians (Non-Supervisors)

	3.23 Lib Non-Sup Annual Salary (Low)	3.24 Lib Non-Sup Number of Hours Paid per Week (low salary)	3.25 Lib Non-Sup Annual Salary (High)	3.26 Lib Non-Sup Number of Hours Paid per Week (high salary)	3.27 Is anyone in this position category (Lib Non-Sup) required to have an MLS degree?
Librarian - Non-Supervisor			$47,154.00	40.00	

Library Assistant/Technician

	3.28 Assistant/Tech Low Hourly Wage	3.29 Assistant/Tech High Hourly Wage
Library Assistant/Technician	$16.03	$20.31

Library Clerks

	3.30 Clerk Low Hourly Wage	3.31 Clerk High Hourly Wage
Library Clerk	$15.00	$19.17

Collection Expenditures

This includes all operating expenditures from the library budget for all materials in print, microform, electronic, and other formats considered part of the collection, whether purchased, leased, or licensed. Exclude charges or fees for interlibrary loans and expenditures for document delivery.

3.32 Books and Bound Volumes	$20,857
3.33 Paper subscriptions/serials, government documents, and other print materials	$1,731
3.34 Total print materials expenditures (3.32+3.33)	$22,588
3.35 Electronic materials expenditures	$18,983
3.36 Other material expenditures:	$0
3.37 Total collection expenditures (3.34+3.35+3.36)	$41,571

Other Expenditures

3.38 Other Operating Expenditures:	$63,519
3.39 Total Operating Expenditures (3.3 + 3.37 + 3.38)	$450,260

Capital Expenditures

3.40 Total Capital Expenditures	

Ending Fund Balance

Questions 4.13 and 4.14 apply to library districts or library jurisdictions with dedicated funding. Typically, this does not apply to municipal, county, or combined libraries and respondents for these libraries should choose"Not Applicable" for these two questions. See each item's definition for more information.

Record this number as of December 31.

3.41Unreserved (Undesignated) Fund Balance	-1
3.42Reserved (Restricted) Fund Balance	-1

Collection (4.1-4.35)

This section of the survey collects data on selected types of materials. It does not cover all materials (i.e., microform, scores, maps, and pictures) for which expenditures are reported in Section 4.

Physical Books and E-books

4.1 Print volumes	45,107
4.2 E-Books (Electronic books)	27,977

Audio

4.3 Audio - physical units	1,140
4.4 E-Audio - downloadable units	10,617
4.5 Total Audio	11,757

Video

4.6 Video - physical units	3,261
4.7 E-Video - downloadable units	0
4.8 Total Video	3,261

Other physical items

(e.g., non-traditional library items like wi-fi hotspots, cake pans, sewing machines, tools, sports equipment, etc.)

4.9 Number of other physical items	325
4.10 Number of wireless hotspots	2
4.11 Number of wireless hotspots lost/broken or otherwise removed from circulation	0
4.12 Number of holds on wireless hotspots on 12/31	-1
4.13 Number of laptops or tablets	2
4.14 Do you loan laptops/tablets in house, as a checkout, or both?	both
4.15 Total number of physical items (4.1+4.3+4.6+4.9)	49,833

Electronic Collection Types

New in 2024 Answer yes/no to the following questions related to whether you have these types of electronic materials, broken down by how the materials are purchased: administrative entity (AE) or collective agreement. A single-location library is an administrative entity.

4.16 E-Books via AE	Yes
4.17 E-Books via Collective	Yes
4.18 E-Books via State	No
4.19 E-Serials via AE	Yes
4.20 E-Serials via Collective	No
4.21 E-Serials via State	No
4.22 E-Audio via AE	Yes
4.23 E-Audio via Collective	Yes
4.24 E-Audio via State	No
4.25 E-Video via AE	No
4.26 E-Video via Collective	No
4.27 E-Video via State	No
4.28 Research Databases via AE	Yes
4.29 Research Databases via Collective	Yes
4.30 Research Databases via State	No
4.31 Online Learning Platforms via AE	Yes
4.32 Online Learning Platforms via Collective	No
4.33 Online Learning Platforms via State	No

Serials

4.34 Number of current print serial subscriptions	26
4.35 Number of current electronic serial subscriptions	1

Circulation (5.1-5.14)

Count all materials in all formats that are checked out for use outside the library. For interlibrary loan transactions include only items borrowed for your library's users. Do not include items checked out to another library

All Physical and Electronic

5.1 Physical Item Circulation	40,332
5.2 Use of Electronic Material (Calculated from e-book, e-audio, e-video, e-serial entries below.)	6,780
5.3 Total Circulation (5.1 +5.2)	47,112

Particular Types of Materials

A subset of the total circulation numbers for various material types.

Electronic (digital) materials can be accessed online from an electronic device. Types of electronic materials include e-books, e-serials, e-audio, and e-video. Only count items that require user authentication and have a limited period of use. Count all checkouts, including renewals.

5.4 Circulation of Children's Physical Materials	18,411
5.5 Circulation of Other Physical Items	21,911
5.6 E-book Circulation	3,285
5.7 E-audio Circulation	3,495
5.8 E-video Circulation	0
5.9 E-serial Circulation	-1
5.10 Circulation of Check Out Colorado State Parks Passes	4
5.11 Circulation of wireless hotspots	10
5.12 Circulation of laptops and tablets	3

Overdue fines and renewals

Overdue fines are monetary penalties that occur when a library user fails to return materials on or before the date due. These can be one-time fines, or fines that increase according to the number of days the materials are overdue. Overdue fines are *not* replacement costs if materials are lost or damaged.

5.13 Overdue fines charged for overdue physical materials	No
5.14 Do you have automatic renewals?	Yes

Public Library Technology (6.1-6.14)

6.1Number of internet-connected computers available for public use	37
6.2Number of staff computers connected to the internet	11
6.3Number of uses (sessions) of public internet computers per year	6,713
6.4Reporting method for number of uses of public internet computers per year	Annual Count
6.5Do you provide 1:1 technology help to the public?	Yes
6.6Number of appointments or drop ins of 1:1 technology help provided	17
6.7Type of technology help provided	computer and hardware basics,connecting virtually,trusted sources,internet browsing,job searching,software,online finances,operating system basics,Privacy,social media,troubleshooting

Wireless Internet/WiFi

6.8Does your library provide wireless service for patrons?	Yes
6.9Does your library provide wireless service for patrons outside of the building when the library is closed?	Yes
6.10Is your wireless service password protected?	No
6.11Wireless Sessions Per Year [1]	9,476
6.12Reporting method for number of wireless sessions - annually:	Annual Estimate Based on Typical Week(s)

Online Catalog and Databases

6.13Can your patrons access the library catalog remotely (outside the library)?	Yes
6.14Can your patrons access any full-text licensed databases remotely (outside the library)?	Yes

Programs (7.1-7.79)
A program is any planned event which introduces the group attending to any of the broad range of library services or activities or which directly provides information to participants. Programs may cover use of the library, library services, or library tours. Programs may also provide cultural, recreational, or educational information, often designed to meet a specific social need. Examples of these types of programs include film showings; lectures; story hours; literacy, English as a second language, citizenship classes; and book discussions.

- A synchronous (live) library program session is any planned event which introduces the group attending to library services or which directly provides information to participants.
- Program sessions may cover use of the library, library services, or library tours.
- Program sessions may also provide cultural, recreational, or educational information, often designed to meet a specific social need e.g., film showings, lectures, story hours, literacy programs, citizenship classes, and book discussions.
- If program sessions are offered as a series, count each program session in the series e.g., a film series offered once a week for eight weeks should be counted as eight program sessions.
- If a program session is combined and offered to both children and young adults, count the program session only once under the most appropriate children or young adult program session category rather than counting it in each of the categories. Do NOT count the one program in each category. Report attendance at these program sessions regardless of attendees' age.
- If a program session is intended to be for all ages, count the program session only once under General Interest Programs rather than counting it in each of the other categories (children, young adult, adult). Do NOT count the one program in each category. Report attendance at these program sessions regardless of attendees' age.

INCLUDE
- All program sessions, whether held on-site or off-site, that are sponsored or co-sponsored by the library. For a program session to be sponsored or co-sponsored by the library, the library must contribute financial resources or library staff time toward the program session. For a program session that is part of a larger community event (such as a farmer's market or festival), it is not necessary for the library to also sponsor or organize the larger event.
- Both on-site and off-site program sessions. For example, include a storytime at a farmer's market or a presentation to a school group about library resources conducted at a school.
- Live-streamed virtual (synchronous) program sessions that are sponsored or co-sponsored by the library.
- Program sessions with attendance of zero or one if they were intended for a group.

EXCLUDE
- Program sessions sponsored by other groups that use library facilities. For example, DO NOT include a group hosting a speaker or holding a discussion in a meeting room without facilitation from library staff.
- Offsite outreach efforts that do not otherwise meet the definition of a program session. For example, do not include having a library card signup booth at a farmer's market.
- Recorded (asynchronous) presentations of program content; these should be counted in Total Number of Asynchronous Program Presentations.
- Programming that is shared on the library's website or social media that is not sponsored or co-sponsored by the library. For example, DO NOT include sharing a video

from an author's website of him or her reading a book.

- Activities delivered on a one-to-one basis, rather than to a group, such as one-to-one literacy tutoring, services to homebound, homework assistance, mentoring activities, etc.

- Passive or self-directed activities that do not occur at a scheduled time. For example, DO NOT include leaving an art project or puzzle on a table for participants to complete.

Onsite Programs and Attendance

An in-person onsite program session is any planned event that includes an in-person attendance option and takes place at library facilities.

Examples include, but are not limited to, a job skills class in the library or a nature program on the library grounds. Regardless of the number of formats in which a program session is offered, each program session should only be counted once and in one format category. Include in-person program sessions that also have a virtual attendance option and count them as a single program session.

Each program session should only be counted in one age category based on its primary target audience. If you did not separate Children's programming into 0-5 and 6-11 ages, please make your best estimate for each category.

	7.1 Onsite Programs	7.8 Onsite Attendance
Children (ages 0-5)	51	1,121
Children (ages 6-11)	81	2,421
Young Adults (ages 12-18)	18	263
Adults (ages 19 or older)	52	457
General Interest (All Ages)	78	2,094
Totals	[2]280	6,356

Offsite

An in-person offsite program session is any planned event that includes an in-person attendance option and takes place somewhere other than the library or the library grounds.

Examples include, but are not limited to, facilitating a book club at a local nursing home, hosting a story time at a local farmer's market, or visiting a school to present about library services.

7.15 In 2024, did your library offer off-site programs? Y/N	Yes

Offsite Programs and Attendance

Regardless of the number of formats in which a program session is offered, each program session should only be counted once and in one format category.

Each program session should only be counted in one age category based on its primary target audience. If you did not separate Children's programming into 0-5 and 6-11 ages, please make your best estimate for each category.

ATTENDANCE

Regardless of the number of formats in which a program session is offered, each attendee should only be counted once. Each attendee should be counted in the format category in which they attended the program session.

For in-person offsite programs that also have a virtual component, exclude virtual attendance; this should be counted under Virtual Program Attendance.

	7.16 Offsite Programs	7.23 Offsite Attendance
Children (ages 0-5)		
Children (ages 6-11)		
Young Adults (ages 12-18)		
Adults (ages 19 or older)	2	102
General Interest (All Ages)	6	1,615
Totals	8	1,717

Virtual

A synchronous (live) virtual program session is any planned event that is streamed virtually and can be viewed live as it progresses (i.e., live-streaming).

7.30In 2024, did your library offer live virtual programs? Y/N	No

Synchronous Program and Attendance Totals (Onsite+Offsite+Virtual)

	7.45 Programs	7.52 Attendance
Children (ages 0-5)	51	1,121
Children (ages 6-11)	81	2,421
Children's Total	132	3,542
Young Adults (ages 12-18)	18	263
Adults (ages 19 or older)	54	559
General Interest (All Ages)	84	3,709
Totals	288	7,568

Asynchronous (Pre-Recorded)

Asynchronous program presentations are recorded videos or audio of program content that are posted online for downloading or on-demand viewing (rather than livestreaming).

7.59In 2024, did your library offer recorded virtual programs? Y/N	No

Summer Reading Programs

7.74Did the library have a summer reading program for children?	Yes
7.75If yes, how many children registered for summer reading?	234
7.76Did the library have a summer reading program for teens (young adults)?	
7.77If yes, how many teens registered for summer reading?	32
7.78Did the library have a summer reading program for adults?	
7.79If yes, how many adults registered for summer reading?	102

Services (8.1-8.17)

8.1 Annual Visits	77,422
8.2 Library visits reporting method	Annual Count
8.3 Did the Library offer curbside pickup?	Yes
8.4 Number of curbside pickup transactions	-1
8.5 Annual Reference Transactions	2,524
8.6 Reference transactions reporting method	Annual Count
8.7 Number of take and make activity kits distributed (non-circulating)	4,466
8.8 Number of take and make activity kits distributed (circulating)	0
8.9 Number of meeting rooms available to the public	1
8.10 Meeting Room usage	187
8.11 Number of study rooms available to the public	4
8.12 Study Room usage	450
8.13 Do you provide 1:1 help to patrons to apply to SNAP?	No
8.14 Did the library distribute meals to children?	No
8.15 Did the Library distribute food boxes for families?	

Outreach

8.16 Number of individuals directly engaged	2,656
8.17 Number of individuals exposed to the library	2,902

ILL

Please count all Interlibrary Loan (ILL) transactions, including patron initiated ILL requests (e.g., Prospector). Do not include items loaned between branches within the same library jurisdiction. Materials loaned between AspenCat libraries should be counted as ILL. Click on the question number for a complete definition.

8.18 Provided To [3]	7,506
8.19 Received From	1,880

Languages (9.1-9.9)

9.1Do you have positions at your library that require the person in the position to be able to communicate in languages other than English?	No
9.2If yes, how many?	-1
9.3If yes, which languages?	-1
9.4Do you have multilingual people on staff using languages other than English to help patrons, but that is not an official part of their job?	No
9.5If yes, how many?	-1
9.6If yes, which languages?	-1
9.7Does your library offer a stipend or differential pay for multilingual speakers on staff?	No
9.8Does your library offer programs in a language other than English?	No
9.9If yes, which languages?	-1

Reconsideration Report (10.1-10.4)

10.1 How many challenges to library books, materials, events, or exhibits did your library receive?	0
10.2 How many challenges to the library's Internet access policy or Internet content were received?	0
10.3 How many separate titles, exhibits, WWW sites, etc.,	0
10.4 Total number of challenges	0

Partnerships (11.1-11.4)

11.1In 2024, did your library partner with one or more organizations or groups in order to better serve your community?	Yes

How did your library engage with its partners in 2024?

11.2Communication	Yes
11.3Cooperative	Yes
11.4Collaborative	Yes

Friends of the Library (12.1-12.2)

12.1Does your library have a Friends of the Library group?	Yes
12.2If yes, how many members are in your Friends group?	130

Library Foundation (13.1-13.2)

13.1Does your library have a Foundation?	No
13.2If yes, how many members are in your Library Foundation?	0

Current Trustees List (14.1-14.16)

14.1 Name of Chair:	Gary Oxley
14.2 Mailing address:	
14.3 City:	
14.4 State:	
14.5 Zip:	
14.6 Home phone:	
14.7 Business phone:	
14.8 E-mail address:	
14.9 Term Expires:	2029

Other members

Summary	4	4
	14.3 Name of member	14.4 Term Expires
	Connie Jacobson	2028
	George Gotto	2030
	Janette Erdman	2026
	Judy Arnold	2027

Outlet Information (15.1-15.28)

Location		15.1 LIB ID	15.2 FSCS ID	15.3 Unique ID suffix	15.4 Name
LAMAR PL		FSCS0068	CO0068	002	LAMAR PUBLIC LIBRARY

Outlet Address

Location		15.5 Street Address	15.6 City	15.7 County of the Outlet	15.8 Zip	15.9 Phone
LAMAR PL		102 EAST PARMENTER ST	LAMAR	PROWERS	81052	7193364632

Outlet Codes

Location		15.10 Outlet Type Code
LAMAR PL		Central Library

Outlet Space

Location		15.11 Number of Bookmobiles	15.12 Square Footage	15.13 Year building was completed (if available)
LAMAR PL			14,000	2004

Outlet Hours

Location		15.14 Hours of Operation	15.15 Public Service Hours Per Week	15.16 Do weekly hours vary?	15.17 Public Service Hours Per Year	15.18 Number of Weeks Open	15.19 Weekly Evening & Weekend Hours
LAMAR PL		M-TH 9-6; F&SAT 9-5	52	Yes	2,620	52	12

Outlet Closures

Location		15.20 Was this location closed unexpectedly for more than 1 week during the last fiscal year?	15.21 How many weeks was the closure?
LAMAR PL		No	

Outlet Meeting & Study Rooms

Location		15.22 How many meeting rooms does this outlet have that are available for public use?	15.23 Meeting room(s) use	15.24 How many study rooms does this outlet have that are available for public use?	15.25 Study Room(s) use
LAMAR PL		1	187	4	450

Outlet Internet
Follow these steps at each library location from a public computer before the library is open to the public.

1. From a public computer in the library, open a web browser and go to http://speedtest.net
2. Wait a few seconds for the site to load then click "Go".
3. You do not need to allow the browser location access if you are prompted to do so.
3. The test will begin and will take approximately 20 seconds to complete
4. It will return both a download and an upload speed to you in megabits per second (Mbps). Please round these numbers to the nearest integer. Examples: 348.47 = 348, 23.77=24

Location		15.26 Wireless internet provided	15.27 Upload speed (in Mbps)	15.28 Download speed (in Mbps)
LAMAR PL		Yes	500	500

Feedback (16.1-16.2)

16.1 How does your Library use PLAR data?	
16.2 General Feedback	

[1], 6.11 We only had three months worth of data to extrapolate from.(*0-2025-03-18*)

[2], 7.14 The total shown is 148, but that is not mathing correctly as my actual total was 280. you may have a bad formula.(*0-2025-03-12*)

[3], 8.18 Yep. The desk was working hard.(*0-2025-03-12*)