

Fundraising events and activities – FY27 (July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027)

Events / Activities are listed here in order by date / season held.

Blind Date with a Book Fundraiser: Held in conjunction with monthly Downtown Markets (June, July, August, September, December) and ongoing display at the JKPL. *Beth Gudenkauf is primary.*

Craft-It-Up Fundraiser (replacing Chair-ity or Wreath-it-up fundraiser & silent auction): Start marketing and sign up on September 1. Items should be returned or donated to the library by mid-October. Silent Auction runs mid-October to Sunday before Thanksgiving. *Shirley typically manages as is routine.*

Fall / Halloween Event at O So Good: Typically scheduled for a Friday in October, on O So Good's regular October Trivia night. We sell tables which include charcuterie board and wine/choice of beverages. *Shirley typically manages as is routine.*

Fit the Pieces Puzzle Competition: Puzzle competition / partnership with Textile Brewery to be held in October / November and January / February. Fall event scheduled for November 12. *Beth Gudenkauf is primary.*

Layette Lady's Quilt Display and Sale: Held November and December. Layette Ladies bring in a variety of quilts that we display in the magazine room. These quilts are available to purchase starting at \$25.00 (larger sizes are more) and proceeds are split between the Layette Ladies group and the JKPL (JKPL gets \$10.00 for each sold, Layette group get the remainder.) We don't make a lot of money on this but is a good partnership and takes very little time. *Shirley typically manages as is routine.*

Breakfast Burrito Grab and Go Fundraiser: Twice a year we host a grab and go breakfast burrito fundraiser – on Small Business / Shop Local Saturday (November 28, 2026) and a Saturday adjacent to National Library Week (April 11–17, 2027). *Alex is primary (grillmaster).*

Cookie Walk Fundraiser: Typically held the first weekend of December. Board, Friends, and Community members are invited to donate cookies and other sweet treats. Cookies are also plated and available to purchase starting on Saturday and the week following the event, and also taken as thank you gifts to community partners. *Shirley typically manages.*

Merry Mingle Downtown Market: Sell cookies and hot cocoa at the winter downtown market.

Soup Lunch and Supper: All Board and Fundraising members are asked to donate at least 4 or 5 quarts (ice cream tub) of either chicken noodle soup or chili for this fundraiser. Library staff, volunteers, and past board and committee members also donate. Other items are either purchased or donated. This carry out event is held for lunch and dinner (11:30am – 1:00 pm & 4:30 – 6:30 pm on a Monday in January. *Shirley typically manages.*

Love My Library Giving Tree / Direct Mail: Traditionally a January / February activity. Funds brought in for the 2026 campaign were less than hoped so Committee will review options.

Mystery Dinner Theater: Typically held on Saturday in February. Show and meal to start at 6:30 pm. Held at Social Center, typically catered by J & D Mart, performance by Brew Ha Ha. *Shirley typically manages.*

Art / Décor Event: Not planning unless someone wants to manage.

Build-a-Basket Fundraiser: Typically held February to March or April, ending with Silent Auction on a Sunday before Easter. Easter is Sunday, March 28, 2027. *Shirley typically manages.*

NWL Trivia Event (partnership with O So Good): Held in April in connection with National Library Week. April 11-17, 2027 is NLW. *Shirley typically manages.*

Breakfast Burrito Carry Out Fundraiser: Typically held in connection with National Library Week on a Saturday from 9 to 11 am (or sold out). *Alex is primary.*

Yard Sign Sales: April and May – sell for a donation or give away; continue doing as long as we have signs on hand. *Shirley typically manages.*

Spring Plant Sale: Typically held a Saturday morning, from 9 to 11 am, in May - not a holiday weekend. Karen Kramer typically volunteers as plant expert. *Shirley typically manages.*

Garage Sale Fundraiser: Held the Saturday of Toy Show / City Garage Sale weekend with Sunday being a donation day. Typically, would be first weekend in June. *Alex is primary.*

Pop-up Library Fundraiser Partnership: Discussed taking book bike and pop-up library to locations as partnership. Business gives percentage of sales to JKPL. Nothing planned at this time.

Business donors: Partnership with local businesses. During specified period of time, patrons mention JKPL and business donates percentage of sales to the JKPL. Nothing planned at this time.

Selling apparel & merchandise: ongoing

Candy & Snack sales: ongoing

Case File and / or Casino Night Fundraisers; Comedian or other special performers or activities:
Possible Partnerships with Fuse and English Pub. Nothing planned at this time.