



Omaha Public Library Foundation Board of Directors Meeting
3 p.m. Tuesday, August 26, 2025
Modern Work, 8790 F Street and via Zoom

- I. Call to order (Mary O'Donohue)
- II. Consent agenda (Mary O'Donohue) *(vote needed)* **(p. 2)**
 - a. June 2025 board meeting minutes
 - b. Library director report
- III. Board of trustees report (Rochelle Mullen)
- IV. Finance report (Katie Bruno/Nithya Paul/Wendy Townley) **(p. 10)**
 - a. 2024 Form 990
 - b. 2024 internal financial review
- V. Fundraising report (Wendy Townley) **(p. 12)**
 - a. Instrumental grants calendar **(p. 13)**
- VI. 2025 fundraiser (Wendy Townley) **(p. 21)**
- VII. OPLF/CIT merger and Central Library (Hannah Fischer Frey/Rochelle Mullen/Dan Lonergan)

2025 Executive Committee Meetings	2025 Board Meetings
Tuesday, February 18	Tuesday, February 25
Tuesday, April 15	Tuesday, April 22
Tuesday, June 17	Tuesday, June 24
Tuesday, August 19	Tuesday, August 26
Tuesday, November 11	Tuesday, November 18

OPLF Board of Directors Meeting
4pm Tuesday, June 24, 2025
Modern Work and via Zoom

Present: Mary O'Donohue, Katie Bruno, Traci Hancock, Jo Giles, Wendy Townley, Jeff Kosse, Matt Dunning, Nithya Paul, Laura Marlane, Tina Lonergan, Dan Lonergan, Mark McMillan, Clay Vanderheiden, Hannah Fischer Frey (Baird Holm)

Absent: Rochelle Mullen

Mary O'Donohue called the meeting to order at 4:15pm.

Vote to approve the consent agenda

Motion to approve April 2025 and June 2025 meeting minutes: Matt Dunning

Motion seconded: Katie Bruno

Vote: unanimous to approve

OPL director's report: Laura Marlane shared updates from OPL as reflected in her written report found in the board meeting packet. Among the key highlights: the 2026 budget proposed by Mayor Jean Stothert was approved by newly elected Mayor John Ewing. This includes additional dollars for collections next year.

OPL trustees report: Did not occur due to Rochelle Mullen's absence.

Finance report: Nithya Paul reviewed the latest balance sheet and income statement. Paul said cash and investments are solid, referring to the two reports in the board packet. From an operational budget, expenses are well under budget than anticipated. Revenue is a little behind from a contributions standpoint, but the fundraising report later in the meeting will provide more context.

OPLF email and server migration: Wendy Townley said Virtual I.T. has been a great vendor to support the migration from the OPL/City/DotComm servers to our own via Google Workspace. We are billed monthly moving forward for their support. As a reminder, we signed a one-year contract with Virtual I.T. to start.

Fundraising report: Townley said we are approximately \$60,000 ahead of where we were last year. The bulk of dollars raised arrive in the third and fourth quarter of the year. Current asks that are pending total just under \$100,000. Other grant requests are due in the third quarter. Townley can share that data via email in the coming days.

Other factors that will contribute to the total raised in 2025: net proceeds from the annual fundraiser and the year-end direct mail appeal (which kicks off in November).

Other details can be found in the fundraising dashboard within the board packet.

2025 fundraiser: Townley said for sponsorships, we've secured \$14,000 from organizations and individuals. Our goal is \$60,000 at a minimum, but we expect that goal to increase.

Underwriting messages on KVNO and KIOS have been updated to promote the fundraiser to drive ticket sales.

For this year's Barbara Bock-Mavis Award, the sole nominee is Terri Diesing, a longtime supporter and previous board member of the OPLF board and the OPL board of trustees.

Diesing's daughter, Traci Hancock, echoed her mother's lifelong commitment to OPL, citing her passion for access to library services for all. The library, Hancock said, is one of her all-time favorite places.

As a reminder, this year's event will also celebrate the 40th anniversary of OPLF.

Giles motioned to present the 2025 award to Diesing. Bruno seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

OPLF/CIT merger and Central Library: Hannah Fischer Frey from Baird Holm updated the merger talks with CIT and Dan Waters.

The discussion around the remaining building debt as of April 2026 remains a topic of discussion with regard to the OPLF/CIT merger.

The option of an asset acquisition is on the table for discussion, as opposed to the original merger as proposed. This includes the \$20M tech reserve.

Another item up for discussion as part of the merger: Central Library pledge payment collection for the next few years, and outstanding expenses after the new library opens in April 2026.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45pm.



Director's Report August 2025

Central Library Tour

On July 31, I toured Central Library with Mayor Ewing, members of his staff, Heritage Services, and several of our board members. The building is progressing quickly and is already beautiful to see. Thank you to Stacy Lickteig and Elizabeth Johnson for walking us through the facility. While there is still much to be done, the progress to date has been impressive.

2026 Budget

On August 12, Rachel Steiner, Wendy Robinson, and I met with the City Council to address questions regarding the library's proposed 2026 budget. Most questions centered on Central Library and the staffing required to operate the new branch. The Council also inquired about pedestrian access; while there has been some public interest in a pedestrian bridge, no such project is currently scheduled. The Council will adopt the final 2026 budget and CIP on August 26.

Polaris Migration

The library is in the process of migrating from Sierra to a new Integrated Library System (ILS), Polaris. This system manages all core functions—circulation, collections, and patron accounts. The migration work began in May, and staff training will begin soon. The go-live date is scheduled for November 12.

Library Reaccreditation

Thank you to the Community Engagement Committee for their work in reviewing all library policies in preparation for approval at tonight's meeting. This has been a lengthy process, involving review by staff, senior administration, and city legal. Your work has been essential in advancing us through this step of reaccreditation.

Board Email Accounts

Some board members have experienced difficulty accessing their DotComm email accounts. If you encounter issues, please let me know so I can coordinate with DotComm to resolve them.

Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Updates

The FY2026 federal budget must be passed before September 30. This date is crucial for IMLS, as its future depends both on the passage of the budget and whether IMLS funding is restored. Additionally, the Museum and Library Services Act of 2018—which authorizes IMLS programs, including the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) and the Grants to States program—is set to expire at the end of this fiscal year. Without reauthorization by Congress, IMLS will no longer operate, regardless of what happens with the budget. This uncertainty makes federal advocacy especially important over the next month and a half.

How You Can Help

Advocacy is essential right now. Please consider:

- Signing up as a library advocate via the Nebraska Library Association's Advocacy page



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- Joining [EveryLibrary](#) for updates on national legislation
- Contacting your U.S. representatives to urge support for IMLS funding and reauthorization

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of OPL and libraries nationwide.



SOCIAL MEDIA DASHBOARD

<p>Facebook – July 2025 66 posts in July, average 2 per day Total Reach = 151.6k, average 4.9k per day</p> <p>Followers July 2024 = 14,711/ July 2025 = 15,422 YOY Growth = 5% June 2025 = 15,358/ July 2025 = 15,422 MOM Growth = 0%</p>	<p>TikTok – July 2025 10 posts in July, average 0.3 per day Total Viewers = 9.6k, average 309 per day</p> <p>Followers July 2024 = 1,056/ July 2025 = 1,712 YOY Growth = 62% June 2025 = 1,560/ July 2025 = 1,712 MOM Growth = 10%</p>
<p>LinkedIn – July 2025 70 posts in July, average 2.3 per day Total Impressions = 5,615, average 181 per day</p> <p>Followers July 2024 = 2,962/ July 2025 = 3,362 YOY Growth = 14% June 2025 = 3,323/ July 2025 = 3,362 MOM Growth = 1%</p>	<p>Threads – July 2025 72 posts in July, average 2.3 per day Total Viewers = 3,752, average 121 per day</p> <p>Followers July 2024 = 1,153 / July 2025 = 1,836 YOY Growth = 59% June 2025 = 1,789/ July 2025 = 1,836 MOM Growth = 3%</p>
<p>Instagram – July 2025 76 feed posts in July, average 2.5 per day 28 story posts in July, average 0.9 per day Total Reach = 49.2k, average 1.6k per day</p> <p>Followers July 2024 = 7,169/ July 2025 = 8,706 YOY Growth = 21% June 2025 = 8,482/ July 2025 = 8,706 MOM Growth = 3%</p>	<p>YouTube – July 2025 18 posts in July (3 videos, 15 shorts) Total Views = 4,464, average 248 per post</p> <p>Subscribers July 2024 = 593 / July 2025 = 647 YOY Growth = 9% June 2025 = 615/ July 2025 = 647 MOM Growth = 5%</p>

In the News:

- June 19: We're co-hosting the College World Series. Public-private partnerships have made it happen, Omaha World-Herald (OPL gets a shoutout in the discussion about other public-private partnerships in the city)
- June 22: Fostering community connections with Omaha Public Library, Omaha World-Herald
- June 24: Zen Coffee Co. selected to be cafe at new Omaha Central Library, Omaha World-Herald
- June 24: Omaha Public Library Chooses Zen Coffee for Future Flagship Building, Grow Omaha
- July 2: Omaha Reads: 'Solito' by Javier Zamora, KETV
- July 6: Omaha Reads initiative brings community together with 'Solito', Omaha World-Herald
- July 17: Heartland Bike Share Program Pedals Progress, KETV
- July 18: 'Down a rabbit hole': Genealogy & Local History Room helps Nebraskans explore the past, Nebraska Public Media
- July 20: Omaha Public Library staff offer recommendations in honor of National Moon Day, Omaha World-Herald
- July 22: Police officer shortage, library staffing among priorities in Omaha Mayor John Ewing's first budget, Omaha World-Herald
- July 22: Mayor John Ewing Jr. presents recommended 2026 budget to city council, KMTV
- Aug. 3: Omaha Public Library has resources for students heading back to school and lifelong learners, Omaha World-Herald

Special announcements & events:

Community Selects “Solito” by Javier Zamora for 2025 Omaha Reads. Omaha Reads is a yearly event that celebrates the power of literature by bringing the community together to read and explore the themes of one book. The book is selected through a public vote and promoted through book talks, author visits, and related programs.

OPL Launches Video Series to Give Sneak Peek at New Central Library. The first video was published at the end of July and new content will be released each month. Videos can be found at omahalibrary.org and on OPL social media channels.

Willa Cather Branch Launches Spanish Book Club, beginning Aug. 23. ¡Únete al nuevo club de lectura en español, Páginas y Pláticas! Nos reunimos el cuarto sábado de cada mes en la sucursal Willa Cather para hablar sobre el libro del mes y compartir buenas historias.

Repujado Art Workshops for Teens. Explore repujado, the traditional art of metal embossing, in this hands-on workshop led by visiting artist, Linda Garcia. Participants will learn how to create beautiful raised designs on soft metal using simple tools and techniques and create their own unique piece to take home.

Vision Screening Storytimes Return. Join OPL for a storytime all about eyes and vision! Experience stories, creative movement, music and more. Children ages 6 months to 6 years are invited to participate in a free vision screening by Lions Clubs International after storytime.

Hobbit Day Celebrations. Whether you come from Bag End or beyond the Misty Mountains, adventure awaits! Enjoy crafts, activities, and fun for families, adults, and hobbits of all ages inspired by the beloved world of J.R.R. Tolkien.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY REPORT

July 2025



**Omaha
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Circulation	Month	YTD
Physical Circulation	281,281	1,781,275
Virtual Circulation	110,760	756,330
Total	392,041	2,537,605

Library Visits	Month	YTD
Onsite Visits	140,879	811,971
Virtual Visits	279,071	1,848,062

Internet Use	Month	YTD
Desktop Use	20,847	125,497
WIFI Sessions	64,161	534,932
Total	85,008	660,429

January 2025 MyOPL app checkouts are included in the Physical Circulation numbers.
 March-April 2025 Elkhorn Library temporarily closed for remodeling beginning March 17,
 reopening on April 21. Pickup lockers and curbside service were available during closure.

Physical vs Virtual Circulation

July 2025

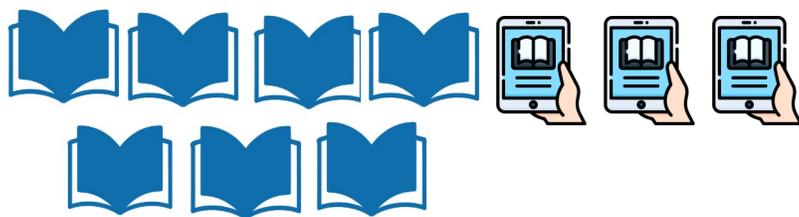


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7 out of 10



Nearly seven out of every ten items checked out were physical materials.

July 2025

Physical: 281,281

Digital: 110,760

Omaha Public Library Foundation

Income Statement

Budget-to-Actual - YTD 07-2025

		FY2025	07-2025	07-2025	Change	YTD Percentage
Revenues						
01-4000	Contributions	\$485,000	\$282,917	\$121,267	\$161,650	43%
02-4000	Contributions	\$780,000	\$455,000	\$303,682	\$151,318	67%
01-4100	Event Income	\$125,000	\$72,917	\$29,150	\$43,767	40%
01-4200	Miscellaneous	\$10,000	\$5,833	\$3,546	\$2,287	61%
Total Revenues		\$1,400,000	\$816,667	\$457,645	\$359,022	56%
Expenses						
02-5000	OPL Annual Program Support	\$731,900	\$426,942	\$105,762	\$321,180	25%
02-5100	OPL Special Projects/Campaigns	\$280,000	\$163,333	\$228,426	(\$65,092)	140%
01-6000	Salaries	\$167,409	\$97,655	\$82,222	\$15,433	84%
01-6050	Bookkeeping Contract Support	\$5,250	\$3,063	\$1,146	\$1,916	37%
01-6200	Payroll Tax/Simple IRA	\$17,850	\$10,413	\$9,648	\$764	93%
01-6250	Health Insurance	\$16,380	\$9,555	\$5,588	\$3,967	58%
01-6300	Payroll Processing	\$1,155	\$674	\$720	(\$46)	107%
01-6350	Phone and Mileage	\$1,260	\$735	\$550	\$185	75%
01-6400	Office Supplies	\$6,300	\$3,675	\$3,383	\$292	92%
01-6450	Postage	\$3,150	\$1,838	\$1,038	\$800	56%
01-6500	Printing	\$5,250	\$3,063	\$3,754	(\$691)	123%
01-6550	Accounting and Audit	\$15,750	\$9,188	\$28	\$9,160	0%
01-6560	Legal Fees	\$10,500	\$6,125	\$32,835	(\$26,710)	536%
01-6600	Bookkeeping Software	\$6,825	\$3,981	\$0	\$3,981	0%
01-6650	Credit Card, Checking, PayPal Fees	\$5,040	\$2,940	\$3,912	(\$972)	133%
01-6700	Directors & Officers Insurance	\$1,164	\$679	\$1,104	(\$425)	163%
01-6725	Contingency	\$10,500	\$6,125	\$0	\$6,125	0%
01-6750	Donor Cultivation and Recognition	\$4,200	\$2,450	\$1,018	\$1,432	42%
01-6800	Donor Management Software	\$9,345	\$5,451	\$0	\$5,451	0%
01-6850	Fundraising Events	\$63,000	\$36,750	\$24,810	\$11,940	68%
01-6900	Marketing and Advertising	\$15,750	\$9,188	\$3,075	\$6,113	33%
01-6950	Professional Development	\$4,200	\$2,450	\$280	\$2,170	11%
01-6951	Rent	\$14,490	\$8,453	\$4,600	\$3,853	54%
01-6952	Liability, Business Owners & Workers	\$1,680	\$980	\$46	\$934	5%
01-6953	Internet	\$0	\$0	\$645	(\$645)	0%
01-6955	Phone service (office)	\$630	\$368	\$320	\$47	87%
02-7200	Pass-Through Support	\$0	\$0	\$36,276	(\$36,276)	0%
Total Expenses		\$1,398,978	\$816,070	\$551,186	\$264,884	68%
Gains						
01-9000	Interest and dividends	\$0	\$0	\$43,369	(\$43,369)	0%
02-9000	Interest and dividends	\$0	\$0	\$20,078	(\$20,078)	0%
01-9010	Unrealized gain/loss	\$0	\$0	\$163,865	(\$163,865)	0%
02-9010	Unrealized gain/loss	\$0	\$0	\$38,052	(\$38,052)	0%
01-9020	Realized gain/loss	\$0	\$0	\$8,426	(\$8,426)	0%
02-9020	Realized gain/loss	\$0	\$0	\$6,540	(\$6,540)	0%
Total Gains		\$0	\$0	\$280,329	(\$280,329)	0%
Losses						
01-9500	Investment fees	\$0	\$0	\$14,134	(\$14,134)	0%
02-9500	Investment fees	\$0	\$0	\$5,778	(\$5,778)	0%
01-9550	Bond Amortization	\$0	\$0	\$1,157	(\$1,157)	0%
Total Losses		\$0	\$0	\$21,069	(\$21,069)	0%
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		\$1,022	\$596	\$165,720	(\$165,123)	27,792%

Omaha Public Library Foundation
Balance Sheet, Year-over-Year Comparison
As of July 31, 2025

		<u>07/31/2025</u>	<u>07/31/2024</u>	<u>Change</u>
Assets				
01-1000	First National Bank Checking	\$250,873	\$255,172	(\$4,300)
01-1001	First National Bank Checking: Cash Sweep	\$219,664	\$574,082	(\$354,418)
01-1200	PayPal	\$4,832	\$2,832	\$2,000
01-1330	First National Bank Endowment	\$3,922,606	\$3,645,638	\$276,969
02-1330	First National Bank Endowment (Schmid)	\$1,017,269	\$949,893	\$67,376
02-1332	First National Bank Endowment (Rismiller)	\$63,881	\$59,445	\$4,436
02-1333	First National Bank Endowment (Tech Reserve)	\$315,479	\$181,395	\$134,084
01-1400	Pledges Receivable	\$92,403	\$88,995	\$3,408
Total Assets		<u>\$5,887,007</u>	<u>\$5,757,451</u>	<u>\$129,556</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balance				
Liabilities				
01-2000	Accounts Payable	\$2,166	\$28,206	\$26,040
01-2100	Accrued Payables	\$6,859	\$3,231	\$3,628
01-2200	Credit Card	\$1,738	\$669	\$1,069
01-2300	Credit Card (Staff)	\$310	\$602	(\$292)
01-2500	Accrued Interest (Unrestricted)	(\$3,084)	(\$1,148)	(\$1,936)
Total Liabilities		<u>\$7,988</u>	<u>\$31,560</u>	<u>(\$23,572)</u>
Fund Balance				
01-3000	Without Donor Restrictions	\$6,460,041	\$5,746,129	\$713,911
02-3000	With Donor Restrictions	(\$2,093,487)	(\$1,532,704)	(\$560,783)
01-3200	Endowments: Unrestricted/Board-Designated Reserve	\$450,000	\$450,000	\$0
02-3300	Endowments with Donor Restrictions	\$1,062,465	\$1,062,465	\$0
Total Fund Balance		<u>\$5,879,019</u>	<u>\$5,725,891</u>	<u>\$153,128</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance		<u>\$5,887,007</u>	<u>\$5,757,451</u>	<u>\$129,556</u>
BEGINNING BALANCE WITH CURRENT YEAR ADJUSTMENTS		\$5,713,299	\$5,433,085	\$280,214
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		\$165,720	\$292,806	(\$127,087)
ENDING FUND BALANCE		<u>\$5,879,019</u>	<u>\$5,725,891</u>	<u>\$153,128</u>

**Omaha Public Library Foundation
Fundraising Dashboard**

January 1 - July 31, 2025

Fundraising Priorities	2025 Goal	2025 Actual	Remaining Dollars to Raise as of 7/31/25	Percentage Raised as of 7/31/25
2025 OPLF Operating Budget/Unrestricted	\$387,078	\$170,797	\$216,281	44%
2025 OPL Annual Program Support	\$731,900	\$231,924	\$499,976	32%
2025 OPL Special Projects	\$280,000	\$50,000	\$230,000	18%
Progress toward Goal, YTD 7/31/25:	\$1,398,978	\$452,720	\$946,258	32%
Additional Fundraising in 2025	2025 Goal	2025 Actual	Balance	
Central Library Public Campaign	N/A	\$12,775	N/A	
Donor Restricted (Pass-Through)	N/A	\$11,493	N/A	
Total Pass-Through Revenue:		\$24,268		
Total Secured YTD 7/31/25:		\$476,988		

January 1 - July 31, 2024

Fundraising Priorities	2024 Goal	2024 Actual	Remaining Dollars to Raise as of 7/31/24	Percentage Raised as of 7/31/24
2024 OPLF Operating Budget/Unrestricted	\$368,646	\$388,861	-\$20,215	105%
2024 OPL Annual Program Support	\$574,600	\$69,690	\$504,910	12%
2024 OPL Special Projects	\$415,000	\$61,000	\$354,000	15%
Progress toward Goal, YTD 7/31/24:	\$1,358,246	\$519,551	\$838,695	38%
Additional Fundraising in 2024	2024 Goal	2024 Actual	Balance	
Central Library Public Campaign	N/A	\$59,161	N/A	
Donor Restricted (Pass-Through)	N/A	\$18,183	N/A	
Total Pass-Through Revenue:		\$77,344		
Total Secured YTD 7/31/24:		\$596,895		

Instrumentl Opportunities Report - August 25, 2025

Projects: Refugee Book Giveaways, Literacy programs, Between the Lines Sponsorship, Common Soil, General Operating/Unrestricted, StoryWalk, Bookmobile, Collections, and Programs for Incarcerated Populations

Statuses: Abandoned Declined Awarded - Active LOI Submitted Planned Application Submitted

Years: 2025, 2026

STATUS

\$223,000

Awarded

8 opportunities

\$42,500

Submitted

6 opportunities

\$27,000

Declined

3 opportunities

Displaying 41 opportunities

2025

NAME	DEADLINE	STATUS	AMOUNT	NEXT TASK	NOTES
February 2025					
Richard Brooke Foundation Richard Brooke Foundation Literacy programs	Feb 6, 2025	Awarded - Active	Received \$50,000 Requesting \$50,000		Refer to Wendy's report on R drive.
Cooper Foundation Grant Cooper Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted	Feb 7, 2025 Rolling	Abandoned	Unspecified amount		Per 2/6/25 email, the Cooper Foundation only supports projects in Lincoln and Lancaster County, and those with a statewide impact.

<p>Criss Foundation</p> <p>Dr Cc And Mabel L Criss Memorial Literacy programs</p>	<p>Feb 7, 2025</p>	<p>Abandoned</p>		<p>Per 1/31/25 email from Andy Davis, the Criss Foundation has supported Central Library; they will contact OPLF if interest exists in general support ...</p>
<p>Dixon Family Foundation</p> <p>Dixon Family Foundation Literacy programs</p>	<p>Feb 7, 2025</p> <p>Past Due</p>	<p>LOI Submitted</p>		<p>Cindy Vaccaro will contact Wendy in February 2025 to discuss a potential grant application.</p>
<p>Kiewit Companies Foundation</p> <p>Kiewit Companies Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	<p>Feb 7, 2025</p> <p>Past Due</p>	<p>LOI Submitted</p>	<p>General - 02/07/2025 - Wendy will contact AJ Klebba.</p>	<p>Wendy emailed AJ Klebba on 2/7/25 to discuss potential support in 2025</p>
<p>Lauritzen Foundation</p> <p>Lauritzen Foundation Collections</p>	<p>Feb 7, 2025</p>	<p>Abandoned</p>		<p>Per email received 2/7/25: Hi, Wendy! Hope you are well and sorry for my slow reply! It's always great to hear from you. The foundation support will...</p>
<p>March 2025</p>				
<p>Dr. Scholl Foundation Grants</p> <p>Dr Scholl Foundation Literacy programs</p>	<p>Rolling Letter of inquiry</p> <p>Mar 1, 2025 Full proposal</p>	<p>Abandoned</p>	<p>US \$5,000 - US \$25,000</p>	
<p>2025 General Grant</p> <p>Omaha Community Foundation Literacy programs</p>	<p>Mar 3, 2025</p>	<p>Awarded - Active</p>	<p>Received \$50,000 Requesting \$50,000</p>	<p>ACCESS CODE (BELOW) NEEDED TO LOG IN! From: Tessa Barney <TessaBarney@omahafoundation.org> Date: Fri, Jan 31, 2025 at 2:24 PM...</p>

<p>Fund for Omaha Grant Omaha Community Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	<p>SL</p>	<p>Mar 3, 2025</p>	<p>Abandoned</p>	<p>Up to US \$25,000</p>	<p>Wendy, I am pleased to extend a special invitation to the Omaha Public Library Foundation to apply for a 2025 General Grant. We are excited...</p>
<p>Olson Foundation Leland J And Dorothy H Olson Charitab... Literacy programs</p>		<p>Mar 7, 2025</p>	<p>Declined</p>	<p>Requesting \$25,000</p>	<p>Requested \$25,000 for 2025 Summer Reading Program ***** ***** Happy New Year from the Olson...</p>
<p>Hamann Family Foundation Deryl F Hamann Family Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted</p>		<p>Mar 12, 2025</p>	<p>Abandoned</p>		<p>Wendy will contact Steve Seline.</p>
<p>Burlington Capital Foundation Grant Burlington Capital Literacy programs</p>		<p>Mar 14, 2025 (due Mar 20, 2025)</p>	<p>Declined</p>	<p>Requesting \$2,000</p>	<p>Let's request \$2,000 in support of genealogy/local history and collections. Here's the application link -- https://burlingtoncapital.c...</p>
<p>Peter Kiewit Foundation Grant Peter Kiewit Foundation Literacy programs</p>		<p>Mar 24, 2025 Rolling</p>	<p>Abandoned</p>	<p>Unspecified amount</p>	<p>Wendy to contact Paul Ternes.</p>
<p>Amy L Scott Family Foundation Amy L Scott Family Foundation Literacy programs</p>		<p>Mar 26, 2025</p>	<p>Awarded - Active</p>	<p>Received \$15,000 Requesting \$30,000</p>	<p>Received \$15K for 2025 Summer Reading Program</p>

April 2025

<p>Cox Corporate Sponsorships</p> <p>Cox Communications Literacy programs</p>	<p>Apr 1, 2025</p>	<p>Abandoned</p>		<p>Wendy will contact Rob Trebilcock.</p>
<p>First Interstate Bank community grants</p> <p>First Interstate Bancsystem Foundatio... Literacy programs</p>	<p>Apr 1, 2025</p>	<p>Abandoned</p>	<p>General - 01/20/2025 - Research grant opportunity and reach out to local contact.</p>	<p>For a 2025 ask, here's the link and the Omaha contact: https://www.firstinterstatebank.com/company/commitment/grants.php Catie...</p>
<p>Jewish Federation of Omaha Foundation</p> <p>Jewish Federation of Omaha Collections</p>	<p>Apr 1, 2025</p>	<p>Application Submitted</p>	<p>Requesting \$2,500</p>	<p>Genealogy and local history: \$1,500 from Collections for genealogy plus \$1,000 for digital books</p>
<p>Hawks Foundation</p> <p>Hawks Foundation Collections</p>	<p>Apr 2, 2025</p>	<p>Awarded - Active</p>	<p>Received \$60,000 Requesting \$60,000</p>	<p>OPLF invited to apply. Dear Wendy Townley: You are invited to apply for grant funding from Hawks Philanthropy. The deadline to submit your application..</p>
<p>DGLF Youth Literacy Grants</p> <p>Dollar General Literacy Foundation Collections</p>	<p>Apr 3, 2025 (due Apr 3, 2025)</p>	<p>Application Submitted</p>	<p>Requesting \$5,000</p>	
<p>Community Ties Giving Program: Local Grants</p> <p>Union Pacific Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	<p>Apr 4, 2025 (due May 14, 2025)</p> <p>Past Due</p>	<p>LOI Submitted</p>	<p>US \$5,000 - US \$30,000</p>	<p>Wendy will email David Black to start conversation.</p>
<p>Lozier Foundation Operating Grant</p> <p>The Lozier Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	<p>Apr 21, 2025</p>	<p>Awarded - Active</p>	<p>Received \$33,000 Requesting \$50,000</p>	<p>\$33 received for the 2025 Summer Reading Program --- \$50K: Evenly split between the two programs Wendy met with Susan Toohey on 3/19/2025 to...</p>

<p>Suzanne and Walter Scott Foundation</p> <p>Suzanne And Walter Scott Foundation</p> <p>Literacy programs</p>	<p>Apr 21, 2025</p>	<p>Awarded - Active</p>	<p>Received \$10,000</p> <p>Requesting \$10,000</p>	<p>\$10K for books to give away at OPL's Out and About Storytimes this summer (2025), via "Sue and Walter's Favorite Things" grant fund</p>
<p>Cox Charities Community Investment Grant</p> <p>Cox Charities Community Investment Grant</p> <p>Literacy programs</p>	<p>Apr 30, 2025</p>	<p>Application Submitted</p>	<p>Requesting \$2,500</p>	<p>Applications for 2025 will be open April 1 - May 1. Questions? Contact lex.ewing@cox.com ***** ***** Fwd:...</p>
<p>May 2025</p>				
<p>Scott and Cindy Heider Foundation</p> <p>Charles And Mary Heider Family Founda...</p> <p>General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	<p>May 19, 2025</p>	<p>Abandoned</p>		<p>Wendy will contact Erin Swanson Russell.</p>
<p>HDR Foundation Grant Cycle</p> <p>HDR Foundation</p> <p>Literacy programs</p>	<p>Feb 7, 2025 Letter of inquiry (due Apr 24, 2025)</p> <p>May 22, 2025 Full proposal</p>	<p>Abandoned</p>	<p>More than US \$5,000</p>	<p>Ask Tom Trelone</p>
<p>June 2025</p>				
<p>The Soener Foundation</p> <p>The Soener Foundation</p> <p>Literacy programs</p>	<p>Jun 3, 2025</p> <p>Past Due</p>	<p>LOI Submitted</p>		<p>Wendy will contact Beth O'Connor.</p>
<p>Paul and Oscar Giger Foundation</p> <p>Paul And Oscar Giger Foundation Inc</p> <p>General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	<p>Jun 5, 2025</p>	<p>Application Submitted</p>	<p>Requesting \$7,500</p>	

<p>Gilbert C. Swanson Foundation</p> <p>Gilbert C Swanson Foundation Inc Literacy programs</p>	Jun 12, 2025	Application Submitted	Requesting \$10,000	Kara Treece will follow up with application instructions in late February 2025. Also, from Kara: " Additionally, the Board has asked that I...
<p>William and Ruth Scott Fdn Operating Grant</p> <p>William And Ruth Scott Family Foundat... General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	Jun 12, 2025	Declined		From: John Levy Sent: Monday, July 28, 2025 11:22 AM To: Wendy Townley (LIB - Foundation) <wtownley@omahalibrar...
<p>Ike And Roz Friedman Foundation</p> <p>Ike And Roz Friedman Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	Jun 20, 2025	Awarded - Active	Received \$5,000 Requesting \$5,000	Wendy will send request letter to Susie Cohn.
July 2025				
<p>Mammel Foundation</p> <p>Mammel Family Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	Jul 1, 2025	Abandoned		Contact Vanessa Denney.
<p>Mutual of Omaha grant</p> <p>Mutual Of Omaha Foundation Literacy programs</p>	Jul 23, 2025	Application Submitted	Requesting \$15,000	Wendy will contact Kim Armstrong. We submitted previous grant (book lockers) in July 2024. To Apply for Support: Our application process is by...
<p>Sherwood Foundation: Operating Grants</p> <p>The Sherwood Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	Jul 28, 2025 (invite only) (due Sep 30, 2025)	Awarded - Active	Unspecified amount	

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<p>Pacific Life Foundation Grants</p> <p>Pacific Life Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	<p>Aug 15, 2025</p>	<p>Abandoned</p>	<p>US \$15,000 - US \$100,000</p>	<p>General - 07/01/2025 - Grant cycle for 2026 opens 7/15/25.</p>	<p>The 2026 Grant Funding Cycle will be open July 15, 2025 – August 15, 2025. Eligible to apply again in Summer 2025: Nonprofits may reapply annually for...</p>
<p>Beloved Community Grant</p> <p>Weitz Family Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	<p>Aug 25, 2025</p> <p>Past Due</p>	<p>Planned</p>	<p>Up to US \$20,000</p>		<p>Watch for updated grant cycle in early summer.</p>
<p>Claire M Hubbard Foundation</p> <p>Claire M Hubbard Foundation Literacy programs</p>	<p>Aug 31, 2025</p>	<p>LOI Submitted</p>			<p>Wendy will contact Anne Hubbard for a meeting. Amy's book author event (\$50K)?</p>
<p>Sokolof 2022 SRP</p> <p>Sokolof Grandchildren Charitable Foun... Literacy programs</p>	<p>Aug 31, 2025</p>	<p>Planned</p>			<p>2026 SRP: Wendy will contact Matt Darling.</p>
<p>September 2025</p>					
<p>Adah K Millard Charitable Trust</p> <p>Adah K Millard Charitable Trust Literacy programs</p>	<p>Sep 30, 2025</p>	<p>Planned</p>			<p>Kristin Weaver Attachments Mon, Feb 3, 11:10 AM (4 days ago) to Sandy, me Hi, Wendy, Our process is to receive applications from...</p>
<p>October 2025</p>					
<p>William R Patrick Foundation Grant</p> <p>William R Patrick Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted</p>	<p>Oct 1, 2025</p>	<p>Planned</p>			<p>LOI submitted via email on 1/31/25 Marcy Wiese, Paralegal Liakos & Matukewicz LLC 8701 W Dodge Rd, Suite 408 Omaha NE 68114 (402)...</p>
<p>No Submission Goal or Date Entered</p>					

CL Werner Foundation	Expired deadline	Abandoned	Hello Wendy, Thank you for reaching out. The Foundation does support the Library, however they are currently in a multi-year grant for the...	
CI Werner Foundation General Operating/Unrestricted				
Archived & Expired Grants				
AFI Dreams Foundation Grants	Archived	LOI Submitted	US \$5,000 - US \$10,000	Submitted online request for info on 1/30/25. Applications are invite only.
American Family Insurance Dreams Foun... Literacy programs				

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