



# HCPLibrary Update 2026

# HCPL Expenditures (State Avg %)

<b>52.80%</b>	Salaries & Benefits (61%)
<b>17.79%</b>	Collection (14%)
<b>1.69%</b>	Supplies (2%)
<b>16.70%</b>	Other Services (19%)
<b>11.02%</b>	Capital (4%)



# 2025 Stats

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**21,475**

Cardholders



**459,144**

Visits to library  
locations



**252,190**

Items on shelves



**19,190**

People attended  
**874** events



**634,052**

Physical items  
borrowed (68%)



**293,241**

Digital items  
borrowed (32%)

# Student Cards

We have issued cards to all students attending a county school since 2018. 25,377 total!

Students have checked out over 89,000 items.



# Electronic Resources

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**17,525** movies, TV shows, and documentaries watched

**151,767** audiobooks listened to

**118,005** e-books read

**5,944** songs played

**665** tutoring sessions



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# Beyond the Bookshelf

## Experience Passes

- Free or reduced admission to parks and cultural sites across Indiana.

## Library of Things

- Board game collections, learning tools, puzzles, early learning kits, Blu-ray players, projectors, iPads, wifi hotspots, and more.

## Events & Spaces

- **6,372** people used a study room
- **53,773** public computer sessions
- **19,190** people attended **874** programs

# Personalized For You

## Book a Librarian

- One-on-one help with professional librarians for research, technology or genealogy assistance.

## Next Great Read

- Librarians will help you with reading recommendations.
- Parents can request a stack of books for their kids based on age and interests.

## Interlibrary Loans

- Request an item from another library.





# Service Wherever You Are

## Bookmobile

- **466** stops in 2025, serving **17,930** people.
- Wilkinson, Shirley, local healthcare communities, schools, and many more.

## Delivery Services

- The Bookmobile will deliver and pick up materials for patrons.
- **153** homebound patrons served.
- **196** special collections were delivered to teachers in 2025.





# Remote Locker

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- Select "Eastern Hancock Pickup Lockers" as the pickup location or call 317-462-5141 ext. 240.
- Items are delivered to the lockers on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
- Return your items to the white return bin located directly across from the new book locker.

# Summer Reading

- 4,183 participants read 8,499,955 minutes.
- 8,903 people participated in 237 special programs and activities.





2,671 Enrolled

3,325 Graduated

Imagination Library in Hancock County is provided by a partnership between The Community Foundation of Hancock County and the Hancock County Public Library - <https://givehcgrowhc.org/imagination-library/>

## Study: Imagination Library makes impact on test scores

By **SHELLEY SWIFT** | DAILY REPORTER  
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A new study released Monday illustrates how Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program impacts children's literacy skills, showcasing a big win for the charitable book program.

Imagination Library is a book gifting program that mails free, high-quality books to children each month, from birth to age five, no matter their family's income.

Parton, a country music superstar, rolled out the program in 1995 and it quickly grew, making its way to Hancock County in 2016 through the Community Foundation of Hancock County.

In 2021 — when the earliest local recipients were entering kindergarten — a study was launched by Dr. Jerrell Cassady, a professor in Ball State University's Educational Psychology Department.

Cassady authored the study  
(SEE LIBRARY PAGE A5)



Kendra Ball reads a book provided by the Imagination Library to daughter Kayla in this 2017 photo. Kayla Ball was the first child enrolled in Hancock County's Imagination Library after its 2015 launch.

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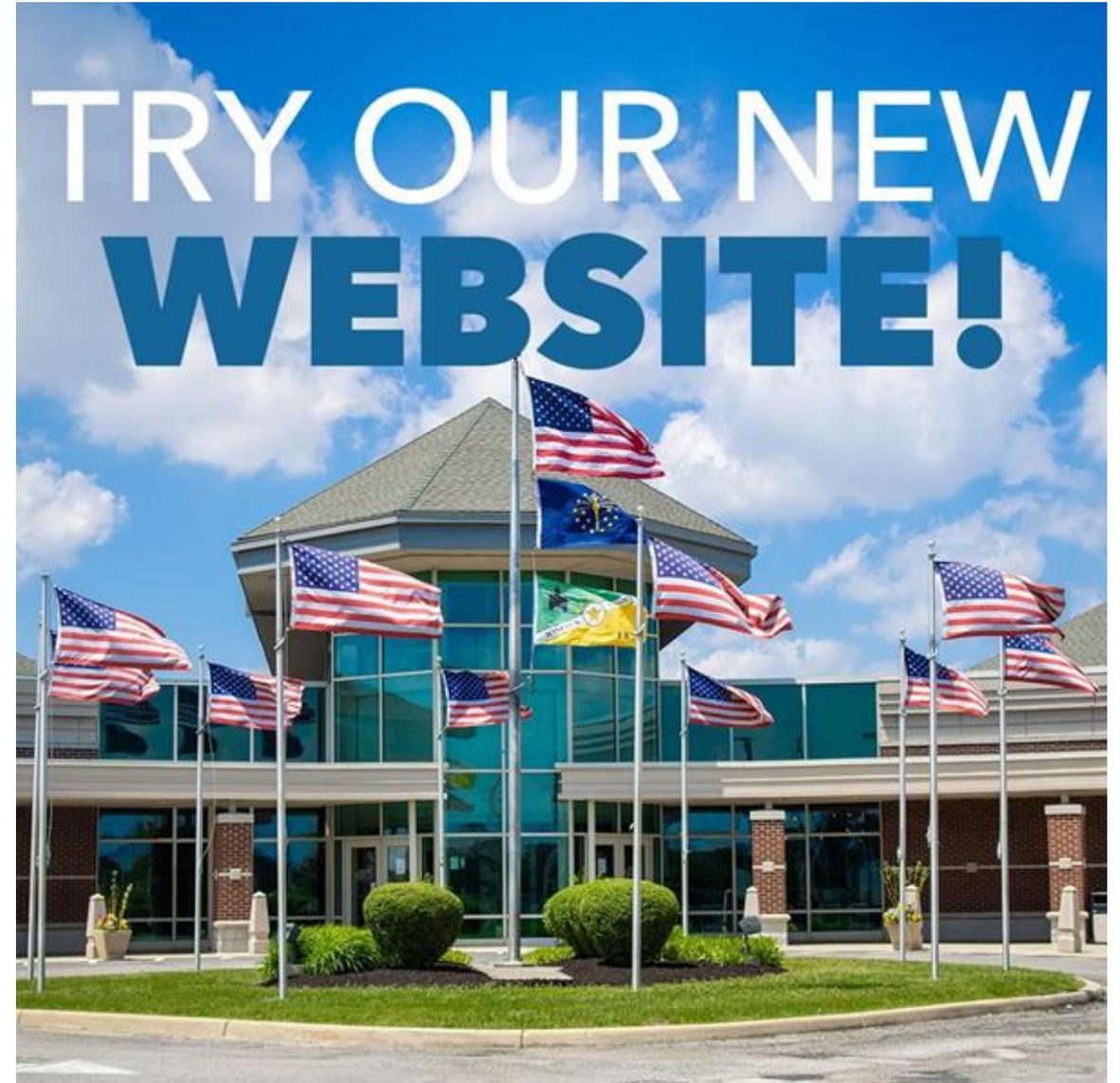
<https://www.greenfieldreporter.com/2025/12/17/in-the-books-study-finds-imagination-library-makes-big-impact-on-reading-scores/>

- Carthage – 3
- Charlottesville – 18
- Fishers - 1
- Fortville – 276
- Fountaintown – 24
- Greenfield – 1,311
- Indy/Cumberland – 54
- Markleville – 2
- Maxwell – 4
- McCordsville – 499
- Morristown – 3
- New Palestine – 381
- Pendleton – 5
- Shirley – 14
- Wilkinson – 71
- Willow Branch – 4
- Woodbury - 1

# Website Redesign/App Upgrade

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- Fully redeveloped website to better feature library services and spaces.
- WCAG 2.0 compliant (accessibility).
- Refreshed mobile app for better account management.





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