Some exciting things occurred this year...

The library migrated its events calendar to LibCal. It allowed for seamless integration with the WTPL website, Main library catalog, and Main app.

Kanopy, a new streaming service which offers classic cinema, foreign films and documentaries as well as television shows and feature films, was made available to WTPL patrons.

In technology, we increased our Internet speed from 50 to 250 Mbps and installed new hardware.

In terms of collections. We added more shelving and additional content to our rapidly growing Large Print Collection.

We increased our purchasing of eContent, to keep up with rising demand.

The Youth Services Department updated the non-fiction collection, weeding older materials and purchasing new content in a variety of subject areas.

Several youth programs were added, to reach new audiences. These included a Pokémon Club and a Friday Fun Storytime.
The Library received a long overdue new look in 2023. It received a fresh coat of paint in updated colors, to coordinate with the existing upholstered furniture and green marbled table tops.

The carpet was also replaced throughout the building, with carpet tiles. In Youth Services, anchor tiles in accent colors were placed throughout the area to brighten up the young children’s space and make it “pop”.

The Meeting Room carpet was replaced with luxury vinyl tile, to allow for easy clean-up from craft programs and refreshments in this well used space.

The old custom valences were removed and neutral colored, light filtering roller shades were installed on the south side of the building, to prevent glare on the public computer screens. Not only do they serve a function, but they enhance the overall space.

The furniture was re-arranged to give an open space feeling to the building and open up the floor space.

In addition to this, the library replaced several aging HVAC and boiler parts and also repaired part of an aging roof.
The Washington Township Public Library's mission is to enrich the lives of our residents by encouraging them to connect, discover, learn and create.

**ENRICH @ WTPL**

- Improv & Theater Class for Kids and Teens
- Baby & Sensory Playtimes
- Puzzle Playtimes
- Hatha Yoga with Danielle
- Autumn Brunch with Chef Jay
- Author Talk with Shelby Van Pelt

**CONNECT @ WTPL**

- **Libby** - digital books, audiobooks, and magazines
- **Kanopy** - stream classic cinema, indie films, documentaries, and more
- **Hoopla** - stream movies, television, books, audiobooks, music, and Great Courses
- **BrainFuse HelpNow** - real-time, virtual, one-on-one tutoring
- **Ancestry LibraryEdition** - online family history resource
- **Mango** - immersive language-learning platform
- **Consumer Reports** - online access with expanded information for consumers
- **Main Library app** - search, renew, reserve items, and connect to resources
- **TumbleBooks** - a curated database of children's digital content
DISCOVER @ WTPL

- Peculiar Professions
- Science Tellers
- Museum Passes
- Unique Creates Animal Show
- Colonial Taverns of NJ
- The Pilgrims and the Mayflower

LEARN @ WTPL

- Diwali Celebration
- Kwanzaa Celebration
- Passport Pals
- Country Eats
- Chess Club
- Genealogy for Beginners
- Organizing for the Unexpected
- Mah Jongg for Beginners
CREATE @ WTPL

- Introductory Drawing Classes
- Pumpkin Painting
- Edible Arts
- Fairy Houses
- Lego Club
- Bad Art Night for Grown-ups

COMMUNITY @ WTPL

- Touch a Truck
- Community Helper Storytime
- Knitting Groups
- WT Recreation Committee - LV Friends of Fishing
- Great Decisions Foreign Policy Discussions
- Monthly Book Clubs
- Girl Scout Gold Award Workshops
- Outreach to Heath Village
- Monthly Puzzle Swap
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Farewell to Carmen and Dylan. We wish you all the best on your new adventure!

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Thank you to the community groups, organizations, local businesses, and individuals who have worked together with the library to provide programming and enrich the library’s offerings to the community.

WTPL AT A GLANCE

STAFF
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WTPL BY THE NUMBERS
429 Adult Programs
386 Youth Programs
176 Community Group Meetings
1697 Adult Program Attendance
11,551 Youth Program Attendance
868 Community Meeting Attendance
13,497 Days Read (Youth SRC)

117,038 Print Circulation
31,888 Digital Circulation
3059 Reference Interactions
4423 Number of Items added
2669 Wireless Users
546 New Library Card Registrations
57,555 Library Visitors