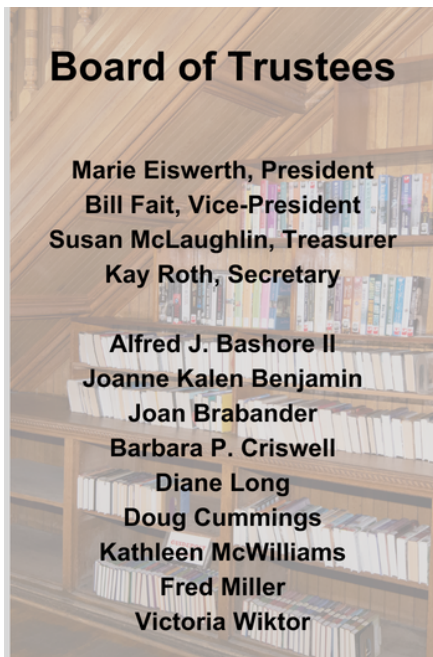


November 2023

Dear Friend,

Exciting events and activities happen at the Thomas Beaver Free Library every day. As you walk through the beautiful historic building, you can hear the sounds of people gathered together:

- Playing and learning Chess, Bridge, or Mahjong
- Discussing a book in the BookWorm's Book Club
- Coaching each other in the Mill Street Writers or at Twisted Stitches
- Sharing their experiences in a Talking Circle
- Centering themselves with Chair Yoga
- Creating masterpieces on LEGO Night
- Giggling during StoryTime or Toddler PlayTime
- Reading the newspapers and chatting about the news
- Strengthening their computer skills with our staff
- Improving their English with a Learning Partner



There is something for everyone at the library, whether you are attending a program, using the printer, looking for a good read or movie, or seeking a comfortable place to work, study, or converse.

The library is truly a special place for people in the community and a place for building community.

All these wonderful things do not just happen.

We need your help.

Please give generously to our annual appeal today. Your donation will enable the library to remain a guiding light for the community. With your help the library can continue to provide free resources, tools, and programs that benefit you and your neighbors.

Will You Help Keep Our Library A Vibrant Resource for All?

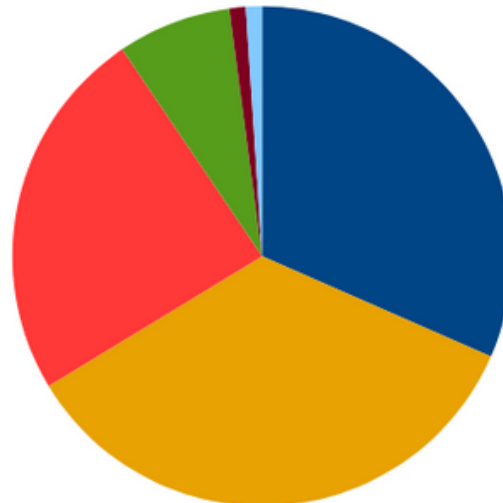
The Thomas Beaver Free Library could not exist without your support. You are crucial to preserving the library as a valuable community resource that enhances the quality of life for us all.

The Thomas Beaver Free Library is free to use; it is not free to operate.

We are grateful to have received 23% of our operational funding in 2022 from the State of Pennsylvania; however, **30% came from donations and 33% from bequests.**

We have set a goal of \$50,000 for this year's annual appeal. This amount should cover the cost of library materials, programming, and utilities to keep us up and running in 2024.

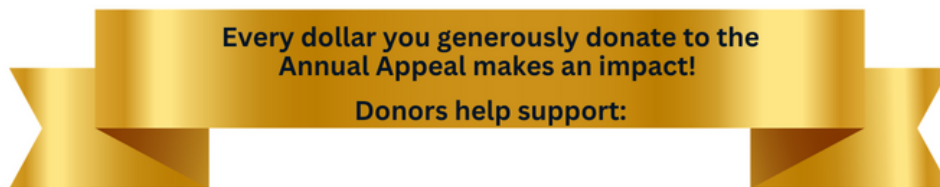
We estimate our utilities alone will cost \$16,000.



Operating Revenue Sources in 2022

- Donations 30%
- Bequests 33%
- PA Dept of Education 23%
- Investment Income 7%
- Fees 1%
- Local Government 1%

Your gift today will make a big difference tomorrow and throughout the year. To make a donation, please mail a check in the enclosed envelope, visit our website at <https://tbflibrary.org>, or scan the QR code.



Children's Programs

StoryTime,
PlayTime, Lego
Night,
SuperSaturdays



Technology

Computers,
Free Internet
Access,
Copiers, Faxes



Spaces

Tables and rooms
for individuals and
groups to meet
and work



Collections

New books, DVDs
Audiobooks,
Newspapers, and
Magazines



Adult Programs

BookWorms,
Knitters, Chess,
Bridge, Mahjong,
Mill Street Writers,
Talking Circles,
Chair Yoga

Please know that every donation, large or small, helps. If you cannot contribute financially, you can support the library by spreading the word about why the Thomas Beaver Free Library is essential to you and the community.

Thank you,
Marie Eiswerth

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