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First of all, the City of Auburn contributes about 81% to our budget. For this fiscal year that is just over \$1.1 million dollars. That level of support is not unusual for a municipal contribution and is actually the average amount provided for the State's

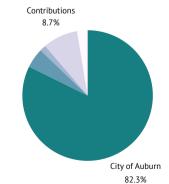
six largest libraries. While these funds are not designated for any particular expenses, they do, in a sense, cover most of our personnel expenditures. Without a professional and welcoming staff, a library just can't succeed.

That leaves about 20%, or \$257,900, for the Library to raise. Our biggest source of funds is the Annual Fund. We kick it off in June to be in sync with our annual fundraiser, which for the last two years has been "Book Around Town. (Lots of fun and a success!) Donations range from \$5.00 to \$1,500. We have income from our endowments that support our collection. Our endowments set aside the original donation and generate the income. While we no longer collect fines, we continue to charge for DVDs and audiobooks. That is why we have such a wonderful collection. We also receive memorial donations and bequests. How wonderful it is that people remember us and donate to ensure the financial health of the Library's future.

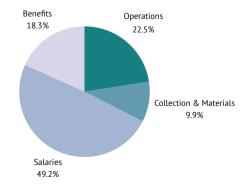
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-Mamie





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1,895
Guest Passes Used



457 Computer Lab Uses



1,402 Study Room Uses



**511** Teens in

Teens in the Teenspace



**298**Book Reach
Volunteer Hours



**375** 

Children's Department Volunteer Hours



1,130 New Cards Issued



19,222

Items Borrowed by Other Libraries



142,011 Website Visits



**8/2** Programs Offered



106,054 Visitors to the Library



**6,467**Total Card Holders



5,812
Items Added to the Collection



167,214 Items Checked Out July 1st, 2022 - June 30th, 2023

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