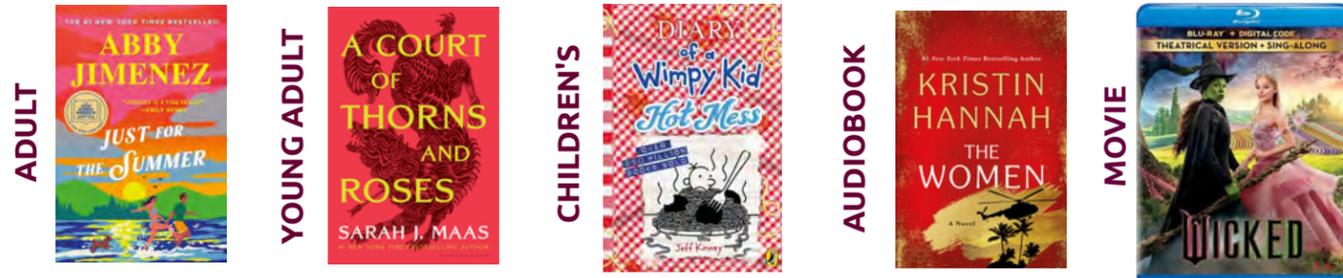


**Great River Regional Library**  
**Fund Balance Activity**  
**For the Month Ended December, 2025**

Fund Description	Program Code	Fund Balance	Monthly Receipts	YTD Expenses	Fund Balance
<b>COMMITTED CAPITAL FUNDS</b>	<b>10.05.5000.</b>				
Capital - Automation	710	787,940.68			787,940.68
Capital - Branch Development	720	125,213.24			125,213.24
Capital - Equipment	730	51,643.16			51,643.16
Capital - Vehicle	740	67,052.80		42,479.00	24,573.80
		<b>\$ 1,031,849.88</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 42,479.00</b>	<b>\$ 989,370.88</b>
<b>RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>	<b>10.10.4900.</b>				
Legacy Fund 2024	939	187,717.49		187,717.49	-
Legacy Fund 2025	940	230,619.39		91,445.80	139,173.59
Legacy Fund 2026	941	91,887.80	22,971.96	19.04	114,840.72
Minitex Last Mile	946	-			-
RLTA	986	580,884.03	28,261.75	310,240.17	298,905.61
		<b>\$ 1,091,108.71</b>	<b>\$ 51,233.71</b>	<b>\$ 589,422.50</b>	<b>\$ 552,919.92</b>
<b>COMMITTED OTHER FUNDS</b>	<b>10.40.5100.</b>				
AMHS System Project(s)	241	350,000.00			350,000.00
Compensated Absence Fund	983	623,644.00	-		623,644.00
Compensation Study	840	15,412.50		9,587.00	5,825.50
Computer Replacement Fund	984	67,760.22			67,760.22
Emergency Sub & Severance	880	19,743.91		2,846.59	16,897.32
Extended Hours Pilot	850	50,000.00			50,000.00
Patron Self Service	813	9,807.98		2,700.00	7,107.98
Payroll Fund	870	220,000.00			220,000.00
Security	831	8,740.27			8,740.27
Staff Development Services	211	1,155.57			1,155.57
		<b>\$ 1,366,264.45</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 15,133.59</b>	<b>\$ 1,351,130.86</b>
<b>ASSIGNED FUNDS</b>	<b>10.40.5200.</b>	Balance 12/1/25	MTD Receipts	YTD Expenses	Balance 12/31/25
FD - Collection	816	68,091.29	10,681.25	39,645.91	39,126.63
FD - Communications	821	28,854.68	3,884.04	21,282.53	11,456.19
FD - Programs & Services	822	85,924.49	4,855.10	5,209.00	85,570.59
Gift Funds - Branch	820	200,787.84	3,469.12	90,327.21	113,929.75
Gift Funds - Designations	818	651,994.13		28,769.33	623,224.80
Gift Funds - Regional	819	92,099.64		29,126.25	62,973.39
Interlibrary Loan - Lost Materials	810	9,089.63	14.98	486.21	8,618.40
Revolving Fund	825	26,859.85	4,303.79	32,191.08	(2,911.00)
Sales Revenue	994	87,927.44		84,908.16	3,019.28
		<b>\$ 1,251,628.99</b>	<b>\$ 27,208.28</b>	<b>\$ 331,945.68</b>	<b>\$ 945,008.03</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 4,740,852.03</b>	<b>\$ 78,441.99</b>	<b>\$ 978,980.77</b>	<b>\$ 3,838,429.69</b>

# MOST POPULAR CHECKOUTS

These are the most frequently checked out titles by category in 2025.



# PROGRAMS



2,452  
programs & events

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49,480  
attended programs

Pictured: Storytime in Howard Lake

The Summer Reading and Winter Reading Challenges were available to library users both in their local library and online through the Beanstack app.

14,041

record-breaking children & teens participated in Summer Reading Challenge

2,923

teens & adults participated in Winter Reading Challenge

THE GREAT ESCAPE

Many of the additional programs and events region-wide were storytime and book clubs. Also, we offered programs that were made possible with the Arts & Cultural Heritage Funds from Minnesota's Clean Water, Land, and Legacy Amendment.



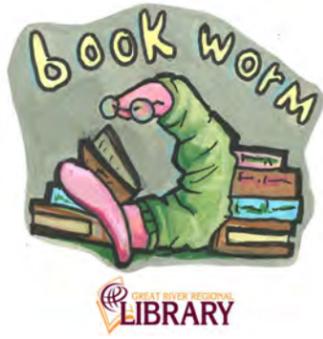
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## SHARING THE LOVE OF READING

Pictured: Children at the Monticello Public Library

# 2025 HIGHLIGHTS



Teen Sticker Design Contest Winner

In July and August 2025, teens were invited to showcase their creativity by submitting their own unique library-centered designs for printing on vinyl stickers. The first-ever Teen Sticker Design Contest received 94 submissions. The finalists were selected based on creativity, design, how well they fit a library theme, and whether they could transfer well to a vinyl sticker. The winner, Jasmin, age 13, whose home library is the St. Cloud Public Library, created an impressive bookworm design that received much praise. Stickers of the winning design, along with two runner-ups, were available to patrons at all 32 GRRL libraries while supplies lasted during the Young Adult Library Services Association's (YALSA) annual TeenTober celebration in October.

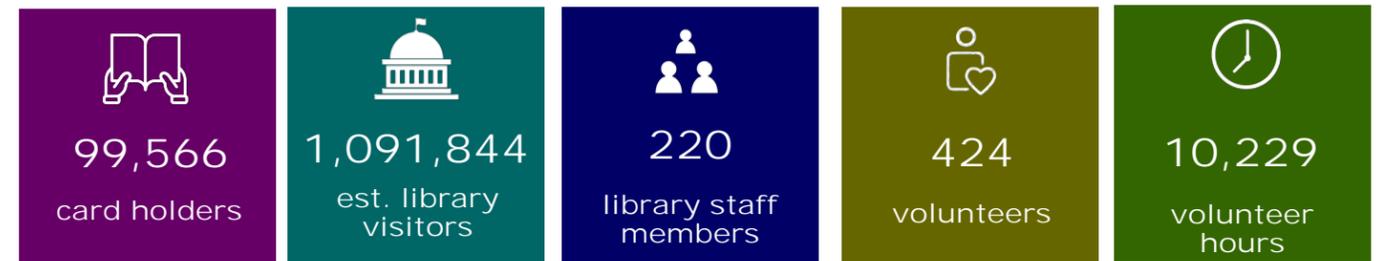


Brandi Canter named Executive Director

In October 2025, Brandi Canter was selected as the new Executive Director of Great River Regional Library. We welcomed her with an Espresso with the Executive Director meet-and-greet event in November, which gave community members, staff, and library donors the opportunity to meet Brandi. "The board is excited to welcome Brandi and see her leadership in the upcoming 2026-2030 Strategic Plan," said Jayne Dietz, president of the GRRL Board of Trustees. "We have seen firsthand how she is deeply committed to GRRL's mission and to the communities we serve."

# BY THE NUMBERS

The year 2025 was successful, as we saw another year of record-breaking Summer Reading Challenge participation and digital collection usage. Here is an overview:



## FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

### Revenue

County & City Agreements.....	\$7,440,999
Patron Receipts.....	\$129,480
Grants & State Aid.....	\$1,934,953
Interest & Other Receivables.....	\$422,603
Gifts & Donations.....	\$247,228
Cash Reserves.....	\$622,722
<b>Total Revenue.....</b>	<b>\$10,798,008</b>

### Expenses

Salaries & Benefits.....	\$7,902,528
Library Materials.....	\$976,000
Operating & Other Expenses .....	\$1,026,244
Grant & Fund Balance Spending.....	\$347,079
Capital Investments.....	\$42,479
Patron Programming & Communications.....	\$99,505
<b>Total Expenses.....</b>	<b>\$10,393,835</b>

## 2025 Scholar-level (\$1,000+) donors:

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Andrew Larkin                       | Mark Thelen                       |
| Barb Carlson                        | Mary Eilers                       |
| Central MN Noon Optimist Club       | Monte DeMatteis                   |
| Deborah McCarl and Marilyn Skurdahl | Moose Lodge #1400                 |
| Debra Japp                          | Norma Moeing                      |
| Denis & Susanna Hynes               | Patrick McDowall                  |
| Doris Matter                        | Rockford Lions Club               |
| Evenson Decker, P.A.                | Royalton American Legion          |
| Garage Door Store                   | Schlenner Wenner & Co.            |
| Hanover Lions                       | St. Cloud Area Sertoma Club       |
| High Points Networks, LLC           | St. Cloud Reading Room Society    |
| Joanne & Chris Kudrna               | Sytek                             |
| Lindsay & Mike Neumann              | Vickie Bosl                       |
| Lions Club of Motley                | Plus, several anonymous donors    |
| Luke & Vas Wojtanowicz              | and Friends of the Library groups |

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