Zakee Rashid, President
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2020 Board of Trustees
Welcome New Board Members

Sheila Renee Hunt-Sharpley & Cassandra McDonald
Scheduled Meetings: 32
Virtual Meetings: 24 (192 people in attendance)
Passed Resolutions: 27
Thank you to all of the committees for their hard work:

Personnel
Pamela McClarin
Carol Shaheed

Library Services
Carol Shaheed
Dr. MaryAnn Harris

Buildings & Grounds
Otis Mays
Gerald Silvera

Strategic Planning
Dr. MaryAnn Harris
Terra Turner
Gerald Silvera

Finance
Terra Turner
Gerald Silvera
Thank you to the following partners:

Cleveland Foundation: Digitization of African American artifacts
Ohio Arts Council: Equipment to support the Spring Arts Festival
Ohio Library Council: Bathroom upgrades
PCs for People: Getting devices into the hands of families in need
Thank you to the following partners:

Distributed **65 pallets worth** of free household supplies to the community due to Covid-19 pandemic.
COVID-19 Pandemic Response:
- Grant from Cleveland Foundation
- Grant from Ohio Library Council
- Touchless restroom updates
  - Adjusted library hours
  - Purchases of PPE
- 3000 Census calls placed
  - Staff training
  - HVAC filters
- Virtual programming
- Matthew 25 Ministries distribution to the community
Added Tumble Books service which allows children in grades K-6 access to more than 1,100 titles online.
New Mobile Hotspots

available to checkout for **two weeks** with your library card!*

Visit the **Computer Lab** to checkout and for more info!

*Fines must be under $10, and state ID required.

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2020 **New Services**

New total of **120 Hotspots** in the collection thanks to the Cleveland Foundation
2020 New Services

- Added text line for patrons to find out about library services

Text 216-755-9453 to get answers about:
- copying
- printing
- hotspots
- hours
- library card
- lost card
- returns
2020 AC Unit Replacement

Air conditioning unit in Administration replaced thanks to the Cleveland Foundation
After

• Removal of shelving in Reference, Teens, and Local History Room
• Painting of walls in Reference, Teens, and Local History Room
2020 Main Floor Upgrades

- Electrical wires replaced and energized in Teen & Reference areas
- Assembly of new furniture and placement based upon safety protocols for the State of Ohio

After
Hubb’s Groove Pays Tribute to Teddy Pendergrass & Barry White

MLK Celebration Concert
Sunday, January 19 | 4:00 pm | Reese Performing Arts Ctr.
Human Trafficking Prayer Vigil

On this day the communities shall unite to pray for the families and victims who fell to national slavery and human trafficking.

HOSTED BY: Pastor Anthony Small
Starlight Baptist Church
14516 Euclid Avenue
DIRECTOR: Curtis Freed of Strong Hands United
Saturday, January 11 at 12:00 pm
Light Refreshments

2020 Events

• ECPL promoted the Human Trafficking Prayer Vigil
• ECPL was a partner with Starlight Baptist Church for MLK event/parade
Recruitment Event!

Hiring authority will be on-site for Census 2020 jobs. Must be registered with Ohio Means Jobs to attend! Excellent pay, flexible hours, paid training, temporary positions.

More info: 216-777-8255

Celebrating Black History Month

East Cleveland Citywide Democratic Organization
Open Mic Black History Celebration
Hosted by City Leader Nathaniel Martin

Come share your story!
Bring 2 guests for a chance to win a gift card!

Stephanie Tubbs Jones Health Center
13944 Euclid Avenue, 2nd floor Community Room
Monday, February 17, 5:30-8 pm

2020 Events

• ECPL partnered with Ohio Means Jobs Cleveland-Cuyahoga County to aid the community in preparing for, finding, and securing jobs
• ECPL promoted the Open Mic Black History Celebration
Photography Exhibits:

**Georgio Sabino, III** - sports and lifestyle photography

**East Cleveland: A Photographic Journey of Resilience & Rebirth**

2020 Events

View photographer Georgio Sabino’s amazing work and meet him at this reception! **Friday, January 17 | 4-6 pm | Lower Auditorium**

Be sure to visit this exhibition by The Click Collective

**East Cleveland:**
**A Photographic Journey of Resilience & Rebirth**

Saturday, February 8
1:00 – 4:00 pm
East Cleveland Public Library
Celebrating and preserving African drumming and dance. Enjoy a great performance!

Wednesday, February 19
4:00 pm

Tributes to:
Nina Simone, Fannie Lou Hamer, Zora Neale Hurston, C.H. Mason, Harriet Tubman, Billie Holiday, Carrie Mae Weems, Bill Withers, Mae Jemison, Maya Angelou, Fred Hampton & more!

Saturday, February 22 | 3-6 pm
Reese Performing Arts Center
Free admission!
2020 Events

Palaces for the People book discussion
& 2020 Census Celebration
East Cleveland Community Day featured in the *Call & Post*

East Cleveland Community Day
Submitted by Tammy Kennedy

Last week the City of East Cleveland collaborated with the East Cleveland School District, East Cleveland Public Library (ECPL), Stephanie Tabb Jones Cleveland Clinic, East Cleveland Concerned Parents for Progress (ECCPP), the Urban League Guild of Cleveland, Ohio 8th House District Black Caucus, and the Carnegie Roundtable. African American Luncheon Think Tank to orchestrate the "EAST CLEVELAND COMMUNITY DAY.

The day began at 10am outside of the Stephanie Tabb Jones Cleveland Clinic with free Coronavirus testing. The East Cleveland Public

2020 Events
2020 Virtual Events

• **One Community Reads**: “Stamped,” streamed live on ECPL’s Facebook page and YouTube channel

• **Great Lakes African American Writers Conference** partner, event streamed on GLAAW C’s website
Virtual Jazz Concerts streamed on YouTube, Facebook, and our website:
Evelyn Wright & The Cleveland Jazz Orchestra (2008)
The Sean Jones Quintet (2008)
Virtual Jazz Concerts streamed on YouTube, Facebook, and our website:
The Gents of Jazz (2009)
2020 Programming

From January 2 - March 15, ECPL held its wide variety of programming for all ages - from computer classes to public speaking for adults.
Since mid-March, staff has been thinking outside of the box creating virtual taped and live programming that streams on Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram.
Virtual Programming

Summer Reading Club for everyone (PreK – adults)
moved online this year to the website:
ecplreads.readsquared.com
Through a partnership with Improbable Players, ECPL promoted these virtual performances by actors in recovery.
Robert Johnson led patrons in socially-distanced, outdoor Line Dancing every Wednesday in September.
24,509
Walk-in Attendance

9,599
Visitors to Career Center (formerly Job Shop)

Books / Audiovisual Materials Circulated
44,489

Hotspot Circulation
293

New Library Card Holders
153

3,000
U.S. Census Calls Placed

2020 Community Impact*

Doors closed to the public Monday, March 17, 2020.
Opened for limited services beginning Monday, June 22, 2020.

*As of 11/30/20
2020 Community Impact*

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- **60** Technology Programs Offered
  - **538** attended
- **71** Adult Programs
  - **556** attended
- **45** Teen Programs
  - **489** attended
- **63** Children’s Programs
  - **590** attended

**3,721** Lunches / After School Snacks Distributed

**2,066** Social Media Followers
Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, LinkedIn, Pinterest

*As of 11/30/19*
2020 Holiday Events

- **Halloween:** Grab & Go bags were distributed all day
- **Christmas:** Toys for Tots
2020 Strategic Initiatives

Looking forward to 2021!

I. Provide a welcoming, safe, and a vibrant environment for library patrons

II. Innovation and technology

III. Literacy through Afrocentric collections, programming, services, and partnerships

IV. Sustainable operational innovation - internal / external