

# COMMUNITY REPORT

# 2025



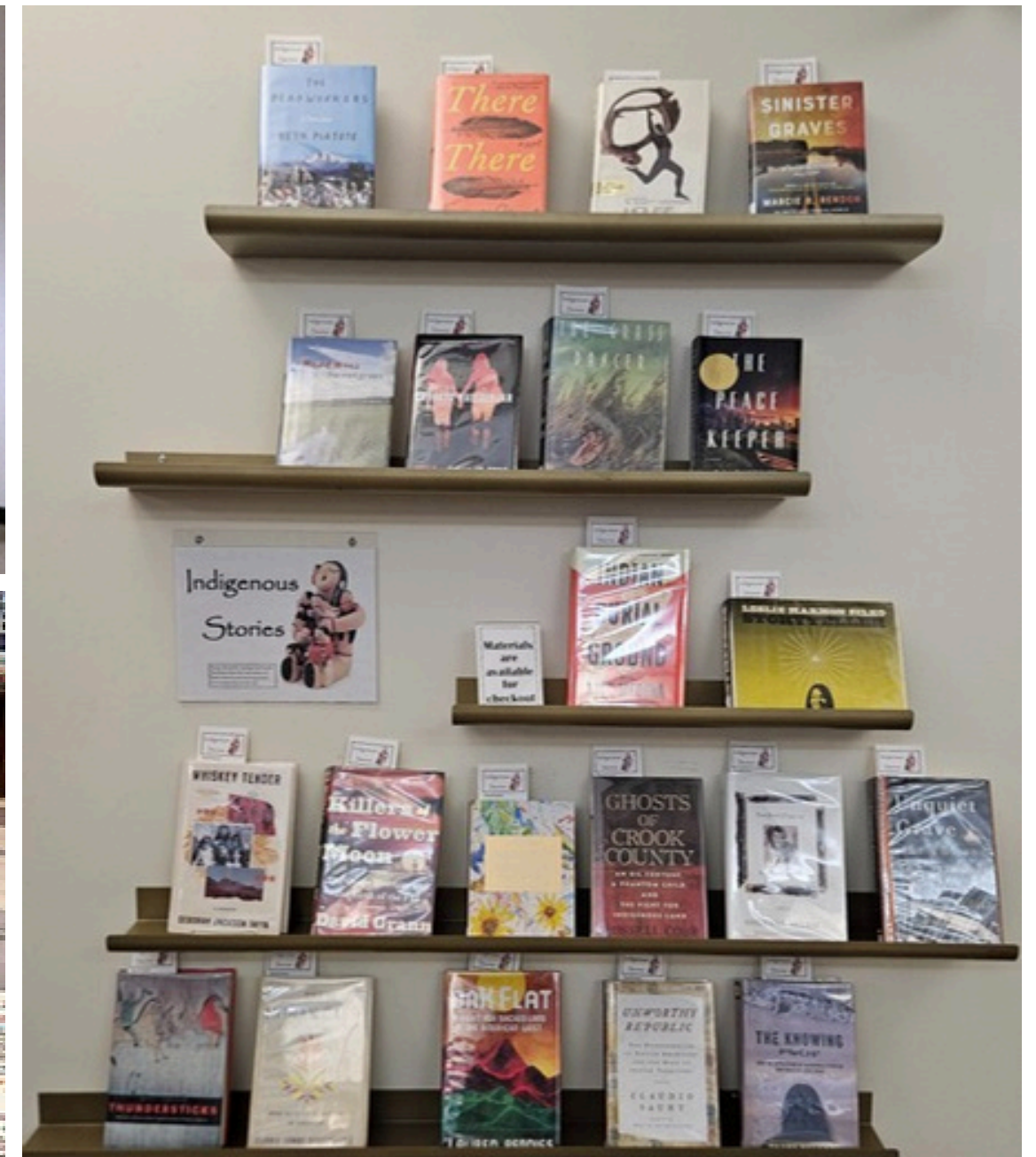
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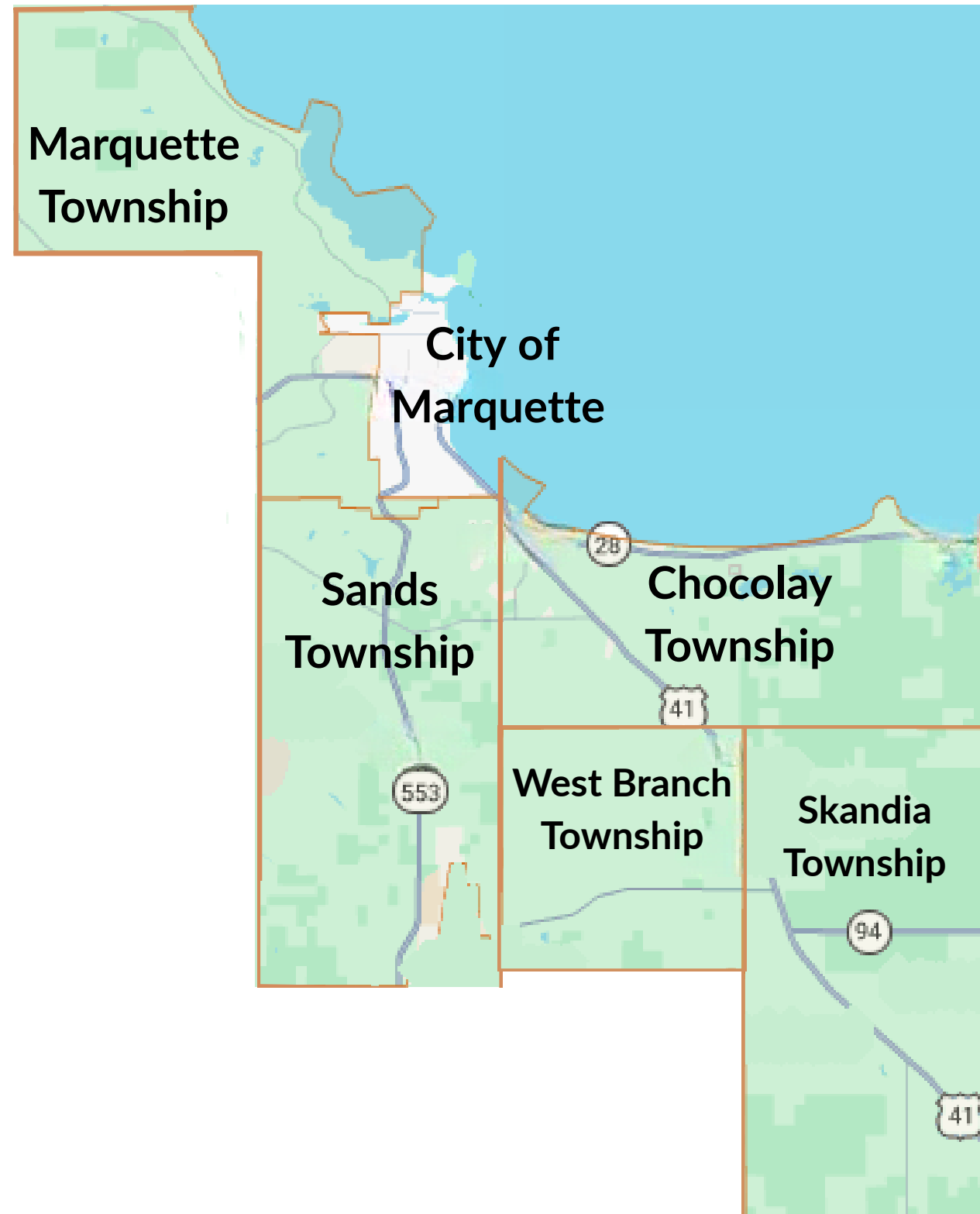
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# PETER WHITE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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# PETER WHITE PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE AREA



## City of Marquette

Established by Peter White in 1871

- Act of Michigan Legislation
- Part of City Charter

Millage funded service

- 1.5 Mill - Operating
- 0.5 Mill - Bond

## Township Service contracts:

- Chocolay Township (1992)
- Marquette Township (1993)
- Sands Township (1992)
- Skandia Township (2002)
- West Branch Township (1992)

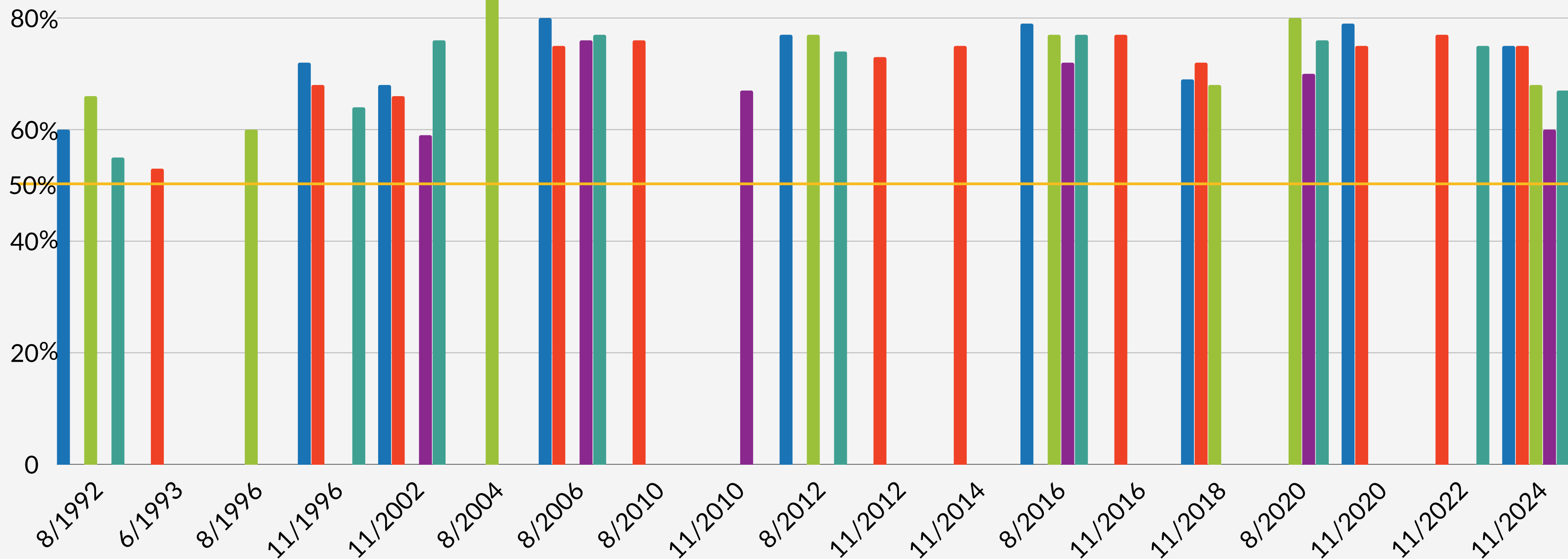
Millage funded service

- 1.0 Mill
- Voted on every 2-4 years



# TOWNSHIP ELECTION HISTORY

● Chocolay   
 ● Marquette   
 ● Sands   
 ● Skandia   
 ● West Branch



# GOVERNANCE BOARD AND ADVISORY COUNCIL



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Appointed by the City of Marquette Mayor

Front Row:

Heather Addison, Suzanne Williams - Secretary

Back Row:

Joe Meyskens, Lori Nelson, Steve Schmunk - President

## TOWNSHIP ADVISORY COUNCIL

Appointed by each Township Board

Front Row:

Eve Lindsay (Chocolay), Barb Bradley (Skandia), Suzanne Standerford (Sands), Kerrie Heikes (Sands)

Back Row:

Jan Raskin (Chocolay), Paul Marin (Marquette), Laurel Kniskern (Marquette, seat now filled by Grace Simula), Natasha Lantz (West Branch), Peggy Jensen (West Branch), Beth Linna (Skandia)



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# STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

▲ SERVICE

▲ SUSTAINABILITY

▲ EXPERTISE



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# ▲ SERVICE

Ensure core library services meet the needs of our community.



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# ▲ BOOKS!



**Books**

Top Authors	Top Titles
1 Louise Penny	1 The Women
2 Kristin Hannah	2 Wedding People
3 John Grisham	3 The Grey Wolf
4 Michael Connelly	4 The God of the Woods
5 William Kent Krueger	5 James

You checked out these books **563 times!** That's **1,189,056 pages read!**



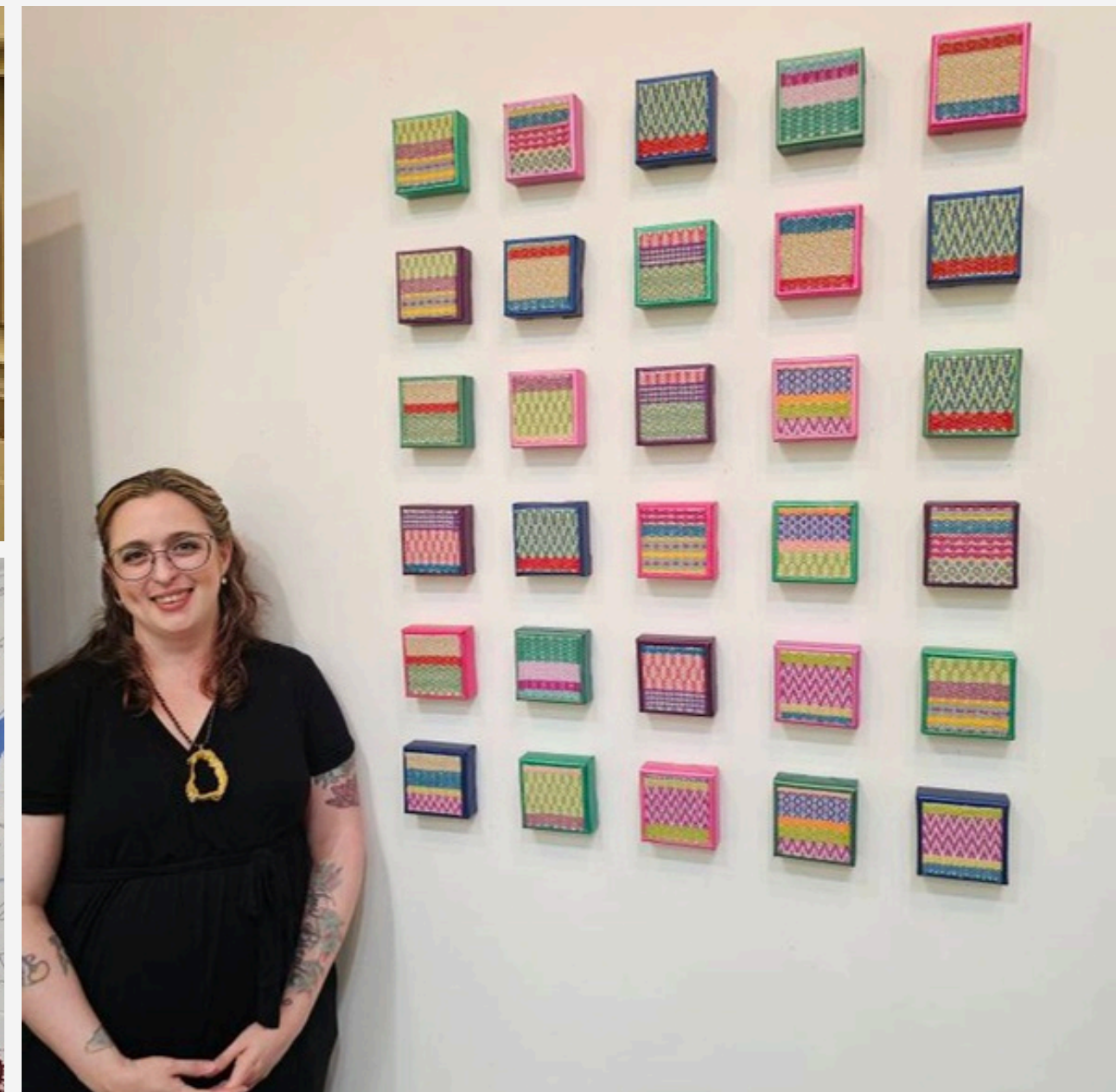
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# ▲ COLLECTION COUNTS

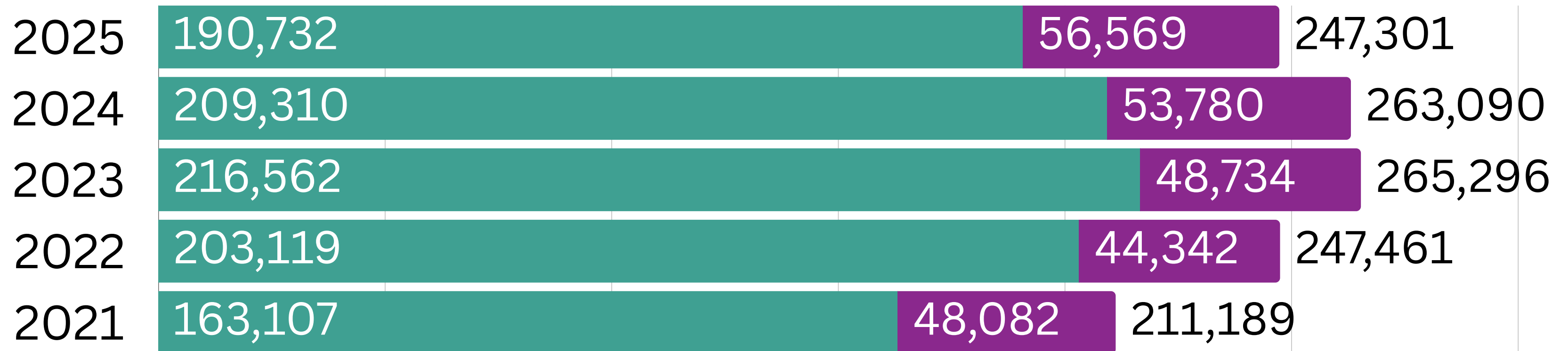


	Audio	Video	Things /Art
2025	10,177	8,164	829
2024	8,688	9,116	574
2023	13,551	9,244	442
2022	13,473	8,978	583
2021	13,870	8,875	828



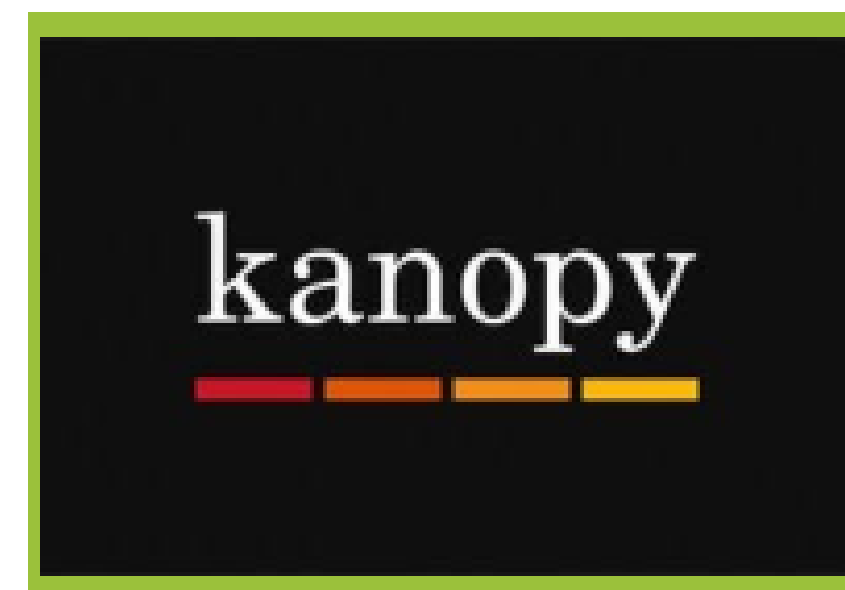
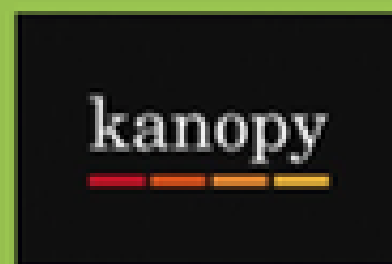
# ▲ CIRCULATION STATISTICS

● Physical Items      ● Digital Items



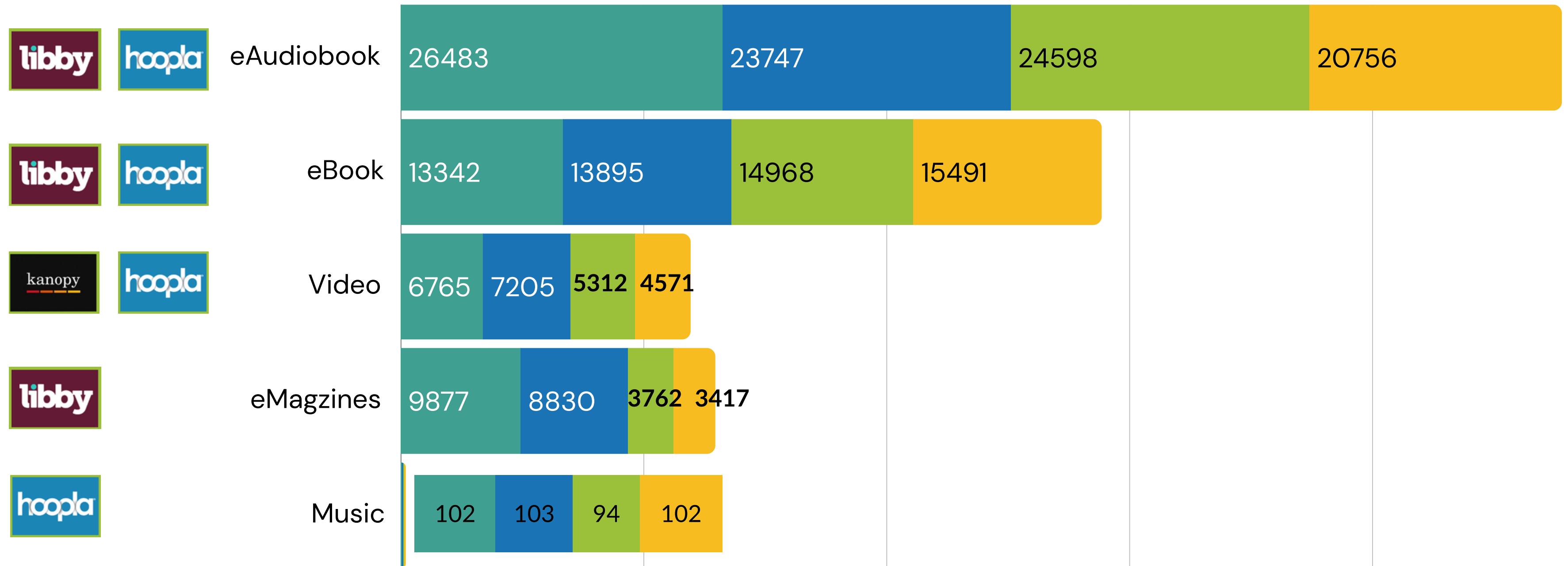
# ▲ DIGITAL RESOURCES

## Digital Resources - Available 24/7



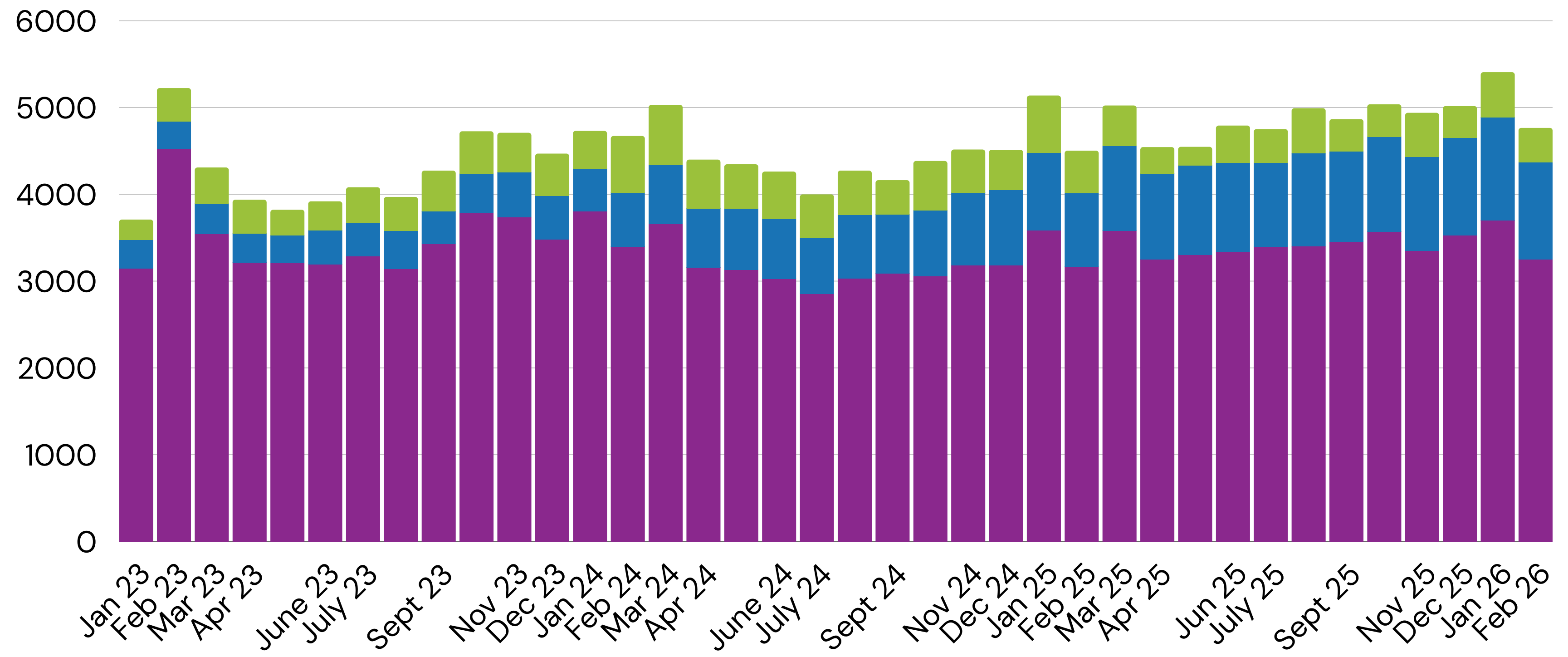
# ▲ DIGITAL CHECKOUTS BY ITEM TYPE

● 2025 ● 2024 ● 2023 ● 2022

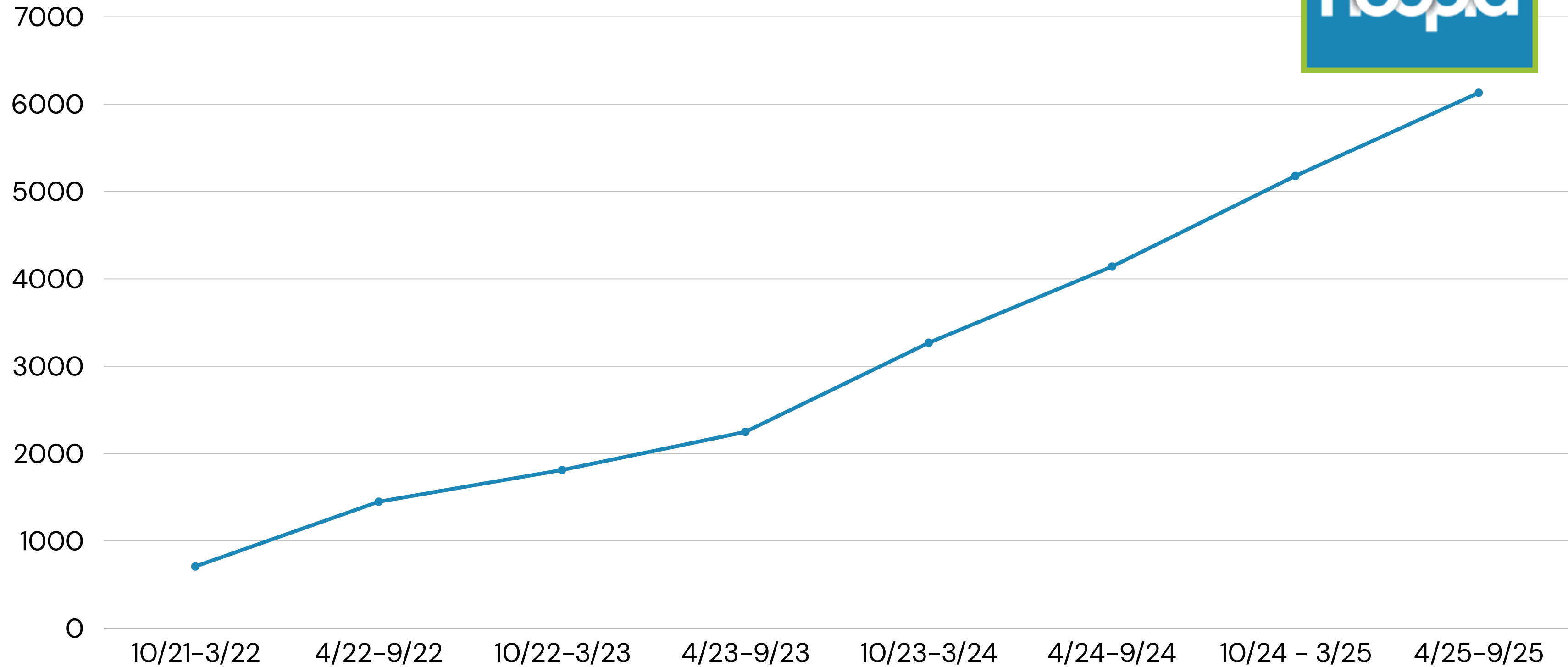


# ▲ STREAMING PLATFORM USAGE

● Libby   ● Hoopla   ● Kanopy



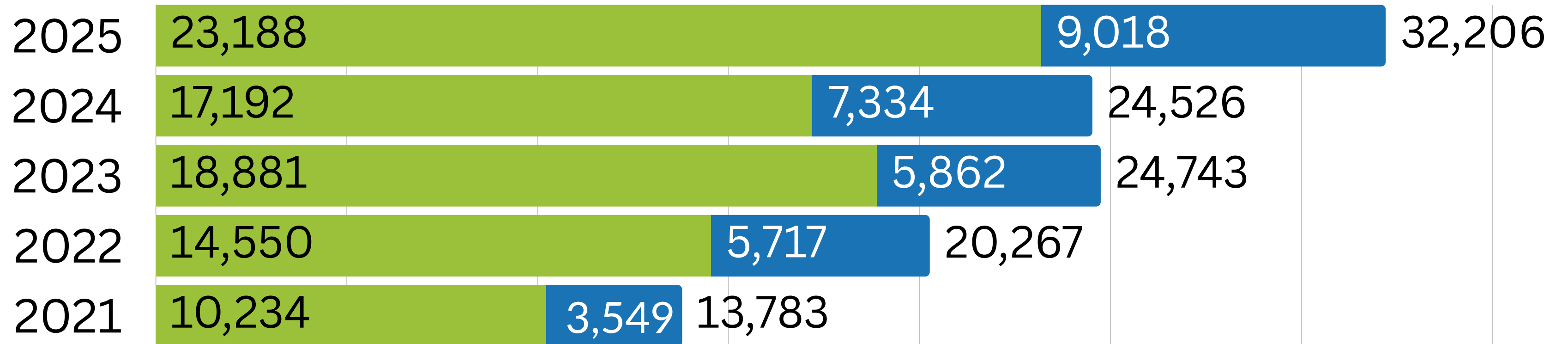
# ▲ HOOPLA USAGE



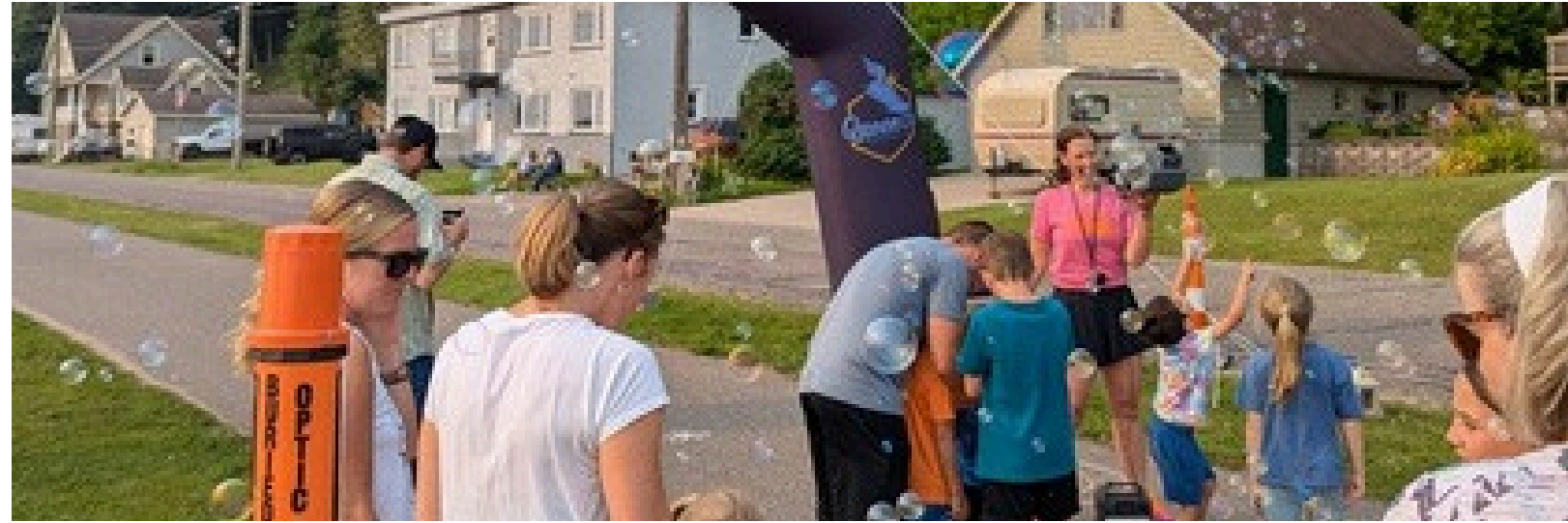


# ▲ PROGRAM ATTENDANCE

● Youth ● Adults



# ▲ SUMMER READING 2025



## Summer Reading Youth under age 14

- 852 - Children registered
- 638 - Children completed - receiving one book
- 1,986 - Total number of books distributed to children
- 43 Programs; 5954 Attendees

## Summer Reading Teens

- 185 - Teens registered
- 142 - Teens completed
- 12 Programs; 299 Attendees

## Summer Reading Adults

- 912 Bookmarks returned





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# Summer 2025



GATHER  
2 GROW

**WE'RE PROVIDING  
SUMMER MEALS**

in partnership with our local food bank

Available at no cost to all youth  
(18 and under) and disabled adults up to age 26

Learn more at [FeedWM.org/Gather](https://FeedWM.org/Gather)

Tuesdays & Fridays\* | June 3 - August 29

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

*Location for meal pickup*

Peter White Public Library

Dandelion Cottage Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

## Feeding America - Gather 2 Grow

- First year participating in this program
- Offered two days of service a week
- Shelf-stable meals with 10 options
- 26 meal sessions during the summer
- Total of 1,756 meals were distributed

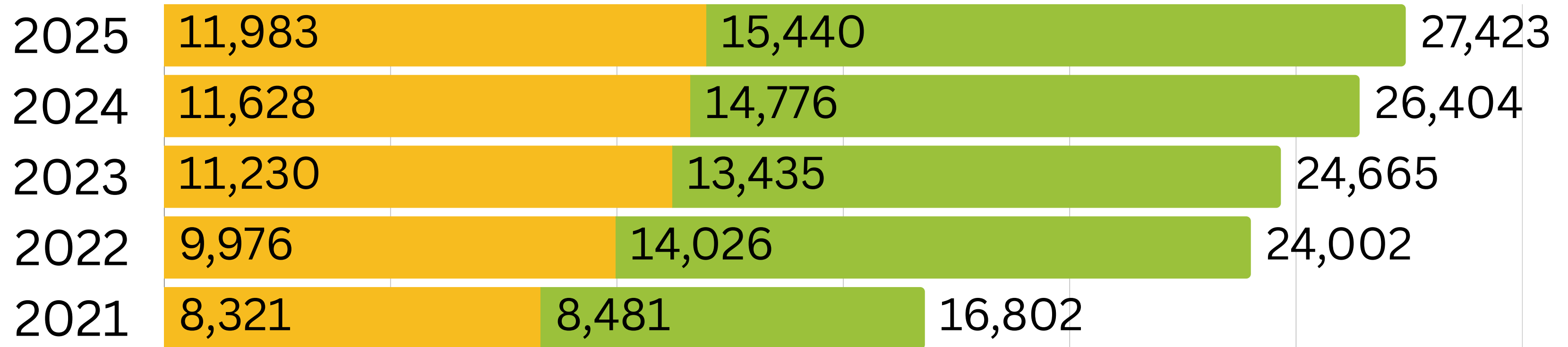


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# ▲ COMPUTER USAGE

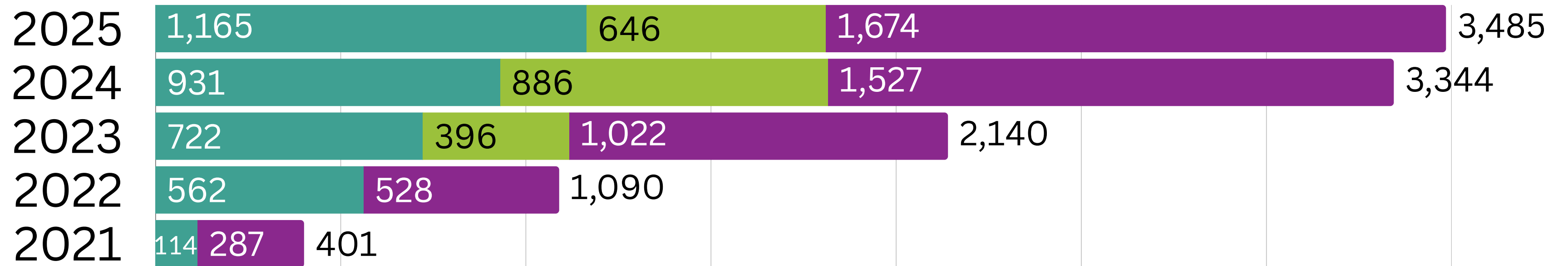
● PC Use    ● Wireless



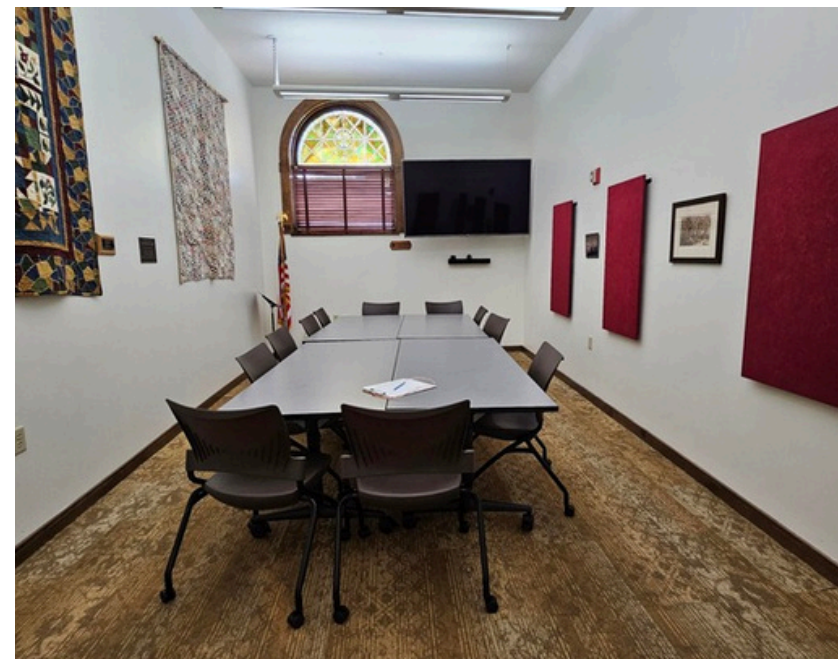
# ▲ PWPL ROOM USE

● Room Reservations      ● Drop in Room Use

● Study Room Use



# ▲ ROOMS AVAILABLE AT PWPL



# ▲ EXPANDED WEBSITE CONTENT



MY ACCOUNT

SEARCH CATALOG

SEARCH WEBSITE

ABOUT ▾

NEWS & EVENTS ▾

SERVICES ▾

YOUTH & TEEN ▾

DONATE ▾

## Recorded Programs



### "Singin' the Good Old Songs Again" with Jackie Davidson & Gary Brandt

September 11, 2025

[Live Music](#)

Singer/songwriters Jackie Davidson and Gary Brandt combine classic and original folk music into an energetic and crowd-pleasing concert. Jackie was part of the Grammy Award-winning group "The New Christy Minstrels" and performed on "The Tonight Show", "The Red Skelton Show", and with Sammy Davis Jr. and Tennessee Ernie Ford, among others. Gary is a celebrated folk musician who has toured across the country and performed nationally on "The Midnight Special."



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# ▲ DIGITIZATION



## THE MINING Journal Digital Collection

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### LIVING IT UP!

Jan. 2-8

Koski Joyce A ofc sec Stivula Ins Agcy r217 E Clark (Neg)  
Koski Kenneth (Gundie A) wldr CCIC h545 Cherry (Neg)  
Koski Kenneth L (Joyce) repr CCIC h1322 N 3d (Ish)  
Koski Laina retd h407 E Pearl (Ish)  
Koski Lauri G retd h201 W Water (Neg)  
Koski Leonard (Elsie) h217 E Clark (Neg)  
Koski Mary A Mrs bmo CCIC r624 Carr (Neg)  
Koski Mathilda (wid Jacob) h Buffalo Location (Neg)  
Koski Matt E (Hilda S) scrapermn CCIC r432 Maitland (Neg)  
Koski Myron (Norma) mgr D&C Sls & Serv r RD 1 Box 348 (Ish)  
Koski Oiga A (wid Toivo J) h309 Center  
Koski Paul L (Perina M) miner CCIC h309 Croix (Neg)  
Koski Raymond A lab LS&IRR r432 Maitland (Neg)  
Koski Reuben A (Marbelle A) carp State Prison h---- Harvey

**PENINSULA PAINT AND TILE COMPANY**  
1100 N 3d - Marquette Dial 226-8910

Koski Richd ship clk OK Auto Sup r Michigamme Mich (Ish)  
Koski Richd A (Kristine) instr Marquette Pub Sch h215 Cedar (Ish)  
Koski Robt A (Irma V) corrections ofcr State Prison h411 Summit (Ish)  
Koski Robt P (Lucille F) meat cutter Piggly Wiggly Food Store h536 Rock  
Koski Roy A (Annette) tech asst in pelletizing CCIC h1309 Baldwin av (Neg)  
Koski Senia M cook Neg PS h318 S 3d (Ish)  
Koski Tauno I (Helen A) mech CCIC h175 Prospect (Ish)  
Koski Theo (Carrie D) orderly Francis A Bell Memorial Hosp h833 N Main (Ish)

**TRANSIT MI**  
MIXED CONCRETE ANYWHERE IN MARQUETTE CO  
CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION



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# ▲ DIGITIZATION WHAT'S NEXT?

MARQUETTE MONTHLY

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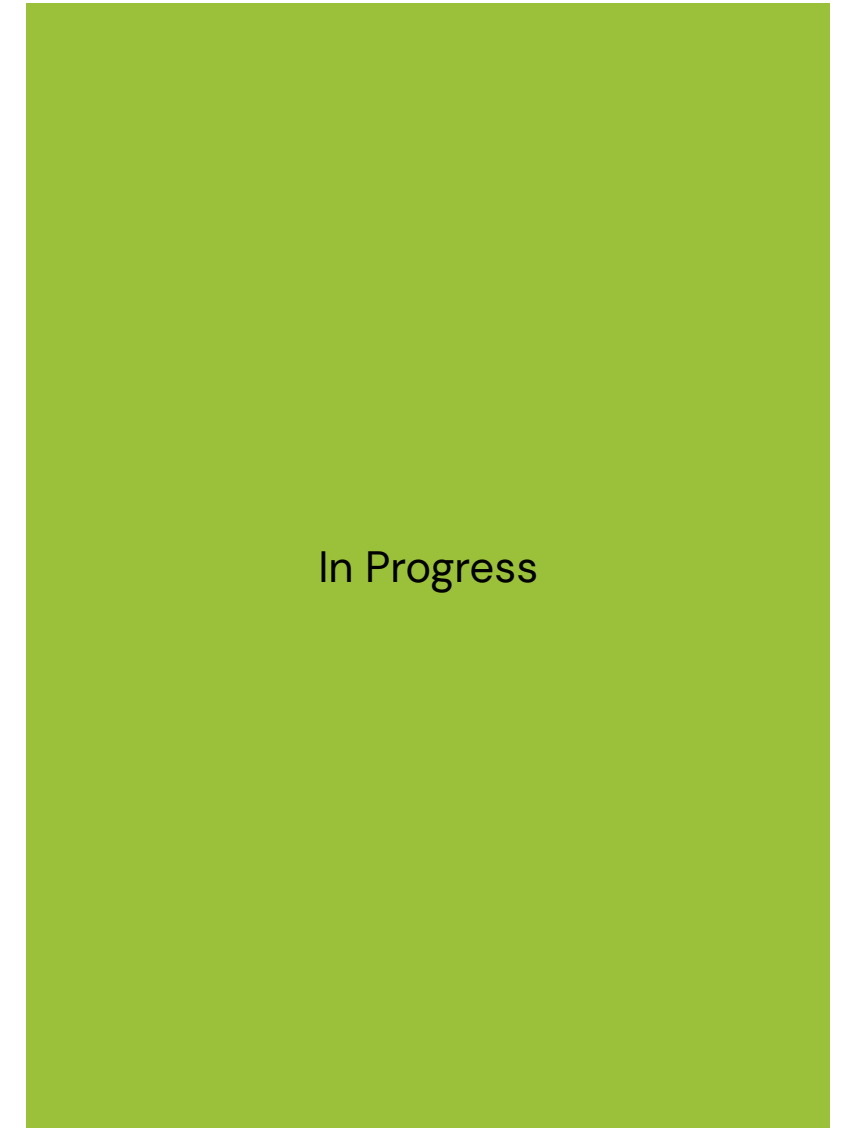
# ▲ LOWER LEVEL TRANSITION



**Deo Gallery**



**Studio #1**



**Studio #2**

# ▲ TEEN ZONE



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# SUSTAINABILITY

Ensure the library will be both environmentally and financially sustainable.



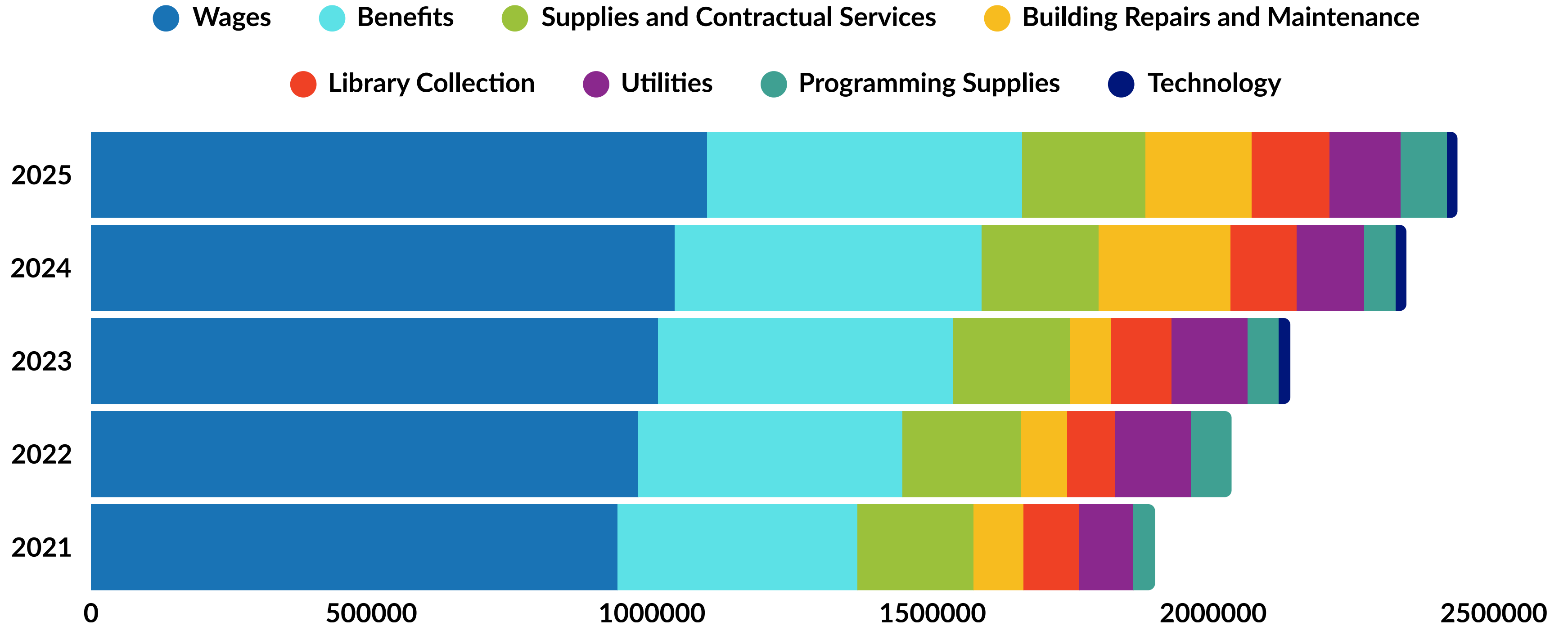
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# ▲ BUILDING AND GROUNDS UPDATES 2025



# ▲ EXPENSES - 5 YEAR TREND

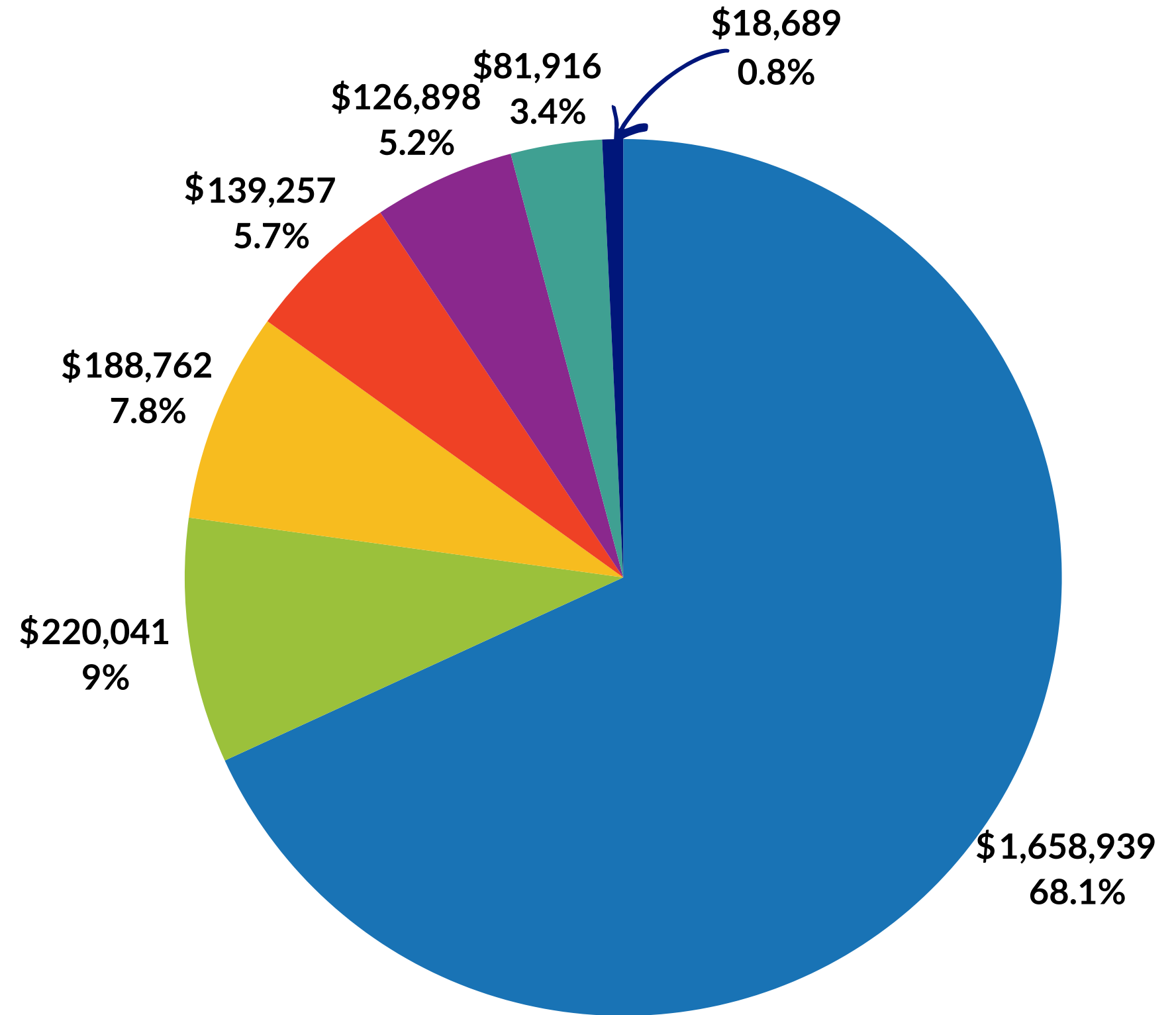


# ▲ EXPENSES

## Expenditures FY2024/2025

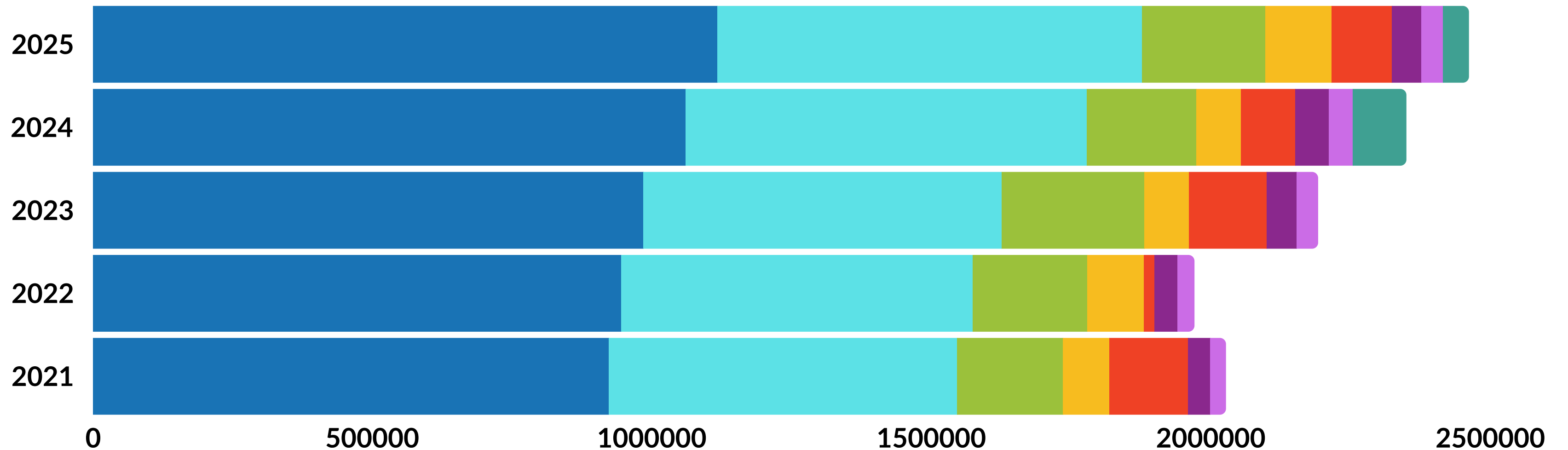
Total = \$2,343,546

- Wages and Benefits
- Supplies and Contractual Services
- Building Repairs/Maintenance
- Library Collection
- Utilities
- Programming Supplies
- Technology



# ▲ REVENUES - 5 YEAR TREND

- City of Marquette - Property Tax
- Township Contracts - Property Tax
- Fund Raising
- State Aid/Revenue Sharing
- Library Fines/Fees
- City Penal Fines
- Township Penal Fines
- Interest/General Fund Transfer

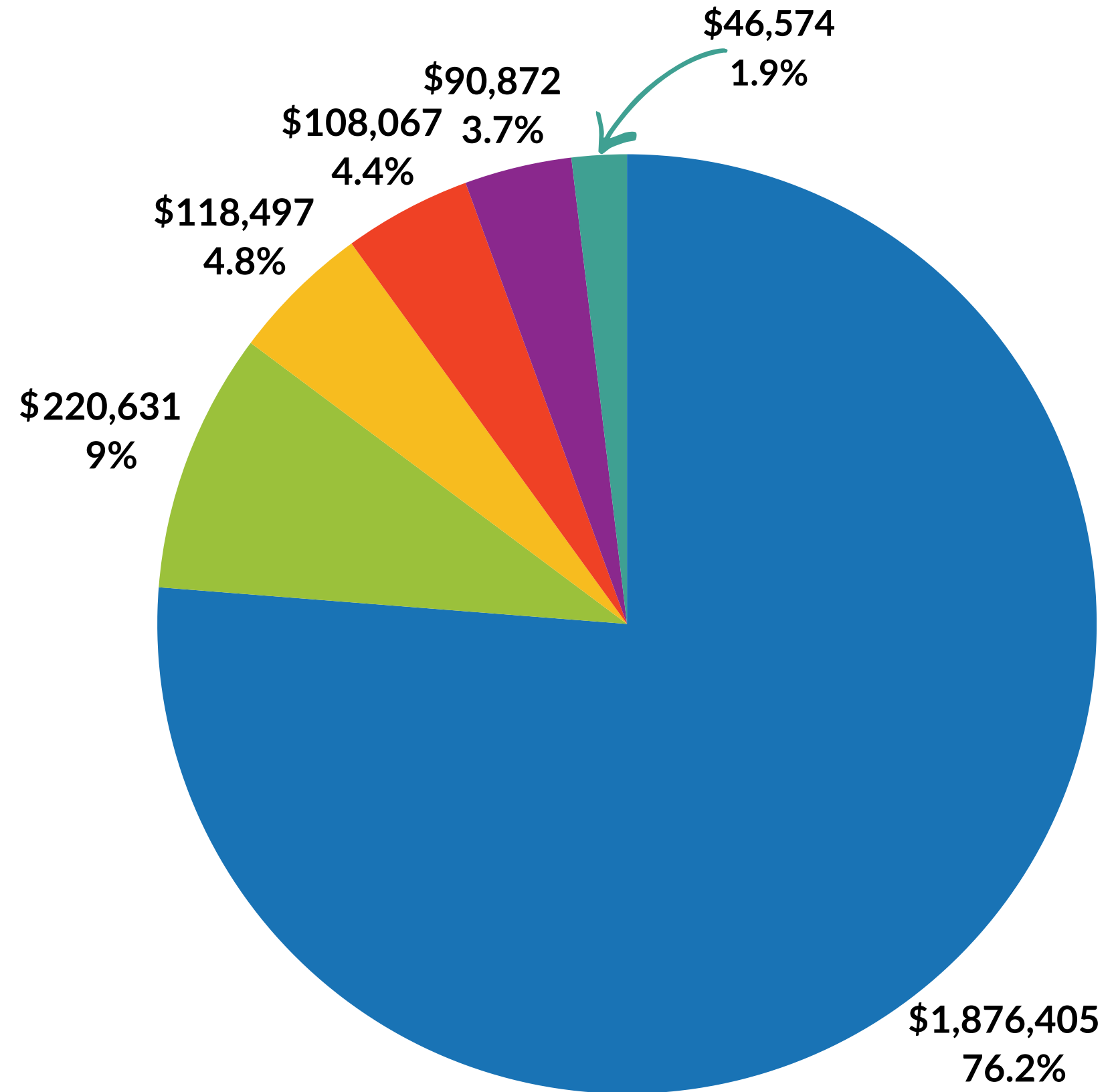


# ▲ REVENUES

## Revenues FY2024/2025

Total = \$2,461,047

- Property Tax Revenues (City and Township)
- Fund Raising and Endowment Distributions
- State Aid/Revenue Sharing
- Library Fines/Fees
- Penal Fines (City and Township)
- Interest



# ▲ FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY



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# EXPERTISE

Maintain a qualified, well trained staff focused on providing excellent customer service.



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# ▲ FRIENDS OF PETER WHITE PUBLIC LIBRARY



**Friends**  
PETER WHITE PUBLIC LIBRARY

**We get by with a little help from  
our Friends!**

This year, the Friends raised  
**\$75,166**  
and volunteered  
**1,671 hours!**

**They fund our awesome  
programs.**

# ▲ PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS



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# ▲ PARTNER PROGRAMMING



# ▲ PWPL STAFF



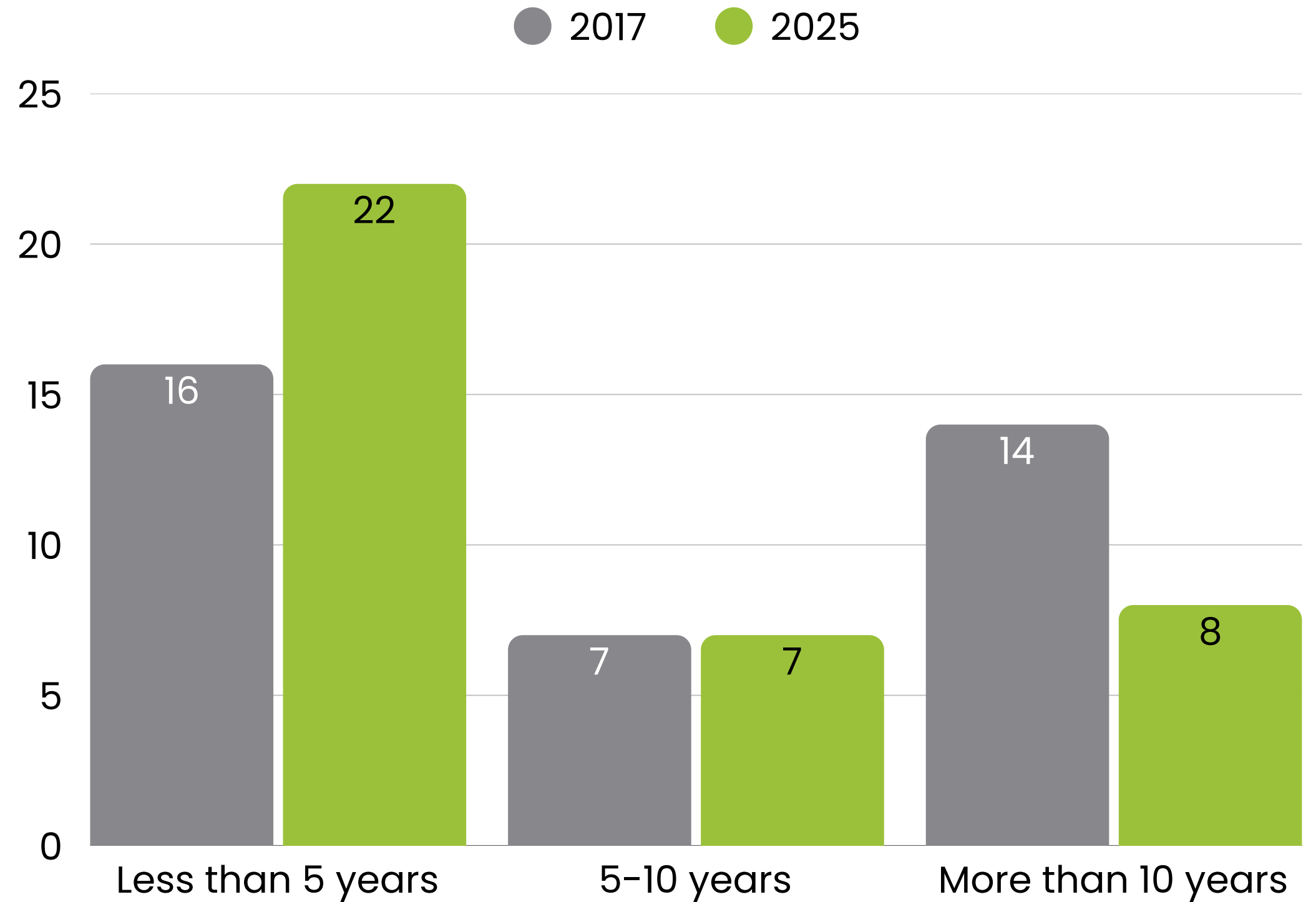
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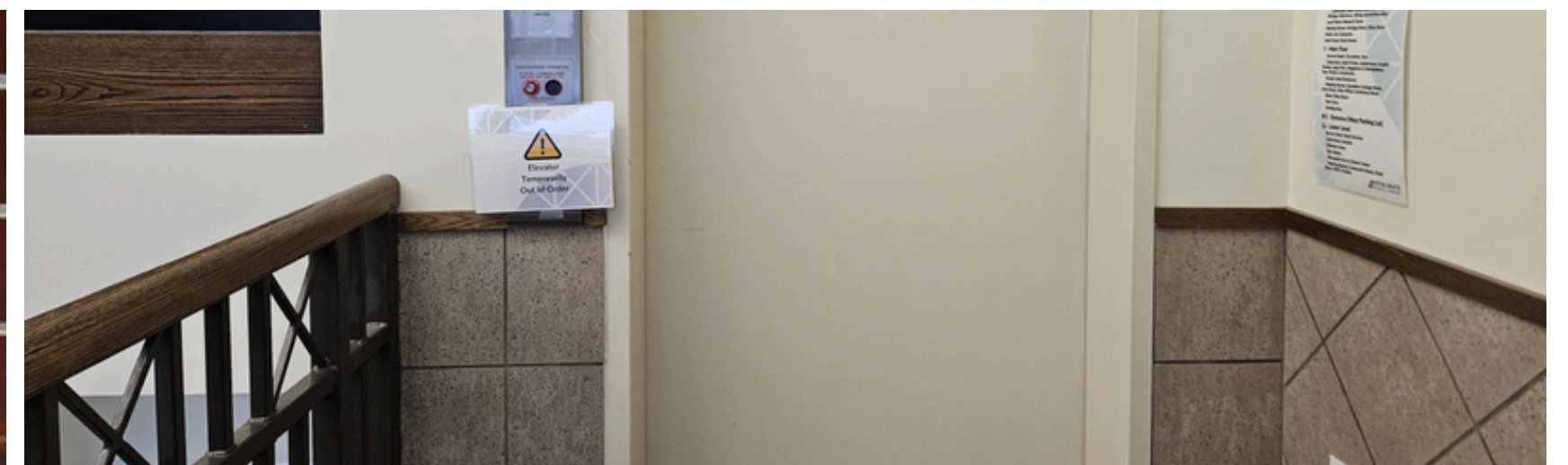
# LONGEVITY

Between 2017-2025

A major flip between staff with less than 5 years and staff with more than 10 years at PWPL.



# STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATES



# THANK YOU!

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