

ABOUT CHARLES COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

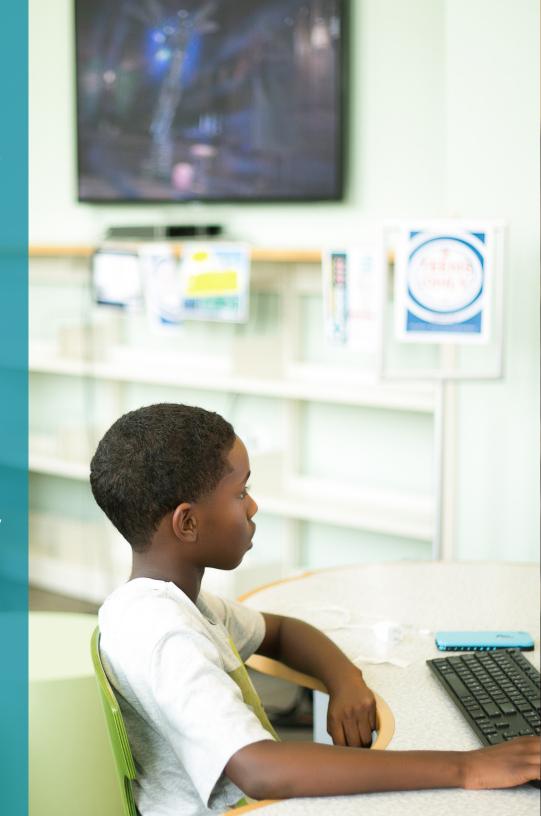
The Charles County Public Library (CCPL) was originally formed in 1922 by the Homemaker's Club of Charles County with the help of Extension Agent Paul Dennis "P.D." Brown. The first library was housed in La Plata on the second floor of the old town jail (which still stands behind the County Courthouse today). The collection contained 3,000 volumes and additional books were delivered by railroad from Baltimore's Enoch Pratt Free Library.

Much has changed since the books arrived by train and were kept in a jail. CCPL now has four physical buildings--Waldorf West, P.D. Brown Memorial Branch, La Plata, Potomac and a mobile library. CCPL has a staff of more than 80 full-time and part-time employees. Our four branches house over 200,000 volumes of printed material, audio books, film, and other documents. Currently, there are over 70,000 county residents who have library cards and that number grows every day.

The Community We Serve

Charles County, Maryland is located just 18 miles south of Washington, D.C. and is bordered by Prince George's, Calvert, and St. Mary's counties. The current population is 154,747. Key industries for Charles County are federal/defense contracting; science/technology; health services; energy and sustainability; and robotics.

Charles County is home to a young, well-educated population. The median age of the population is 38 years old. Thirty-eight percent of the population holds a bachelor's degree or higher. Charles County is becoming more diverse as well, with 44% of the population being African American, 5% Hispanic, 3% Asian, and 1% Native American. Forty-eight percent of the population is White.





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IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY

Through our diverse and varied programs and services, we were able to offer our community unique experiences, as well as educational assistance that is not offered anywhere else. CCPL's mission is to create opportunities to engage, discover, and learn.

We are honored to be a trusted source for information, helping our community navigate through the overwhelming amount of information available to them, regardless of format: book, website, database, audio/video file, etc. We are also a place for community gathering, a neutral place for community conversations that allows for all viewpoints to be heard. We are a center for job seekers to get help with job searches and resume writing, and we even hold hiring events at the library.

As an integral part of community education, we hold classes on everything from early literacy to coding to Microsoft Office applications. Our branches provide space for crafting, book talks, computer use, story-times, gaming events, content creation, business meetings and much more.



"I just wanted to let you know how much I enjoyed the Library's Tea & Trivia program at P. D. Brown celebrating Native Americans and their culture and history. I thought the program was absolutely wonderful, informative, educational, and engaging. I learned a few things about Native Americans and their cultural heritage that I was not aware of--a plus for me, and kudos to your staff for having brought it to my (and those in attendance) attention."

- Bob Martin, library patron





IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY

CCPL also had many productive, community-enriching partnerships in 2018:

- With JobSource Mobile Career Center, we've offered assistance to 244 job seekers looking for help with resumes and job applications.
- Through partnerships with the Departments of Social Services, Aging and Economic Development we've introduced our community to services they may not have been aware of: adoption and fostering programs, Adult CARE services, Medicare planning and Veterans Benefits and business and economic development services.
- In partnering with the Registrar of Wills, the Small Business Development Center, the Foundation Center, Tri-County Youth Services Bureau and other groups we've highlighted ways for our community to improve their lives, protect their assets and build a stronger future for Charles County.
- Our partnership with Lifestyles of Maryland Foundation, Inc. has allowed us to help 129 families with tax preparation, as well as provide a free shower program. We have expanded this partnership enabling us to double our offerings of the program per month.
- Our children's programming offers a variety of activities for all ages and abilities, from art to science, to music, to homeschool-specific youth and parent networking opportunities.

"I was grocery shopping at ALDI when the cashier who was checking me out said "I knew you looked familiar," (I happened to be wearing my CCPL polo). She continued, "You helped me with my resume that got me this job, I've been here for 6 months now."



ANNUAL & FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Total Budget: \$6,785,372

Operating Budget

665

2026

Local: \$5,143,665State: \$1,586,099

• Federal: \$55,608

Grants: \$55,608

Total Expenditures (personnel, materials,

equipment, other): \$6,682,146

Personnel (Total FTE): 68

Materials Circulated

• Total: 860,773 physical items

Adult: 429,052

• Children's: 431,721

• E-content: 85,787 checkouts

ILL (received and loaned)

Received: 5,100Loaned: 10,725

Information (Reference) Questions

Total Answered: 58,139

Registered Card Holders

• Total: 76,207

• Active users: 36,146

• Kids cards: 7,737

Number of Library Visits

• Total: 548,588

Meeting room use: 63,199

Programs

• Number of Programs: 1,343

Program Attendance: 25,730



"P.D. Brown hosted a Curly Hair program that was covered by the Maryland Independent. This program got great feedback. A staff member ran into the reporter who covered the story and heard that it was an even bigger success than we knew. Since the program, the reporter was able to write an article about a local girl who created a coloring book for natural black hair and was interviewed by Essence magazine. She was also featured on WJLA and in the Prince George's Sentinel."

- CCPL Staff

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

The library appreciates the support from our community. Thank you to our community partners:

The library appreciates to 301 Derby Dames
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Autumn Kelley
Baltimore Orioles
Bay K-9 Search & Recovery
Benedict Firehouse
Beyond the Classroom, Inc.
Kwoncene W. Blackwell
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Budds Creek
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Center for Children Charles County AARP

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Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA)
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Development

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Management

Charles County Department of Tourism
Charles County Hospice
Charles County Orphans Court
Charles County Parks & Recreation

Charles County Department of Planning &

Growth Management
Charles County Public Schools

Charles County Department of Social

Services

Charles County Master Gardeners
Charleston Senior Living
Chick-fil-A

Children's Aid Society

Citizens for Charles County Public Library (C4CCPL)

College of Southern Maryland Community Foundation of Southern Maryland Charles H. Darby
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc
DC United

Early Childhood Advisory Council

Gerald Elder

Shirley France

Forever Free Books

Foundation Information Network

Gray Brothers Market Greater Waldorf Jaycees

Cyndi Greene

Sarah Guy Gwynn Center

HeadStart

Health Department of Charles County Indian Head Senior Center

Indian Head Community Center

Indian Head Town Hall

Internal Revenue Service Island Music Company

James E. Richmond Science Center

Jeff Anderson

JobSource/DLLR

Journey Beyond

Jude House

La Plata Garden Club

La Plata Town Hall

Marcie Leggett

Life Journeys Writers' Guild Lifestyles of Southern Maryland, Inc.

Living the American Indian Experience Macaroni Kid of Charles County

Magic with K

Jehnell C. Linkins

Mark Walker/Edward Jones
Maryland AARP

MD Commission for Civil Rights

Maryland Department of Housing &

Community Development
Maryland Department of Humanities

Maryland Department of
Natural Resources

Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs
Maryland Extension Service

Maryland Family Network
Maryland Insurance Administration
Maryland International Raceway

Maryland Science Center

Maryland State Arts Council
Maryland STEM Festival

Brandon Montclare

Nanjemoy Senior Center

Our Place Waldorf

Pets on Wheels

Rebecca Pinckney

Remembrance Antiques & Treasures Robert D. Stethem Educational Center

Rotary Club of Waldorf Ashleigh J. Skinner

SkyZone

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.

Silver Diner of Waldorf

Southern Maryland Alzheimer's Association

Southern Maryland Heritage Conservation

Area Consortium

Southern Maryland Astronomical Society (SMAS)

Southern Maryland Audubon Society Southern Maryland Blue Crabs

Southern Maryland Regional Library
Association (SMRLA)

Southern Maryland Tri-County Community

Action Committee
Spring Dell Center

State Library Resource Center

Danielle Staudt

St. Charles Apartments

Sweet Thing Black Orchid

The Judy Center

The Playful Parent

University of Maryland Charles Regional

Medical Center

Waldorf West Mom's Club Andrea Watkins





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WALDORF WEST BRANCH

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