

LFPL Budget Presentation

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Recap of the Past Year

- Big in-person Library events return
- Ended overdue fines
- Major milestones
 - New union contract – expires 06-30-2025
 - Middletown Library grand opening
 - State construction grant for Portland Library
 - Hotspot lending program
- Recovery of circulation and door count
- Bookmobile

In-Person Programs Return



Once Upon An Orchestra at LFPL

Presented in partnership with Louisville Orchestra, The Library Foundation, and the Friends of the Library





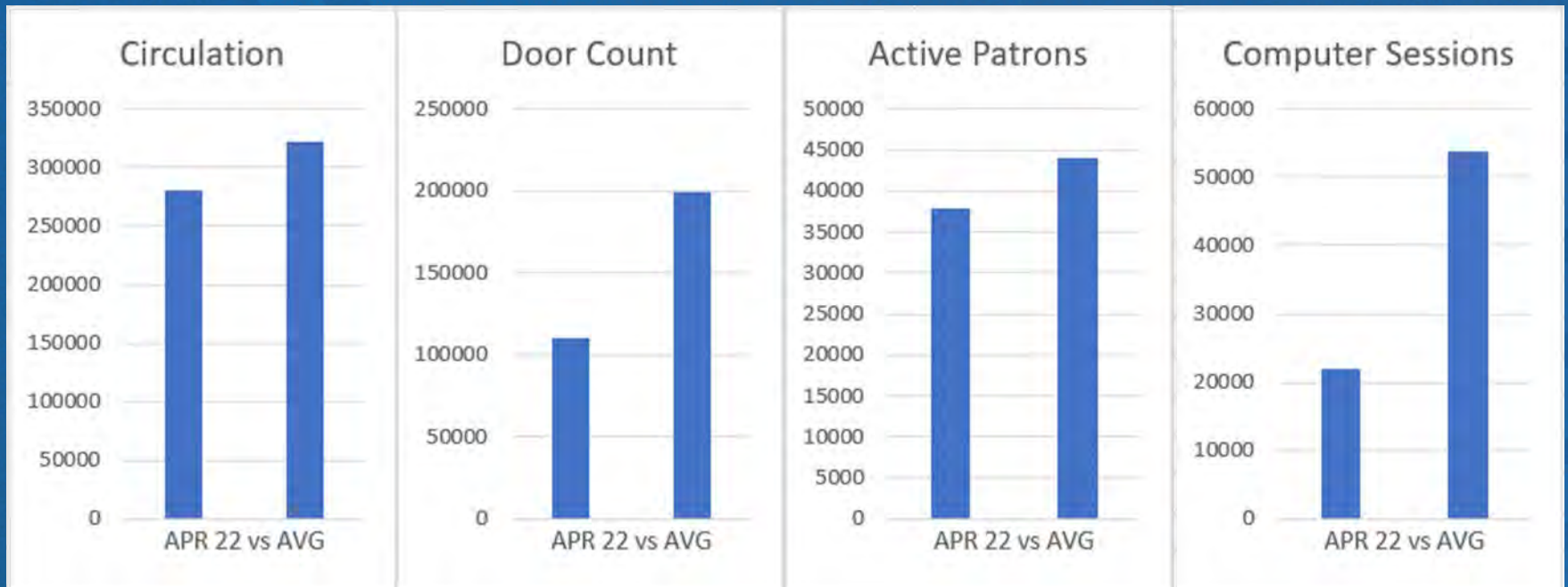
The How-To Festival



Middletown Library - Back in Business



April Stats vs. Pre-COVID Average



New Children's Bookmobile Update



Where We Stand Today:

- Great news about capital projects
- Staffing challenges
- Operational funding challenges
- The Gap: State Standards, National Averages, and Benchmarks

State Standard for Square Footage

- 0.6sf per capita is the state Minimum Standard
- Enhanced is 0.8sf and Exemplary is 1.0sf
- LFPL is currently at 0.54sf
- Proposed ARP projects will get us to 0.57sf
- To meet the state standard by 2030 we will need to add 62,000sf in addition to the 4 proposed projects



Peer City Comparison

- Louisville ranks **84th** out of 116 in library spending *per capita* among libraries serving 400,000 people or more.*

**Public Library Data Service, Public Library Association*

NATIONAL
AVERAGE

Cities
ranked
ahead of
Louisville
include:

Baltimore

Charlotte

Columbus

Dayton

Indianapolis

Milwaukee

Nashville

St. Louis

Tulsa



Looking Toward Next Year

- Estimated timeline for capital projects
- Increased emphasis on equity, recruiting, auditing, action plan
- Library Master Plan 2040
- Intellectual freedom concerns

Estimated timeline for capital projects

PARKLAND



PORTLAND



FERN CREEK



MAIN



JUNE 2022

JUNE 2023

JUNE 2024

JUNE 2025