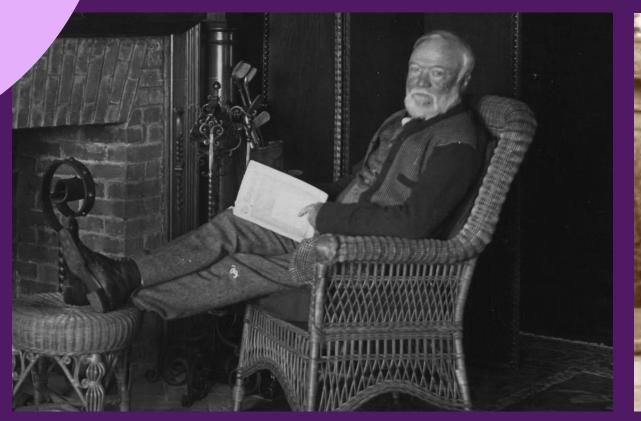


# Lodi Public Library: Investing in Our Community's Future

Brian Campbell - President Lodi Public Library Board of Trustees "A library outranks any other one thing a community can do to benefit its people. It is a never failing spring in the desert."

-Andrew Carnegie







### Meet the Library Board of Trustees

The board members act as liaisons between the community and the library and local governmental authorities.

The Board Members currently include:

Brian
Campbell
Board President

Eve
Melton
Board Vice President

Caitlin Casey

Nick Dalebout Frankie P. Kooger

#### The Role of the Board



Ensures Transparency

Reviews and approves library policies, budgets, and strategic priorities in open meetings.



Provides Oversight

Monitors library
performance, ensuring
public funds are used
responsibly and effectively.



Supports Leadership

Hires, evaluates, and guides the Library Director.



Represents the Community

Serves as a voice for residents, advocating for library services that reflect community needs.

#### About the Library

- Provides Access:
  - Free books, digital resources, computers, and Wi-Fi.
- Offers Programs:
  - Storytimes, homework help, literacy, STEM, cultural events.
- Inclusive Equity:
  - Supporting Lodi residents with internet, learning tools, and outreach.
- Acts as a Community Hub:
  - Safe, welcoming space for all ages.



178K

Physical Items

Circulated

Library Card Holders

37k

34k

Overdrive & hoopla
Checkouts

91k

Patron Visits

121

Programs Held 10,667

Program Attendance

# Fiscal Responsibility



- Balanced budgets year after year
- Consistent surpluses from underutilized part-time staffing allocations
- Responsible stewardship ensures uninterrupted service to the community

# Community Partnerships & Support



- Fundraise for Library Programs
  Bookstore on-site at Library
- Fund craft supplies, presenter fees, and materials for community events
- Secured state-library grant to run "Lunch at the Library" — feeding children and connecting them to library resources
- Provide essential volunteer support, fundraising, and advocacy to expand the library's reach



- Established in 1999 to "fill the gap" between city funding and the library's evolving needs
- Funds essential programs and resources: eBooks, literacy initiatives, Homework Help, Teens@201, and more
- Supports capital projects & renovations: adult/children's areas, special-use rooms, technology upgrade
- Hosts fundraising events (e.g. Books, Bubbles & Brews) to generate community support and awareness

The Library's Next Chapter

The Lodi Public Library is turning the page to a new chapter—one focused on reimagining our spaces, expanding our reach into the community, deepening our commitment to literacy, and curating collections that inspire discovery and innovation.



Space Expand Outreach Strengthen Innovatitive Optimization Efforts Literacy Collections

# Why the Library Matters to the City





The Library
strengthens education, workforce
readiness,
and community pride.

The Library attracts families, supports lifelong learners, and connects residents.





# ThankYou