



The Long Beach Public Library Foundation
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Foundation Distribution of JetBlue Funds

Every year the Long Beach Public Library Foundation passes 100% of the JetBlue Noise Ordinance Fines that it receives directly to the library. The Library then distributes these resources **equally** to all twelve library branches to ensure that the entire Long Beach community benefits from them directly through books, materials, online resources, services, and programs.

We are grateful for these funds and are committed to seeing them continue to directly benefit the city of Long Beach, improving literacy and enhancing education for all members of our community.

Library Resources (2016)

- 261,519 new Library cards were issued.
- 5,200 patrons visited the city's Main Library and 11 branches each day.
- 1.2 million patrons were served.
- 5.4 million total Library resources were utilized.
- 319,000 monthly users accessed the Library's online resources, partially funded by JetBlue funds, including subscriptions to multiple databases otherwise inaccessible to the general public, such as Brainfuse HelpNow, Brainfuse JobNow, AtoZ, Freegal, NewsBank, Proquest, and Gale, among others. These services offer tutoring and research resources for students, job application help for the unemployment, language assistance for English language learners, and much more.
- 132,826 audio book and e-book files were downloaded through the Library's digital book services. These services are also partially funded by JetBlue funds.
- 1.2 million items in total were checked out through the Library.

Library Funding

- In 2016, the Foundation received \$336,000 in funds from JetBlue which were immediately and entirely passed to the Library for the purchase of materials, with an equal share being allocated to each library branch.
- In the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the city's allotted budget for Library Services was \$12,693,103.
- Compared to other cities of this size, the city's Library materials budget should be \$1.2-2 million.
- The city allots \$677,000 per year for Library materials. The JetBlue funds increase the Library's materials budget by half.