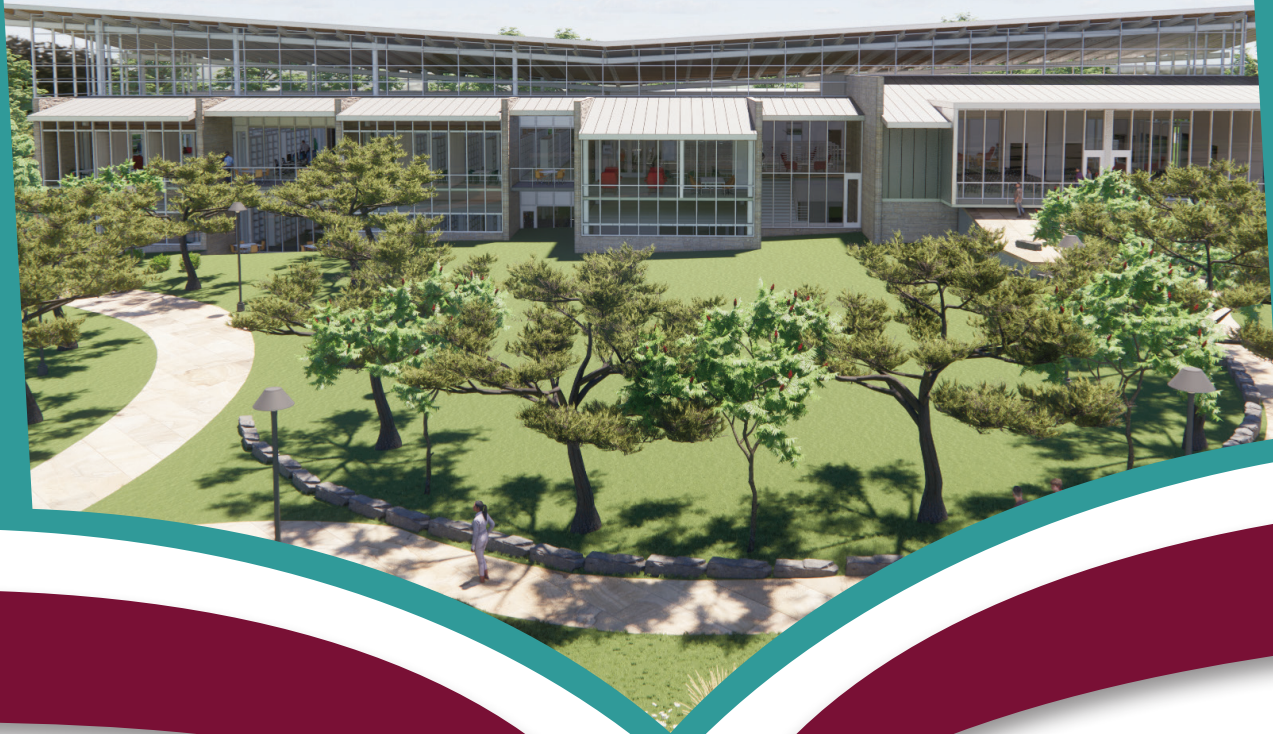


DRIPPING SPRINGS COMMUNITY LIBRARY

# BEYOND BOOKS BUILDING COMMUNITY

Promoting life-long learning for  
all residents of the Dripping Springs area.



# A VITAL PART OF OUR COMMUNITY

Libraries make great communities even better. They are our communities' lifeline to the world and all the information in it.

The library of the 21st century is a portal to learning and discovery, education and entertainment, and a gathering place that excites curiosity and conversation.

**The benefits are priceless.**

A library is the cornerstone of a healthy community, giving people the opportunity to experience new ideas, conduct research, find jobs and get lost in wonderful stories, while at the same time providing the space for community gatherings.

*Together, we can answer Dripping Springs' expanding need of resources for lifelong learners and essential community space.*

**Population Served:**  
52,000+

**Total Circulation:**  
184,000+

**Current Patrons:**  
12,000+



## DRIPPING SPRINGS COMMUNITY

At the Dripping Springs Community Library, we aim to provide a welcoming, lively, diverse, and, to quote a younger patron, "awesome" place. As a community, we have relied on its resources for more than 25 years, and it still offers something new every day.

Our library has a rich history in the area, and its humble origins date back to 1985 when it operated out of a single classroom at Dripping Springs High School. Our community's commitment – and yours – to promoting literacy and education to the Dripping Springs populace via an

inspiring, state-of-the-art library is part of what makes Dripping Springs a warm and welcoming place to live, work, and play.

The Dripping Springs Community Library is one of only 15 library districts in the state of Texas. As such, the library is not funded by property taxes or through the City of Dripping Springs or Hays County. Residents voted to establish and fund the operating expenses of the library with one quarter of one percent of the sales tax revenue generated in the district borders. However, community support is vital for capital improvements.

# OUR HISTORY



Began operations  
in Dripping Springs  
High School

**1985**

**1986** Secured 501c3  
Non-Profit Status

Moved into new  
5,000 sq. ft. facility on  
3 acres of donated land  
900+ Patrons

**1998**

**1999** Hays County voters  
approved creating a  
Library District

Opened Children's Wing,  
adding 3,700 sq. ft.

**2005**

**2011** Population Served: 26,233  
200 Programs Offered  
7,500 Patrons

Expanded online  
resources with Overdrive,  
Newsbank, Flipster,  
and more!

**2017**

**2019** Population Served: 41,804  
663 Programs Offered  
11,106 Patrons

Launched new website  
and added more online  
resources

**2020**

**2021** Held Virtual Community  
Input Building Meetings

Purchased Benny Lane  
property, 4.5 acres  
adjacent to current  
library

**2022**

**2023** Population Served: 52,000+  
12,000+ Patrons



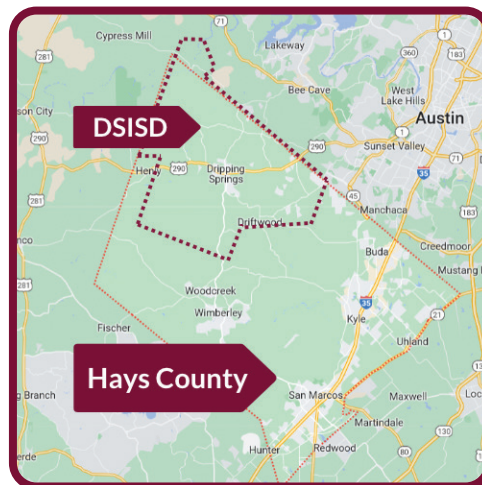
# SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

*Dripping Springs Community Library serves residents, employees, and students in both Hays County and the Dripping Springs Independent School District.*

## BOARD MEMBERS

The library is governed by a board of trustees elected by district voters.

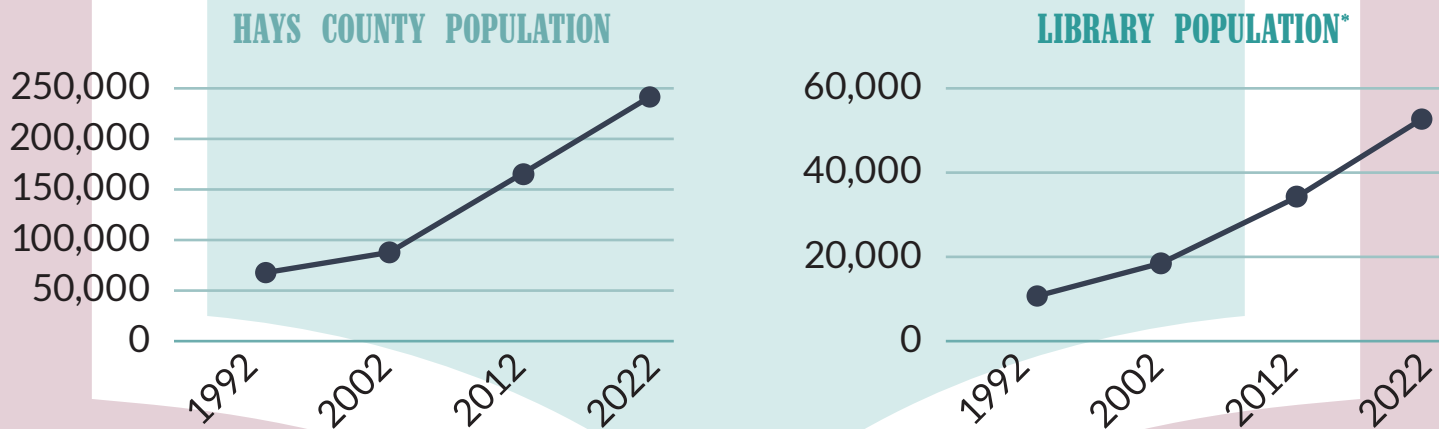
Missy Atwood, President  
Bob Richardson, Vice President  
Melva Codina, Secretary  
Marcie Cochran, Trustee



## UNPRECEDENTED GROWTH

It's no secret that our community has experienced explosive growth. When DSCL opened its current building, it served about 12,000 residents.

Today, the library serves over 52,000 individuals.



*\*According to TSLAC, Texas State Library and Archives Commission*



*Having a strong public library that serves the needs of the community is a great resource in helping all families. The new library will be a place to gather both long-time and new Dripping Springs residents – making Dripping Springs an amazing place to live, work, and grow!*



The Dripping Springs Community Library is a place where people can find the answers they need. With a broad range of resources for every patron, the library provides the foundation of education and innovation for the community.

*Libraries are more relevant today than ever before. They are places for all ages to learn and find stories that fuel the imagination. They are a home for personal growth and a hub for neighbors to connect.*

*– Missy Atwood, Board President*



## BEYOND BOOKS

### DIGITAL LEARNING

- Libby for eBooks and audiobooks
- Hoopla for eBooks, eComics, audiobooks, music and streaming videos
- Ancestry.com
- Flipster for digital magazines and newspapers
- Life and Time digital archives
- LinkedIn Learning
- Pronunciator for Language Learning
- Morningstar
- Newsbank's America's News
- PressReader: U.S. Major Dailies
- World Book Online
- Over 70 databases through the Texas State Library's TexShare Program

### COMMUNITY LEARNING

Programs such as:

- Book Clubs (Charlotte's, Non-Fiction Addiction, Parent-Child, and more)
- Mah-Jongg
- All-Abilities Chair Exercise
- Qigong
- Monday Meditation
- Master Gardeners

Access to Resources, such as:

- Computers and high-speed Wi-Fi
- Printer and Copy Machine
- Faxing
- Button and Bow Machine
- Ellison Die Cuts
- Meeting Rooms

### EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING

- Mother Goose on the Loose
- Discovery Time Storytime
- 1000 Books Before Kindergarten
- Read to Me Gift Bags
- Extensive Summer Programs such as: Carly's Critters, Scuba Diving & All the Gear, and so much more!

# BEYOND BOOKS, BUILDING COMMUNITY

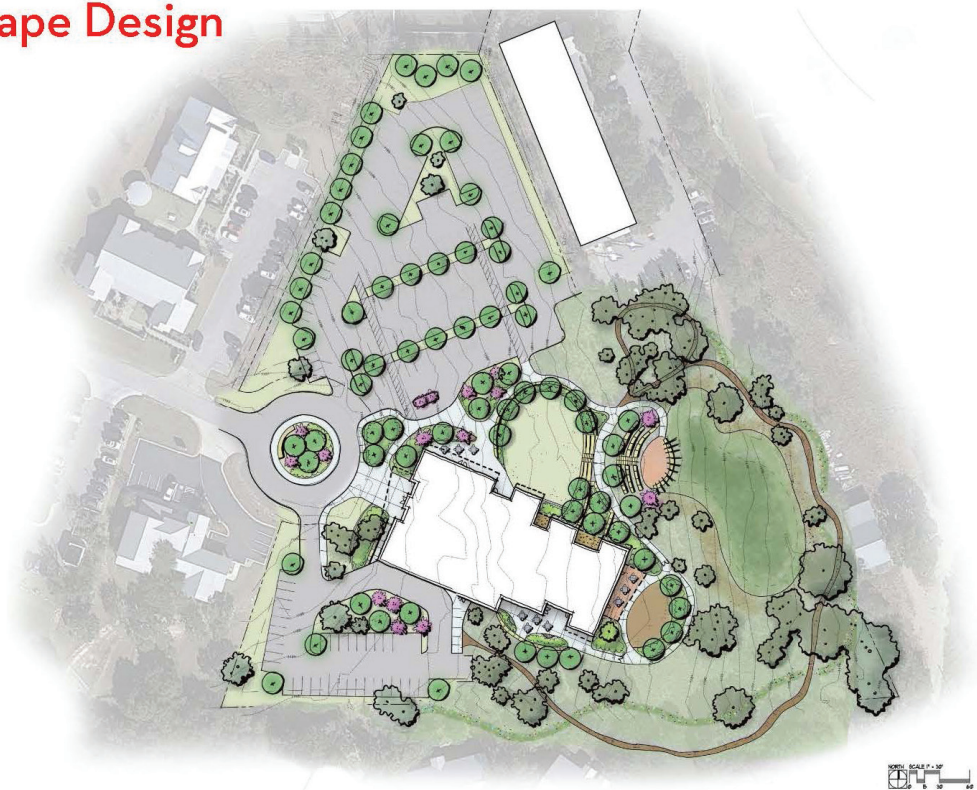
Libraries are essential to thriving communities. The need for library services is greater than ever to provide residents critical resources to learn, work, and connect.

Every inch of the current building is being utilized. There is simply not enough space for everyone or for every resource. The current book collection cannot grow without removing other books. The building's condition and space hinder our goal of serving the community.

The Beyond Books, Building Community Capital Campaign will give the library greater capacity to welcome in current patron involvement, while helping even more individuals.

You can support our community by empowering our library to do what it does best: respond to community needs through innovation.

## Landscape Design





## WILL YOU HELP US REALIZE THIS VISION?

In 2021, the library held meetings to gather input from the community on what mattered most in a new library facility.

Your donation will help provide the following:

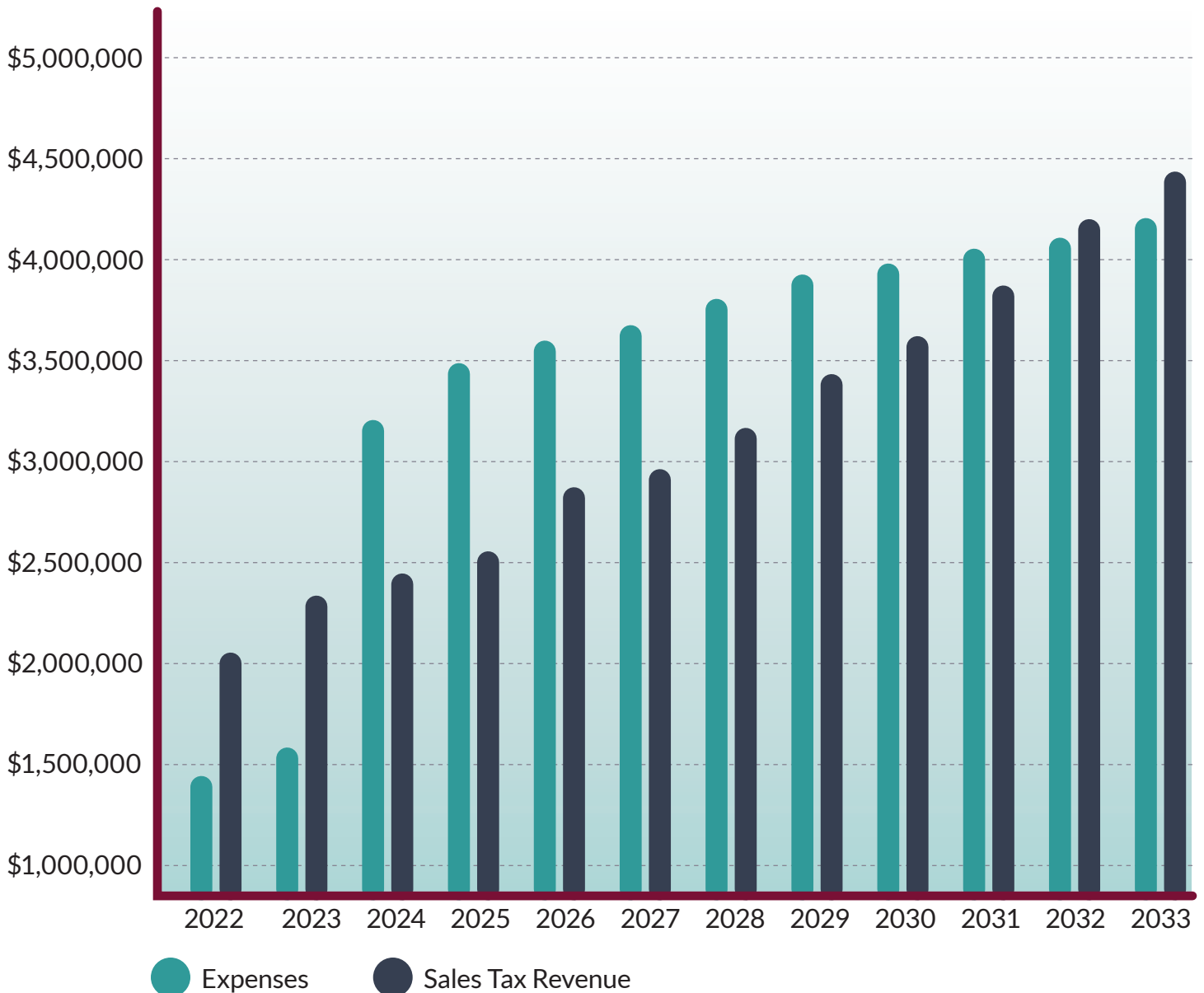
- Outdoor and indoor meeting and learning spaces
- Spaces to serve all stages – from toddlers to seniors
- Flexible community meeting spaces
- Makerspace
- Access to faster wi-fi and technology resources
- Space for physical collections – books, magazines, local history, and more
- Natural light – a more open and modern feeling space
- Drive-thru book pick-up and return
- Increased parking spaces
- Outdoor event space for community performances and gatherings

# FUNDING A NEW LIBRARY

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It is estimated that the sales tax revenue generated in our district will double by 2033. By 2033, this sales tax revenue will be enough to cover the library's increased operating expenses and an annual loan payment.

The Beyond Books, Building Community Capital Campaign aims to raise \$5M to secure a loan for a library large enough for our growing community's needs.





# GIFT CHART

This chart serves as a guide as you consider your gift.

3-YEAR GIFT	10% DOWN	ANNUAL	MONTHLY
\$750,000	\$75,000	\$225,000	\$18,750
\$500,000	\$50,000	\$150,000	\$12,500
\$250,000	\$25,000	\$75,000	\$6,250
\$125,000	\$12,500	\$37,500	\$3,125
\$75,000	\$7,500	\$22,500	\$1,875
\$50,000	\$5,000	\$15,000	\$1,250
\$25,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$625
\$15,000	\$1,500	\$4,500	\$375
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$3,000	\$250
\$5,000	\$500	\$1,500	\$125



There are naming opportunities available that provide a significant avenue to not only support the library, but also leave a lasting legacy. Naming opportunities are available from \$25,000 and above. Contact us for more information.

# WAYS TO GIVE

Selecting the best gift plan depends on one's personal financial situation and goals. As tax laws are always changing and each individual's situation is unique, donors are encouraged to consult with financial advisors to determine which method of contributing is most beneficial to them.

**We encourage you to consider a 10 percent initial payment to begin your commitment.**

## PLEDGES

Pledges are commitments made in good faith but are not legally binding. Donors may want to consider stretching pledges over a three-year period to maximize the total amount of support. This commitment can be fulfilled through monthly, quarterly, semiannual, or annual installments. Payments on pledges are deductible for income tax purposes as provided by law.

## GIFTS OF CASH

Gifts made by cash or check are the most common and will allow DSCL to address its immediate needs. You may choose to pay by credit card. DSCL accepts Visa, MC, AMEX, and Discover, and payments may be made through the secure website: [www.dscl.org/donate](http://www.dscl.org/donate)

However, DSCL will gratefully accept gifts in various forms, including the following:

## SECURITIES

### Stocks, Bonds, and Mutual Funds

Charitable gifts of stocks, bonds, or mutual funds that have been held for at least one year and have appreciated offer special tax advantages. You will receive a tax deduction for the full market value of the gift, but you will not have to pay capital gains tax on the appreciated amount. If you have depreciated stock and contribute the proceeds, you will receive both a tax deduction for the charitable gift and deduction for the capital loss.

## **PLANNED GIFTS**

Planned giving is the process of carefully selecting the best method and asset for making a charitable gift. A deferred gift through an estate plan or life income gift offers you the ability to support DSCL and retain the income from those assets during your lifetime. Such a gift can enable you to take full advantage of the tax laws to accomplish your financial and charitable goals. Planned gifts can be made through, among others:

- Bequests by Will or Living Trust
- Charitable Gift Annuities
- Charitable Lead or Remainder Trusts
- Beneficiary Benefits from IRAs, Pensions, or Financial Accounts
- Life Insurance

## **IRA REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS**

If you are over 70 ½ years old and have required minimum distributions from a traditional IRA, you can gain tax breaks by lowering your taxable IRA payout as well as your adjusted gross income with a qualified charitable distribution, where donations are made directly from the IRA to a charitable organization and count against required distributions.

## **MATCHING GIFTS**

Many companies offer a matching gift program for employees and retirees. This allows donors to maximize their giving potential. For information and required forms, check with your company's human resources department.

DSCL is a 501c3 tax-exempt organization.  
Your gift is tax-deductible as allowed by law.

Please contact your tax advisor for more information about these options.

**Questions about your potential gift?  
Contact us at 512-858-7825  
or [donate@dscl.org](mailto:donate@dscl.org).**



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