To: Kaukauna Public Library Board of Trustees

From: Library Director A. Thiem-Menning

Date: 8/18/25 Re: 2026 Goals



In preparation for our 2026 budget cover sheet, we have proposed the following goals for the Library for next year.

- Create the next Library strategic plan for 2027-2031. The current strategic plan is for 2022-2026.
- Create content for the Library website including, but not limited to: a social story for visiting the Library and a video of the Library to accompany the social story.
- Revamp the Homebound Delivery program.

Our 2025 goals included:

- Begin the process of organizing both digital and paper files.
 - Partially completed year to date. The paper files have been dealt with.
 Electronic files are next.
- Implement new automated materials handling system in conjunction with the Capital Improvement Project.
 - o The machine is tentatively set to arrive for install in October this year.
- Increase the number of culture-based programs.
 - o This goal will likely fall short this year due to staff turnover.
- Explore and implement one new format of library materials for children in audio format.
 - This goal has been met with the introduction of the popular children's audiobooks Wonderbooks and Vox books. We did expand this goal to teen and adult collections. We are also currently working on expanding our Playaway holdings and kits as they have gained popularity again.

