FREEDOM OF INFORMATION GUIDE

Maywood Public Library District



ABOUT THE MAYWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT (PUBLIC BODY)

The Maywood Public Library District, also known as the MPLD, serves a community of over 23,000 residents, as well as reciprocal borrowers from the SWAN Library system, along with any and all visitors who pass through the Library's doors.

The Maywood Public Library District is a district library established under the Illinois Local Library Act, 75 ILCS 5, with a 7-member Board of Trustees elected by the residents of Maywood.

We are required to report to and be answerable to: Illinois State Library, Springfield, Illinois. Its members are: State Librarian Alexi Giannoulias, Director of the State Library, and various other staff.

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Maywood Public Library District is to maintain excellence in providing the best possible materials in regard to educational, technological, and recreational uses for its community. The Library's focus is to continue to research, evaluate, and generate outreach programs for the benefit of the Maywood community. The Library is also a repository of local Maywood history. The Maywood Public Library District cooperates with all other libraries.

MAYWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT'S WEBSITE

www.maywoodlibrary.org

GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET

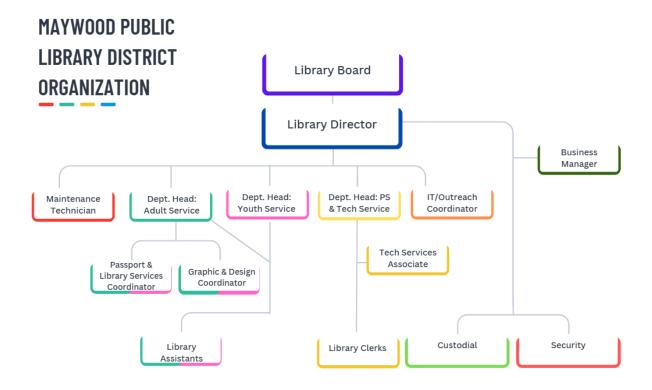
The fiscal year budget for 2025-2026 is \$2,032,813. The most current Budget and Appropriation Resolution as well as our Levy Resolution are available on the Library's website as well as in person at the Library's administration office or the Library's front desk.

MAYWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT OFFICE

The administration office of the Maywood Public Library District is located within the first floor of the Carnegie Building of the Library at the following address: 121 S 5th Ave, Maywood, IL 60153. The Library only has one branch.

MAYWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT STAFF

When fully staffed, the library employs 7 full-time employees and 22 part time employees. Library departments and their staff are included in the organizational chart below.



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MAYWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT TRUSTEES

The Maywood Public Library District is governed by an elected, unpaid, seven-member Board of Library Trustees. Trustees are elected by the residents of Maywood. Current Board Members are:

President: LaSondra Banks (Ibanks@maywoodlibrary.org)

Vice President: Shakeesta Williams (swillliams@maywoodlibrary.org)

Secretary: Brianna A. Henderson (bhenderson@maywoodlibrary.org)

Treasurer: Erica Sanchez (esanchez@maywoodlibrary.org)

Trustee: Tanya Butler (tbutler@maywoodlibrary.org)

Trustee: John Rice (jrice@maywoodlibrary.org)

Trustee: Elizabeth Villarreal (evillarreal@maywoodlibrary.org)

Open business meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM, with the exception of the April and August meeting. Meetings typically take place in the Board Room on the first floor of the Carnegie Building in the Maywood Public Library District.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Maywood Library Foundation

Tanya Butler (President)
Daniela Martinez (Treasure)
LaSondra Banks (Secretary)
Marcia Burton (Director)
Shakeesta Williams (Director)

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

The Maywood Public Library District adheres to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 et. Seq., which is the principal Illinois statute governing the inspection of public records. The Act requires that public bodies make available for inspection or copying all public records to any person.

MAYWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT FOIA OFFICER

Library Director: Daniela Martinez (dmartinez@maywoodlibrary.org)

FILING A FOIA REQUEST

A request for records must be made in writing and can be submitted to the attention of the FOIA officer in the following ways:

Mail

Attn: FOIA Officer 121 s 5th Ave Maywood, IL 60153

Email

mpld@maywoodlibrary.org

Personal delivery

During regular business hours of the Maywood Public Library District

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST FEES

Digital copies shareable via electronic means are provided free of charge.

The charge for copies of the records will be as follows:

- 1) First 50 pages black and white, letter size: Free
- 2) 10 cents per page for black and white, letter size, after 50 pages
- 3) 50 cents per page for color or oversized copies or electronic media
- 4) Reproduction saved to other media: actual cost of the recording media (flash drive, etc.) to which the information will be saved

RESPONSES TO REQUESTS FOR RECORDS

Responses to commercial requests can be expected within 21 business days of the receipt of a written request. If an extension is required, a FOIA officer from the library will reach out to the requestor.

Responses for non-commercial requests can be expected within 5 business days of the receipt of a written request. If an extension is required, a FOIA officer from the library will reach out to the requestor.

PROCEDURE FOR APPEALING A DENIAL

If your request for information is denied, or denied in part, you have the right to have your request reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Leah Bartelt, Public Access Counselor Office of the Illinois Attorney General 500 South 2nd Street Springfield, IL 62701 public.access@ilag.gov 877-299-3642

You also have the right to seek judicial review of your denial by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court. 5 ILCS 140/11. If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this denial letter. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and the denial letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC.

RECORDS IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

The records listed below are available immediately via our website. www.maywoodlibrary.org/publicinformation/

Records	Time Frame
Meeting Minutes	January 2019 to the present
Meeting Agendas	January 2019 to the present
Annual Audit Reports	Most Recent
Salary and Benefit Information (Public Act	Current Fiscal Year
97-0609)	
Budget and Appropriations	Current Fiscal Year
Levy	Current Fiscal Year
Library policies	Current

MAYWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT'S RECORD RETENTION SCHEDULE

MPLD adheres to the guidance set out by the Local Records Commission through the state of Illinois for retaining records of business. Our requirements are as follows:

Records	Time Frame
Applications to Dispose of Records	Retain permanently
Accounts Payable Invoices and Vouchers	Retain for 7 years
Audit Reports	Retain permanently
Bank Statements, Deposits,	Retain for 7 years
Reconciliations	
Budget Reports	Retain for 7 years
Cancelled checks	Retain for 7 years
Cash Receipts	Retain for 2 years
Checks (Duplicates)	Retain for 2 years
Correspondence	Retain for 1 year
Employment applications	Solicited 2 years, unsolicited 1 year
Employee Work Schedules	Retain for 2 years
FOIA Requests and Denials	Retain for 10 years
Grant Records	Retain for 3 years after completion
Insurance Policies	Retain for 7 years after cancellation
Ledgers	Retain for 7 years
Minutes	Retain permanently
Patron Registration	Retain 1 year following expiration
Payroll Reports and Records	Retain 7 years
Personnel Files	60 years or until employee's 78th birthday
Plans	Retain permanently
Shelf list	Retain until superseded
State and Federal Withholding Tax	w-4s until superseded or for 5 years after
Records	termination, all other records 7 years