

BUDGET AMENDMENT

As of June 19, 2025, we are currently \$13,731.53 over budget for legal services for fiscal year 2025. Therefore, an amendment must be made to the FY25 budget to provide funding until fiscal year's end.

Below is the account payable detail of previous fiscal year legal charges. (2023 was the year of the Gender Queer book challenges, which caused an uptick in our legal services billing.)

2023: Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith PC (FSCS)

3/23/2023	\$1104.50	#14794
5/03/2023	\$1762.50	#14841
6/06/2023	\$ 117.50	#14880
6/20/2023	\$4517.80	#14910
8/01/2023	\$ 446.50	#14959
8/30/2023	\$ 70.50	#15001
10/5/2023	\$ 47.00	#15044
11/29/2023	\$ 329.00	#15111
<u>12/15/2023</u>	<u>\$1316.00</u>	<u>#15130</u>

TOTAL: \$9711.30

2024: Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith PC

4/30/2024	\$ 126.50	#15254
6/13/2024	\$2425.50	#15313
8/09/2024	\$1328.38	#15373
<u>10/25/2024</u>	<u>\$ 196.00</u>	<u>#15469</u>

TOTAL: \$4076.38

2025:

1/29/2025	\$1323.00	#15561 (FSCS)
2/20/2025	\$ 229.50	#15586 (FSCS)
3/20/2025	\$2498.50	#15614 (FSCS)

5/02/2025	\$9968.00	Richard, Denney, Leighliter, Childers & Bosch (RDLCB) UNPAID
5/14/2025	\$1479.00	(FSCS) UNPAID
<u>6/03/2025</u>	<u>\$3033.53</u>	<u>(RDLCB)</u> UNPAID

TOTAL: \$18,531.53

OWED: \$14,480.53

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Lapeer District Library
201 Village West Drive S
Lapeer, MI 48446

May 2, 2025

In Reference To: General

Invoice #45705

Professional Services

		<u>Hrs/Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3/26/2025	MO	Legal research for Library Director requirements; Legal research for Library funding laws and requirements.	2.00 220.00/hr 440.00
3/28/2025	MO	Legal research for State aid funding requirements in conjunction with resignation of Library Director and proper manner in which to move forward; Drafting letter regarding same.	1.50 220.00/hr 330.00
4/1/2025	MO	Research for requirements upon Library (a director requirement; and effect upon state funding).	2.00 220.00/hr 440.00
	TD	Legal research for search committee issue.	1.00 220.00/hr 220.00
	TD	Follow-up on ALA association membership	0.20 220.00/hr 44.00
	TD	Phone call with Kari Kohlman regarding search committee meeting procedures, bylaws.	0.40 220.00/hr 88.00
4/2/2025	TD	Revised letter regarding director requirement.	0.20 220.00/hr 44.00
4/3/2025	MO	Legal research for state aid issues regarding personnel requirements; Legal research for time frame requirements regarding hiring new director; Reviewed minutes regarding previous resignation and hiring of library director; Drafting memo/letter regarding director requirement compliance options.	3.00 220.00/hr 660.00

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4/4/2025	TD Multiple letters to Kari Kohlman regarding FOIA issue.	0.60 220.00/hr	132.00
	AC Revised letter to Kari Kohlman.	0.10 80.00/hr	8.00
	MO Legal research of ALA membership and MLA membership issue; Drafted letter to letter/memo regarding director vacancy options; Legal research for Library FOIA policy.	2.00 220.00/hr	440.00
	TD Legal research for Library Privacy Act and relevant cases regarding FOIA response.	0.20 220.00/hr	44.00
	ML Reviewed FOIA request, emails to client regarding same; Legal research for same.	2.00 220.00/hr	440.00
4/7/2025	ML Legal research for and worked on FOIA issues.	3.40 220.00/hr	748.00
	TD Worked on Susan Hough FOIA response issue; Drafted letter to Teresa Chase regarding same.	0.60 220.00/hr	132.00
	TD Worked on Hough FOIA response; Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman.	0.80 220.00/hr	176.00
	TD Drafted letter to Kara Haight and Teresa Chase regarding FOIA procedures and meeting set-up.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	MO Legal research for FOIA (privacy laws); Revised letter/memo regarding Library Director options.	1.50 220.00/hr	330.00
4/8/2025	ML Legal research for FOIA issues; Meeting with Library staff regarding FOIA issues.	3.00 220.00/hr	660.00
	AM Worked on response to Karen Braschayko FOIA request.	0.40 145.00/hr	58.00
	TD Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman.	0.40 220.00/hr	88.00
	TD Legal research for cases regarding Hough FOIA matter.	0.50 220.00/hr	110.00
	TD Worked on Braschayko FOIA answer.	0.60 220.00/hr	132.00
	TD Meeting with Kara Haight (Assistant Director) and Teresa Chase (Business Manager) regarding Hough FOIA response.	0.60 220.00/hr	132.00

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4/8/2025	TD	Meeting with Kara Haight and Teresa Chase regarding Braschayko response.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
4/9/2025	ML	Legal research for director issues.	0.50 220.00/hr	110.00
	ML	Worked on FOIA response issues.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	MO	Legal research for MLA and ALA membership issue.	0.50 220.00/hr	110.00
	MO	Revised legal memo/letter regarding Library director vacancy options.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	AC	Drafted letter to Teresa Chase; Revised letter to Karen Braschayko from Teresa Chase.	0.20 80.00/hr	16.00
	AC	Processed email to Kari Kohlman.	0.10 80.00/hr	8.00
	TD	Phone call with Peggy Brotzke regarding Library communications history.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	TD	Phone call with Kara Haight regarding Braschayko FOIA.	0.10 220.00/hr	22.00
	TD	Phone call with Peggy Brotzke; Drafted letter to Kara Haight; Drafted letter to Kara Haight; Drafted letter to Teresa Chase; Drafted letter to Kara Haight; Worked on Braschayko FOIA request.	0.70 220.00/hr	154.00
	TD	Reviewed Kara Haight letters.	0.10 220.00/hr	22.00
	TD	Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman regarding Director position/legal authority when position is vacant.	0.40 220.00/hr	88.00
	TD	Phone call with Kari Kohlman regarding Hough FOIA response.	0.10 220.00/hr	22.00
4/10/2025	ML	Worked on FOIA and First Amendment issues.	0.20 220.00/hr	44.00
	TD	Reviewed Karen Braschayko response; Legal research for FOIA issues.	0.80 220.00/hr	176.00
	MO	Research regarding material selection policy and practice.	1.00 220.00/hr	220.00

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4/10/2025	TD Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman regarding search committee.	0.10 220.00/hr	22.00
4/11/2025	TD Reviewed Teresa Chase email; Drafted letter to Peggy Brotzke; Reviewed Kara Haight email.	0.20 220.00/hr	44.00
4/14/2025	ML Worked on FOIA issues.	0.50 220.00/hr	110.00
	TD Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman regarding admin. upgrade regarding data.	0.10 220.00/hr	22.00
	TD Drafted letter regarding meeting/speech rules.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	TD Phone call with Kari Kohlman.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	TD Phone call with Kara Haight, Blake Tong, A. Dickie, and Matt Molloseau regarding email retention.	0.40 220.00/hr	88.00
	TD Revised letter to Kari Kohlman regarding search committee.	0.50 220.00/hr	110.00
	TD Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman regarding ADA request.	0.10 220.00/hr	22.00
	TD Drafting letter to B. Tong regarding email retention; Reviewed B. Tong.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	MO Legal research for committee member requirements; Legal research for library privacy requirements.	0.50 220.00/hr	110.00
4/15/2025	ML Legal research for Open Meetings Act issues; Worked on First Amendment issues.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	TD Reviewed records retention policy issue; Drafted letter to Kara Haight regarding same.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	TD Revised search committee letter.	0.20 220.00/hr	44.00
	MO Legal research for document retention schedule requirements; Drafting and revised memo/letter regarding MLA/ALA requirements and potential policy revisions.	2.00 220.00/hr	440.00
4/16/2025	ML Legal research for special meeting issues.	0.80 220.00/hr	176.00

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4/16/2025	TD Legal research for public meeting speech rules.	0.70 220.00/hr	154.00
	TD Revised letter regarding search committee.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	TD Revised letter regarding public meeting speech rules.	0.60 220.00/hr	132.00
	TD Worked on search committee notice issue; Phone call with Peggy Brotzke.	0.20 220.00/hr	44.00
4/17/2025	TD Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman regarding possible new Board seat; Phone call with Kari Kohlman regarding finance committee meetings.	0.60 220.00/hr	132.00
	TD Attendance at regular Library Board meeting.	1.90 220.00/hr	418.00
	TD Reviewed proposed March 2025 minutes.	0.10 220.00/hr	22.00
	TD Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman regarding legality of prayers at public meetings.	0.40 220.00/hr	88.00
	MO Worked on meeting issues regarding First Amendment.	0.40 220.00/hr	88.00
	TD Preparation for meeting regarding public meeting speech rules.	0.20 220.00/hr	44.00
4/18/2025	ML Legal research for FOIA issues and First Amendment issues.	0.20 220.00/hr	44.00
	For professional services rendered	45.70	\$9,968.00
	Balance due		<u>\$9,968.00</u>

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June 3, 2025

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Invoice #45779

Professional Services

			<u>Hrs/Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
5/1/2025	MO	Revised letter/memo regarding ALA/MLA membership.	2.50 220.00/hr	550.00
5/2/2025	AC	Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman.	0.10 80.00/hr	8.00
	TD	Revised letter to Kari Kohlman regarding ALA/MLA issue.	0.20 220.00/hr	44.00
5/5/2025	TD	Drafting proposed Bylaws changes regarding pledge of allegiance and prayer.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	TD	Drafting proposed Bylaw amendment regarding prayer and pledge of allegiance.	0.40 220.00/hr	88.00
5/6/2025	TD	Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman regarding ALA/MLA issue.	0.20 220.00/hr	44.00
5/7/2025	TD	Worked on proposed Bylaws amendment and cover letter.	1.00 220.00/hr	220.00
5/9/2025	TD	Reviewed Karen Braschayko May 8th FOIA request; Drafted letter to Kara Haight regarding same.	0.10 220.00/hr	22.00
5/13/2025	TD	Reviewed Braschayko FOIA response; Phone call with Teresa Chase; Drafted letter to Teresa Chase.	0.40 220.00/hr	88.00
	ML	Worked on FOIA issues.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00

		<u>Hrs/Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
5/16/2025	TD Legal research for First Amendment cases regarding libraries.	1.20 220.00/hr	264.00
5/19/2025	TD Legal research for First Amendment considerations for collection decisions.	1.00 220.00/hr	220.00
5/21/2025	TD Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman regarding First Amendment landscape for library.	1.50 220.00/hr	330.00
5/27/2025	AC Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman.	1.00 80.00/hr	80.00
	TD Reviewed new Little case ruling; Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman regarding same.	1.50 220.00/hr	330.00
5/29/2025	TD Drafted letter to Kari Kohlman regarding Little ruling.	0.30 220.00/hr	66.00
	For professional services rendered	12.00	\$2,486.00

Additional Charges :

		<u>Price</u>	
5/31/2025	Reimbursable expense: Westlaw computer legal research	547.53	547.53
	Total additional charges		\$547.53
	Total amount of this bill		\$3,033.53
	Previous balance		\$9,968.00
	Balance due		\$13,001.53

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<u>Current</u>	<u>30 Days</u>	<u>60 Days</u>	<u>90 Days</u>	<u>120 Days</u>
3,033.53	9,968.00	0.00	0.00	0.00