The Cumberland County Library System Foundation’s 15th year of supporting the Library System and Cumberland County’s public libraries saw things slowly returning to normal after a couple years of COVID. Meetings evolved into a hybrid format, and in July, Simpson Library hosted the Foundation Board of Directors for a tour and the board meeting. An exciting Library Foundation project in 2022 was establishing the Employee of the Month recognitions, extending appreciation to library staffers throughout the Library System.

2022 Cumberland County Library System Employees of the Month

Pat Sari, Simpson, July
Connie Kavulich, Bosler, August
Olivia Furhman-King, New Cumberland, September
Terry Reilly, Fredricksen, October
Quin Hock, Amelia Givin, December
Connie Weaver, John Graham, November

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Mission, History, Grants

Mission: To support the programs, services, and innovative initiatives of the Cumberland County (PA) Library System and its member libraries.

History: The Library Foundation was established in 2007 and approved as a federally tax-exempt organization, EIN 20-8077580, in 2009.

2022 Grants Approved/Funded

The following grants were secured for the Library System, Library Foundation, or Member Libraries as noted:

- ARP-LSTA Expand Access to Resources - $41,006
- Enhance Technology - $19,700
- Remake Space - $15,000
- Take Services Outdoors and Into the Community - $3,300—CCLS and Member Libraries

- Capital Advantage/Capital Blue Cross EITC $5,000 – Summer Learning Program

- Community Aid Foundation - $5,000 – Simpson - Operations

- Cumberland County ARP – Simpson - $318,850

- Cumberland County ARP – Coy - $78,252

- Link Foundation - $6,000 – Simpson – School Readiness

- Mechanicsburg Area Community Foundation - $10,000 – Simpson School Readiness Programs

- Orrstown Bank EITC $5,000 – Summer Learning Program

- PSEA Retired Teachers - $500 – Unrestricted

- Partnership for Better Health - $2,400 – Summer Learning Program Kickoff – Amelia Givin

- PA Skill-Miele Foundation - $1,500 – STAR – Large Print Books

- The Foundation for Enhancing Communities Arts for All - $2,000 – Simpson Beautify the Barriers

- UPMC Foundation - $2,500 - STAR

- UGI EITC $5,000 – Summer Learning Program

- Weis Markets EITC - $1,500 Summer Learning Program

EITC Program

Since the Cumberland County Library System Foundation was approved as an Educational Improvement Organization (EIO) in 2009, companies approved for participation by Pennsylvania’s Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) have contributed a total of $212,725.
EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS

TAX CREDITS SUPPORT SUMMER LEARNING & SCHOOL-YEAR STEM

As a Pennsylvania Educational Improvement Organization, the Cumberland County Library System Foundation is approved to receive donations from approved businesses in exchange for Educational Improvement Tax Credits (EITC).

EITC contributions help fund our two innovative educational programs—Summer Learning and School-Year STEM (Science-Technology-Engineering-Math). Children from all nine Cumberland County public school districts attend Summer Learning or School-Year STEM programs each year!

The Cumberland County Library System Summer Learning Program is a series of virtual and in-person events & activities designed to foster a love of reading and to develop or enhance reading, writing, and learning skills. Summer Learning Programs help stave off the “summer slide.” Participants not only perform better in the classroom and on standardized tests when they return to school in the fall, they develop positive lifelong Literacy skills like independent reading and visiting their local public library.

Cumberland County Library System’s School-Year STEM is a series of free virtual and in-person programs and activities designed to foster critical thinking, collaboration, group communication, and evidence gathering and evaluating skills while exploring science, technology, engineering, and math.

Thank you to these 2022 EITC Contributors, whose donations will support Summer Learning Program 2023

And thank you to these in-kind supporters of Summer Learning and other library programs: AACA Museum, Adventure Aquarium (Camden), Adventure Sports of Hershey, American Library Association Financial Literacy Kits, American Girl Doll, Catoctin Animal Preserve, Cherry Crest Adventure Farm, Chipotle, Classic Drycleaners, DelGrosso Amusement Park, DaVinci Science Center, Hands On House, Harrisburg Senators, Lancaster Science Factory, Lewisburg Children’s Museum, Museum Lab, Oriental Trading Company, Philadelphia Phillies, PJ Wellihan’s, Pittsburgh Steelers, Pittsburgh Zoo, Refreshing Mountain, Shady Maple Smorgasbord, Sheetz, Spiel Foundation, and Wawa Foundation.
2022 Cumberland County Library System Foundation Board of Directors

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Meeting Schedule—all Library Foundation meetings are held at 400 Bent Creek Blvd, Ste 150, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050, at one of the member libraries, or via Zoom at 5:30 p.m., quarterly on the second Monday of:

♦ January (also Annual Meeting)
♦ April
♦ July
♦ October

Thank you to Joseph T. Simpson Public Library for hosting the July 2022 board meeting.

For a detailed copy of the annual budget, audit compilation, IRS 990, or Bureau of Corporations and Charitable Organizations registration, or the 501(c)(3), please call 717.240.6174 or email your request to

LibraryFoundation@cumberlandcountylibraries.org

Thank you to Kevin Stoner, Amelia Givin Library; Clare Garfield, Bosler Memorial Library; and Diane Myers, Fredricksen Library and East Pennsboro Branch, who completed their service to the Library Foundation board in December 2022.