2025 Annual Report to the Community









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A Message from the Director

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

What a year it's been at the Dormann Library! As we reflect on the past year, I'm filled with gratitude for this vibrant and supportive community. Together, we've continued to grow, adapt, and reimagine what a modern library can be.

This year, we celebrated a major milestone—the completion of the Robert & Edith Saxton Memorial Pavilion. This beautiful new space is the first piece of our evolving Outdoor Learning Space, a vision that's coming to life thanks to your generosity and belief in our mission. We're excited to begin welcoming readers, learners, and explorers of all ages into the fresh air to enjoy programs, nature, and a little peace and quiet.

Inside the library, we continued to offer robust programming for children, teens, and adults, expand our collection, and explore new ways to serve you better. From story times and workshops to technology help and book clubs, we've been proud to offer something for everyone.

Thank you for your support, whether it came through a donation, a visit, a kind word, or a shared story. Libraries thrive when communities believe in them—and you've shown us time and again just how strong that belief is.

We can't wait to see what the next year brings. See you at the library!

Warmly,

Library Director

LeighAnn Rumsey

Mission Statement

To provide free and fair access to educational materials and experiences that promote lifelong learning, creativity, and connection in our community.

Vision Statement

The Dormann Library strives to be the safe and welcoming hub of our vibrant and thriving community by providing a center for information and discovery through innovative programming, robust collections, and responsive services.

Transparency and Stewardship

At the Dormann Library, we take pride in being responsible stewards of public and donated funds. We are committed to transparency and accountability in all aspects of our financial management.

Funding Sources

Our library is funded through a combination of public funds, grants, and private donations. These include:

- Local tax support
- State and federal funding through STLS
- Grants from foundations and community organizations
- Individual and corporate donations
- Fundraising efforts

How We Use Our Funds

Library funding supports:

- Books, digital resources, and materials for all ages
- Educational programs, events, and community outreach
- Technology upgrades and internet access
- · Facility maintenance and improvements
- Staff salaries and training





IMPORTANT INFORMATION

(The following data is for the year 2024.)

- ★ Total library cardholders include 3,571 resident and 769 non-resident patrons.
- ★ The library was visited over 15,000 times by patrons.
- ★ Library users borrowed over 33,000 items.
- ★ The library currently has 9 desktop computers, 6 Chromebooks, and 6 laptops for patron use, with a wireless network that is available 24/7.
- ★ Library cardholders have virtual access to 16 electronic databases, including full text of the New York Times, JobNow career assistance and Peterson's Test Prep.
- ★ Cardholders have access to over 22,000 e-books and over 7,700 digital audiobooks.
- ★ The library owns over 35,000 items for circulation to our patrons.
- ★ Dormann Library staff facilitated more than 11,000 interlibrary loan requests and answered over 1500 reference questions.
- ★ A total of 526 programs for all ages were offered with 4,745 people attending.
- ★ The library collaborated with 21 other public agencies throughout the year.
- ★ 113 patrons registered for the Summer Learning Program, with 397 attendees at events.
- ★ The library is fiscally stable with strong support from the local community.

WHAT'S NEW?

Technology Support Specialist
Mango- Language Learning Database
Kanopy- Free Movie Streaming Service
Robert & Edith Saxton Memorial Pavilion
Additional Notary Publics
EZ Passes

COMING SOON

Outdoor Learning Space
Accessibility Friendly Circulation Desk
New Website





The Dormann Library employs 11 part-time and 6 FTE staff members.

Library Staff

Karen Andrus, Library Clerk Sarah Blaisdell, Executive Assistant Catherine Davis, Programming Assistant Wayne Grimes, Library Clerk Cheryl Harkness, Café Manager Joyce House, Interlibrary Loan/Processing Clerk Marissa Hursh, Library/Café Clerk Justin Jaklitsch, Technology Support Specialist Jami Long, Assistant Director Diane Kilbury, Library Clerk Betty Kretchman, Circulation Desk Supervisor Pete Langendorfer, Building and Grounds Eleata Mitchell, Early Literacy Outreach/Library Clerk Ashlee Negley, Programming Coordinator Tessie Rankin, Café Clerk LeighAnn Rumsey, Library Director Grace Runnels, Library/Café Clerk Shelli Runnels, Building and Grounds Merrick Ward, Library Clerk





The library is open a total of 44 hours per week.

Library Hours

Monday – Friday 10 – 6 Saturday 10 – 2

Chapters Café Hours

Monday -Friday 10 - 3:30



THESE FLOWERS WERE BROUGHT IN BY A PATRON WHO GREW THEM FROM THE FREE SEEDS AVAILABLE IN THE SEED LIBRARY

Dormann Library Board of Trustees 2025

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The Board of Trustees meets in the Community Room at 5:30pm on the third Tuesday of every month, except July and August. The public is always invited to attend.

The Dormann Library won the following grants in 2024:

ALA Thinking Money for Kids (program kit)	\$2,000.
Arts Council of the Southern Finger Lakes	\$5,425.
Foundation for Southern Tier Libraries	\$775.
Miscellaneous	\$3,959.
New York State Construction Aid	\$79,615.
Rotary	\$1,100.
STLS Mini Grant	\$762.

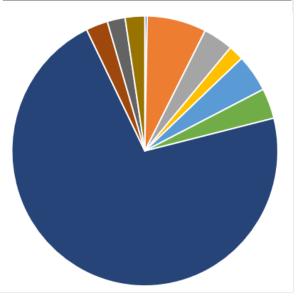
Tyrtle Beach Youth Fund\$1000.

TOTAL\$ 94.636

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Income		2,000,00
Donations	\$	3,000.00
Room Fees	\$	200.00
Fundraising	\$	5,000.00
Utica National Insurance	\$	1,600.00
Library Tax Revenue	\$	382,699.34
LLSA	\$	3,464.00
Patron Services	\$	6,000.00
Steuben County Aid	\$	8,800.00
Grants	\$	20,000.00
Construction Grant	\$	25,000.00
Café Income	\$	14,000.00
Reserve Fund	\$	240,354.66
Total Income	\$	710,118.00
Expenses		
Advertising	\$	2,000.00
Bank Service Charges	\$	75.00
Bld-grounds Maint	\$	49,640.00
Board	\$	750.00
Computer Network Main.	\$	1,700.00
Dues	\$	750.00
Education	\$	2,500.00
Fundraising Expense	\$	2,000.00
Insurance (Building)	\$	25,000.00
Library Equipment	\$	4,200.00
Library Material	\$	25,000.00
Library Programs	\$	25,000.00
Library Supplies	\$	8,450.00
Payroll	\$	493,511.00
Professional Fees	\$	18,300.00
STLS Cost Share & Equipment	\$	14,935.00
STLS Digital Library Contributions (eb	ool \$	5,907.00
STLS Fiber	\$	1,200.00
Telephone	\$	1,200.00
Utilities	\$	14,000.00
Café Expenses	\$	14,000.00
Total Expenses	\$	710,118.00

Budget Vote: June 10th Noon – 8:00pm

Your annual tax bill per \$100,000 of assessed property value will be \$58.47.



- Advertising
- Building & Grounds Maintenance
- Building Insurance
- Equipment & Supplies
- Books and Materials including Digital Resources
- Programming
- Payroll and Associated Costs
- Accountant Fees
- STLS Cost Share
- Utilities including Internet

Proposed 2026 OPERATING BUDGET