

## Our Collection

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Books (adult, large print, young adult & juvenile)

Graphic Novels

Audio Books (CDs and Playaways )

Movies (DVDs & Blu-Ray)

Music CDs

Puppets & Puzzles

Magazines

Online Databases

Newspapers

Microfilm (Census, Carnegie Newspapers, and Allegheny County Veteran Burials).

We have an extensive collection of Civil War reference books and circulating items to complement the Capt. Thomas Espy Grand Army of the Republic Post room on the 2nd floor. In addition, we have the 1890 Civil War veteran census, and register of enlistments in the U.S. Army (1861-1865).



## Mission Statement

The mission of the Andrew Carnegie Free Library & Music Hall is to inform, inspire and enrich its diverse communities through library and information services, performing arts and other cultural, educational and community activities.

## Library Hours

### *Standard*

Monday 2:00 pm—7:00 pm  
Tuesday 10:00 am—7:00 pm  
Wednesday 10:00 am—7:00 pm  
Thursday 10:00 am—7:00 pm  
Friday 10:00 am—5:00 pm  
Saturday 10:00 am—5:00 pm  
Sunday—Closed

### *Summer*

#### *Summer Hours\**

Saturday 11:00 am—3:00 pm  
Sunday—Closed

\* Check with staff for start and end dates of Summer Hours.



We are an independent community library and a participating member of the Allegheny County Library Association. Your card is good at any library in Allegheny County where you have access to materials in the collections of all county libraries. The Andrew Carnegie Free Library & Music Hall is located in Carnegie and is not a branch of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh.

## Andrew Carnegie Free Library & Music Hall

300 Beechwood Avenue  
Carnegie, PA 15106  
412-276-3456  
412-276-9472 (fax)  
[www.carnegiecarnegie.com](http://www.carnegiecarnegie.com)

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300 BEECHWOOD AVENUE  
CARNEGIE, PA 15106

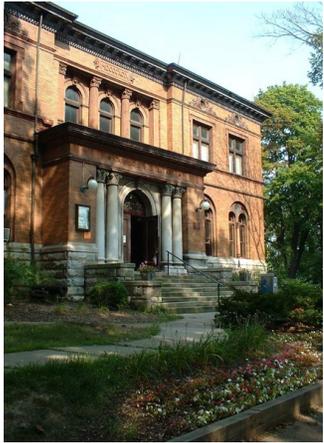


# WELCOME TO THE LIBRARY!



## LIFELONG LEARNING BEGINS HERE. . .

### Our History



The Andrew Carnegie Free Library & Music hall has served the families of Carnegie and her surrounding communities for more than a century.

The Library was built with money provided by the industrialist, Andrew Carnegie as a gift to the town

and opened in 1901. Although Carnegie's name is internationally associated with libraries worldwide, the Andrew Carnegie Free Library & Music Hall is one of only four *endowed* libraries built by the philanthropist in the United States.

We are the county's fifth oldest Library. The Carnegie libraries of Braddock (1889), Allegheny (1890 – now Pittsburgh's North Side), Pittsburgh (1895), and Homestead (1898) pre-date the Andrew Carnegie Free Library. However, ACFL&MH is distinguished not only by its age, but by the fact that the town it graces was named for Mr. Carnegie. In 1894, the boroughs of Mansfield and Chartiers consolidated to become one – *Carnegie* – in order to encourage the philanthropist to build a library for the town. Indeed, the Andrew Carnegie Free Library is the only library in the country bearing Mr. Carnegie's first name!

### *Your library card opens doors to knowledge*

#### **Borrowing Policy**

A library card in good standing is all that is needed to check out circulating materials or use the public computers. Library cards are issued free of charge to any Allegheny County resident with proof of identification (photo ID, driver's license, etc.) and current address. Cards are valid for 2 years. At which time they can be renewed.

Your card can be used in any of the county libraries to borrow items, access databases, manage your account, set notification preferences, establish a reading history, pay fines or place holds online.

Library users may have only one card at a time. If a card is lost or stolen, report it immediately and a replacement card can be issued for a small fee. You are expected to bring your card each time you visit the library.

Do not let anyone else use your card. Library cards are not transferable; therefore, you are responsible for all materials checked out on your card and any late or replacement fees charged to your card.



A child may apply for a library card provided they can legibly write their name on the application form. A parent or guardian must sign the child's application, present proper identification, and agree to accept financial responsibility for items borrowed on the card.

### **Returning Items, Renewals & Late Fees**

Please return materials as soon as you have finished enjoying them so that others may have the benefit of using



them. Most books circulate for three weeks; videos are one week, juvenile videos are three weeks.

You may return items to the circulation desk or place them in our outside book drop. Our materials may also be returned to any library in Allegheny County regardless of the owning library or where they were checked out.

Items may be renewed in person, by telephone (412-276-3456, x2), by an automated telephone process (412-622-1895), or online. Items may only be renewed twice. Items that have a hold placed on them cannot be renewed.

A fine of 25 cents per day will be charged on books and magazines; \$1.00 per day for DVDs, and 50 cents for all other materials. If you cannot return your items by the due date, please call to renew them to avoid penalty.

Unfortunately, some patrons ignore overdue notices and fail to return their items. Under Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Library Code, retention of library property is considered theft and a summary offense. The library uses the services of a collection agency and magistrate to retrieve our property.