Zakee Rashid, *President*
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2021 Board of Trustees
Scheduled Meetings:
- Regular Board Meetings 11
- Special Board Meetings 1
- Committee Meetings 21

Total Audience:
- In person 20
- Audio Conferencing 67
- Video Conferencing 297

Passed Resolutions: 27
Thank you to all of the committees for their hard work:

**Personnel**
Carol Shaheed  
Sheila Hunt-Sharpley

**Library Services**
Dr. MaryAnn Harris  
Sheila Hunt-Sharpley

**Buildings & Grounds**
Otis Mays  
Zakee Rashid  
Gerald Silvera

**Finance**
Gerald Silvera  
Cassandra McDonald

**Strategic Planning**
Dr. MaryAnn Harris  
Gerald Silvera  
Cassandra McDonald

**Adhoc**
Gerald Silvera  
Sheila Hunt-Sharpley  
Cassandra McDonald
Thank you to the following partners:

The Cleveland Foundation
Benton Institute
Owl’s Nest
East Cleveland City Schools
East Cleveland City School Board
City of East Cleveland
East Cleveland City Council
McGregor Senior Center
Salvation Army
OLC
Neighborhood Connections
Cuyahoga County Board of Health
FRIENDS of ECPL

Karamu House
DJAPO
BLAX Museum
Helen S. Brown Senior Center
Forest Hills Towers
Step Forward (formerly CEOGC)
Candlewood Rehabilitation Center
Hotcards
Meritech
Greg L. Reese
Guardian
Murtis Taylor
NOAH

East Cleveland Neighborhood Center
Cuyahoga Community College
East Cleveland Bridges of Hope Coalition
Youth Opportunities Unlimited (Y.O.U.)
Euclid Glass Company
Cleveland Public Library
Euclid Public Library
Anthem
American Red Cross
Loiter East Cleveland
First Baptist Church of Greater Cleveland
Everyone On
Microsoft

Received $194,500 in grants in 2021*
Distributed **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
    - Purchases of PPE
    - Staff training
    - Virtual programming
  - Matthew 25 Ministries
distribution to the community
2021 New Services

Added new **Phone Charging stations**
2021 New Services

Added Smart Table in the Children’s Department

Digital Navigator and new digital skills training w/EveryoneOn

Covid Testing Kits

S.T.E.A.M. Kits
New Roof

Before

After
2021 Library Upgrades

New Bollards to protect gas lines
2021 Library Upgrades

Mini split unit A/C and heating
2021 Library Upgrades

New Steel Safety Doors
2021 Library Upgrades

New Electrical Panels: Attic, Creative Print Center, Maintenance Area
2021 2nd Floor Upgrades

Before
2021 2nd Floor Upgrades
New Carpeting
2021 2nd Floor Upgrades
New Carpeting - Computer Lab
2021 2nd Floor Upgrades

New Carpeting - Computer Lab

After
2021 2nd Floor Upgrades

Before

After
2021 Main Floor Upgrades

Donor Wall Hallway / Icabod Flewellen Room
After

2021 Main Floor Upgrades

New Carpeting Donor Wall Hallway / Icabod Flewellen Room
2021 Main Floor Upgrades

New Bathrooms in the Old Nonfiction Section/New Creative Printing Center

Before

After
Main Floor Upgrades

Before

Old Nonfiction Section
2021 Main Floor Upgrades

New Creative Printing Center
2021 Events

Performing Arts Center Concerts:

- Hubb’s Groove
- Sean Jones w/Theron Brown Trio
- Travis Haddix
2021 Events

• The Great Debate for 11th Congressional District of Ohio
• East Cleveland City Council Forum
• Founders Day / Summer Reading Kickoff
  - Household Supplies Giveaway
  - BLAX Museum performance
  - DJAPO performance, more...
Bookbags & Supplies Giveaway w/ First Baptist Church of Greater Cleveland
Critical Community Conversations w/ Loiter East Cleveland
Men Don’t Cry

A choreopoem based on the lives of five men of color. A journey from childhood to adulthood through trials, drama, successes and identity failures. These men share their deepest secrets and topics include death, addiction, spirituality and growth.

Thursday, October 21
3:00 pm | Performing Arts Center

2021 Events

Men Don’t Cry performance
GET VACCINATED with the FRIENDS OF ECPL

Thursday, November 18
$100 gift card for those getting 1st dose!

Call 216-541-4128 for more info.

BOOK SALE!
Thursday, October 21 & Thursday, November 18
During the vaccination clinic

Vaccination Clinic and Book Sale w/ FRIENDS of ECPL
Charles E. Bibb, Sr. presents

**EAST CLEVELAND Community & Information Day**

Hear important information from your State Senator, updates from the Ohio Department of Education, Cuyahoga County government, and other important information. Also, there will be a book signing and discussion from **Dr. Charles S. Modlin.**

**Saturday, November 6, 2021**  
1:00 - 4:00 pm  
East Cleveland Public Library  
Performing Arts Center

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**The Greatness of Genealogy**  
Saturday, November 6, 2021

**1:00 - 2:00 pm**  
Who Was Ichabod Flewellen?  
Flewellen Room

Our presenter discusses the impact of a man who spent his life learning and sharing information about African Americans.

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**2:30-4:30 pm**  
Paint & Sip  
Lower Auditorium

Create a work of art for your family archives! Your family story is unique. *Light refreshments will be provided. Registration is required.*

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**It Isn’t Difficult To Do It If You Know How To Do It**  
by Charles S. Modlin, MD

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2021 Events

- Community Day & Jazz Portraits
- Holiday Pop Up Shop w/FRIENDS of ECPL
ECPL held its wide variety of programming for all ages - from computer classes to “Name that Tune” for adults.
Freedom on Juneteenth aired during Black History Month on ECPL’s website. The program, a production of Karamu House, inspired a Smart TV raffle sponsored by the FRIENDS of ECPL! Four winners received TVs for correctly answering questions about Freedom on Juneteenth.
Throughout 2021, staff has been creating virtual taped and live programming streaming on Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram. 152 videos were posted this year!
Podcasts w/ WEBS RADIO:
On Juneteenth by Annette Gordon-Reed
Stamped by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi
2020 Virtual Programming

Summer Reading Club for everyone (PreK – adults) moved online this year to the website: ecplreads.readsquared.com
Robert Johnson led patrons in socially-distanced, outdoor Line Dancing every Wednesday in September.
12,490 Walk-in Attendance
6,909 Visitors to Career Center (formerly Job Shop)
21,150 Books / Audiovisual Materials Circulated
382 Hotspot Circulation
2,688 Social Media Followers
   Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, LinkedIn, Pinterest
300 New Library Card Holders
2,746 Lunches / After School Snacks Distributed

*As of 11/30/21
Limited in-person programming due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

*As of 11/30/21
Halloween: Walk-through “Haunted House” with treats all week
Christmas: Toys for Tots
Looking forward to 2022!

A full-service print and copy center

New 21st century digital sign/marquee outdoors

Repurposing Teen Room to a
Teen Technology & Reading Center

Renaming the Local History Room
and defining its services

Speaker Series