

Director's Report

October 2023

Reference & Directional Questions

	September 2023	
Department	Directional	Reference
NS Children's	41	379
NS Teens	24	61
NS Adult	109	378
NS Circ	134	285
Mt Laurel	23	268
Total	331	1,371
2022	282	1,073

	FY2023	
	Directional	Reference
Total	4,542	17,394
FY22	4,283	15,456
Change	6%	13%

Programming Attendance

	September 2023	
Department	Number of Programs	Attendance
NS Children's	32	909
NS Teens	10	147
NS Adult	13	173
ML Children's	7	234
ML Tweens	2	30
ML All Ages	4	89
ML Adult	6	52
TOTAL	74	1,634
2022	60	1,072

Annual Programming Attendance

	FY2023	
Department	Number of Programs	Attendance
NS Children's	313	13,176
NS Teens	129	1,886
NS Adult	118	1,744
ML Children's	61	1,778
ML Tweens	29	614
ML Teens	2	39
ML All Ages	32	1,771
ML Adult	54	619
TOTAL	738	21,606
FY2022	716	15,876
Change	3%	36%

Mt Laurel



North Shelby



Patrons Visits

Library	September 2023	FY 2023
North Shelby	5,890	66,512
Mt Laurel	1,221	15,150
Total	7,111	81,662
2022	4,956	61,735
	Change	32%

Cards Issued

Library	September 2023	FY2023
North Shelby	102	1,165
Mt Laurel	16	176
Total	118	1,341
2022	77	1,189
	Change	13%

FY23 Outreach

- Storytime & Youth Outreach
 - Birmingham Taco Fest
 - Double Oak Community Church MDO
 - Greystone YMCA Spooktacular Fall Festival
 - Hilltop Montessori
 - Inverness Elementary School
 - La Petite Academy of Birmingham
 - Meadow Brook Baptist Preschool
 - Oak Mountain Elementary School
 - Odyssey Early School at Inverness
- Free Meeting Room Use
 - **163** meetings | **22** groups/organizations
- Memory Kits & Senior Outreach
 - AARP Foundation Tax-Aide
 - Danbury at Inverness
 - Lakeview Estates
 - Mary Ellen Estes Senior Center (Heardmont)
 - Monark Grove
 - Proveer at Grande View
 - Somerby St. Vincent's One Nineteen
- Collection Boxes & Book Donations
 - Alabama Wildlife Center
 - Grace Klein Community School Supplies Drive
 - Kitty Kat Haven & Rescue @ Gatos & Beans
 - Oak Mountain Missions
 - Socktober for AU-M leadership class

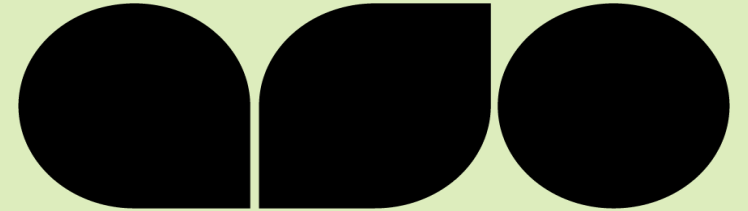
Upcoming Programs



Fall Jar Craft
Mt Laurel
Adults
Oct 23
Registration Required



Alabama Humanities Alliance
Presents: Shelf Life
Dolores Hydock
North Shelby
Nov 6 at 10:30 am



Alabama Symphony Orchestra

Tickets Available

North Shelby

Oct 27 at 11 am & 7 pm

Oct 28 at 7 pm

Nov 17 at 11 am & 7 pm

Nov 18 at 7 pm

Circulation Statistics

	Library	Print	Non-Print	Digital*	Computer	WiFi
September 2023	North Shelby	13,363	1,327	7,668	396	13,546
	Mt Laurel	3,953	331	n/a	43	1,689
	Total	17,316	1,658	7,668	439	15,235
	2022	16,735	1,917	10,648*	520	14,114

*Digital shows county-wide resources used by cardholders. In FY22, some people who were not eligible for a card (or chose not to come in and get one) had access to some digital products, a practice that started during the COVID shutdowns. The last of these Instant Digital Cards was issued in August of 2022 and access ended for all of them by March 2023.

Annual Circulation Statistics

	Library	Print	Non-Print	Digital*	Computer	WiFi
FY2023	North Shelby	162,354	19,801	98,910	5,745	153,227
	Mt Laurel	44,808	4,808	n/a	437	18,160
	Total	207,162	24,609	98,910	6,182	171,387
	FY2022	194,084	26,644	172,163*	5,687	175,445
	Change	7%	-8%	-43%	9%	-2%

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Digital Resources

September 2023	Overdrive	Hoopla	Ancestry*	AtoZ Maps	Newsbank
	4,471	473	137	6	40
	Learning XP	Chilton	Tutor.com	NSL Website	MtL Website
	0	0	10	5,969 sns/ 2,268 users	934 sns/ 428 users

September 2022	Overdrive	Hoopla	Ancestry*	AtoZ Maps	Newsbank
	4,227	500	1,156	66	67
	Learning XP	Chilton	Tutor.com	NSL Website	MtL Website
	0	1	9	4,060 sns/ 2,190 users	3,829 sns/ 652 users

* Resources in yellow provided by APLS; Ancestry available at home until January 2023, now only onsite

Annual Digital Resources

FY2023	Overdrive	Hoopla	Ancestry*	AtoZ Maps	Newsbank
	54,428	5,888	4,207	22	800
	Learning XP	Chilton	Tutor.com	NSL Website	MtL Website
	27	28	70	79,194 sns/ 35,682 users	10,766 sns/ 4,894 users

FY2022	Overdrive	Hoopla	Ancestry*	AtoZ Maps	Newsbank
	49,938	6,264	15,921	160	712
	Learning XP	Chilton	Tutor.com	NSL Website	MtL Website
	39	43	53	57,492 sns/ 34,161 users	30,527 sns/ 6,291 users

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libby vs. hoopla



- Part of a consortium with other libraries in Alabama
- Books for use are purchased by the libraries
- Book prices range from free - \$140
 - Lessons in Chemistry ebook - \$27.50 for 12 months use
 - Fourth Wing audiobook - \$109.00 permanent use
 - Fairy Tale audiobook - \$129.00 for 24 months use
- Libby Extras also available - \$2.99 per use (7 days access)
 - Craftsy, Craftsy en Espanol, Great Courses, Qello, iNDIEFLIX



- Subscribed to service
- Items paid for by usage
- Prices range from \$0.99 - \$3.00 per use
 - All My Knotted Up Life - \$1.60 per use
 - hoopla Magazines - \$2.99 per use
- Monthly budget set by library divided into daily spending limits
- Limited to 3 checkouts per card per month

Building Maintenance

Completed:

- Power plug & network line added to Children's workroom
- Leak in water main in front ditch repaired by Pelham Water Works
- Sod in ditch replaced by road maintenance crew

New issues to be addressed:

- Water pressure too high; regulator needs to be rebuilt
 - One water fountain leaking due to the above; currently shut off
- Circulating pump needs to be replaced
- Code door at Mt Laurel working intermittently