

Basalt Regional Library District Board of Trustees Meeting
Monday, March 24, 2025, 5:15 PM
Basalt Library Community Room and
Zoom Meeting, see BRLD Website Calendar for Link

All meetings of the Basalt Regional Library District are open meetings.
Members of the public are most welcome.

Board of Trustees: Elaine Nagey, President; Carolyn Kane, Vice president; Eric Pelander, Treasurer; Deborah Smith, Secretary; Suzi Jenkins, Trustee; John Goodwin, Trustee; Sarah Johnson, Trustee

MISSION STATEMENT

The confluence of community, freedom, and fun.
A Place to Go - A Place to Gather - A Place to Grow

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Public Comments
3. Board Comments
4. Staff Comments
5. Action Item – Approve minutes and payables
 - a. Minutes of February 24, 2025, Board Meeting (page 3)
 - b. February 2025 Payables (page 22)
6. Library Lover's Party; *Elizabeth DeWetter, Laura Baumgarten*
7. Director's Report, *Amy Shipley* (page 7)
8. Discussion about potential 2025 Ballot Measure
9. Strategic Plan: *Amy Shipley*

COMMITTEE REPORTS and ACTION ITEMS

10. Ballot Measure Committee
 - a. Draft poll
 - b. Draft potential ballot language
 - c. Draft potential ballot measure timeline
11. Facilities Committee: *Deb Smith, chair*
12. Finance Committee: *Eric Pelander, chair*
 - a. February 2025 Financials (page 14)

13. Governance Committee: *Elaine Nagey, chair*
 - a. Discussion and possible vote to approve Resolution 2025-03 In Support of the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights (page 30)
 - b. Discussion and possible vote to approve Resolution 2025-04 In Support of the American Library Association's Freedom to Read statement (page 32)
14. Personnel Committee: *Carolyn Kane, chair*
15. Policy Committee: *Elaine Nagey, chair*
16. Nominating Committee: *Suzi Jenkins and Sarah Johnson*
 - a. Announce candidates for each office
 - b. Election of officers
 - i. Discussion and possible vote to elect President of the board
 - ii. Discussion and possible vote to elect Vice-President of the board
 - iii. Discussion and possible vote to elect Treasurer of the board
 - iv. Discussion and possible vote to elect Secretary of the board
17. Discussion and possible vote to appoint chair of Facilities Committee
18. Discussion and possible vote to appoint chair of Governance Committee
19. Discussion and possible vote to appoint chair of Policy Committee
20. Discussion and possible vote to allow additional paid sick leave for Executive Director's medical procedure.
21. Adjourn Meeting

**Basalt Regional Library District Board of Trustees Meeting
Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2025**

Board of Trustees Present: Elaine Nagey, President; Carolyn Kane, Vice president; Eric Pelander, Treasurer; Deborah Smith, Secretary; Suzi Jenkins, Trustee; John Goodwin, Trustee (attending via zoom)

Public Present: Deb McCanne

Staff Present: Amy Shipley, Executive Director; Meghan Pearlman, Executive Administrative Assistant

AGENDA

1. Call to order

Elaine called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

2. Public Comments

None.

3. Board Comments

None.

4. Staff Comments

None.

5. Action Item – Approve minutes and payables

- a. Minutes of Jan. 27, 2025, Board Meeting (page 3)
- b. January 2025 Payables (page 18)

No additions or corrections for the minutes and payables. Deb moved and Suzi seconded to approve. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Friends of the Library, *Deb McCanne*

Deb McCanne reported on behalf of the Friends of the Library. The bookstore has been doing a lot of business with fifteen volunteers. Deb reported that in January, they had a bank balance of over \$13,000. They awarded \$8,700 in grants to the library. Deb provided a report on what was awarded. Amy thanked Deb and the Friends for their generosity. Deb said that a volunteer is putting together a volunteer handbook. The Friends store is in a bit of a donation lull, like last winter, but she expects things to pick up in the spring. They hope to have the Friends store open when there are big events at the Library. They are also trying to match the monthly themes of the library, by having a small display in their bookstore.

The Board thanked Deb and volunteers for their generosity and efforts on behalf of the library.

7. Librarianship 101, *Amy Shipley*

Amy would like to give the presentation during the board retreat.

8. Director's Report, *Amy Shipley* (page 8)

Amy spoke about how librarians, and state and national library associations are responding to federal policy changes at the national and state level. Amy said that there is not a lot of federal funding for libraries in Colorado.

Amy reported that we are getting our new furniture next week and we have new tables in the treehouse.

9. Discussion about potential 2025 Ballot Measure
a. Financial projections (page 25)

Eric reported that the financial projects were reviewed at the last board meeting. The Strategic plan calls to increase payroll for at least entry level employees because we are below the MIT livable wage. To do so we would likely have to ask for approximately .65 mills in the 2025 ballot measure. Amy will report on the exact mills at the next board meeting.

It was suggested that we reach out to the assessors at Eagle and Pitkin Counties to find out their forecast for inflation and property values.

- b. Polling vs. consultant vs. both
 - i. Magellan proposal (page 28)
 - ii. Bill Ray proposal (page 43)
 - iii. Team CivX proposal (page 49)

The board discussed going with a consulting or polling group, or both to help guide us through a potential ballot measure. Discussion ensued and it was decided to go with both. Carolyn provided information about strategy for the ballot measure in 2016.

10. Discussion and possible vote to approve one or more ballot measure consultant proposals.

Eric moved to hire Magellan and Team CivX, and Suzi seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Discussion and possible vote to appoint ballot measure committee comprised of two trustees, the executive director, and potential community representatives.

Suzi moved to have Eric and Carolyn be the representatives for the ballot measure committee and Deb seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Discussion about developing a board purpose statement, *Elaine Nagey*

Elaine asked fellow Trustees to answer the question: "The purpose of the Basalt Regional Library board of trustees is" and come back next month with suggestions to help develop a board purpose statement.

13. Discussion about Strategic Plan updates. How does the board want to be updated on progress on the Strategic Plan? *Amy Shipley*

The board would like strategic plan updates to be a separate item on the agenda and to be updated at least quarterly. Amy will share overarching metrics and highlights of anything deeper or interesting. Amy will work on this for the next board packet to see if she's on the right track.

Amy said that the management team is going to create a good news report where staff can share positive stories and ways people are giving us feedback about the library's impact on the community.

COMMITTEE REPORTS and ACTION ITEMS

14. Facilities Committee: *Deb Smith, chair*

Deb said that the facilities committee hasn't met recently, but Amy is providing them with email updates. Deb suggested that the facility committee do walkthroughs on their own for maintenance and esthetics.

15. Finance Committee: *Eric Pelander, chair*
a. January 2025 Financials (page 10)

Eric reported that we have not started receiving revenue yet. Expenses are tracking as expected.

16. Personnel Committee: *Carolyn Kane, chair*

Carolyn said that there is nothing to report as the personnel committee is not meeting right now.

17. Policy Committee: *Elaine Nagey, chair*

- a. Discussion and possible vote to approve Electronic Access Policy (page 54)

The board reviewed changes and suggestions. It was noted that Exhibit A will be reviewed by the governance committee.

Deb moved to approve the electronic access policy and Carolyn seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- b. Discussion and possible vote to approve Donations and Gifts Policy (page 68)

Carolyn moved to approve the Donations and Gifts Policy and Suzi seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

18. Governance Committee: *Elaine Nagey, chair*

The Governance Committee met for the first time on Feb. 11. Committee members were asked to develop a timeline and a list of tasks. They met at 8 am in the morning, which worked well.

19. Nominating Committee: *Suzi Jenkins and Sarah Johnson*

Suzi reported that she has received nominations from everyone but one person. It was noted that Deb can be a secretary for one more year and everyone else has to change offices or not be an officer. Next month the committee will reveal nominees for each office and Suzi and Sarah will meet with Amy to discuss procedures for voting in the new officers.

Suzi found the usage statistics interesting. She noted a decline in participation.

20. Adjourn Meeting

Eric moved to adjourn the meeting and Suzi seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:23.



**BASALT REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT
LEADERSHIP MONTHLY REPORT
FEBRUARY 2025**

Administration

The audit is largely completed, with fieldwork being completed during the second week of March. The Executive Director and the ballot measure committee continue fine-tuning long-range financial projections. The Executive Director continues to develop data that will be tracked to demonstrate progress on the strategic plan.

Personnel Management

Current Staff Overview:

- Total Staff Count: 23
- Total FTE: 18.30
- Total Weekly Staff Hours: 712
- Staff Eligible for Benefits (Over 20 hours): 20
- Staff Not Eligible for Benefits (Under 20 hours): 3

The library's Executive Administrative Assistant has announced her resignation, and we will be posting that position internally and externally as soon as possible.

Finances

The first payroll of this year that was paid on January 3rd was related to the pay period ending 12/29. We will have a liability on the books for that \$39K once the 2024 audit is done. If you take out that \$39K and track payroll against budget, payroll would be tracking at 15% of budget at the end of February.

Collection

Two new online resources, Lingopie (language learning) and Hiveclass (health and wellness) went live and are available for patron use. Staff were trained on the use of these two resources.

Programs

The programming team has finished the planning process for the Library Lovers party; we are now shifting to executing and setting up the party. We will implement a new project this year called the Shared Shelf Project. It's a community read with book talks being held in July in both English and Spanish. We are also planning to have a booth at the earth day event with the town of Basalt. The theme is "Our Planet, Our Power", so we hope to do a craft on renewable energy for school-age children. The programming team is also planning the summer campout event that will be held during summer reading programming in June.

The Youth Services department has had some great programming the past month. We have started a new family game night on Mondays, along with a new bilingual storytime in the afternoons on Tuesdays. We are working with Raising A Reader for our blue bag days event where we invite the Basalt elementary preschool classes to come to the library to celebrate their new library cards. Youth services continue to cover lunches at the Basalt Middle School every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. We collaborated with the Basalt Elementary School for "One Book, One School". The whole school read the wild robot. We have a passive program at the library where the students looked for the animals in the

book. We had much success with this. We also partnered with the BES PTA and showed the wild robot the movie in the gym. We had about 200 kids and their families join us. As the school year comes to an end the children and teen librarians are looking to do some in classroom visits to help promote summer reading. Youth services goal is to do a class visit for each grade level K-8th.

The Community Engagement Manager organized several programs including Community Chess Club, Best Buddies Board Game Night, Storytelling and Journaling, Book Talk, and Cozy Hour. During Book Talk, we discussed *Black AF: The Un-Whitewashed Story of America*. The conversation was a potent reminder of the progress still needed and led to interesting discussions about race and privilege. The C.E. Manager and Teen Librarian collaborated to offer Cozy Hour for Teens and Young Adults - the first of a series of three programs which aims to bring young people to the library for an after-hours get-together doing cozy activities.

The 2025 Music at the Library series started off with a bang this month with world jazz ensemble Quarteto Nuevo's concert on Saturday, February 8th. Over 90 people attended, and the band was met with enthusiasm and intrigue by the Basalt community. Folks lingered for quite some time after the performance to talk with ensemble members and support them by purchasing merchandise like CDs and band shirts. Many commented that they had never heard music like that before, and that Quarteto Nuevo had managed to create a totally unique sound with their original music.

The Music Coordinator has been collaborating with the Community Engagement team, Marketing Coordinator, and members of the band Jarabe Mexicano to finalize details for the group's April 1st's workshop and concert. We are working on creating and implementing a marketing strategy to specifically engage the Latine community and young musicians for April 1st's workshop and concert. The Music Coordinator has also been in discussions with our partners at the Aspen Music Festival and School about bringing them into the planning process and potentially borrowing some of the festival's Mariachi instruments for use at the workshop.

Community Relations and Outreach

The Spanish Outreach Coordinator finalized Spanish summer programs (Dance class with Mezcla Socials Dance, Film Night with Aspen Film, Acrylic Paint Workshop, Shared Shelf Book Discussion, El Placer de Leer Series). He launched an SAT Prep Series for 11th-grade Spanish-speaking students at Basalt High School. He attended a Know Your Rights workshop to support the community and completed TIPS training to be able to support concert service.

Marketing

The format for newspaper ads has been adjusted to feature one event at a time. This is to allow for a more eye-catching design, and therefore a greater reach.

Work on the new website continues and is now mostly in the developers' hands. We hope to have a full test site by the end of March. The old Comcast internet service was officially cancelled and the equipment returned to them. We have adjusted which staff members receive email from Marmot regarding service interruptions and important announcements and have signed a few staff members up to receive text messages regarding critical issues. The IT & Marketing Manager worked with Marmot on a possible network issue that may be the reason the old security cameras stopped working and could cause complications for the new setup as well if left unresolved. The problem was fixed, and our security cameras are back up and running. We do have three cameras that are not working, and we are going to work with a contractor to see if we can fix them. The IT & Marketing Manager also walked a couple of

companies around the building so they could look at the current security cameras to be able to submit accurate bids.

The IT & Marketing Manager is also working on getting a password manager set up for all staff, to keep library passwords and logins secure. Training for the new system will be held during our all-staff training day in March.

Work started on summer reading marketing materials including reading logs and info booklets for all ages. All materials will be completed by early April so that Youth Services staff can use them during visits to the schools before the end of the school year. Work has also begun on marketing efforts for the upcoming Library Lovers' Party in April.

Technology

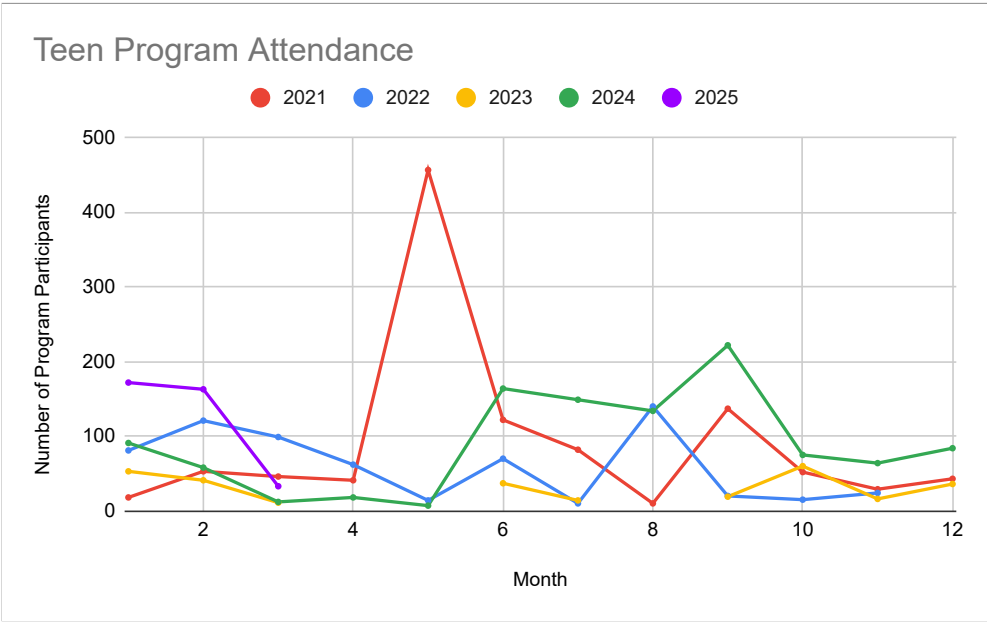
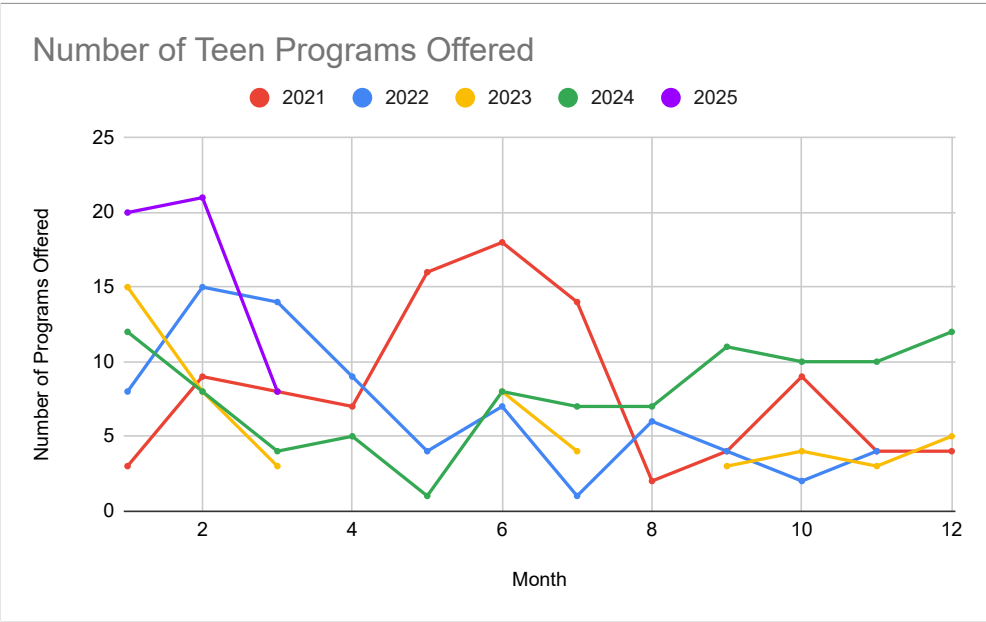
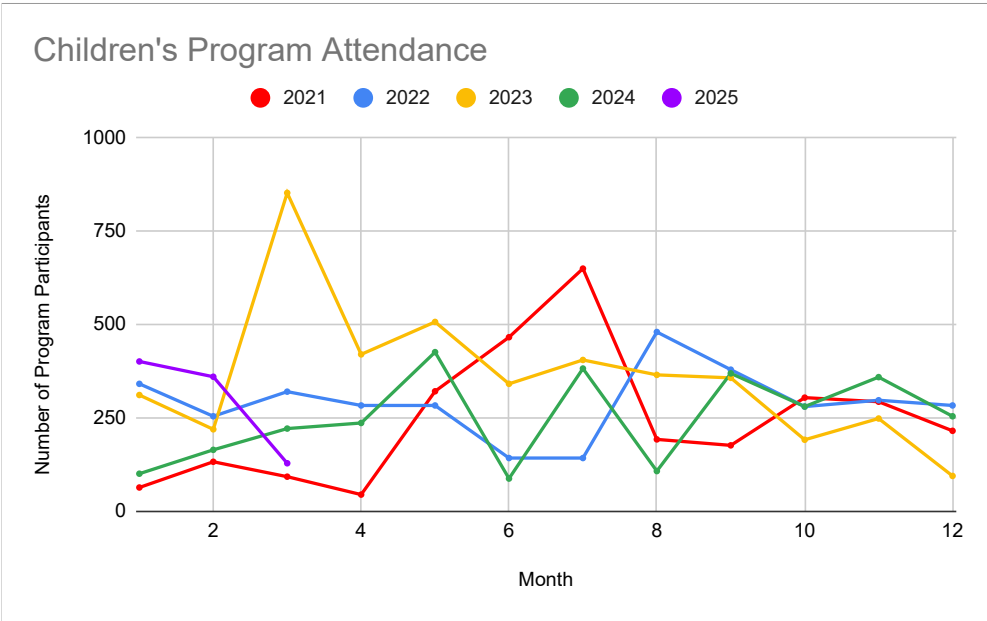
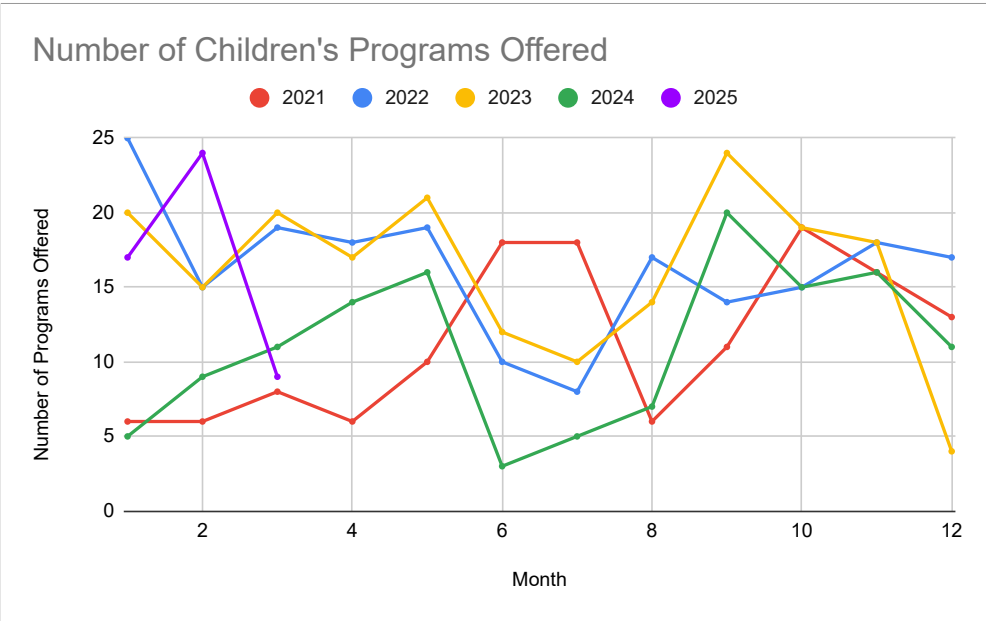
An additional desktop computer was ordered as part of the 2025 computer replacements for the children's area to replace one that was removed previously. After-school usage has increased, resulting in the need for an additional computer. New Wi-Fi access points were installed which fixed an issue where the Wi-Fi was slow and would drop video calls. Marmot experienced a power outage which resulted in their servers rebooting incorrectly causing corruption to a lot of their services. This resulted in some minor loss of data and a few days of complications with Sierra, the platform used for item and patron management.

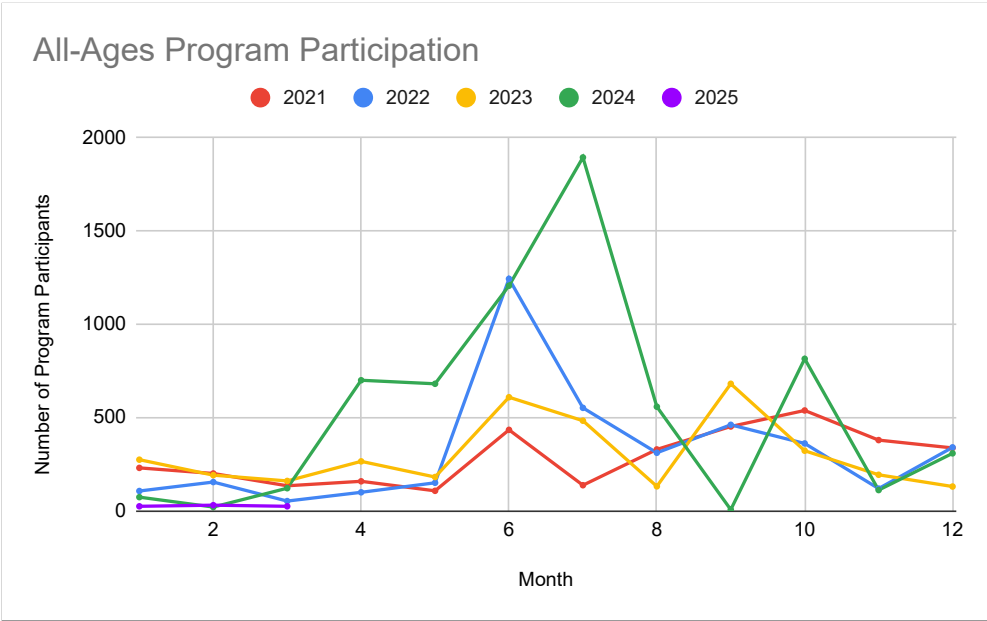
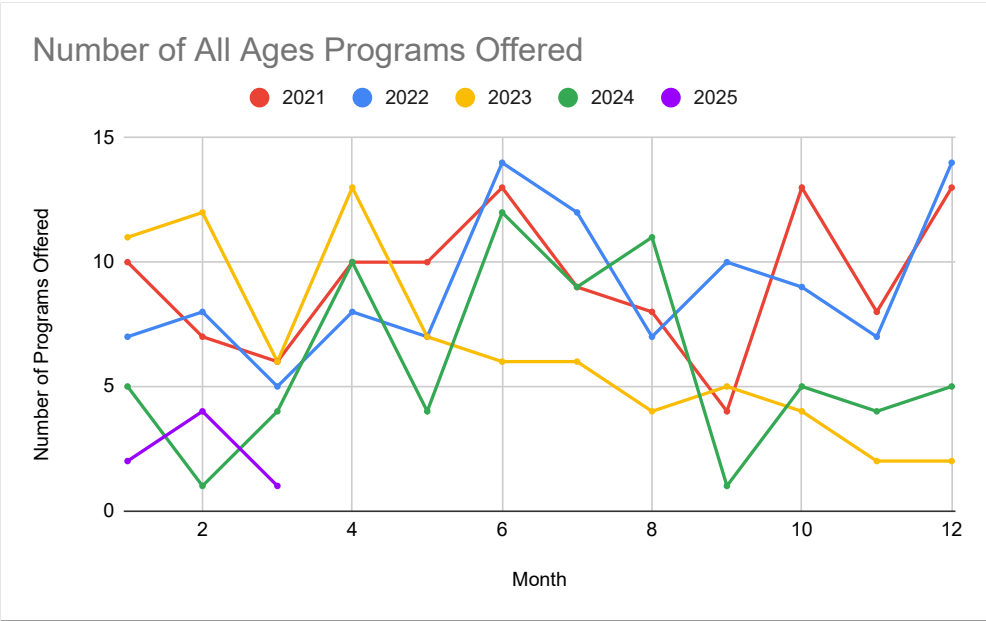
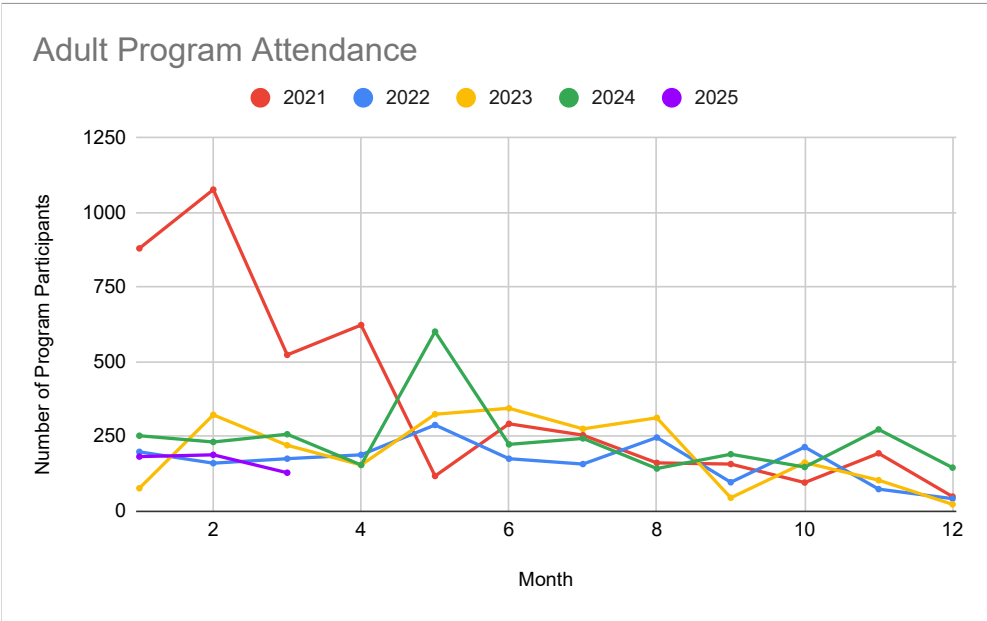
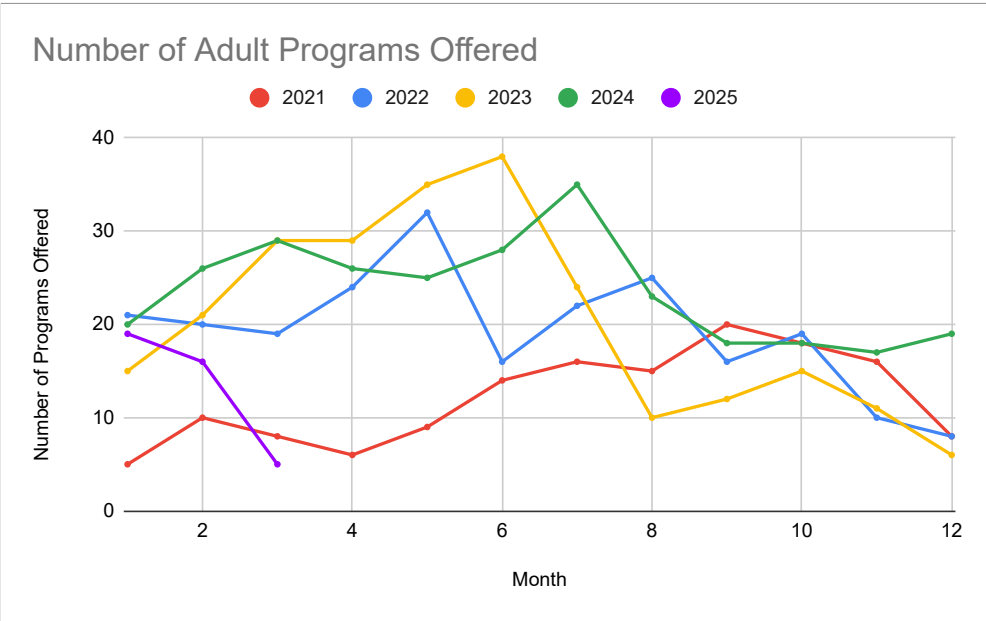
Facility Maintenance and Management

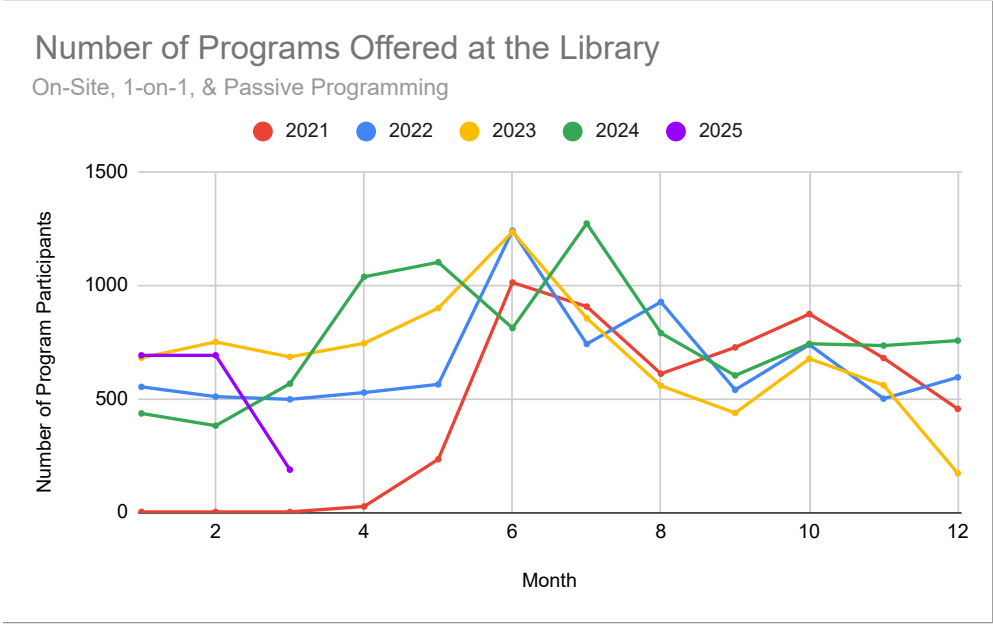
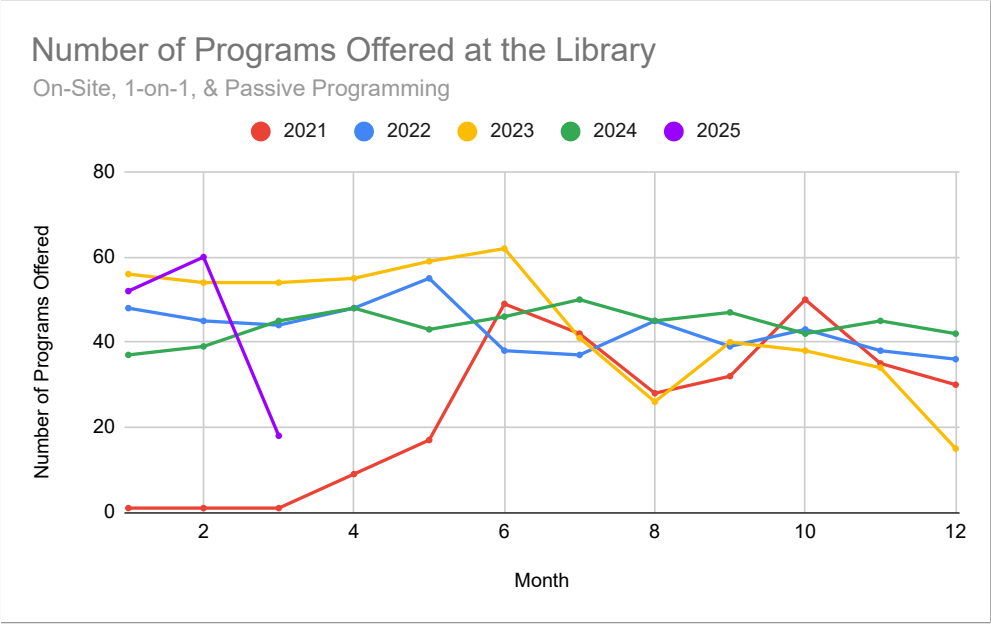
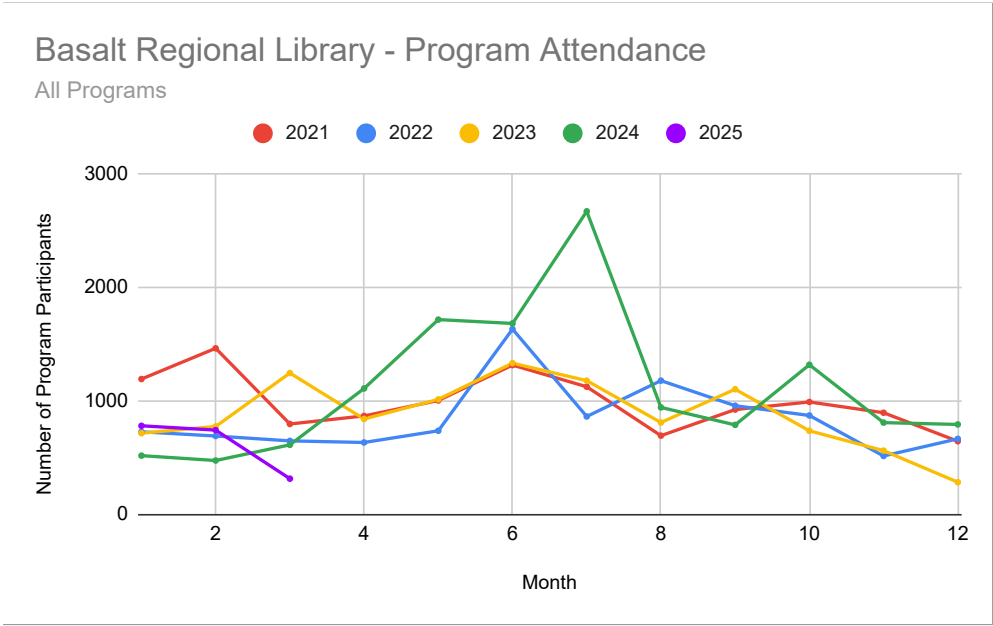
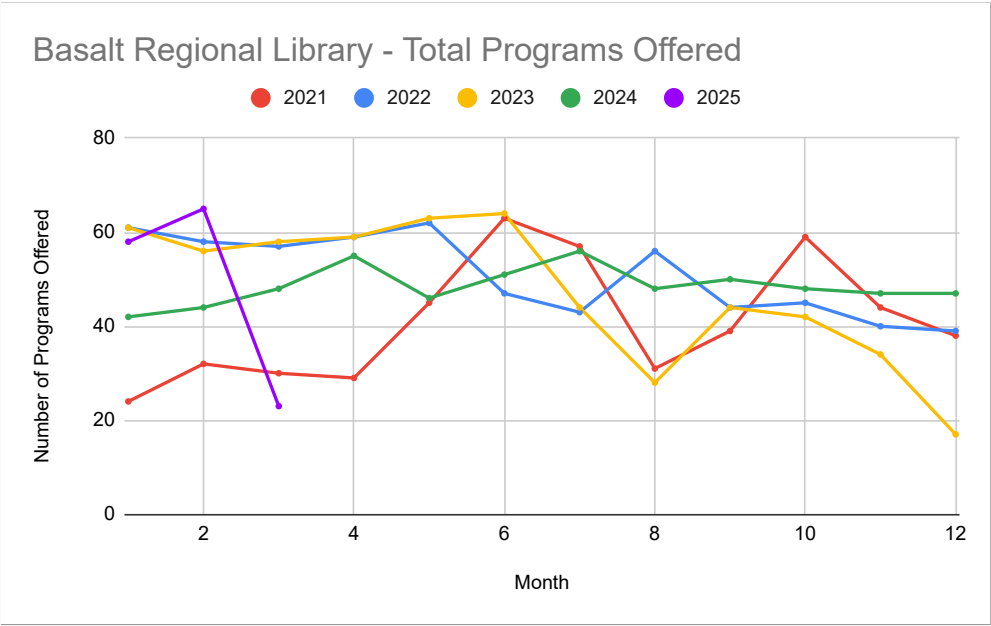
We continue to work toward getting security cameras working, getting damaged windows replaced, and getting bids to upgrade our public bathroom doors with automatic openers.

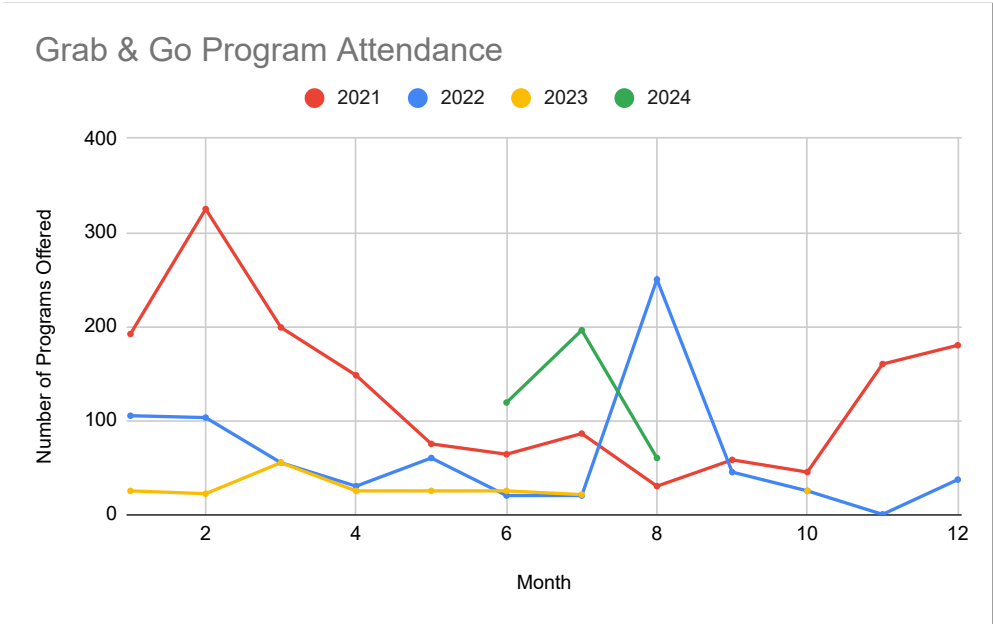
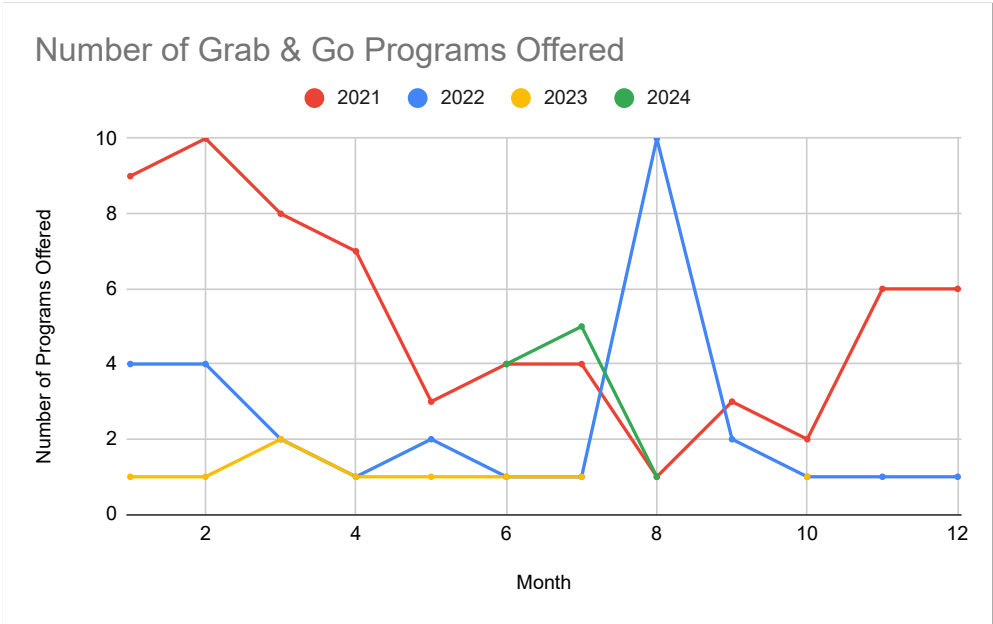
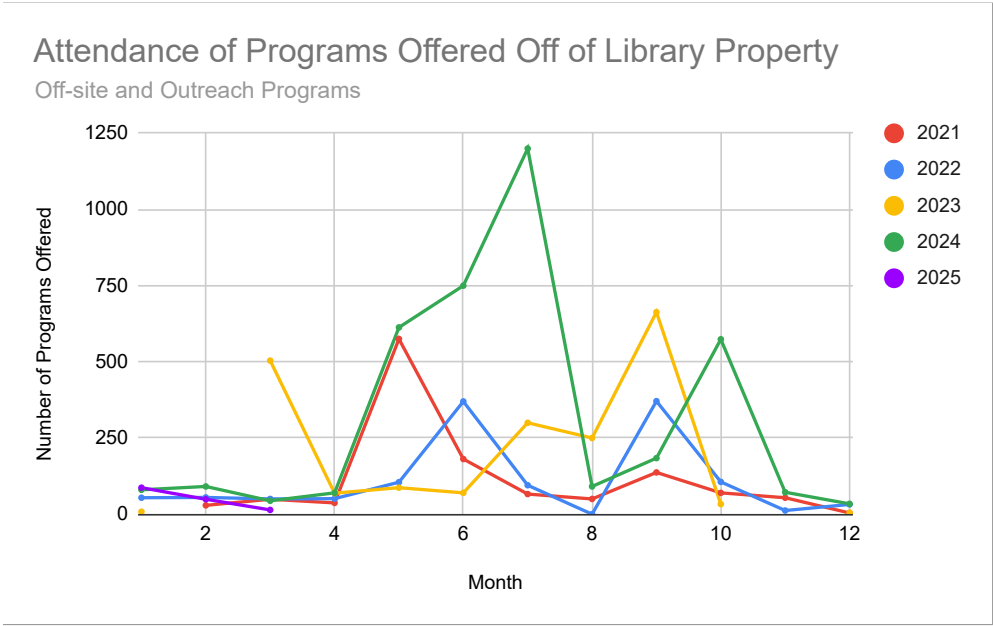
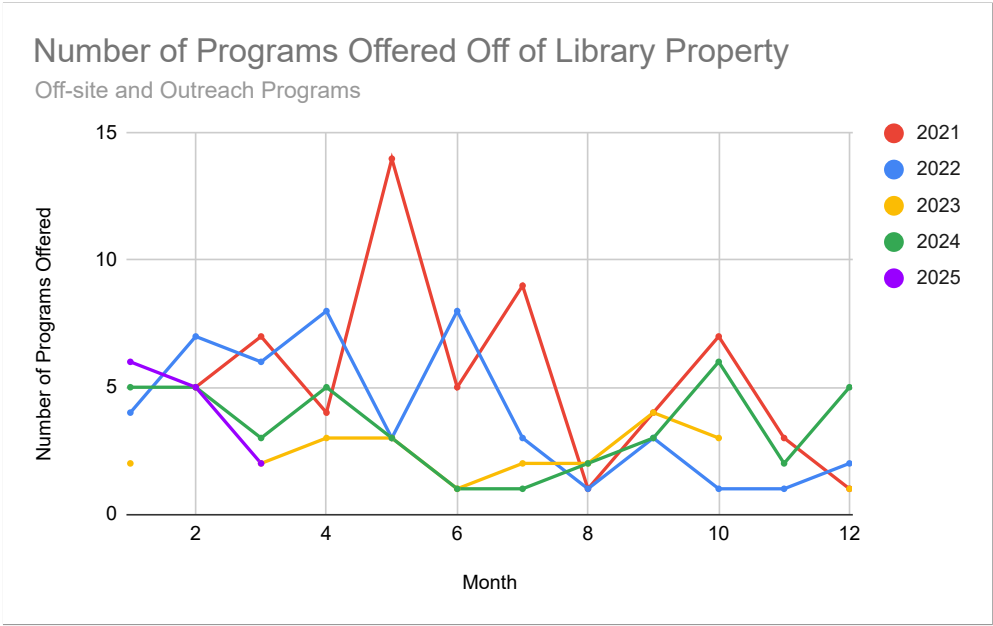
Leadership and Professional Development

Our all-staff training day, the first of two in 2025, will take place on Wednesday, March 19. We have sessions including first aid training, training on our new password management software, training from youth services staff on working with children in a positive way, and a session from Voces Unidas on service to Spanish speaking community members.









Basalt Regional Library District
Balance Sheet
February 2025

	General Operating	Bond Repayment	Capital Reserve	Total	Adjustments	Statement of
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Balance	(Conversion Fund)	Net Position
ASSETS						
Cash in Banks						
Alpine Bank #0127	39,815			39,815		39,815
Colo Trust - Tabor Reserve #8003	58,528			58,528		58,528
Colo Trust - Operating Fund #8004	935,554			935,554		935,554
Colo Trust - Bond Repayment #8002		132,986		132,986		132,986
Colo Trust - Capital Rsv Fund #8005			1,683,210	1,683,210		1,683,210
Cash with County Treasurer	-			-		-
Employee Ski Pass Repayment Program	321			321		321
Prepaid Expense	-			-		-
Property Tax Receivable	2,611,962			2,611,962		2,611,962
Pooled Cash (Interfund Transfers)	189,041	838,159	(1,027,201)	(0)		(0)
Capital Assets, net of depreciation	-	-	-	-	8,539,497	8,539,497
Total Assets	3,835,222	971,145	656,009	5,462,376	8,539,497	14,001,873
LIABILITIES						
Current Liabilities						
Accounts Payable & Accrued Liabilities	53,498	-	-	53,498		53,498
Other Current Liabilities						
Accrued Interest				-	9,974	9,974
Deferred Property Tax	2,611,962			2,611,962		2,611,962
Current Bonds Payable, 2012				-	-	-
Total Current Liabilities	2,665,460	-	-	2,665,460	9,974	2,675,434
Long Term Liabilities						
Accrued Compensated Absences				-	37,341	37,341
Total Long Term Liabilities	-	-	-	-	2,512,341	2,512,341
Total Liabilities	2,665,460	-	-	2,665,460	2,522,314	5,187,775
Fund Balance / Net Position						
Net Investment in Capital Assets	-	-	-	-	6,064,497	6,064,497
Non Spendable	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted for:						
Tabor	61,000			61,000	-	61,000
Debt Service		971,145		971,145	-	971,145
Committed for Future Projects			656,009	656,009	(656,009)	-
Unassigned / Unrestricted	1,108,762	-	-	1,108,762	608,695	1,717,456
Current Year Fund Balance / Net Position	1,169,762	971,145	656,009	2,796,916	6,017,183	8,814,099
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance / Net Position	3,835,222	971,145	656,009	5,462,376	8,539,497	14,001,873

General Fund

February 2025

						YTD Actuals 12/31/2024	2025 Final Budget	YTD Actuals 1/31/2025	Actuals vs Budget YTD %
General Operating Beginning Fund Balance						1,370,825	1,520,852	1,497,873	(22,980)
Eagle County									
	Assessed Value					419,653,120	424,742,070	419,653,120	
	% Increase								
	Operating Mill Levy Rate					2.610	2.610	2.610	
Pitkin County									
	Assessed Value					299,274,620	299,054,640	299,274,620	
	% Increase								
	Operating Mill Levy Rate					2.610	2.610	2.610	
REVENUES									
4005	General Operating Mill Levy								
4010	Eagle County					1,147,189	1,108,576.80	48,898	4.41%
4020	Pitkin County					800,008	780,532.61	5,766	0.74%
	Total General Operating Mill Levy					1,947,197	1,889,109.41	54,665	2.89%
4100	MVSO - General Operating								
4110	Eagle County					79,983	70,000	6,407	9.15%
4120	Pitkin County					34,078	30,000	2,597	8.66%
	Total MVSO - General Operating					114,062	100,000	9,004	9.00%
4200	Fines & Fees								
4290	Holy Cross Deposit Return/Member Equity					105	-	-	0.00%
4261	Miscellaneous					16,325	15,000	4,011	26.74%
	Total Fines & Fees					16,431	15,000	4,011	26.74%
4300	Earnings on investments								
4310	Colotrust Int Op Acct					93,791	90,000	7,334	8.15%
4320	Mill Levy Interest					5,150	5,000	(61)	-1.21%
	Total Earnings on investments					98,941	95,000	7,273	7.66%
4400	Contributions *see detail								
4410	Contributions- Non-Restricted					4,380	5,000	5,000	100.00%
4412	Contributions- Restricted					360	1,000	388	38.80%
	Total Contributions					4,740	6,000	5,388	89.80%
4500	Grants - Non-Restricted								
4505	Grants - General Operating Grants					-	5,000	2,500	50.00%
	Total Grants - Non-Restricted					-	5,000	2,500	0.00%
4600	Grants - Restricted								
4601	Restricted - Library Foundation					471	-	-	0.00%
4604	Restricted - Library Friends					5,950	5,000	8,700	174.00%
4620.03	Restricted - CSD Safety Grant					2,428	-	-	0.00%
4620.14	Restricted - Library Trust					8,050	5,000	-	0.00%
4620.15	Restricted - Other Misc					13,728	5,000	26,000	520.00%
	Total Restricted Fund Income - Foundation/Friends					30,627	15,000	34,700	231.33%
TOTAL REVENUES						2,211,997	2,125,109	117,541	5.53%
	OPERATING:								
	Administration								
		Contract Services							
5010				Accounting		5,203	6,000	705	11.75%
5020				Audit - Annual		14,045	14,888	-	0.00%
5030				Courier		9,096	7,500	7,184	95.78%
5040				Legal		4,391	15,000	110	0.73%
5050				Miscellaneous Contracts		17,873	21,500	-	0.00%
				Total Contract Services		50,607	64,888	7,999	12.33%

Basalt Regional Library District
General Fund
February 2025

				YTD Actuals 12/31/2024	2025 Final Budget	YTD Actuals 1/31/2025	Actuals vs Budget YTD %
5100			Insurance				
5110			Property & Liability Insur	39,214	39,664	43,350	109.29%
5120			Worker's compensation	1,782	2,594	-	0.00%
			Total Insurance	40,996	42,258	43,350	102.58%
5220			Professional Dev. & Memberships				
5230			Board	1,620	1,500	-	0.00%
5235			Employers Council	3,799	3,600	2,216	61.56%
5240			Library Association Dues	2,194	1,000	1,165	116.50%
5250			Spec District Ass'n Due	1,238	1,275	1,217	95.48%
5260			Staff	11,254	8,000	1,154	14.42%
5275			Volunteer Appreciation	-	1,000	65	6.50%
5276			Staff Appreciation	1,714	2,000	192	9.62%
5270			Travel expenses	13,404	5,000	-	0.00%
			Total Professional Dev. & Memberships	35,222	23,375	6,010	25.71%
5280			Publicity				
5290			Advertising - General	1,982	6,000	-	0.00%
5285			Radio	16,252	17,850	17,067	95.61%
5293			Signage	656	500	-	0.00%
5295			Social Media Ads	881	3,000	50	1.66%
5297			Targeted Newspaper Ads	5,038	9,500	1,283	13.50%
5286			Spanish Language Interpretation/Translating	4,661	6,000	595	9.92%
5287			Job Ads	1,018	2,000	81	4.05%
			Total Publicity	30,488	44,850	19,075	42.53%
5300			Supplies				
5310			Office Supplies	15,103	14,000	2,255	16.11%
5320			Technical Cataloging & Service	7,670	8,500	1,309	15.40%
5330			Postage & Shipping	52	500	11	2.10%
			Total Supplies	22,824	23,000	3,574	15.54%
5350			Treasurer's fees				
5360			Eagle fees	34,459	33,257	1,466	4.41%
5370			Pitkin fees	34,901	39,027	245	0.63%
			Total Administration	249,496	270,655	81,718	30.19%
			<u>Facility Expenses</u>				
5410			Janitorial	49,891	55,000	5,147	9.36%
5420			Janitorial Supplies	8,123	9,000	1,369	15.22%
5430			Landscaping	11,500	12,000	-	0.00%
5440			Maintenance *Detailed List Attached	34,595	20,000	10,219	51.09%
5460			Snow Removal	4,718	5,045	-	0.00%
			Total Facility Expenses (Maintenance)	108,826	101,045	16,735	16.56%
5500			Utilities				
5510			Electric	10,300	8,240	791	9.61%
5515			Compost Collection System	2,372	1,927	75	3.89%
5520			Gas	14,895	18,332	4,033	22.00%
5530			Internet Connectivity	9,883	15,450	903	5.85%
5540			Sanitation	3,337	3,667	1,011	27.56%
5550			Telephone	6,264	9,198	487	5.30%
5560			Trash	11,089	10,142	771	7.60%
5570			Water	4,557	5,200	-	0.00%
			Total Utilities	62,698	72,157	8,071	11.19%
			Total Facility Expenses	171,524	173,201	24,806	14.32%
			<u>Library Programs</u>				
5610			Adult Program	12,457	11,000	1,434	13.04%
5620			Children's	12,934	5,500	1,816	33.02%
5634			Liquor License	700	400	-	0.00%
5633			Movie License	865	550	-	0.00%
5640			Music	24,741	17,000	4,788	28.16%
5650			Spanish Language	2,798	4,000	1,384	34.59%
5660			Teens	8,062	3,500	2,287	65.33%
5601			Summer Reading				

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				YTD Actuals 12/31/2024	2025 Final Budget	YTD Actuals 1/31/2025	Actuals vs Budget YTD %
5601.01			Adult Summer Reading	666	1,000	-	0.00%
5601.02			Teen Summer Reading	3,838	2,500	320	12.80%
5601.03			Children's Summer Reading	4,907	5,500	717	13.04%
5601.04			Spanish Language Summer Reading	652	2,000	-	0.00%
5602			Community Events	9,650	15,000	1,430	9.53%
			Total Library Programs	82,270	67,950	14,175	20.86%
			<u>Technology & Equipment</u>				
			Copiers & Equipment				
5730			Lease	-	-	-	0.00%
5740			Service Agreement / Copy Usage	4,738	2,500	-	0.00%
			Total Copiers & Equipment	4,738	2,500	-	0.00%
5760			Marmot ILS System	94,884	105,730	28,658	27.10%
5770			Miscellaneous Parts	2,561	2,000	635	31.77%
5780			Support & Service Agreements				
5784			Appointment Booking	156	-	-	0.00%
5781			Marketing & Graphic Design	3,986	3,300	660	19.99%
5783			Website Tools	3,680	9,400	1,000	10.64%
5785			Communication & Time Management	3,901	7,500	1,223	16.30%
			Total Support & Service Agreements	11,723	20,200	2,883	14.27%
5840			Tech Labor & Repair	-		-	0.00%
			Total Technology	113,906	130,430	32,176	24.67%
			<u>Collections</u>				
5910			Audio				
5920			Adult BCD	2,891	3,000	-	0.00%
5922			Spanish Audio Adult	484	500	-	0.00%
5924			Spanish Audio Youth	510	500	-	0.00%
5930			Youth Audio	2,827	3,000	57	1.90%
			Total Audio	6,712	7,000	57	0.81%
6000			Books & Magazines				
6010			Adult fiction books	12,262	12,800	1,607	12.55%
6020			Adult non-fiction books	12,131	12,800	1,114	8.70%
6025			Board Games	492	500	-	0.00%
6030			Juvenile Fiction	8,709	9,100	1,068	11.73%
6040			Juvenile Non-Fiction	3,769	4,000	818	20.44%
6045			Large Print	2,231	2,000	174	8.69%
6050			Print Subscriptions	3,683	3,500	50	1.43%
6055			Replacement Books - Purchased	3,828	1,500	1,035	68.97%
6060			Spanish Adult fiction	2,147	2,000	207	10.34%
6070			Spanish adult non-fiction	1,592	1,500	163	10.86%
6080			Spanish children's books	5,700	5,000	453	9.07%
6100			YA Fiction	3,627	4,000	685	17.12%
6110			YA Non-Fiction	1,773	1,700	187	11.02%
6120			Special Items	3,332	2,000	-	0.00%
			Total Books	65,275	62,400	7,559	12.11%
6200			Digital Resources				
6210			<u>Annual Subscriptions:</u>				
6270			Mango Languages	4,111	-	-	0.00%
6300			<u>Downloadable Titles:</u>				
6305			Kanopy	2,000	5,000	3,000	60.00%
6320			Overdrive	26,958	27,000	2,793	10.34%
6340			Online Databases	8,437	9,500	5,432	57.18%
6350			Online Newspaper Subscriptions	1,299	2,000	-	0.00%
			Total Digital Resources	42,805	43,500	11,225	25.80%
6400			Media				
6430			Adult Movies	5,769	6,000	346	5.76%
6440			Juvenile Movies	837	1,000	-	0.00%
6460			Video / Games	666	1,500	210	14.02%
			Total Media	7,272	8,500	556	6.54%
			Total Collections	122,065	121,400	19,398	15.98%
6800			Restricted Funds				

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					YTD Actuals 12/31/2024	2025 Final Budget	YTD Actuals 1/31/2025	Actuals vs Budget YTD %
6801			Restricted Exp - Misc		-	30,000	-	0.00%
			Total Restricted Funds		-	30,000	-	0.00%
			Total Operating expenses		739,261	793,636	172,272	21.71%
6900			Payroll Expenses					
6910		Payroll			1,012,102	1,091,075	200,873	18.41%
6920		Payroll Service			6,796	8,075	1,588	19.67%
6930		Payroll Taxes			78,723	87,791	16,386	18.66%
6940		Retirement Plan			23,060	33,770	4,876	14.44%
6950		Health Insurance			124,650	160,284	24,421	15.24%
6960		Life Insurance			-	645	-	0.00%
6965		STD/LTD			-	3,624	-	0.00%
6970		FAMLI			9,003	9,780	-	0.00%
6957		Background Check			1,355	1,900	235	12.37%
			Total Payroll Expenses		1,255,689	1,396,945	248,379	17.78%
			TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,994,950	2,190,581	420,652	19.20%
			Net General Fund Income/(Loss)		217,047	(65,472)	(303,111)	
		Allocation to Capital Reserve Outlay			90,000	232,000	25,000	10.78%
		Allocation to Bond Repayment				242		
		General Fund Balance			1,497,873	1,223,380	1,169,762	95.62%

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Bond Repayment Fund
February 2025**

					YTD Actuals 12/31/2024	2025 Final Budget	YTD Actuals 1/31/2025	Actuals vs Budget YTD %
Bond Repayment Beginning Fund Balance					890,909	948,818	948,758	(61)
						424,742,070 75.64% 1.082		
Eagle County								
	Assessed Value							
	% Increase							
	Bond Mill Levy Rate							
Pitkin County								
	Assessed Value							
	% Increase							
	Bond Mill Levy Rate							
						16,000 459,570.92 323,577.12 783,148.04 35	856 19,906 2,385 22,291	5.35% 4.33% 0.74% 2.85%
REVENUES								
		Interest Earned - Bond Repayment		23,786				
		Mill Levy Debt Repayment						
			Eagle County	537,869				
			Pitkin County	395,713				
		Total Mill Levy Debt Repayment		933,582				
		Transfer from General Fund						
TOTAL REVENUES					957,368			
						40,844 1,675,000	- -	0.00% 0.00%
EXPENDITURES								
	Bond Interest			60,094				
	Bond Repayment Principle Loan Payment			800,000				
	Treasurer's Fees							
		Eagle County		16,157				
		Pitkin County		23,268				
	Total Treasurer's Fees			39,425				
TOTAL EXPENDITURES					899,519			
						(946,627)	22,387	-2.36%
Net Fund Income/(Loss)					57,849			
Bond Repayment Fund Balance					948,758	2,192	971,145	44313.64%
			**Bond Repayment Schedule:			2025		
			May 1 - Series 2012 Interest			20,421.88	5/1/2025	
			November 1 - Series 2012 Interest			20,421.88	11/1/2025	
			November 1 - Series 2012 Principle		\$	825,000.00	11/1/2025	
			Series 2012 Bond Matures 11/2026					
						2026		
			May 1 - Series 2012 Interest			10,625.00	5/1/2026	
			November 1 - Series 2012 Interest			10,625.00	11/1/2026	
			November 1 - Series 2012 Principle		\$	850,000.00	11/1/2026	
			Series 2012 Bond Matures 11/2026					

**Basalt Regional Library District
Capital Reserve Fund
February 2025**

					YTD Actuals 12/31/2024	2025 Final Budget	YTD Actuals 1/31/2025	Actuals vs Budget YTD %
Capital Reserve Beginning Fund Balance					1,150,083	604,807	655,373	50,566
REVENUES								
7210		Allocation From General Fund			90,000	232,000	25,000	10.78%
7230		Interest Earned - Reserve Fund			78,761	35,000	12,188	34.82%
TOTAL REVENUES					168,761	267,000	37,188	13.93%
EXPENDITURES								
8310		Miscellaneous			915	25,000	-	0.00%
8310.04		Computers - Patron			10,785	3,500	3,930	112.28%
8310.05		Computers - Staff			6,171	24,500	20,116	82.11%
8310.06		EV Charging Station			-	-	-	0.00%
8310.08		Lighting Control System Replacement			-	-	-	0.00%
8310.09		Fiber Cable			4,649	-	-	0.00%
8310.10		Handrail for Tent Area			-	-	-	0.00%
8310.11		Painting - Interior			11,552	-	-	0.00%
8310.13		Security Cameras			-	10,000	-	0.00%
8310.15		Roof			544,714	-	-	0.00%
8310.17		Consulting Engineer			49,618	-	-	0.00%
8310.18		Furniture and Fixtures			21,382	50,000	5,797	
8310.19		Replace telephone system				10,000	-	
8310.20		Replace kitchen appliances				2,500	-	
8310.21		HVAC Parts					6,293	
8310.22		Replace/repair windows				20,000	-	
8310.23		Handicap Accessible Door Openers				15,000	-	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES					663,471	160,500	36,552	22.77%
Net Fund Income/(Loss)					(494,710)	106,500	636	0.60%
Capital Reserve Fund Balance					655,373	711,307	656,009	92.23%

Basalt Regional Library District
Maintenance Detail

Date	Name	Category	Memo	Amount
01/01/25	Orkin Pest Control	Pest Control	Annual Pest Control 1/1/25-12/31/25	\$ 486.37
01/01/25	Johnson Controls Security Solutions	Alarm / Monitoring	Qtrly Billing 1/01/2025- 2/28/25	\$ 86.27
01/01/25	Acme Alarm Company	Alarm / Monitoring	1st Qtr 2025 Monitoring	\$ 133.26
01/11/25	Roto Rooter Plumbing	Plumbing / Heating	Misc Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 3,106.62
01/22/25	Green Electrical Solutions LLC	Building/Interior Maintenance	Solar System Repair & Maintenance	\$ 2,580.00
Sub-Total January				\$ 6,392.52
02/05/2025	D'AC Lighting	Building/Interior Maintenance	Meridian Pendant Lighting fixture	\$ 496.00
02/17/2025	Green Electrical Solutions LLC	Building/Interior Maintenance	Inverter Repair & Maintenance	\$ 3,330.00
Sub-Total February				\$ 3,826.00
Grand Total				\$ 10,218.52

Alarm / Monitoring	\$ 219.53
Electrical	\$ -
Fireplace maintenance	\$ -
Building/Interior Maintenance	\$ 6,406.00
Inspection / Testing	\$ -
Pest Control	\$ 486.37
Plumbing / Heating	\$ 3,106.62
Roof Maintenance	\$ -
Signage	\$ -
Telephones	\$ -
Window Cleaning	\$ -
Miscellaneous	\$ -
	\$ 10,218.52

BASALT REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LIST
February 8 - March 6

BUDGET DESCRIPTION	PAYEE	AMOUNT
Accounting	*Bill.com	371.53
Accounting	*Square	35.00
Adult	EverGreen ZeroWaste	837.50
Adult BCD	Playaway Products	144.48
Adult Movies	Midwest Tape	188.95
Capital Reserve Exp-Pub Comp	Marmot Library Network, Inc.	1,434.89
Children's	Aspen Science Center	220.00
Children's	Functional Fitness 45, LLC	640.00
Electric	*Holy Cross Energy	791.46
Gas	*Black Hills Energy	1,812.46
Janitorial	Grizzly Creek Enterprises, Inc	5,291.54
Legal	Garfield & Hecht, P.C.	110.00
Maintenance	D'AC Lighting	496.00
Maintenance	Johnson Controls Security Solutions	258.81
Multiple	*Divvy	9,229.92
Multiple	Ingram Library Services	5,153.13
Music	Amanda Gessler	600.00
Music	Francisco Vila	800.00
Office Supplies	Aspen Maintenance Supply	513.77
Office Supplies	ODP Business Solutions	114.89
Overdrive	Overdrive, Inc	1,713.15
Payroll Liabilities	*TIAA-CREF	7,023.39
Payroll Service	*Paychex Payroll Service	509.46
Spanish Language	The Whole Empanada	380.00
Targeted Newspaper Ads	Aspen Daily News	191.26
Targeted Newspaper Ads	The Sopris Sun	540.00
Teen	Georgina Levey	688.00
Telephone	Century Link	487.39
Translation / Interpretation	Dulce Andrea Suarez	183.75
Wellness/Health Insurance	CEBT Willis of Colorado	17,487.09
		<u>\$ 58,247.82</u>

Amazon Transaction Details
February

Order Date	Order ID	PO Number	Order Subtotal	Title
2/28/2025	114-7430021-3596250	5610	94.59	Pura Natural Sensitive Baby Wipes, 99% Water, Unscented & Hypoallergenic, Suitable for Sensitive & Eczema-prone Skin, Hypoallergenic, EWG Verified, 10 Pack of 60 Wet Wipes (600 Diaper Wipes) Bulk Buy
2/28/2025	114-7430021-3596250	5610		U by Kotex Click Multipack Tampons, Compact, Regular/Super Absorbency, Unscented, 120 Count (8 Packs of 15) (Packaging May Vary)
2/27/2025	113-1623039-0937045	6055 BC 2-25	5.72	Tia the Tulip Fairy (Petal Fairies)
2/27/2025	113-0903331-9240233	5660 BC 2-25 BHS	105.48	Crooked Kingdom: A Sequel to Six of Crows (Six of Crows, 2)
2/27/2025	114-4082871-8064241	5310	79.99	Ninja 12-Cup Programmable Coffee Brewer, 2 Brew Styles, Adjustable Warm Plate, 60oz Water Reservoir, Delay Brew - Black/Stainless Steel
2/27/2025	114-3782513-4249042	5310	39.7	Purell 64 Oz. Advanced Instant Hand Sanitizer Gel Refill
2/26/2025	113-7307865-3212234	5620 LC	22.72	Save The Earth Stickers for Kids 500 Pcs Perforated Roll Sticker Classroom Decoration Earth Day
2/26/2025	113-7307865-3212234	5620 LC		Prang (Formerly SunWorks) Construction Paper, Black, 12" x 18", 50 Sheets
2/26/2025	113-7307865-3212234	5620 LC		Swiss Miss Milk Chocolate Flavor Hot Cocoa Mix, 1.38 oz. 50-Count
2/26/2025	112-6511835-6599418	6055 REPLACE	69.99	16.9" Portable DVD Player with 14.1" Large HD Screen,High Volume Speaker,4-6 Hours Built-in Rechargeable Battery,Support USB/SD Card/Sync TV and Multiple Disc Formats,Region Free,Remote Control,Black
2/26/2025	113-3068587-7312227		100.86	Under Desk Cable Management Tray No Drill, Metal Mesh Cable Management Under Desk with Clamp Mount, 2 Hole Cable Tray with Desk Wire Management and Desk Cord Organizer for Home Office Standing Desk
2/26/2025	113-3068587-7312227			LX IntMfr. Hook and Loop Cable Ties, Self Adhesive Hook and Loop Cable Straps, Sticky-back Cord Organizer, Cable Clip, Household & Office Essentials, 40Pcs per Pack
2/26/2025	112-1379615-0843449	6120	39.98	Fitvids Yoga Mat, 1/2-Inch Extra Thick High Density Exercise Mat, Anti-Tear Exercise Yoga Mat with Carrying Strap, Suitable for Various Yoga Exercises, Aqua
2/26/2025	112-7400508-1349069	6120	261.89	Fender CD-60 Dreadnought Acoustic Guitar - Black Bundle with Hard Case, Strap, Tuner, Strings, Picks, Instructional Book, Online Lessons, and Austin Bazaar Instructional DVD
2/25/2025	114-0887775-6091466	5602	139.98	TIMBER RIDGE 400L Large Capacity Folding Double Decker Wagon with Brakes, 54" Extra Long Extender Wagon Cart, 450lbs Heavy Duty Collapsible Cart, All-Terrain Big Wheels for Camping, Sports, Shopping
2/21/2025	112-9503360-2459453	6055 REPLACE	8.99	Everest Signature Waist Pack - Standard, Orange, One Size
2/21/2025	114-5582519-2293820	5610	91.79	Didaey Mini Mexican Hat 36 Pcs 4 Inch Sombrero Party Hats for Dolls Pets Natural Straw Headband Hat Carnival Birthday Fiesta Decorations
2/21/2025	114-5582519-2293820	5610		24 Mini Mexican Sombrero Fiesta, 3 inches Wide Mini Hats for Cinco De Mayo Party
2/20/2025	113-6415918-4200211	5620 LC	21.05	LUORNG 100PCS Foam Flower Stickers Flower Foam Wall Stickers Small Flower Sticker Foam Crafts for Kindergartens School Classrooms Stage Environment Decoration
2/20/2025	113-6415918-4200211	5620 LC		Geyee 100 Pcs Bird Stickers Pack Waterproof Vinyl Cute Bird Stickers Cartoon Bird Laptop Decals Bird Party Favors for Water Bottles Wall Skateboard Computer Scrapbook Phones
2/20/2025	113-6415918-4200211	5620 LC		READY 2 LEARN Foam Stickers - Butterflies - Pack of 172 - Self-Adhesive Stickers for Kids - 3D Puffy Butterfly Stickers for Laptops, Phones and Crafts
2/19/2025	113-0178457-1517044		11.88	Amazon Basics Clear Thermal Laminating Plastic Paper Laminator Sheets - 11.5 x 9.0-Inch, 100-Pack, 3 mil
2/19/2025	113-4111192-1400236	5660 BC 2-25	63.87	SEMSMOKS Puck Lights with Remote Control, Battery Operated LED Push Lights Wireless, 13 Color RGB - for Closet, Bedroom Wall, Under Cabinet, Battery Powered Puck Lights. Convenient 3M Stick On, 6 Pack
2/19/2025	113-4111192-1400236	5660 BC 2-25		PerkHomy 36" x 2,400" (200') Light Grey Kraft Paper Roll for Craft Bulletin Board Paper Kids Art Table Covering
2/19/2025	114-3763483-1722636	5620	41.97	Crafting Gift Wrapping Bouquet Packing Parcel 80GSM 55LB (Light Grey, 36" x 200') iMagitek 24 Pack Woodland Animal Keychains for Woodland Party Favors Supplies, Birthday Party Bag Fillers, School Carnival Rewards, Woodland Party Return Gifts
2/19/2025	114-0728324-6686659	5320	152.97	BeapTcely 4 Pack 11 x 17 Inches Acrylic Sign Holder Horizontal Clear T Shaped Sign Holder Table Photo Menu Display
2/19/2025	113-0068008-1959402	5620 LC	11.99	Stand Double Sided Picture Flyer Sign Holder for Office Restaurant Store (4 Pack)
2/18/2025	113-1471645-6524254	5602 BC 2-25 Kickoff	98.99	32 Sets Magic Color Scratch Art Easter Egg Ornaments Decorations DIY Easter Craft Kits Scratch Paper Easter Egg
2/18/2025	113-2496103-2463444	5602 BC 2-25 Kickoff	373.4	Scratching Tools for Kids Party Favors Easter Spring Classroom Home Activity Art Project
2/18/2025	113-0207099-2154619	5620 LC	80.99	YYSWIE Kids Tablet 10.1 inch with Stylus Pen&Case, Octa-Core 8GB RAM 64GB ROM, KIDOZ Pre-Installed Toddlers
2/18/2025	113-0207099-2154619	5620 LC		Tabletfor Kids Ages 3-12, 7000mAh Android Tablets with Parental Control, GMS Certified
2/18/2025	113-0207099-2154619	5620 LC		Samsung Galaxy Tab S6 Lite (2022) 10.4" 128GB Wi-Fi - Oxford Gray - SM-P613NZAEXAR (Renewed)
2/18/2025	113-0207099-2154619	5620 LC		Frito Lay, Cheesy Mix 6 Flavor Variety Pack, Single Serve Bags (40 Pack), Doritos, Cheetos, Lay's, Munchies, SunChips
2/18/2025	113-0207099-2154619	5620 LC		Frito Lay Fun Times Mix Variety Pack, (Pack of 40)
2/18/2025	113-0207099-2154619	5620 LC		Utz Snack Variety Pack Individual Snacks, Includes Potato Chips, Cheese Curls, Popcorn, and Party Mix, Crunchy
2/18/2025	113-3789414-2385837	5620 LC	47.99	Travel Snacks for Lunches, Vending Machines, and Enjoying on the Go (Pack of 42)
2/18/2025	113-7448604-1053857	5620 LC	42.09	Generic Slim Jim Smoked Snack Stick Original 120 Count (0.28 oz Sticks) Grip 'n Rip Jerky Beef Sticks
2/18/2025	113-7448604-1053857	5620 LC		Huaker 88 Piece Magnetic Balls and Rods Set,Magnetic Building Toys Colorful DIY STEM Building Blocks Sticks for
2/18/2025	113-7448604-1053857	5620 LC		Ages 3+ Year Old Children Boy Girl Educational Construction Toy
2/17/2025	114-8904242-1023466	5660	14.71	Magnetic Alphabet Tracing Board - double sided letters & numbers Magnetic Tracing Board, ABC magnets learn to write with magnetic pen, STEM toy letters learning, handwriting games, writing montessori
2/17/2025	114-0177563-1025829	5310	166.99	Umpqua Fly Tying Hooks U301 50Pk 04 Streamer Hook Down Eye 1X Strong 3X Long
2/17/2025	114-0177563-1025829	5310		Bissell CleanView XR 200W Lightweight Cordless Vacuum w/Removable Battery, 35-min runtime, Tangle-Free Brush
2/17/2025	114-3078542-9108226	5310	47.98	Roll, LED Lights, XL Tank, Dusting & Crevice Tool, Wall Mount, 3789U
2/17/2025	114-6564396-7885005	5310	17.65	300 Pack 2-Ply Compostable Napkins - FSC Certified 5x5 Inch Folded Post Consumer Recycled Napkins - Highly Absorbent Eco friendly Napkins Disposable Biodegradable Paper Napkins for Dining and Events
2/17/2025	114-9646687-2901003	5610	22.77	Nature's Bakery Stone Ground Whole Wheat Fig bar 24 Twin Pack 24 - 2oz
2/17/2025	112-6365644-8069831	6055	7.99	Nature's Bakery Whole Wheat Fig Bar, Vegan + Non-GMO, Apple Cinnamon (12 Count)
2/17/2025	113-4824974-1256266	5660 BC 2-25	289.98	U by Kotex Ultra Thin Pads, Clean & Secure, Heavy Absorbency, 56 Count (Packaging May Vary)
2/16/2025	114-6188065-8904254	6025	123.71	Fajjabao Construction Toy Cars for 3+ Years Old Toddler Boy Toys Mini Pull Back Cars Small Truck Sensory Bin Easter Egg Fillers Toddler Party Favors Bulk Prize for Kids(Color Random)
				Beaverbot Cardboard Cutter for Kids, Safe DIY Cardboard Construction Tool Kit, Educational Craft Toy for 3+ Boys and Girls, Perfect for Creativity Projects 3D Models
				University Games Kids on Stage Game, Grades PreK+ (UG-01214)

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February

Order Date	Order ID	PO Number	Order Subtotal	Title
2/16/2025	114-6188065-8904254	6025		The Original The Floor is Lava! Family Edition - Interactive Game for Kids and Adults - Promotes Physical Activity - Indoor and Outdoor Safe
2/16/2025	114-6188065-8904254	6025		Gamewright - Forbidden Jungle - Cooperative Board Game
2/16/2025	114-6188065-8904254	6025		The Uzzle 3.0 Board Game, Family Board Games for Children & Adults, Block Puzzle Games for Ages 4+
2/12/2025	114-6798360-1202606	5660	13.98	Alwonder Hackle Pliers for Fly Tying 10PCS, 8 Colors Fly Hook Hackle Pliers, Plastic Long Tip Hooks Lures Tying Tool, Rapping Hackle Tools Fishing Clip(Black)
2/10/2025	112-9186840-7941807	6460	103.6	God of War Ragnarök Launch Edition - PlayStation 5
2/10/2025	112-9186840-7941807	6460		Gran Turismo 7 (PS5)
2/10/2025	112-7786962-6677046	6460	54.8	Super Mario Party Jamboree
2/10/2025	112-9187135-2365046	6460	55	Mario & Luigi: Brotherhood for Nintendo Switch
2/10/2025	112-5531201-8988262	6055	36.95	Diablo IV - PlayStation 4
2/10/2025	112-7232311-7985846	6055	54.53	Kirby and the Forgotten Land - US Version
2/10/2025	112-3249623-2605005	5620 LC	6.49	1200 Pcs Acrylic Flatback Rhinestones,12 Different Shape Gems for DIY Craft Jewels Gemstone Wedding Birthday Decoration (6-13mm) (Acrylic)
2/10/2025	112-6639952-8863403	5620 LC	7.83	Craft County Wiggle Googly Eyes with Self-Adhesive - 600 Count - Assorted Sizes
2/10/2025	112-6669364-5434620	5620 LC	24.75	GUND Sesame Street Official Elmo Muppet Plush, Premium Plush Toy for Ages 1 & Up, Red, 13"
2/10/2025	112-2953321-9607437	5320	19.4	MaxMark Dater 2000 Self Inking Date Stamp - Black
2/10/2025	111-2431071-3472200	5601.02 BC 2-25	319.98	Beats Studio Pro - Wireless Bluetooth Noise Cancelling Headphones - Personalized Spatial Audio, USB-C Lossless Audio, Apple & Android Compatibility, Up to 40 Hours Battery Life - Black
2/10/2025	111-2431071-3472200	5601.02 BC 2-25		Polaroid Now 2nd Generation I-Type Instant Camera + Film Bundle - Now Black Camera + 16 Color Photos (6248)-Black
2/10/2025	113-8816424-9523444		17.74	100 PCS Adhesive Cable Clips White (Small & Large), Upgraded Wall Wire Holder for Cord Organizer Cable Management, Outdoor Light Clips Hooks for LED, Car Dash Cam, HDMI, Extension Cord
2/10/2025	113-8816424-9523444			UGREEN HDMI Extension Cable 4K HDMI Extender 3FT Male to Female Adapter Cord Compatible with Roku TV Stick PS5 PS4 Xbox Laptop PC Nintendo Switch Blu Ray Player Google Chromecast Wii U HDTV
2/10/2025	113-9588110-0356261		398	Roku Smart TV - 55-Inch Plus Series 4K QLED RokuTV with Roku Voice Remote Pro, Dolby Vision, Striking 4K Resolution, Automatic Brightness, & Seamless Streaming - Live Local News & Sports
2/9/2025	114-5716057-2325049	5620	0	mypush popo 24 Packs Robot Presents Bulk Rainbow Fidgets Classroom Students Gifts from Teacher, Mini Pop Christmas Prizes Party Favors for Kids
2/7/2025	112-5760687-0101843	5602	36.98	YISZM 2LB Succulent and Cactus Colorful Pebbles, 3/8 Inch Pebbles for Indoor Plants, Natural Decorative Polished River Rocks for Vases, Planters and Outdoor Gardening
2/7/2025	112-5760687-0101843	5602		Brajttt Mini Yogurt Jars 30 Pack, 7 oz Glass Favor Jars with Cork Lids, Pudding Containers with Lids, Mason Jar Wedding Favors Honey Pot with Label Tags and String
2/7/2025	114-9042784-5374643	5420	40.47	Softsoap Liquid Hand Soap Refill, Soothing Clean, Aloe Vera Fresh Scent - 1 gallon
2/6/2025	112-7119883-2654619	5602	36.98	Mix Horticultural Lava Rock Pebbles Pumice Potting Soil Amendment Succulent Cactus Bonsai Gritty Rock
2/6/2025	112-7119883-2654619	5602		Decorative Gravel Plant Drainage Volcanic Rock for Terrarium Fairy Gardening Top Dressing 2.2lb
2/6/2025	112-7119883-2654619	5602		Brajttt Mini Yogurt Jars 30 Pack, 7 oz Glass Favor Jars with Cork Lids, Pudding Containers with Lids, Mason Jar Wedding Favors Honey Pot with Label Tags and String
2/6/2025	112-9334497-7086665	5601.03 LC	9.99	Morcheiong 90 Sheets Rainbow Pattern Paper Set A5 Size Colorful Decorative Paper for DIY Craft Card Making
2/5/2025	114-8384500-0276262	5610	7.49	Scrapbook Decoration,10 Styles
2/5/2025	114-3853358-8852209	5310	9.84	U by Kotex Panty Liners, Clean & Secure, Light Absorbency, Long Length, 126 Count (Packaging May Vary)
2/5/2025	114-6063787-8000245	5310	22.45	MedPride Powder-Free Nitrile Exam Gloves (Small (Pack of 100))
2/4/2025	114-1924935-5365843	5601.3	309.86	FVS6328199 - Mini-Moo`s Creamers
2/4/2025	114-1924935-5365843	5601.3		HOGOKIDS 24 Pack Party Favors for Kids Building Set - 629PCS Marine Animals Building Blocks Toy for Goodie Bag
2/4/2025	114-1924935-5365843	5601.3		Stuffers Classroom Prizes, Valentines Day Easter Birthday Gift for Boys Girls Ages 6-12
2/4/2025	114-1924935-5365843	5601.3		Building Jewelry Craft Toys for Girls DIY Making Kit Princess Building blocks Stem Educational Toys Dress Up Girl Toys for 5 6 7 8 9 Year Old 6-8 8-10 Birthday Gift Idea Party Favor Crown Wand
2/4/2025	114-1924935-5365843	5601.3		Magnetic Blocks for Kids,Building Toys for Boys & Girls Ages 3-5 6-8 8-12. STEM Learning, Montessori, Fidget, Sensory Cubes. Magnet Tiles Block Gifts for Toddler 3+ Year Old
2/4/2025	114-1924935-5365843	5601.3		30Pack Mini Cars Building Blocks Party Favors for Kids - Small Fire Truck,City Police Car,Construction Vehicle for Goodies Bag Filling, Classroom Prizes for Boys 6-12
2/4/2025	114-1924935-5365843	5601.3		CuteTiger Mangetic Tiles, 100PCS Magnet Building Toys, Magnetic Building Set for Kids, Stacking Blocks, Perfect STEM Toys Gift for Boys and Girls
2/4/2025	114-1924935-5365843	5601.3		Galaxy Theme Infinity Cube Space Astronaut Infinity Toy Stress and Anxiety Relief Cool Hand Mini Kill Time Cube Toys for Teens Adults, 5 Styles (Graceful Style, 20 Pieces)
2/4/2025	114-5888591-6132221	5601.3	117.59	Like-New Amazon Fire HD 10 tablet, built for relaxation, 10.1" vibrant Full HD screen, octa-core processor, 3 GB RAM, latest model (2023 release), 32 GB, Black
2/4/2025	114-7641188-6382615	5620	48.78	Electric Pencil Sharpener Heavy Duty, AFMAT for Classroom, UL Listed Plug in Pencil Sharpener for 6.5-8mm
2/4/2025	114-5627028-5031400	5602	62.61	No.2/Colored Pencils, w/Upgraded Helical Blade(Sharpen 10000 Times)
2/4/2025	114-5627028-5031400	5602		Wildflower Seeds Bulk, 2 Oz. 80,000+ Seeds, Rocky Mountain Wildflower Seeds, 18 Non-GMO Varieties of Rocky Mountain Flower Seeds - Rocky Mountain Seed Mix for Planting - Pollinator Wildflower Seeds
Total			4,516.74	



Monthly statement

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Basalt Library

Account: MQU18040

Pay cycle: Auto once monthly*

Statement Summary

Balance (from previous cycle)	\$12,126.56
Transactions	\$8,782.22
Fees	\$0.00
Adjustments	\$0.00
Payments	-\$12,126.56
Statement balance	\$8,782.22

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Transactions

DATE	CARD	MERCHANT	AMOUNT	NAME
01/15/2025	**** 1835	NESPRESSO USA INC	\$47.33	Brittany Crooke
01/15/2025	**** 4480	GDP*Tom Regan	\$35.00	Steven GarciaMachuca
01/16/2025	**** 1835	AMAZON RETA* ZG45N3GH2	\$281.61	Brittany Crooke
01/16/2025	**** 7327	IN *ELM USA INC.	\$395.00	Kristen A Doyle
01/16/2025	**** 7327	INNOVATIVE USERS GROUP	\$550.00	Kristen A Doyle
01/16/2025	**** 4587	ULINE *SHIP SUPPLIES	\$743.82	Meghan Pearlman
01/16/2025	**** 7553	AMAZON MKTPL*ZG3JT7X32	\$34.55	Linda Campbell
01/16/2025	**** 7327	AMZN Mktp US*Z57MT06X0	\$125.49	Kristen A Doyle
01/16/2025	**** 1835	AMAZON MKTPL*ZG9IM25C2	\$67.09	Brittany Crooke
01/16/2025	**** 7327	AMAZON MKTPL*ZG9Z33HJ2	\$25.99	Kristen A Doyle
01/16/2025	**** 7553	AMAZON MKTPL*ZG6G69HK2	\$64.79	Linda Campbell
01/16/2025	**** 7553	Etsy.com - LearningWithF	\$18.79	Linda Campbell
01/16/2025	**** 1835	AMAZON RETA* ZG9R46M52	\$81.51	Brittany Crooke
01/17/2025	**** 1835	TIMBOS PIZZA	\$26.59	Brittany Crooke
01/18/2025	**** 7327	AMAZON MKTPL*Z59UK69S0	\$7.90	Kristen A Doyle
01/18/2025	**** 4587	AMZN Mktp US*Z57S13NY1	\$74.70	Meghan Pearlman
01/18/2025	**** 7370	BASALT PRINTING	\$18.58	Evelyn I Dominguez
01/18/2025	**** 9304	MOUNTAIN STATE EMPLOYE	\$435.00	Amy Shipley
01/18/2025	**** 7553	AMAZON MKTPL*Z56WK80K1	\$17.45	Linda Campbell
01/18/2025	**** 4587	Amazon.com*Z58ER5YV0	\$68.85	Meghan Pearlman
01/18/2025	**** 4587	Amazon.com*Z504T5YLO	\$71.65	Meghan Pearlman
01/18/2025	**** 7327	AMAZON MKTPL*Z53QX4YD0	\$28.70	Kristen A Doyle
01/18/2025	**** 1835	LOWES #01905*	\$26.61	Brittany Crooke
01/19/2025	**** 1835	AMAZON RETA* ZG2TR99Q2	\$108.60	Brittany Crooke
01/19/2025	**** 7553	Amazon.com	-\$14.99	Linda Campbell

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01/19/2025	**** 7553	Amazon.com	-\$59.96	Linda Campbell
01/19/2025	**** 7553	Amazon.com	-\$134.91	Linda Campbell
01/19/2025	**** 7553	Amazon.com	-\$89.94	Linda Campbell
01/19/2025	**** 7553	Amazon.com	-\$119.92	Linda Campbell
01/20/2025	**** 4587	Amazon.com*Z58L18B81	\$27.70	Meghan Pearlman
01/21/2025	**** 7553	AMZN Mktp US*Z59AH7DJ1	\$29.89	Linda Campbell
01/23/2025	**** 0011	BOOK OUTLET	\$122.94	Elizabeth DeWetter
01/25/2025	**** 2151	Amazon.com*ZG3N71IC0	\$13.89	Christy Baumgarten
01/25/2025	**** 7553	AMAZON MKTPL*ZG4IW1IH0	\$36.42	Linda Campbell
01/25/2025	**** 7327	CLIC	\$25.00	Kristen A Doyle
01/25/2025	**** 7553	AMAZON MKTPL*ZC2RD7U02	\$38.99	Linda Campbell
01/26/2025	**** 7327	REI.COM 800-426-4840	\$719.80	Kristen A Doyle
01/26/2025	**** 7553	Amazon.com	-\$13.99	Linda Campbell
01/26/2025	**** 7553	Amazon.com	-\$13.99	Linda Campbell
01/26/2025	**** 7553	AMAZON MKTPL*ZG1IP4B01	\$339.63	Linda Campbell
01/28/2025	**** 1835	CITY-MARKET #0433	\$73.05	Brittany Crooke
01/28/2025	**** 7553	Amazon.com*Z795N6112	\$96.68	Linda Campbell
01/29/2025	**** 1835	Prime Video *ZG7DJ9R11	\$4.32	Brittany Crooke
01/30/2025	**** 4587	AMAZON MKTPL*ZC0RI2ZC1	\$31.91	Meghan Pearlman
01/30/2025	**** 4587	AMAZON MKTPL*Z73DK5B72	\$69.00	Meghan Pearlman
01/30/2025	**** 7327	AMAZON MKTPL*ZC85X7JJ1	\$15.58	Kristen A Doyle
01/31/2025	**** 9304	AMZ*AvidMax	\$72.54	Amy Shipley
01/31/2025	**** 4480	CITY-MARKET #0433	\$23.95	Steven GarciaMachuca
02/01/2025	**** 7553	AMAZON MKTPL*ZC1YM0WB0	\$38.98	Linda Campbell
02/01/2025	**** 2151	GOOGLE*GSUITE BASALTLI	\$326.40	Christy Baumgarten
02/04/2025	**** 2151	TMOBILE POSTPAID WEB	\$693.06	Christy Baumgarten
02/05/2025	**** 1835	Nintendo CA1352228324	\$59.99	Brittany Crooke
02/05/2025	**** 4228	AMAZON MKTPL*J46WI87N3	\$62.61	Laura Baumgarten
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02/06/2025	**** 4228	AMAZON MKTPL*Z77XG7T91	\$259.88	Laura Baumgarten
02/06/2025	**** 4228	Amazon.com*Z76LH5QR0	\$117.59	Laura Baumgarten
02/06/2025	**** 4587	Amazon.com*Z73AC6AA1	\$7.49	Meghan Pearlman
02/06/2025	**** 9304	DREAMTIME WATER DIST	\$148.90	Amy Shipley
02/06/2025	**** 4587	AMAZON MKTPL*Z77V830B1	\$9.84	Meghan Pearlman
02/06/2025	**** 4587	AMZN Mktp US*Z75GC81S1	\$22.45	Meghan Pearlman
02/07/2025	**** 7553	AMAZON MKTPL*Z728A5V41	\$9.99	Linda Campbell
02/07/2025	**** 4587	Amazon.com*R35WM1GD3	\$40.47	Meghan Pearlman
02/08/2025	**** 7553	AMAZON MKTPL*O73EK7JG3	\$36.98	Linda Campbell
02/08/2025	**** 7553	AMAZON MKTPL*Z710328A1	\$33.98	Linda Campbell
02/09/2025	**** 3542	CITY-MARKET #0433	\$227.62	Delaney A Meyers
02/09/2025	**** 3542	FSP*ASPENALT	\$220.00	Delaney A Meyers
02/09/2025	**** 3542	FSP*ASPENALT	\$220.00	Delaney A Meyers
02/10/2025	**** 1835	TST*NEW YORK PIZZA - BAS	\$111.06	Brittany Crooke
02/11/2025	**** 1835	AMAZON MKTPL*CE1PG7J03	\$179.99	Brittany Crooke
02/11/2025	**** 7327	AMAZON MKTPL*WI4KN01T3	\$36.95	Kristen A Doyle
02/11/2025	**** 7553	AMZN Mktp US*EI7QS5723	\$7.83	Linda Campbell
02/11/2025	**** 7553	AMZN Mktp US*OY6IU0GI3	\$24.75	Linda Campbell
02/11/2025	**** 7327	AMZN Mktp US*707ZJ4933	\$51.90	Kristen A Doyle
02/12/2025	**** 7553	AMAZON MKTPL*6H5P54P33	\$6.49	Linda Campbell
02/12/2025	**** 7327	AMAZON MKTPL*V42E82RU3	\$43.99	Kristen A Doyle
02/12/2025	**** 7327	AMAZON MKTPL*NH19V5953	\$54.80	Kristen A Doyle
02/12/2025	**** 7327	Milk Street Magazine	\$49.95	Kristen A Doyle
02/12/2025	**** 7327	AMAZON MKTPL*BR6E25O13	\$19.40	Kristen A Doyle
02/12/2025	**** 4587	APPLICATION USER FEE	\$275.00	Meghan Pearlman
02/12/2025	**** 2151	AMAZON MKTPL*HD0F60VV3	\$17.74	Christy Baumgarten
02/12/2025	**** 7327	CLIC	\$30.00	Kristen A Doyle
02/13/2025	**** 2151	Amazon.com*S658251U3	\$398.00	Christy Baumgarten
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02/13/2025	**** 9304	AMAZON MKTPL*TM6O27Q73	\$13.98	Amy Shipley
02/13/2025	**** 7327	AMAZON MKTPL*AH8CD2GS3	\$59.61	Kristen A Doyle
02/14/2025	**** 1835	TIMBOS PIZZA	\$26.59	Brittany Crooke
Total			\$8,782.22	

**BASALT REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-03**

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION’S LIBRARY BILL OF RIGHTS

WHEREAS, the Basalt Regional Library District (BRLD) Board of Trustees oversees the operation and promotion of the county library system in order to carry out the informational, educational, cultural, and recreational role of the county library; and

WHEREAS, the American Library Association (ALA) is the oldest and largest library association in the world. Founded in 1876, the mission of the ALA is to provide leadership for the development, promotion, and improvement of library and information services and the profession of librarianship in order to enhance learning and ensure access to information for all; and

WHEREAS, the ALA adopted a Library Bill of Rights in 1939 that was most recently updated in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the BRLD Board of Trustees desires to recognize and support the ALA Library Bill of Rights as a guiding document in assisting BRLD to promulgate rules and policies for the library.

NOW, THEREFORE, having duly met at a regular meeting and considered the matter, the BRLD Board of Trustees, do hereby resolve to support the American Library Association (ALA) Library Bill of Rights (2019 version) as a guiding document to assist BRLD to promulgate rules and policies for the library. **(Attached hereto as Attachment A)**

Adopted on the _____ day of March, 2025.

BASALT REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT
ATTEST:

Elaine Nagey, President

Carolyn Kane, Vice President

ATTACHMENT A
LIBRARY BILL OF RIGHTS

The American Library Association affirms that all libraries are forums for information and ideas, and that the following basic policies should guide their services.

I. Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation.

II. Libraries should provide materials and information presenting all points of view on current and historical issues. Materials should not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.

III. Libraries should challenge censorship in the fulfillment of their responsibility to provide information and enlightenment.

IV. Libraries should cooperate with all persons and groups concerned with resisting abridgment of free expression and free access to ideas.

V. A person's right to use a library should not be denied or abridged because of origin, age, background, or views.

VI. Libraries which make exhibit spaces and meeting rooms available to the public they serve should make such facilities available on an equitable basis, regardless of the beliefs or affiliations of individuals or groups requesting their use.

VII. All people, regardless of origin, age, background, or views, possess a right to privacy and confidentiality in their library use. Libraries should advocate for, educate about, and protect people's privacy, safeguarding all library use data, including personally identifiable information.

Adopted June 19, 1939, by the ALA Council; amended October 14, 1944; June 18, 1948; February

2, 1961; June 27, 1967; January 23, 1980; January 29, 2019.

Inclusion of "age" reaffirmed January 23, 1996.

**BASALT REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-04**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION’S FREEDOM TO READ
STATEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Basalt Regional Library District (BRLD) Board of Trustees oversees the operation and promotion of the library in order to carry out the informational, educational, cultural, and recreational role of the library; and

WHEREAS, the American Library Association (ALA) is the oldest and largest library association in the world. Founded in 1876, the mission of the ALA is to provide leadership for the development, promotion, and improvement of library and information services and the profession of librarianship in order to enhance learning and ensure access to information for all; and

WHEREAS, the ALA adopted a Freedom to Read Statement in 1953 that was most recently updated in 2004; and

WHEREAS, the BRLD Board of Trustees desires to recognize and support the ALA Freedom to Read Statement as a guiding document in assisting BRLD to promulgate rules and policies for the library.

NOW, THEREFORE, having duly met at a regular meeting and considered the matter, the BRLD Board of Trustees, do hereby resolve to support the ALA Freedom to Read Statement (2004 version) as a guiding document to assist BRLD to promulgate rules and policies for the library. **(Attached hereto as Attachment A)**

Adopted on the _____ day of March, 2025.

BASALT REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT
ATTEST:

Elaine Nagey, President

Carolyn Kane, Vice President

ATTACHMENT A

THE FREEDOM TO READ STATEMENT

The freedom to read is essential to our democracy. It is continuously under attack. Private groups and public authorities in various parts of the country are working to remove or limit access to reading materials, to censor content in schools, to label "controversial" views, to distribute lists of "objectionable" books or authors, and to purge libraries. These actions apparently rise from a view that our national tradition of free expression is no longer valid; that censorship and suppression are needed to counter threats to safety or national security, as well as to avoid the subversion of politics and the corruption of morals. We, as individuals devoted to reading and as librarians and publishers responsible for disseminating ideas, wish to assert the public interest in the preservation of the freedom to read.

Most attempts at suppression rest on a denial of the fundamental premise of democracy: that the ordinary individual, by exercising critical judgment, will select the good and reject the bad. We trust Americans to recognize propaganda and misinformation, and to make their own decisions about what they read and believe. We do not believe they are prepared to sacrifice their heritage of a free press in order to be "protected" against what others think may be bad for them. We believe they still favor free enterprise in ideas and expression.

These efforts at suppression are related to a larger pattern of pressures being brought against education, the press, art and images, films, broadcast media, and the Internet. The problem is not only one of actual censorship. The shadow of fear cast by these pressures leads, we suspect, to an even larger voluntary curtailment of expression by those who seek to avoid controversy or unwelcome scrutiny by government officials.

Such pressure toward conformity is perhaps natural to a time of accelerated change. And yet suppression is never more dangerous than in such a time of social tension. Freedom has given the United States the elasticity to endure strain. Freedom keeps open the path of novel and creative solutions, and enables change to come by choice. Every silencing of a heresy, every enforcement of an orthodoxy, diminishes the toughness and resilience of our society and leaves it the less able to deal with controversy and difference.

Now as always in our history, reading is among our greatest freedoms. The freedom to read and write is almost the only means for making generally available ideas or manners of expression that can initially command only a small audience. The written word is the natural medium for the new idea and the untried voice from which come the original contributions to social growth. It is essential to the extended discussion that serious thought requires, and to the accumulation of knowledge and ideas into organized collections.

We believe that free communication is essential to the preservation of a free society and a creative culture. We believe that these pressures toward conformity present the danger of limiting the range and variety of inquiry and expression on which our democracy and our

culture depend. We believe that every American community must jealously guard the freedom to publish and to circulate, in order to preserve its own freedom to read. We believe that publishers and librarians have a profound responsibility to give validity to that freedom to read by making it possible for the readers to choose freely from a variety of offerings.

The freedom to read is guaranteed by the Constitution. Those with faith in free people will stand firm on these constitutional guarantees of essential rights and will exercise the responsibilities that accompany these rights.

We therefore affirm these propositions:

1. It is in the public interest for publishers and librarians to make available the widest diversity of views and expressions, including those that are unorthodox, unpopular, or considered dangerous by the majority.

Creative thought is by definition new, and what is new is different. The bearer of every new thought is a rebel until that idea is refined and tested. Totalitarian systems attempt to maintain themselves in power by the ruthless suppression of any concept that challenges the established orthodoxy. The power of a democratic system to adapt to change is vastly strengthened by the freedom of its citizens to choose widely from among conflicting opinions offered freely to them. To stifle every nonconformist idea at birth would mark the end of the democratic process. Furthermore, only through the constant activity of weighing and selecting can the democratic mind attain the strength demanded by times like these. We need to know not only what we believe but why we believe it.

2. Publishers, librarians, and booksellers do not need to endorse every idea or presentation they make available. It would conflict with the public interest for them to establish their own political, moral, or aesthetic views as a standard for determining what should be published or circulated.

Publishers and librarians serve the educational process by helping to make available knowledge and ideas required for the growth of the mind and the increase of learning. They do not foster education by imposing as mentors the patterns of their own thought. The people should have the freedom to read and consider a broader range of ideas than those that may be held by any single librarian or publisher or government or church. It is wrong that what one can read should be confined to what another thinks proper.

3. It is contrary to the public interest for publishers or librarians to bar access to writings on the basis of the personal history or political affiliations of the author.

No art or literature can flourish if it is to be measured by the political views or private lives of its creators. No society of free people can flourish that draws up lists of writers to whom it will not listen, whatever they may have to say.

4. There is no place in our society for efforts to coerce the taste of others, to confine adults to the reading matter deemed suitable for adolescents, or to inhibit the efforts of writers to achieve artistic expression.

To some, much of modern expression is shocking. But is not much of life itself shocking? We cut off literature at the source if we prevent writers from dealing with the stuff of life. Parents and teachers have a responsibility to prepare the young to meet the diversity of experiences in life to which they will be exposed, as they have a responsibility to help them learn to think critically for themselves. These are affirmative responsibilities, not to be discharged simply by preventing

them from reading works for which they are not yet prepared. In these matters values differ, and values cannot be legislated; nor can machinery be devised that will suit the demands of one group without limiting the freedom of others.

5. It is not in the public interest to force a reader to accept the prejudgment of a label characterizing any expression or its author as subversive or dangerous.

The ideal of labeling presupposes the existence of individuals or groups with wisdom to determine by authority what is good or bad for others. It presupposes that individuals must be directed in making up their minds about the ideas they examine. But Americans do not need others to do their thinking for them.

6. It is the responsibility of publishers and librarians, as guardians of the people's freedom to read, to contest encroachments upon that freedom by individuals or groups seeking to impose their own standards or tastes upon the community at large; and by the government whenever it seeks to reduce or deny public access to public information.

It is inevitable in the give and take of the democratic process that the political, the moral, or the aesthetic concepts of an individual or group will occasionally collide with those of another individual or group. In a free society individuals are free to determine for themselves what they wish to read, and each group is free to determine what it will recommend to its freely associated members. But no group has the right to take the law into its own hands, and to impose its own concept of politics or morality upon other members of a democratic society. Freedom is no freedom if it is accorded only to the accepted and the inoffensive. Further, democratic societies are more safe, free, and creative when the free flow of public information is not restricted by governmental prerogative or self-censorship.

7. It is the responsibility of publishers and librarians to give full meaning to the freedom to read by providing books that enrich the quality and diversity of thought and expression. By the exercise of this affirmative responsibility, they can demonstrate that the answer to a "bad" book is a good one, the answer to a "bad" idea is a good one.

The freedom to read is of little consequence when the reader cannot obtain matter fit for that reader's purpose. What is needed is not only the absence of restraint, but the positive provision of opportunity for the people to read the best that has been thought and said. Books are the major channel by which the intellectual inheritance is handed down, and the principal means of its testing and growth. The defense of the freedom to read requires of all publishers and librarians the utmost of their faculties, and deserves of all Americans the fullest of their support.

We state these propositions neither lightly nor as easy generalizations. We here stake out a lofty claim for the value of the written word. We do so because we believe that it is possessed of enormous variety and usefulness, worthy of cherishing and keeping free. We realize that the application of these propositions may mean the dissemination of ideas and manners of expression that are repugnant to many persons. We do not state these propositions in the comfortable belief that what people read is unimportant. We believe rather that what people read is deeply important; that ideas can be dangerous; but that the suppression of ideas is fatal to a democratic society. Freedom itself is a dangerous way of life, but it is ours.

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