

## North Central Library District Board Bulletin

We've been hearing that board members would like to learn more about the district, their role on the board, within the library, and library-related news across the state. We're excited to share news and information with District member library Trustees on a quarterly basis.

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### Federal Funds Update

Susan Banks, Deputy Secretary and State Librarian, announced that the Office of Commonwealth Libraries received notice that the full award for the Grants to States for Fiscal Year 2025 is now available. This is good news for now, however, at this time, the future of federal funding is uncertain. The Office of Commonwealth Libraries is assessing priorities for federal funding in the future. Read the full announcement [here](#).

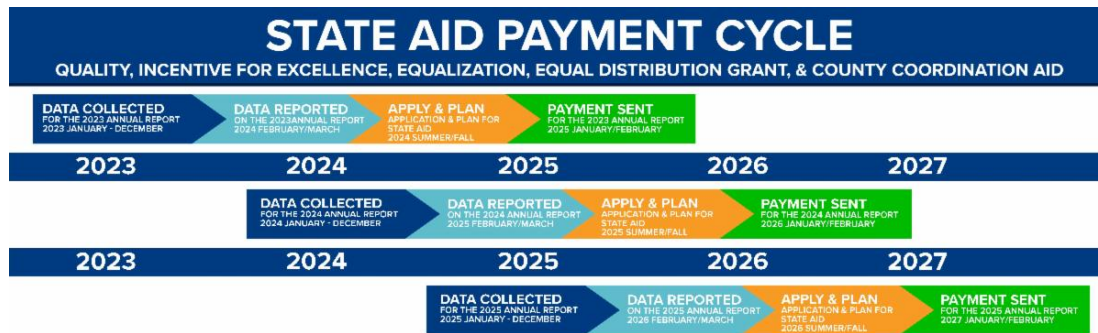
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### Pennsylvania State Budget 2025-26

The June 30th deadline for passing the Pennsylvania State Budget has come and gone. As of this writing, the budget is still delayed due to ongoing negotiations and disagreements over spending priorities. Library districts run on a July 1 to June 30 fiscal year with district aid typically received in August. Budget delays impact district aid payments. The House will be in session this week and we're hoping for progress. Now may be a good time to contact legislators to get the budget passed. Find your legislators [here](#).

# State Aid Library Subsidy Application Opens July 16th

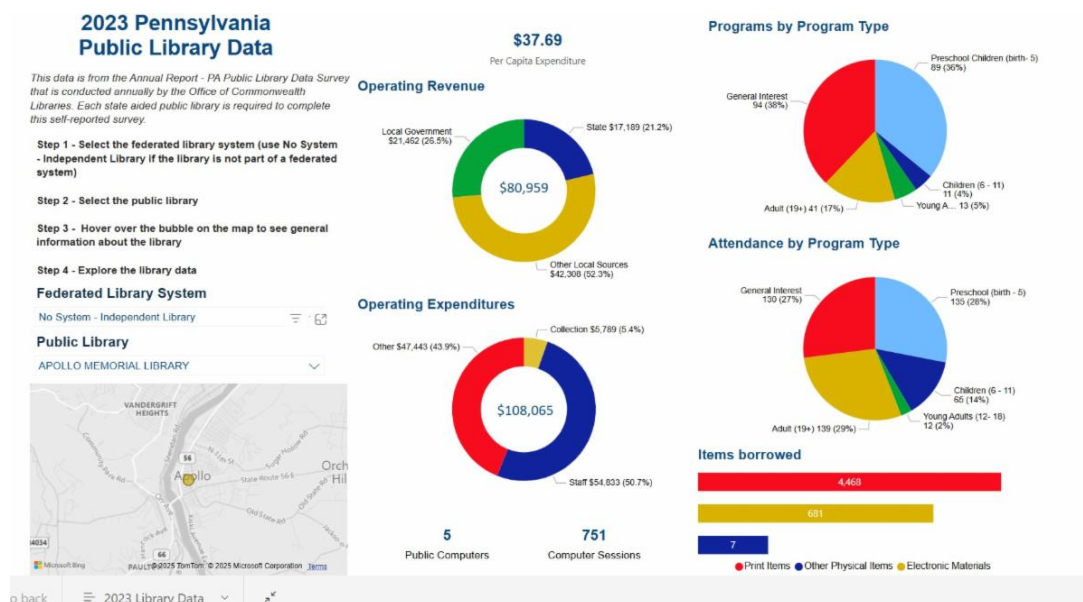
The State Aid Library Subsidy Application (SALSA) will open on July 16th. With this form, state aided libraries apply for state aid to be distributed to independent libraries and library systems in January 2026. Receiving payment in 2026 actually starts with the data collected on the annual report for 2024. If a library needs to apply for a waiver for not meeting standards in 2024, it is done with the SALSA. The next step in the process is the Plan for State Aid in which the library explains how state aid will be used. This typically happens in the fall. Click on the graphic below to learn more.



## Public Library Funding and Recipient Data

Have you ever wondered how your library compares to others in the state? The Office of Commonwealth Libraries collects statistical information on state aided public libraries within the state.

There is a new interactive report that allows you to view information about a specific library and library system as a whole. Operating revenue and expenditures, circulation, program attendance and computer usage is depicted. The report can be found [here](#).



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