

MADL

MUSKEGON AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY

2025

Annual Report



photo: Summer Reading: Outdoor Discovery Center visits Montague.



photo: Big Read takes a tour of Muskegon Lake on the Aquastar

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OUR MISSION

Muskegon Area District Library connects a diverse community to resources and services that educate, inform, enrich and entertain.

OUR VISION

Muskegon Area District Library is recognized as a primary resource for literacy and learning; a gathering place for families, cultural and civic life; and a contributor to the community's economic development. We ensure public sharing of digital and print materials as well as innovative technologies.



CREATING COMMUNITY FOCUSED CENTERS

In August 2025, Muskegon County passed a renewal and increase of the MADL millage. The new millage of 1.5143 will be in effect from 2026-2036 and will make it possible for MADL to continue to offer services and resources to our communities.

The increase accounts not only for the increasing cost of library materials, but will allow MADL to increase the funding for popular digital resources such as Hoopla and update branch hours based on popular use times.

MADL's goal is to be a community focused centers that are equipped to meet ever changing needs of Muskegon County, and we look forward to growing together.

photo: Little Readers playing during Babytime at Norton Shores.

GROWING LIBRARY COLLECTIONS



ABC Mouse was used
27,380
times.

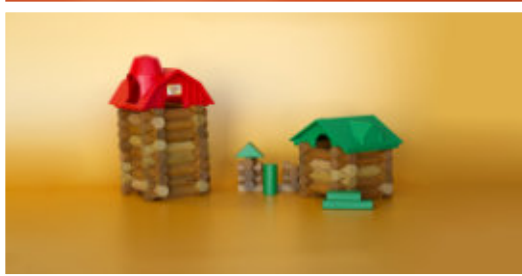


Items in the Library of Things were checked out
3,275
times.

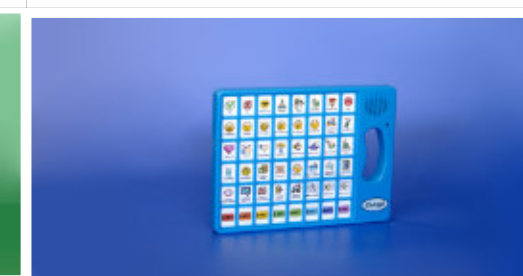


6,280
songs were downloaded
on Freegal.

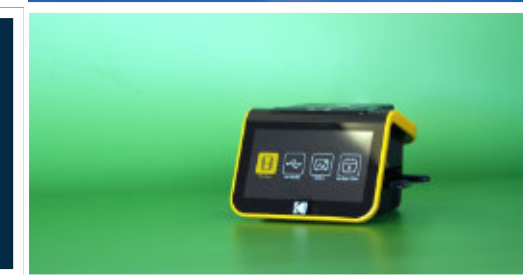
153
Transparent Language
Online sessions.



732,980
Checkouts in the Library.



129,869
items were checked out
on Libby.



41,373
items were checked out
on Hoopla.



5,875
videos were watched on
Kanopy.



HotSpots were checked out
1,645
times.



Brainfuse was used
313
times.

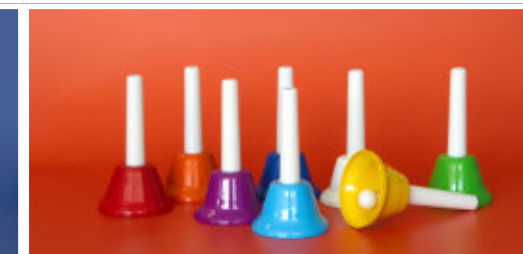


Ancestry was used
230
times.

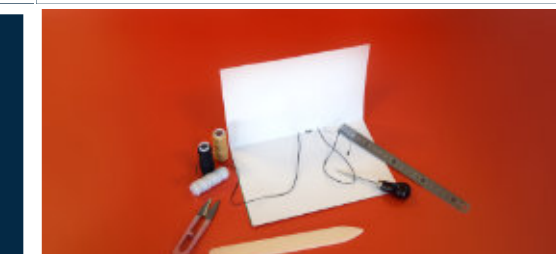
278
searches on Reference
Solutions.



4,420
views on Newsbank.



CreativeBug was used
117
times.

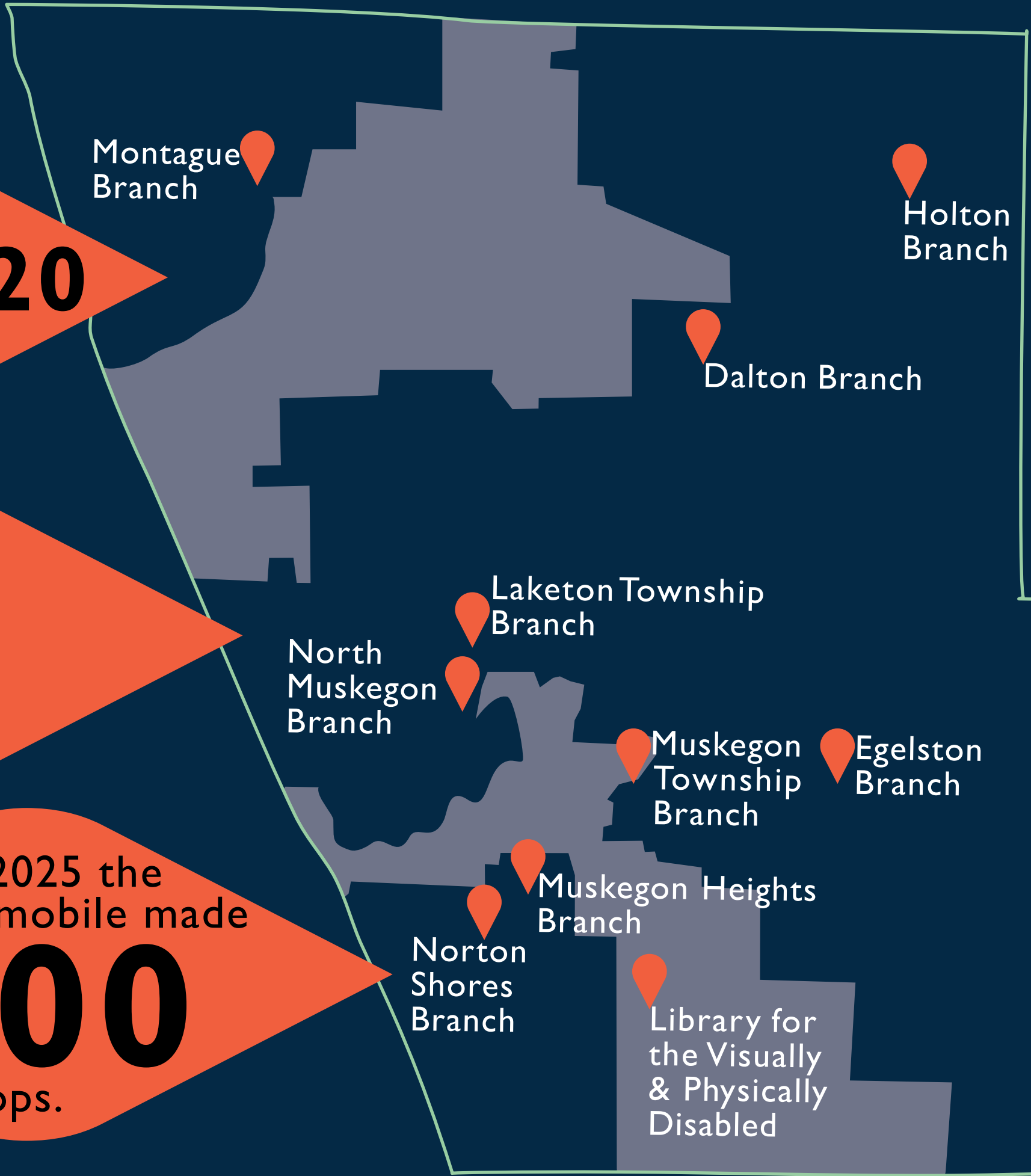


5,652
searches on Valueline.

MADL serves
107,920
people.

MADL has
11
Branches.

In 2025 the
Bookmobile made
300
stops.



MADL serves all of Muskegon County except the city of Muskegon and Muskegon Public Schools service area; the City of Whitelake and the Whitelake Public Schools service area; and the Village of Fruitport and the Fruitport Public School service area.

LITERACY FOR ALL AGES

1,366 kids

294 teens

1,090 adults

read 4,473,421 minutes during

SUMMER READING

293 kids

Participated in

1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

13,490 kids

visited

STORYVILLE

photo: Summer Reading: Nick Thomas Juggling at Ravenna

POPULAR TITLES OF 2025



JUVENILE FICTION

The Scarlet Shedder

Dav Pilkey

Brawl of the Wild

Dav Pilkey

For Whom the Ball Rolls

Dav Pilkey



TEEN FICTION

Sunrise on the Reaping

Suzanne Collins

The Ballad of Songbirds & Snakes

Suzanne Collins

Queen of Shadows

Sarah J. Maas



ADULT FICTION

The Texas Murders

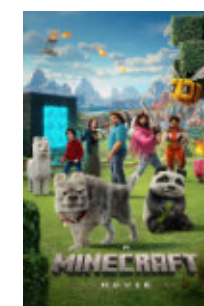
James Patterson

Strangers in Time

David Baldacci

The Women

Kristen Hannah



DVDS

Moana 2

The Chosen

The Minecraft Movie



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4,386 cards issued.

287,972
 people visited the library.

47,139 reference questions answered.

22,796 computer sessions.

78,753 wifi connections.

1,678 programs.

24,744
 People attended those programs.

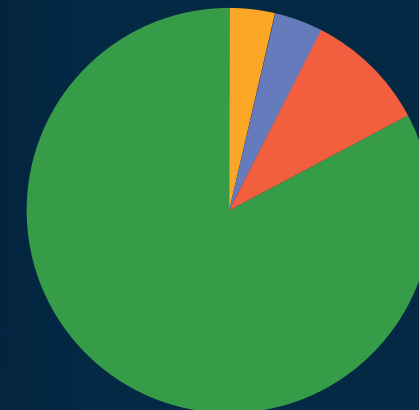
732,980
 items were checked out.

45 Special event outreaches.

14,090 Storyville visits.

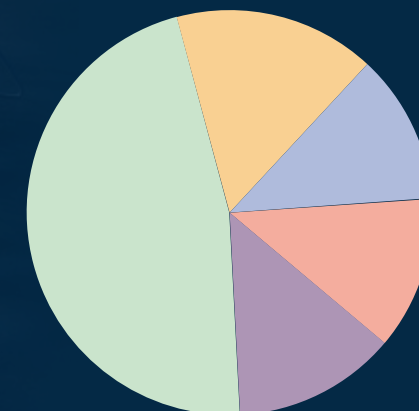
\$5,449,729.88
 is how much patrons saved by using the library.

INCOMES



83% Millage Revenue
 4% Penal Fines
 4% State Aid
 10% Other

EXPENDITURES



47% Salaries
 16% Fringe Benefits
 12% Operations, Programs, & Tech
 12% Digital & Physical Materials
 13% Branch Costs



MUSKEGON AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY

Muskegon Area District Library serves over 100,000 people in Muskegon County with 11 branches, 1 Bookmobile, and 1 Outreach Van. MADL brings resources, services, and events into communities to enrich lives. MADL is a member of the Lakeland Library Cooperative.

For more information, visit [MADL.org](https://www.madl.org).

photo: Building a fairy Garden at North Muskegon.

