



**I. GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. Name of Library Whitewater Public Library		2. Public Library System Bridges Library System			
3b. Head Librarian First Name Diane	3c. Head Librarian Last Name Jaroch	4a. Certification Grade Grade 1	4b. Certification Type Regular	5. Certification Expiration Date 02/30	
6a. Street Address 431 W. Center St.	6b. Mailing Address or PO Box 431 W. Center St.	7. City / Village / Town Whitewater	8a. ZIP 53190	8b. ZIP4 1915	9. County Jefferson
10. Library Phone Number 2624730530	11. Fax Number	12. Library E-mail Address of Director djaroch@whitewater-wi.gov			
13. Library Website URL www.whitewaterlibrary.org		14. No. of Branches 0	15. No. of Bookmobiles Owned 0	16. No. of Other Public Service Outlets 0	
17. Does your library operate a books-by-mail program? No	18. Some public libraries are legally organized as joint libraries, with neighboring municipalities or a county and municipality joining to operate a library. Is your library such a joint library legally established under Wis. Stat. s. 43.53? No				
20. Square Footage of Public Library 19,320	21a. Did your library or a branch move to a new facility during the fiscal year? No	21b. Did your library or a branch renovate or expand an existing facility during the fiscal year? Yes		22. UEI Number L1BAVJAH5J25	

**HOURS OF OPERATION**

	Standard Service with No Restrictions on Building Access	Limited Service	Staff Only (No interior service for the public)
19a. Winter hours open per week	61	45	40
19b. Number of winter weeks	21	12	2
19c. Summer hours open per week	61	45	40
19d. Number of summer weeks	1	13	3
19e. Total weeks per year	22	25	5
19f. Total hours per year for this location	1,342	1,125	200

II. LIBRARY COLLECTIONS					
			a. Number Owned / Leased	b. Number Added	
1. Books in Print			40,326	1,708	
2. Physical Subscriptions			20		
3. Physical Audio Materials			4,634	27	
4. Physical Video Materials			9,880	280	
5. Other Physical Materials			647		
6. Total Physical Items in Collection			55,487		
			Purchased solely by the Library	Purchased via a System, Consortium or Cooperative Agreement	Provided by the State
7. E-books			Yes	Yes	No
8. E-serials			No	Yes	No
9. E-audio			Yes	Yes	No
10. E-video			Yes	Yes	No
11. Research Databases			No	Yes	Yes
12. Online Learning Platforms			No	Yes	Yes
III. LIBRARY SERVICES					
1. Physical Circulation Transactions			2. Interlibrary Loans		
a. Total Circulation	b. Children's Materials	c. Other Physical Items	a. Items Loaned <i>Provided to</i>	b. Items Received <i>Received from</i>	
41,603	11,729	349	15,351	13,428	
			Method for Counting ILL Transactions Categorized ILL Transactions		
(Only Total will display when Total ILL Transactions is listed as the Method for Counting ILL Transactions)			Items Loaned to Other Libraries <i>Provided to</i>	Items Borrowed from Other Libraries <i>Received from</i>	
Integrated Library Systems (ILS)			14,229	13,350	
WISCAT			1,122	78	
Other (includes OCLC, manual tracking or other methods)			0	0	
3. Electronic Content Circulation Transactions					
a. E-books	b. E-serials	c. E-audio	d. E-video	e. Children's E-materials	f. Total E-materials
8,233	3,104	12,245	89	731	23,671
4. Number of Registered Users			5. Overdue Fines	6. Reference Transactions	
a. Resident	b. Nonresident	c. TOTAL		a. Method	b. Annual Count
4,391	2,515	6,906	No	Actual Count	1,227
				a. Method	b. Annual Count
				Actual Count	19,569
8. Uses of Public Internet Computers				9. Uses of Public Wireless Internet	
a. Number of Public Use Computers	b. Number of Public Use Computers with internet access	c. Method	d. Annual Count	a. Method	b. Annual Count
14	12				

**LIBRARY PROGRAMS AND ATTENDANCE**

**Total In-Person and Live, Virtual Statistics by Age**

	Young Child (0-5)	Child (6-11)	Young Adult (12-18)	Adult (19+)	General Interest (all ages)
Number of Programs	25	11	2	17	7
Total Attendance	386	301	31	183	220

**Total Program Statistics by Program Category**

	In-Person On-Site	In-Person Off-Site	Live, Virtual	Pre-recorded	
Number of Programs	8	54	0	0	
Total Attendance	89	1,032	0		
Total Program Views				0	

Describe the library's in-person programs:

Storytimes, hands-on craft programs, STEM programs, performers, adult presenters and speakers. During 2025 most of our programs were held off site due to a construction project.

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Which platforms does the library use to host the library's live, virtual programs:

YouTube

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Describe the library's live, virtual programs:

We did not have any in 2025.

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Which platforms does the library use to host the library's pre-recorded programs:

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Describe the library's pre-recorded programs:

We did not have any in 2025.

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**IV. LIBRARY GOVERNANCE**

Library Board Members. List all members of the library board as of the date of this report. List the president first. Indicate vacancies. Report changes to the Division for Libraries and Technology as they occur. When reporting such changes, indicate the departing board members.

First Name	Last Name	City	Email Address
<b>PRESIDENT</b>			
1. Jennifer	Motszko	Whitewater	jennifer.motszko@gmail.com
2. Elizabeth	Miller	Whitewater	millereaj@gmail.com
3. Tara	McKenzie-Peotter	Whitewater	taramckenziepeotter@gmail.com
4. Camden	Harlan	Whitewater	HarlanCA21@uww.edu
5. Kathy	Retzke	Walworth	kretzke@wwusd.org
6. Steven	Sahyun	Whitewater	ssahyun@whitewater-wi.gov
7. Doug	Anderson	Whitewater	trkfld1stsgt@icloud.com
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No. of Library Board Members *Include vacancies in this count* 7

**V. LIBRARY OPERATING REVENUE**

Report operating revenue only. Do not report capital receipts here.

1. Local Municipal Appropriations for Library Service Only Joint libraries report more than one municipality here

Municipality Type	Name	Amount
City	Whitewater	\$469,370
<b>Subtotal 1</b>		<b>\$469,370</b>

2. County

a. Home County Appropriation for Library Services Subtotal 2a \$57,278

a. Other County Payments for Library Services

County Name	Amount	County Name	Amount
Waukesha	\$1,108		
Dane	\$5,077		
Rock	\$46,812		
Walworth	\$117,435		
<b>Subtotal 2b</b>			<b>\$170,432</b>

3. State Funds

a. Public Library System State Funds

Description	Amount	Description	Amount
eContent Grant	\$2,000		
Innovation Grant and Hearing Loop	\$18,000		
b. Funds Carried Forward from Previous Year	\$0	c. Other State Funded Program	0
<b>Subtotal 3</b>			<b>\$20,000</b>

4. Federal Funds Name of program—for LSTA grant awards, grant number, and project title

Program or Project	Amount	
2025-51993I Lead the Way Conference	\$496	
<b>Subtotal 4</b>		<b>\$496</b>

5. Contract Income From other governmental units, libraries, agencies, library systems, etc.

Name	Amount	Name	Amount
	\$0		
<b>Subtotal 5</b>			<b>\$0</b>

6. Other Funds Carried Forward and Expended. Do not include state aid. Report state funds in 3b above. \$118,602

7. All Other Operating Income \$23,913

**8. Total Operating Income Add 1 through 7** **\$860,091**

9. What is the current year annual appropriation provided by governing body(ies) for the public library?	\$475,000
10. Was the library's municipality exempt from the county library tax for the report year? Wis. Stat. s. 43.64(2)	Yes







**XI. PUBLIC LIBRARY LOANS OF MATERIAL TO NONRESIDENTS**

1. Of the total circulation reported for the library from Section III, item 1, what was the total circulation to nonresidents <i>See instructions for definition of nonresident</i>			13,467
Divide nonresident circulation among the following categories. The total of 2 through 6 below should not be greater than the number reported in item 1 above.	a. Those with a Library	b. Those without a Library	c. Subtotal
2. Circulation to Nonresidents Living in the Library's County	961	3,015	3,976
3. Circulation to Nonresidents Living in Another County in the Library System	80	20	100
4. Circulation to Nonresidents Living in an Adjacent County Not in the Library System	773	8,289	9,062
5. Circulation to All Other Wisconsin Residents	329	6. Circulation to Persons from Out of the State	0
7. Are the answers to items 1 through 6 based on actual count or survey/sample?  Actual	8a. Does the library deny access to any residents of adjacent public library systems on the basis of Wis. Stat. s. 43.17(11)(b)?  No	8b. If yes, does the library allow residents in adjacent systems to purchase library cards?	

9. Circulation to Nonresidents Living in an Adjacent County Who Do Not Have a Local Public Library			
Name of County	Circulation	Name of County	Circulation
a.		f.	
b. Dane	378	g.	
c. Rock	2,422	h.	
d. Walworth	5,489	i.	
e. Waukesha	20	j.	

**XII. TECHNOLOGY (Not included in 2025 Report)**

**XIII. SELF-DIRECTED ACTIVITIES, STAFF SERVING YOUTH / ADULTS**

1. Self-directed Activities: <i>Planned, independent activities available for a definite time period which introduce participants to any of the broad range of library services or activities that directly provide information to participants.</i>			
	a. Children (0-5)	b. Children (6-11)	c. Young Adult (12-18)
Number of Self-Directed Activities	4	23	1
Total Self-Directed Activity Participation	6	986	2
	d. Adult (19+)	e. General Interest (all ages)	f. Total
Number of Self-Directed Activities	10	4	42
Total Self-Directed Activity Participation	415	132	1,541
2. Name and email address of primary staff person who serves as the children, youth, or teen librarian. Only the primary person is displayed here.			
a. First Name	b. Last Name	c. Email Address	
Rolfsmeyer	Deana	drolfsmeyer@whitewater-wi.gov	
3. Name and email address of primary staff person who serves as the librarian for adults. Only the primary person is displayed here.			
a. First Name	b. Last Name	c. Email Address	
Sarah	French	sfrench@whitewater-wi.gov	

**XIV. PUBLIC LIBRARY ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH SYSTEM MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

We assure the Public Library System of which this library is a member and the Division for Libraries and Technology, Department of Public Instruction that this public library is in compliance with the following requirements for public library system membership as listed in Wis. Stats.

A check (X) or a mark in the checkbox indicates compliance with the requirement.

- The library is established under s. 43.52 (municipalities), s. 43.53 (joint libraries), or s. 43.57 (consolidated county libraries and county library services) of the Wisconsin Statutes [s. 43.15(4)(c)1].
- The library is free for the use of the inhabitants of the municipality by which it is established and maintained [s. 43.52(2), 73 Op. Atty. Gen. 86(1984), and OAG 30-89].
- The library's board membership complies with statutory requirements regarding appointment, length of term, number of members and composition. [s. 43.54 (municipal and joint libraries), s. 43.57(4) & (5) (consolidated and country library services), and s. 43.60(3) (library extension and interchange)].
- The library board has exclusive control of the expenditure of all moneys collected, donated, or appropriated for the library fund [s. 43.58(1)].
- The library director is present in the library at least 10 hours a week while library is open to the public, less leave time [s. 43.15(4)(c)6]
- The library board supervises the administration of the library, appoints the librarian, who appoints such other assistants and employees as the library board deems necessary, and prescribes their duties and compensation [s. 43.58(4)].
- The library is authorized by the municipal governing board to participate in the public library system [s. 43.15(4)(c)3].
- The library has entered into a written agreement with the public library system board to participate in the system and its activities, to participate in interlibrary loan of materials with other system libraries, and to provide, to any resident of the system area, the same library services, on the same terms, that are provided to the residents of the municipality or county that established the member library. This shall not prohibit a municipal, county, or joint public library from giving preference to its residents in library group programs held for children or adults if the library limits the number of persons who may participate in the group program, or from providing remote access to a library's online resources only to its residents. [s. 43.15(4)(c)4].
- The library's head librarian holds the appropriate grade level of public librarian certification from the Department of Public Instruction [s. 43.15(4)(c)6 and Administrative Code Rules PI 6.03].
- The library annually is open to the public an average of at least 20 hours each week except that for a library in existence on June 3, 2006, annually is open to the public an average of at least 20 hours or the number of hours each week that the library was open to the public in 2005, whichever is fewer [s. 43.15(4)(c)7].
- The library annually spends at least \$2,500 on library materials. [s. 43.15(4)(c)8].

**XV. CERTIFICATION**

**I CERTIFY THAT**, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this annual report and any attachments are true and accurate and the library board has reviewed and approved this report.

President, Library Board of Trustees Signature or designee	Name of President or Designee Print or type	Date Signed
	Jennifer Motszko	
Library Director / Head Librarian Signature	Library Director / Head Librarian Print or type	Date Signed
	Diane Jaroch	

**STATEMENT CONCERNING PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM EFFECTIVENESS**

As required by Wis. Stat. s. 43.58(6)(c), the following statement that the library system either did or did not provide effective leadership and adequately meet the needs of the library must be completed and approved by the library board. The response should be made in the context of the public library system's statutory responsibilities and the funding which it has available to meet those responsibilities.

County  
  
Jefferson

The Whitewater Public Library Board of Trustees hereby states that in 2025 the Bridges Library System  
*Name of Public Library* *Name of Public Library System / Service*

- did provide effective leadership and adequately met the needs of the library.
  - did not provide effective leadership and did not adequately meet the needs of the library.
- Indicate with an X one of the above statements*

Explanation of library board's response. *Attach additional sheets if necessary.*

Note: With the approval of the library board of trustees, this statement may be submitted separately from the Annual Report form that is sent to the library system, as an e-mail attachment to [LibraryReport@dpi.wi.gov](mailto:LibraryReport@dpi.wi.gov).

**XV. CERTIFICATION**

The preceding statement was approved by the Public Library Board of Trustees.

Division staff will compile the statements received for each library system and, as required by Wis. Stat. s. 43.05(14), conduct a review of a public library system if at least 30 percent of the libraries in participating municipalities that include at least 30 percent of the population of all participating municipalities report that the public library system did not adequately meet the needs of the library. This statement may be provided to the public library system.

President, Library Board of Trustees Signature or designee	Name of President or Designee Print or type	Date Signed
	Jennifer Motszko	

**COMMENTS**

SECTION\_I

1. Name of Library

The Library Board of Trustees voted to change the name to Whitewater Public Library at their July 21, 2025 meeting.--2026-01-29

Standard total weeks per year

The library underwent renovations during 2025 which is why standard services were only offered for 22 weeks this year.--2026-02-19

20. Square Footage of Public Library (this location only)

The library underwent a renovation and expansion project during 2024-2025 and added square footage to the building.--2026-01-30

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SECTION\_III

1a., Total Physical Circulation

The library was under construction during 2025 and was closed to the public for a few weeks and only provided curbside service for six months.--2026-02-20

Total In-Person On-Site Library Programs

The library was under construction during 2025 and most programming was done off site.--2026-02-20

SECTION\_V

State Government Revenue

We received grants for these funds--2026-02-19