



Wixom Public Library Annual Report



Library Mission

The mission of the Wixom Public Library is to serve the ever-changing needs of our diverse community with quality collections, services and programs that support its informational, educational, cultural, and recreational needs.

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Quality Services for the Wixom Community Read. Discover. Connect.

Looking back at Fiscal Year 2015-2016, it was a year that saw stabilized funding and a continued commitment to look at innovative and budget-friendly ways of introducing new services, programs, technology, and materials.

A stabilized budget meant that the Library Board of Trustees was able to begin a 6-year capital improvement plan using funds saved through fiscally-conservative budget practices. Our patrons expressed their desire for an improved and welcoming physical space during our strategic planning process. During Fiscal Year 2015-2016, the Library was able to replace the carpeting in the adult and children's areas, purchase comfortable seating for the fiction and new book area, re-wire our Internet cabling, add wireless

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access points, and make improvements to the restrooms. We are excited to continue to make space improvements in order to meet the needs of today's Wixom residents.

The Library also implemented several new programs and services last year based on our Strategic Plan. This included new early literacy initiatives, increased and improved marketing plans, and additional resources for children and ESL patrons.

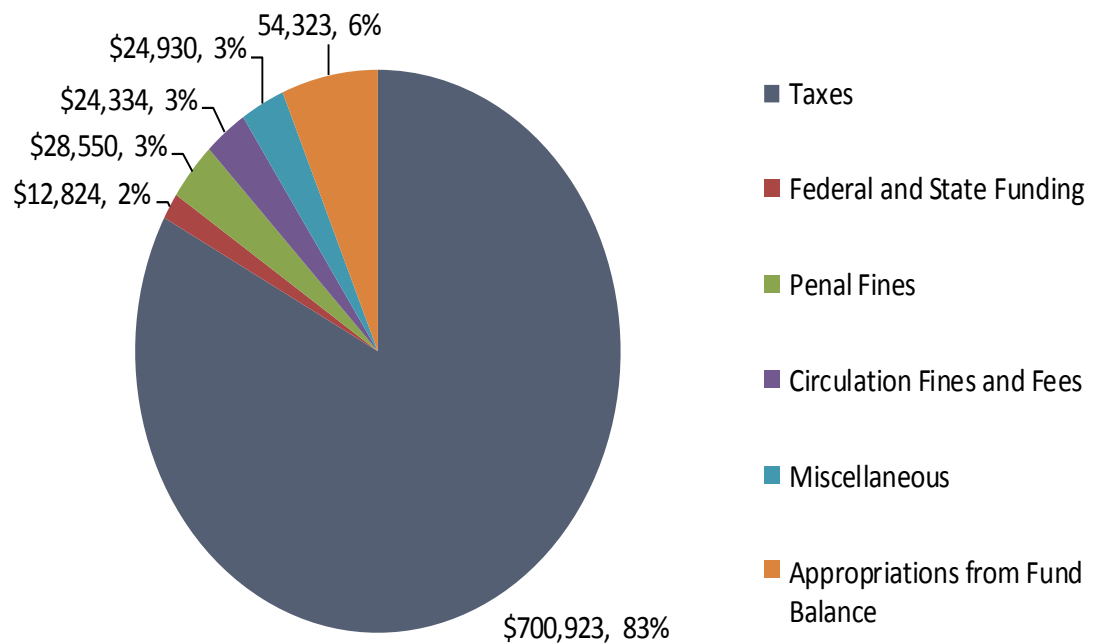
The Library Staff and Board of Trustees are excited to continue to provide the quality services desired by the Wixom community and that we continue to be a place where patrons read, discover and connect.

-Andrea Dickson, Library Director

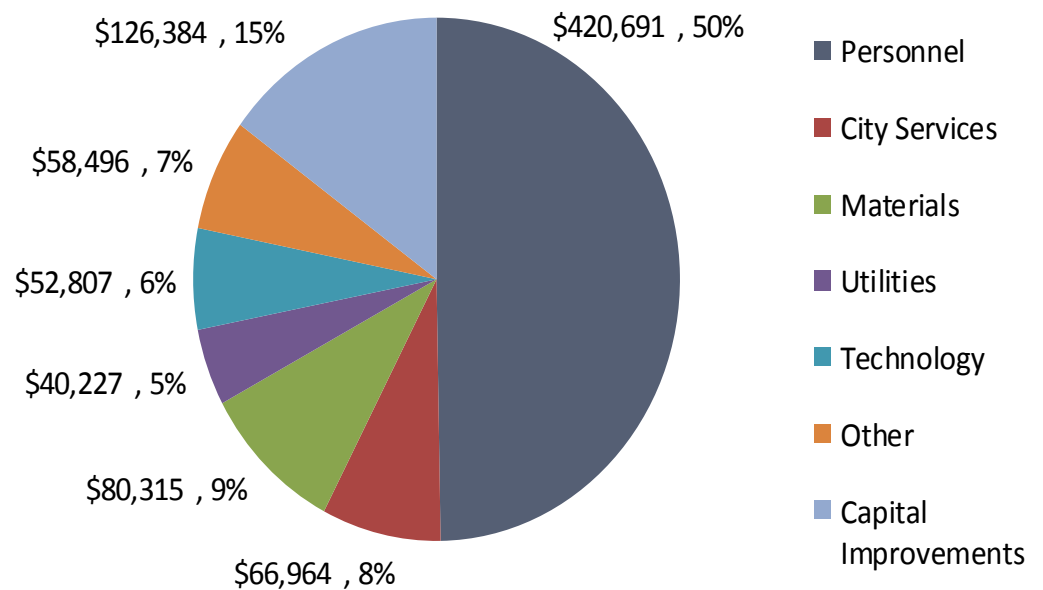
Budget at a Glance

During the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year, the Library's tax revenue continued to stabilize and increase slightly. The Library Board and staff continued to look at the most cost-effective ways to provide high quality services to the Wixom community. This fiscal year also saw the Library embark on major capital improvement projects for the first time in several years using appropriations from a healthy fund balance. The Library was also able to open again on Fridays during the summer in June 2016.

Total Operating Revenue: \$845,844



Total Operating Expenses: \$845,844*



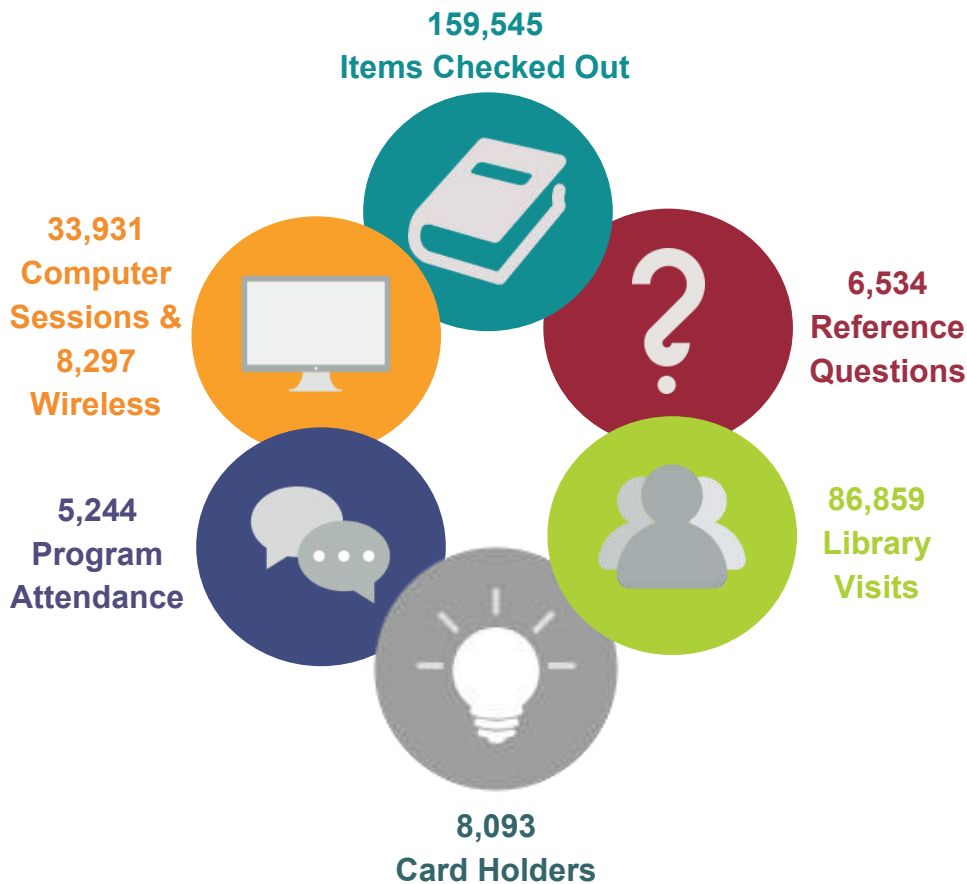
*pre-audit figures

Did You Know?

- The Library served 13,498 area residents.
- The Library held 64,651 items in its collection.
- 4,916 eBooks and 2,653 audiobooks were downloaded.
- Patrons downloaded 1,115 digital magazines.
- The Library hosted 245 programs and special events.

Programming & Services

The Library continued to provide exciting and engaging programs and services to our patrons. New services introduced include a mobile makerspace, early literacy play area, mobile hotspot check out program, color printing, scan to email, Beanstack reading recommendations, and SCOLA Foreign Language resource.



Programming Highlights

- 6th Annual Community Reads
- Library Olympics
- ACT/SAT Practice Exams
- Library Mini Golf
- Story-Time Yoga
- Family Game Night
- Bedtime Math
- Tween Tech Nights
- Money Smart Week
- Genealogy Series



Strategic Plan Update

The Library's strategic plan set forth the following five goals for 2016-2020: promote school readiness; develop literacy skills (including digital); encourage lifelong learning; create a safe and welcoming environment; and promote the Library as a vibrant and imperative community resource.

The Library achieved numerous goals last year including: added a sensory table; participated in Every Child Read to Read Initiative; purchased additional ESL materials; provided SAT & ACT practice tests; replaced all public computers; developed a Mobile Makerspace; installed new seating and carpeting; implemented color printing and scan to email; developed a Pop-Up Library for community events; implemented mobile circulation; developed a mobile hotspot program.

Community Matters

The Library is involved in many community events within the Wixom area including:

- Smart Money Week
- Michigan Adventure Pass
- Wixom Founder's Day, Holiday Markt, and Family Fun Nights
- Neighborhood Library Association
- School visits



Friends of the Wixom Library Highlights

The Friends of the Wixom Library have donated approximately \$174,000 throughout the years to help fund library programs, services, and building improvement projects. They are instrumental to the success of the Wixom Library. We thank them for their dedicated service, which has helped the Library not only grow its collections and services, but also its success within the community. Last year, the Friends sponsored 30 Library programs.

Friends of the Library Sponsored Programs & Services 2015-2016

Pumpkinpalooza
Tasting & Touring Michigan's Homegrown Food
Community Reads Author Event
Teen Book Club Books
Children's Sensory Table
Tween Tech Nights
Genealogy Workshops
Monthly Movie Nights
Exotic Zoo
Summer Reading Kick-Off and Supplies
Mobile Hotspots

What our patrons are saying...

We had a great time at the Barbie meets minions party today! Thank you for such a fun & well organized event!

Always great children's programs... Been coming here for years!

Very pleased. Sheila was incredibly helpful.

I choose to come to the Wixom library because the staff is so friendly and helpful. They always have a smile. Thank you for everything Wixom library staff.

I want to commend Karla for the excellent display cases—March's "old car" display was very appealing and interesting. This month's w/ the middle school art class project is extremely eye-catching & well organized.

Amanda is a very helpful knowledgeable and friendly staff person who seems to me to be a very valuable asset to the Wixom Library staff.

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Looking to the Future

Look for the following new services during FY 2016-2017:

Mobile Printing

Print to the Library's printers from your mobile device or laptop.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten Program

A program designed to encourage school-readiness.

Hoopla Digital

New digital service to download and/or stream music, audiobooks, eBooks, comics, and movies.



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