

Our Mission

The library is a patron-focused resource center, enhancing the lives of people of all ages and backgrounds by providing outstanding materials, programs, and technology in a safe, inviting environment.

Stay Connected

Scan here to visit our website and social media pages, or sign up for our email newsletter:



Access Your Account Online

Use your library card to access your account online, place holds, keep track of due dates, and renew materials.

Username: The barcode number on your library card

Password: Visit the circulation desk to set up your password



Library History

Community Library of the Shenango Valley

Library services in the City of Sharon began in 1903 as part of a paid membership to the F.H. Buhl Club. In the early 1920s, community leaders recognized the need for free library access to all citizens of Sharon.

The Sharon Free Public Library opened on February 1st, 1923, still located in the F.H. Buhl Club. By the late 1960s, overcrowding meant the library was in need of more space, and a new library building was constructed through LSTA funds, opening to the public in 1971. This Sharpsville Avenue location remains the library's home.

In 1993, the City of Hermitage joined Sharon in providing municipal support to the library. In 2007, the library became a 501(c)(3) nonprofit.

Today, the library remains a vital community resource, seeing over 55,000 visitors annually. The cities of Sharon and Hermitage continue to be proud supporters of the library.



Welcome to

The Community Library of the Shenango Valley

11 N Sharpsville Ave.
Sharon, PA 16146



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WWW.CLSV.NET

Monday - Thursday
10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday - Saturday
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Closed Sunday

Membership

Free Memberships

Free library cards are available for all residents of Sharon, Hermitage, Farrell, and Wheatland upon proof of residency.

AccessPA

If you do not live in one of the above municipalities, but qualify for a free library card from another Pennsylvania library, you can get a free card at CLSV.

To qualify for this program, you must have a library card with the AccessPA logo.



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Nonresidents

Residents of municipalities that are not served by a library can join CLSV for an annual household fee of \$35.

Proof of Residency

The following are acceptable documents:

- Pennsylvania State ID or Driver's License *with current address*
- Lease/rental agreement
- Property tax receipt
- Utility bill, paystub, bank statement, or credit card bill dated in the last 6 weeks
- Official government documents

Circulation

Loan Periods

- All library materials may be checked out for a period of three weeks.
- Items may be renewed twice unless on hold for another patron.

Returns

- During regular library hours, materials may be returned at the circulation desk.
- Materials may be returned 24/7 at the library's book drop in the back corner of the parking lot, or at the Hermitage Municipal Building.
- Educational Resource Center items can only be returned at the circulation desk.

Fines

- \$0.25/day for adult/young adult materials
- \$0.10/day for children's materials
- \$1.00/day for DVDs & Educational Resource Center materials
- For lost or damaged materials, patrons will be billed for the full-price cost of the item, plus a \$5.00 processing fee

Libby

Access e-books, audiobooks, and magazines on your phone or tablet. Visit the circulation desk to set up login information.



Patron Services

The Robin L. Pundzak Educational Resource Center

The ERC is a collection of over 2,500 educational enrichment materials, including games, microscopes, cake pans, and musical instruments.

Geared towards homeschoolers, teachers, and any family looking to supplement their child's learning, these items are available for circulation to all cardholders.



Resources

The following services are available for all community members, regardless of library card status:

- Free public computers and WiFi access
- Educational and recreational programs for all ages
- Reference assistance
- Access to POWER Library
- Access to Ancestry Library Edition

Additional Services

- \$0.25/page B&W copies & printing
- \$0.50/page color printing
- Faxing:
 - \$2.00 first page, \$1.50/additional pages
 - \$0.50/received page