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Civics 101

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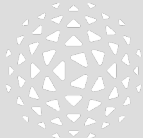
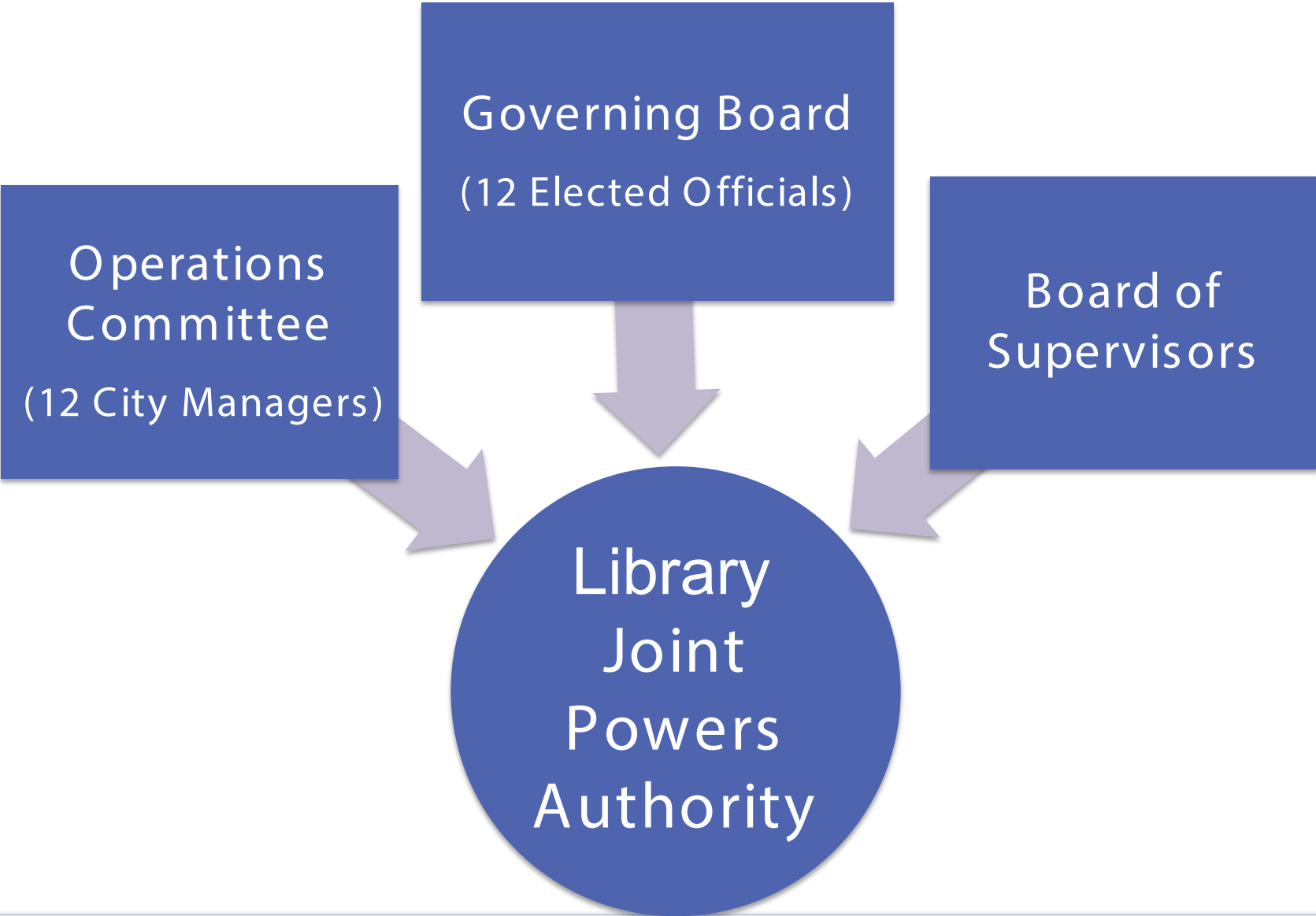
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Established in 1912



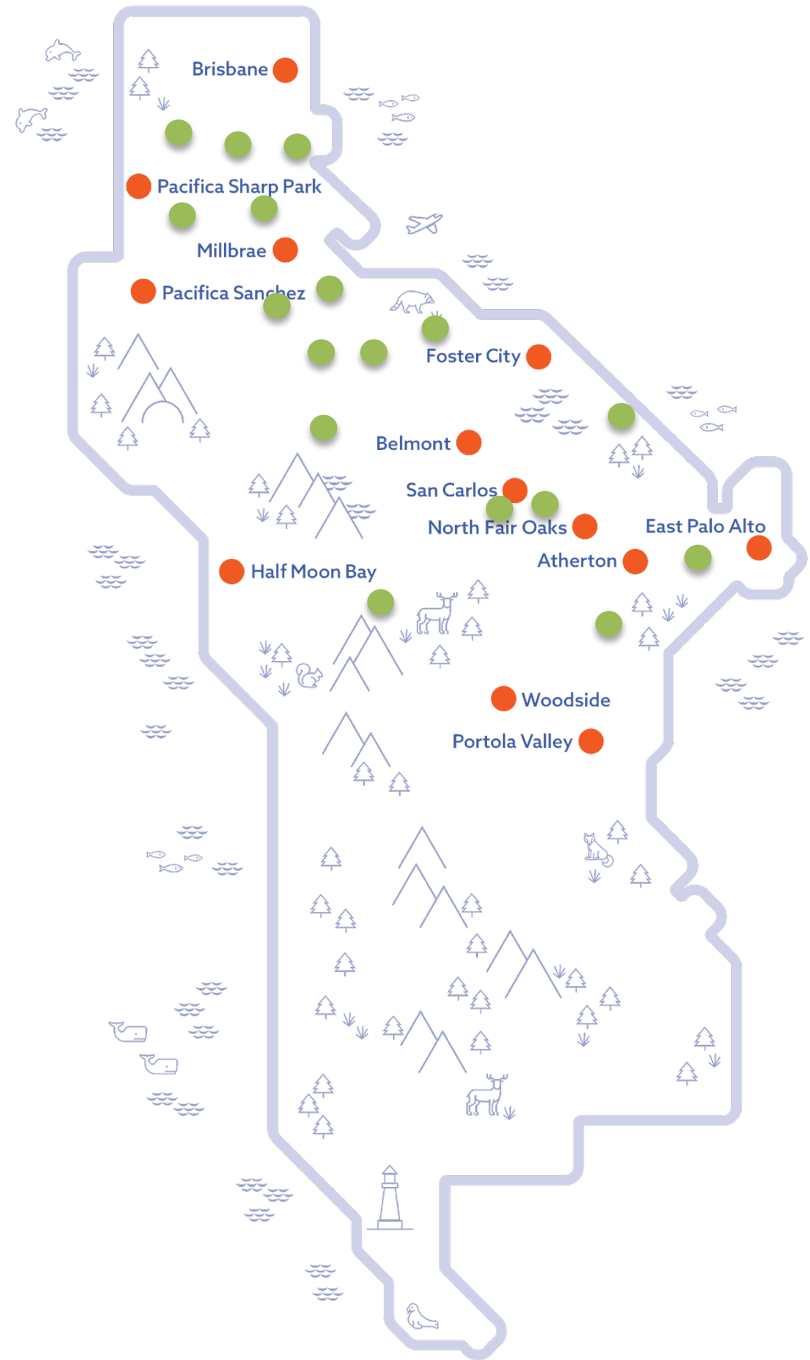




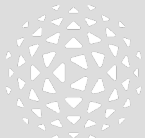
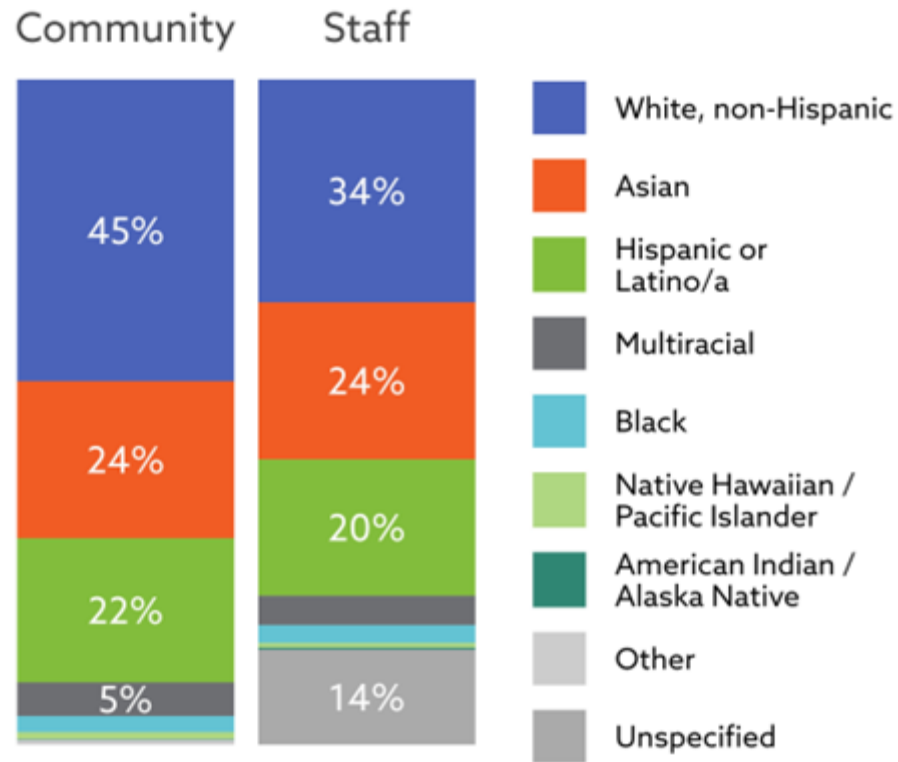
- Atherton
- Belmont
- Brisbane
- East Palo Alto
- Foster City
- Half Moon Bay
- Millbrae
- North Fair Oaks
- Pacifica Sanchez
- Pacifica Sharp Park
- Portola Valley
- San Carlos
- Woodside

A total of 35 libraries in San Mateo County

- Daly City
- South San Francisco
- San Bruno
- Burlingame
- San Mateo
- Redwood City
- Menlo Park
- Community Colleges



Demographics

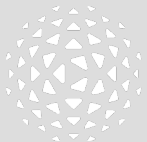


Demographics



37% of the total County population is in our service area

At home, **15%** of our community speaks Spanish, **8%** speak Chinese and **15%** speak another language.



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Library Champions



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"I can't thank this library enough for transforming my life to educate my son through real experiences"
—Library Patron

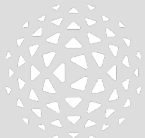


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Year in Numbers



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Systemwide Year in Numbers

2.7M

Website Visitors

10,310

Total Programs
and Events

4.9M

WiFi Sessions

40,630

Laptops Circulated

1.7M

Library Visitors

13,370

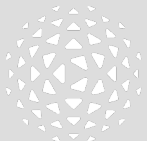
Active
Cardholders

2.4M

Items
Circulated

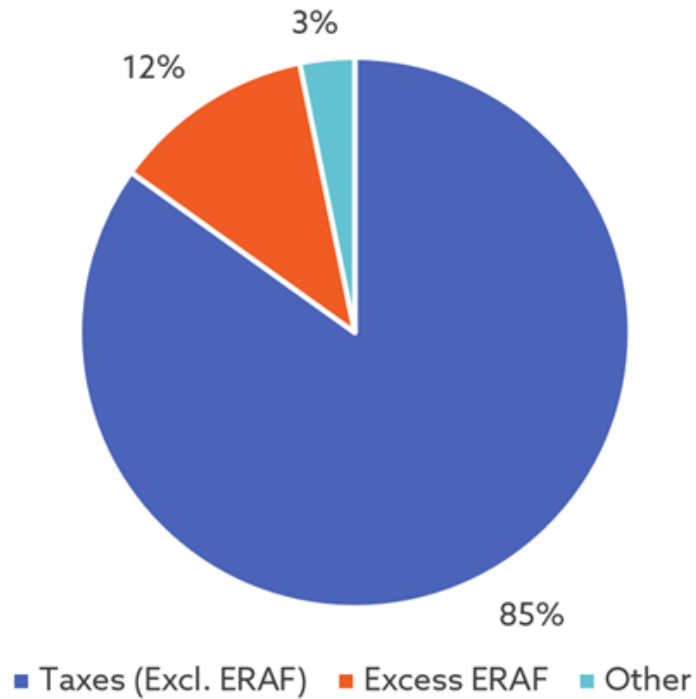
9,410

Hotspot
Checkouts

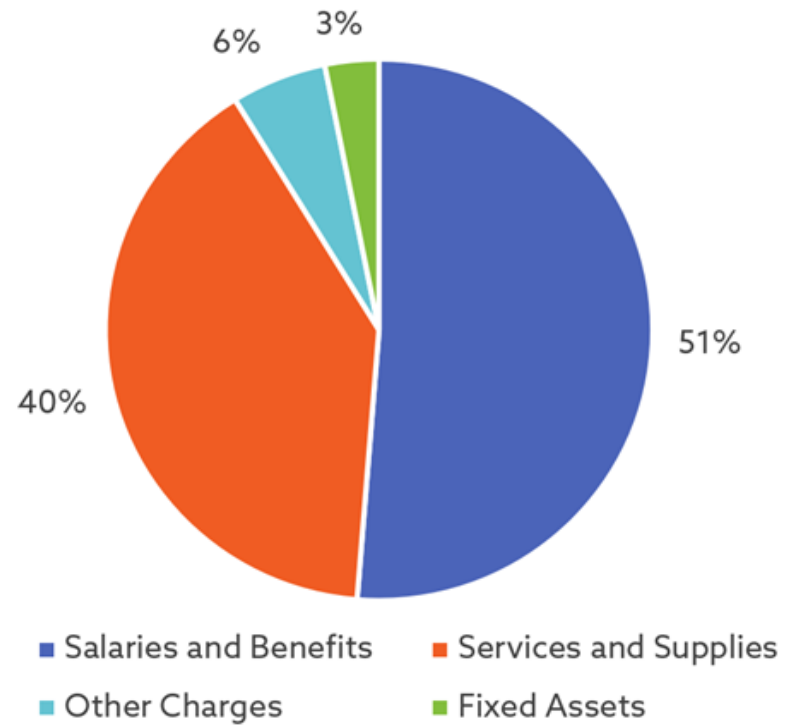


Revenues and Expenditures

FY 2024-25 Budgeted Revenue



FY 2024-25 Budgeted Expenditures



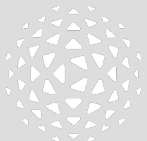
Strategic Plan

Vision

San Mateo County Libraries ignite growth through transformative experiences

Mission

San Mateo County Libraries strengthen our community by creating an inclusive sense of place and environment for learning



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Our Goals

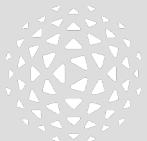
We cultivate an active presence and create spaces that support discovery, enrich lives and uplift the community

We are leaders in establishing a foundation of early literacy and supporting exploration and growth at every stage of life

We understand needs and promote meaningful library services as solutions



Accomplishments



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English Language Support



16,000

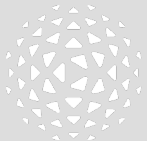
Volunteer hours

5,700

ESL attendees

Transformative Experiences

Celebrating the solar eclipse with NASA talks, livestream viewing parties, and over 15,000 eclipse glasses for our community members



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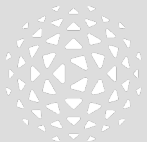
Inspiring Summers

1,038

Children Served

10%

Increase in
Program
Completion



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Everyone Is A Maker



Responsive Services



“Free diapers and wipes can make a big difference for families struggling with the high cost of living in the Bay Area.”

—Sara McDowell,
Library Board Member and
San Carlos Councilmember

Engaging Older Adults



550
wellness programs

6650
attendees



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Technology Access



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Free Community Meals



“San Mateo County Libraries is designing spaces, programs and services to fill critical resource gaps in our communities.”

—Congresswoman
Jackie Speier

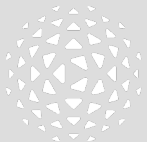
My Summer Adventure



Our partnership with San Mateo County Parks led to a summer adventure filled with outdoor events.

East Palo Alto Library Upgrades

This winter, we welcomed our community back to the newly transformed space with facility upgrades and customer-focused interior improvements.



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Millbrae Makerspace

After a successful renovation, the new Makerspace at the Millbrae Library opened this spring. The former computer lab has been reimaged into a new, state-of-the-art creative technology space.

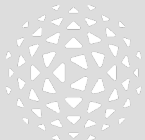




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Thank you

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