Board Report

Market Benchmarking & Compensation Structure Development Project

EPL hired HR Source to perform a market benchmarking study.

The study included:

- Base pay market benchmarking for 57 positions
- Creation of a competitive, market-based compensation structure
- Payroll analysis to assess the overall competitive position of the organization relative to the market and to identify who are out of range
- Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) analysis

HR Source benchmarked most positions to library data only. Positions that can extend outside the library industry (IT, Marketing, HR) were benchmarked using 50% library data, 25% other non-profit data, and 25% for-profit data.

Once all positions were benchmarked, a market-based compensation structure was created. As a result, HR Source calculated a compensation structure that includes 14 pay grades. EPL positions were assigned to a pay grade based on the survey data compiled for each position. There is one empty pay grade to potentially accommodate any non-benchmarked positions, in case positions are restructured, or if new positions are created.

The report also included compa-ratio calculations. Compa-ratio is calculated by comparing an employee's annual salary to the midpoint of their range. If an employee has a compa-ratio of 100% they would be considered right "at market." To ensure all employees are paid within range, compa-ratio figures should fall between 80% and 120%. All EPL employees except one, fell between the 80%-120% compa-ratio. With the approval of the new pay grades, that employee will be moved to the new range and will fall within the appropriate compa-ratio range.

Moving forward, all employees are eligible for an annual increase at their performance review. The amount of base pay increase for an employee is dependent upon the employee's overall performance rating, where the employee's pay falls relative to their pay range, and the parameters of the approved budget.

In conclusion, while there are no issues attracting or retaining staff, it's reassuring to know that we have market comparisons and data to confirm our practices. With this up-to-date study, the Board can be confident that EPL will remain competitive in the market and that EPL staff are paid a fair wage.

ELMHURST PUBLIC LIBRARY FY 2025 SALARY SCHEDULE

Effective January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025

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GRADE	JOB TITLE	MINIMUM	MID-POINT	MAXIMUM	
3	Material Handler	\$15.00	\$16.80	\$20.16	
		\$29,250	\$32,767	\$39,321	
4	Interlibrary Loan/Material Handler	\$15.00	\$18.50	\$22.20	
	Processing Material Handler	\$29,250	\$36,082	\$43,298	
5	Desk Clerk	\$16.30	\$20.37	\$24.45	
	Interlibrary Loan/Office Clerk Inventory & Withdrawl Clerk Processing Clark	\$31,785	\$39,731	\$47,677	
	Processing Clerk				
6	Copy Cataloger Clerk	\$17.95	\$22.44	\$26.92	
	Custodian Assistant	\$35,000	\$43,750	\$52,500	
	Makery Specialist				
	Library Specialist				
	Kids' Library Assistant Marketing Program Assistant				
	Walketing Flogram Assistant				
7	Acquisition Technician	\$19.76	\$24.71	\$29.65	
	Building Custodian	\$38,540	\$48,175	\$57,810	
	Lead Desk Clerks				
	Lead Materials Handler Lead ILL Clerk				
	Makery Program Specialist				
	IT Assistant/Custodian Assistant				
	Receiving Clerk				
8	AP & Admin Assistant	\$21.76	\$27.20	\$32.65	
	Lead Makery Specialist	\$42,439	\$53,048	\$63,658	
9	Elementary School Services Coordinator	\$23.96	\$29.96	\$35.95	
	Homeschool & Scout Coordinator	\$46,731	\$58,414	\$70,097	
10	Librarian	\$26.39	\$32.99	\$39.58	
	Cataloging Librarian	\$51,458	\$64,323	\$77,187	
	Middle School Coordinator				
	Children's Program Coordinator Collections Librarian				
	Digital Collections Librarian				
	Early Childhood Services Librarian				

Inclusive Services Librarian
Teen Engagement Librarian
Human Services Librarian
Lead Advisory Specialist
Adult & Teen Program Coordinator
Technology Learning Coordinator
Lead Communications Specialist
Marketing Specialist
IT Technician
Kids' & Adult Services Librarian

11	HR Generalist Cataloging Supervisor	\$29.06 \$56,663	\$36.32 \$70,829	\$43.59 \$84,995
12	Assistant Head, Adult Services Assistant Head, Kids' Library Assistant Head, Circulation Assistant Head, Facilities	\$32.00 \$62,395	\$40.00 \$77,993	\$48.00 \$93,592
13	Head, Adult Services Head, Kids' Library Head, Circulation Services Head, Facilities Head, Marketing and Communications Head, Makery	\$35.23 \$68,706	\$44.04 \$85,882	\$52.85 \$103,059
14	No Positions	\$38.80 \$75,655	\$48.50 \$94,569	\$58.20 \$113,483
15	Head, IT & Technical Servics	\$42.72 \$83,308	\$53.40 \$104,135	\$64.08 \$124,962
16	Assistant Director	\$47.04 \$91,735	\$58.80 \$114,668	\$70.57 \$137,602