



**THE ALBUQUERQUE PUBLIC
LIBRARY FOUNDATION**



Albuquerque Public Library Foundation Impact Report

2025

Dear Library Supporters,

This past year has been one of change at Albuquerque and Bernalillo County Public Library, and therefore the Albuquerque Public Library Foundation (APLF). All of these changes are positive changes that are bringing new ideas and opportunities to the Public Library.

First, the library hired a new Science Coordinator for the Public Library, Drew Lauderdale. Why is this exciting for APLF? We fund the STEM & STEAM programs. Drew has been traveling around to different libraries to engage children and adults with robotics, coding, collaborative short films, pocket sized solar systems and much more. We look forward to seeing what Drew will continue to bring to the Public Library.

And of course, we can't forget Kate Alderete. Kate is the new Library Director and is bringing new life and energy to the Library. She's already begun to propose positive changes and APLF is looking forward to helping bring her vision to life.

Regarding APLF, the board has met 9 times over the past year, but there are multiple committees that work hard in the background outside of board meetings. They work on fundraising, recruiting, fiscal responsibility and more. We have also brought on three new board members, sent out nine issues of BOOKISH, conducted one donor appreciation event, and sponsored five fundraisers. That keeps this 100% volunteer board busy!

I am energized by what we have accomplished over the past year and look forward to seeing what we can do next year. Keep reading to learn more about impact APLF has had during the city's fiscal year of July 2024—June 2025. As you know, we couldn't do any of this without you!

Thanks to you the Foundation is Funding Fun at the Public Library!

With deepest gratitude on behalf of the entire APLF Board,



Eryka K. MacKenzie
Board President
Albuquerque Public Library Foundation

FUNDRAISING



255 Donors



\$ 132,045 in Gifts



5 Fundraisers

WHERE THE MONEY GOES

The Foundation Funds FUN!

Over 525 programs were hosted at the various 19 branches of the Albuquerque and Bernalillo County Public Library!



\$ 63,216 Spent on Programs



Financial Investments

The money that the branches can't use today goes into investments to ensure the programming can continue into the future.

Because of your generosity, APLF was able to commit \$100,000 to the public art project at the International District Library. Installation expected in 2026.

BOARD MEMBERS

100% Volunteer Foundation

The Albuquerque Library Foundation is comprised of 16 library lovers from all walks of life who have generously given their time and talents to make a difference in our community.

Get Involved



Would you like to speak with someone about getting involved with the Albuquerque Public Library Foundation?

Simply send us an email at:

ContactUs@abqlibraryfoundation.org

If you aren't able to volunteer with APLF but still want to be involved, think about calling or emailing your local city council member and letting them know how much you love the library. Tell them that they should make the library's operational budget a priority. This is what will allow the library to hire more staff and stay open more hours.

You can find your City Counselors contact information on their website:

www.cabq.gov/council/find-your-councilor

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There is still more work to be done. Please continue your support by donating today at our website.

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