

INDIANA PUBLIC LIBRARIES

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A Message From

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This year was an exciting year for public libraries as many played an important part of their communities' bicentennial celebrations. As featured in this report, libraries like the Berne Public Library and the Wells County Public Library had festivities that included everything from single programs to yearlong celebrations. With over six million residents served across the Hoosier state, libraries remain amongst the most cost-effective and efficient resources available to Indiana residents. In 2016, we saw over 33 million visits to our 236 public libraries and their additional 193 branches throughout the state and nearly 75 million materials circulated. In addition to materials and resources, libraries provide a multitude of programs for children and adults including early reading programs, K-12 tutoring, English as a second language classes, STEAM, 3-D printing workshops, special events and guest speakers on a variety of topics. More than three million Hoosiers attended over 144,000 programs in 2016 provided by public libraries. I am excited to share the contents of this report to the public and look forward to all of the exciting events happening in 2017!

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On the Rise in 2016

- E-book circulation rose 36 percent to over 7.1 million check-outs
- Digital video circulation increased by 42 percent with over 180,000 downloads
- Reference activity saw a 2.6 percent increase with over 4.3 million transactions
- Wireless internet use increased by 22 percent to over 9.3 million uses
- Children's programs increased by two percent to over 83,000 programs completed
- Attendance at children's programs saw a 12 percent increase with over 2.2 million attendees
- Overall program attendance saw an eight percent jump with more than 3.3 million attendees

Top Circulations in 2016

- Most popular TV show in 2016 according to Evergreen? "Downton Abbey" was checked out 7,801 times.
- "See Me" by Nicholas Sparks was the most-popular Evergreen adult book in 2016, with 2,538 circulations.
- Disney's "Inside Out" seemed to be everyone's favorite movie of 2016 with 5,091 Evergreen check-outs.
- According to Evergreen Indiana, People magazine left Indiana libraries 12,479 times in 2016.
- J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter is still as popular as ever. Evergreen Indiana tells us that "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" was 2016's top audiobook with 491 circulations and it also topped the list of children's books with 2,236 check-outs.



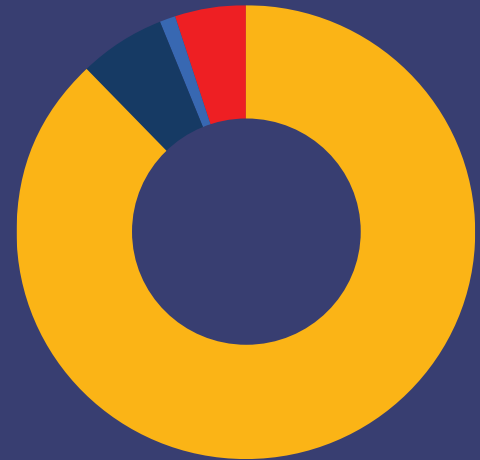
Operating Expenditures

Salaries and Benefits	\$	197,260,826	62 %
Supplies	\$	7,515,754	2 %
Other Services and Charges	\$	58,947,530	19 %
Land, Buildings and Furniture	\$	5,277,363	2 %
Collection Expenditures	\$	45,679,033	15 %
Total Expenses	\$	314,680,506	100 %



Operating Income

Local	\$	302,593,647	88 %
State	\$	20,633,805	6 %
Federal	\$	1,144,876	< 1 %
Other	\$	17,488,599	5 %
Total Expenses	\$	341,860,927	100 %



Public Library Statistics & Holdings

- 236 public libraries
- 193 branches
- 31 bookmobiles
- 3,382,799 individual resident borrowers
- 22,749,438 books
- 7,101,065 E-books
- 2,174,365 videos (physical units)
- 180,941 videos (downloadable)
- 1,554,760 audio materials (physical units)
- 1,248,343 audio materials (downloadable)
- 74,533,615 total circulations
- 8,520 public computers in Indiana libraries
- 99% of Indiana libraries offer wireless internet access
- 33,378,085 library visits
- 144,210 public programs
- 3,326,788 public program attendees

children's COLLECTION



West Lafayette Public Library

The West Lafayette Public Library (WLPL), along with the Purdue University Student Concert Committee and the City of West Lafayette, has hosted three annual Record Store Day concerts since 2014. WLPL's local partners, People's Brewery and Hot Box Pizza, have generously come out to serve food and craft beer during



the event. The event usually features acts that are both local and regional. Since 2015, the Friends of the West Lafayette Public Library have held their annual Vintage Vinyl Record Sale on Record Store Day at the library. The response from the community is always wonderful and the day also draws first time visitors to the library; many of whom return. Being a university town, there is a large transient population and events like this help draw in newer members of the community. The event helps them feel welcome and comfortable exploring what the area has to offer.

On April 16, 2016, local and regional bands Thee Tsunamis, Fergus Daly Band, Stay Outside and Grey Lamb & Ghost Club took



to WLPL's outdoor amphitheater and delivered music to a slew of eager fans. Two hours before the free, all-ages show started outside, the Friends of the West Lafayette Public Library opened up their annual Vintage Vinyl Record Sale. Record collectors from near and far scoured the selections hoping to find some gems. WLPL will continue to hold the dual concert and record sale in the coming years.



Kendallville Public Library

The Kendallville Public Library shook up summer reading in 2016. Library staff made the decision to get rid of individual reading records and stop spending money on cheap prizes that just get thrown away. Instead, the Experience the Unexpected 2016 Summer Adventure goal was a community-wide initiative. The library decided that if the



community was able to reach 30,000 circulations in June and July, it would fund a prize that would benefit the entire community. The choices were an adventure walk, life-size outdoor games and a bike-mobile, akin to a bookmobile. Throughout the summer, people visited the library and each time they checked out items, they voted for their favorite prize. In the end, the community pulled it off. Total circulations for June and July were 36,679 and those two months showed some of the highest circs of the year.

The community selected the adventure walk, in which stands are placed along a path allowing families to read stories and complete challenges as they walk. "What a great interactive opportunity for parents and



children. It's a great conversation starter for parents with kids and it's just a great way to get out and enjoy what we have here in Kendallville," said Debi Pfaffenberger, executive director of the United Way of Noble County. The adventure walk will launch in both Kendallville and Rome City in May of 2017.



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Berne Public Library

To celebrate Indiana's bicentennial, the Berne Public Library presented "H is for Hoosier: 200 Years of Indiana History," a program designed to teach children what life was like in Indiana at various points during the last two centuries. Children visited multiple learning stations, each giving them a glimpse of what



they would have experienced throughout 200 years of Indiana's history. At the game station children played stick and hoop, a favorite pastime of early Indiana youngsters. The object of the game is to set the hoop in motion and keep it going with the stick.

At another station children were able to use an old-fashioned technique to make butter by shaking heavy whipping cream in a jar. They then had a chance to taste their own homemade butter before moving on to the craft station, which gave them the opportunity to use common materials to make a Whirligig button and string toy and to create their own yarn doll.

"H is for Hoosier: An Indiana Alphabet" was read during the



final station and provided facts about Indiana. The children actively participated in the story time by putting magnetic pictures up on a board while the book was being read. This program provided children a fun-filled educational night to celebrate Indiana's 200th birthday.



**Indiana Bicentennial
Celebration**



Wells County Public Library

The Wells County community celebrated Indiana's bicentennial with a yearlong celebration including several programs and events, culminating in a large bicentennial bash that brought together many community businesses and organizations.

The weekend celebration included local artists, authors, presenters and entertainers. The evening was finalized with a downtown fireworks display.

The Wells County Public Library hosted many of these 2016 activities, including a poetry



presentation by Indiana Poet Laureate Shari Miller Wagner, an Indiana Art Project, a Philip Gulley author visit, the creation and dedication of a community time capsule and an exhibit entitled "Who is a Hoosier?" Due to the success of the programs and community demand, the library is contemplating continuing similar activities into the future.

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Additional Resources

INSPIRE

INSPIRE, Indiana's virtual online library, is a collection of academic databases and other information resources that can be accessed by state residents using any computer equipped with an internet protocol (IP) address located in Indiana and a web browser. INSPIRE is supported by the Indiana General Assembly through Build Indiana Funds, the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) and in partnership with Academic Libraries of Indiana.

inspire.in.gov

Indiana Memory

Indiana Memory, a collaboration of Indiana libraries, museums, archives and related cultural organizations, is a digital collection of images and documents that enables access to Indiana's unique cultural and historical heritage through a variety of digital formats and via free distribution over the Internet. indianamemory.org

Ask-a-Librarian

The Indiana State Library accepts reference and research questions via Ask-a-Librarian, live chat, telephone and mail. Live chat is available only during our regular business hours. Questions may be submitted via Ask-a-Librarian 24/7 and will be answered within two business days.

<http://www.in.gov/library/ask.htm>

Hoosier State Chronicles

Hoosier State Chronicles is operated by the Indiana State Library and funded by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA), as well as being funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Hoosier State Chronicles aims to provide free, online access to high quality digital images of Indiana's historic newspapers by digitizing the state library's collection and by assisting other organizations in making their collections digitally available.

newspapers.library.in.gov

SRCS

Indiana's Statewide Remote Circulation Service (SRCS) is the state's latest and largest resource sharing tool. SRCS links together the catalogs of over 150 Indiana libraries into a single interface containing over 30 million items all held by Indiana libraries.

Authorized users can search this combined catalog and request to have selected materials delivered to their home library, using the InfoExpress courier, where they can check them out. SRCS is not a replacement for your library's ILS system, rather it works with over 15 different ILS systems to provide this extended access and functionality.

www.in.gov/library/SRCS.htm

Statewide Services

The Indiana State Library's Professional Development Office (PDO) and Library Development Office (LDO) provide trainings and consulting both in-person and online via webinars on a variety of topics. Please visit continuinged.isl.in.gov to see listings of the trainings and webinars available to librarians.

InfoExpress

InfoExpress is the statewide library courier service provided by the Indiana State Library that delivers library materials. Public library districts, school districts, academic, institutional and special libraries are eligible to participate in InfoExpress.

digital.statelib.lib.in.us/infoexpress/home.aspx

Evergreen Indiana

Evergreen Indiana is a growing consortium of over 100 libraries located throughout Indiana that use the Evergreen integrated library system. Patrons of member libraries can use their Evergreen Indiana library card to view the catalogs and borrow materials from the other member libraries. in.gov/library/evergreen.htm

Indiana State Library Services

If you are a library or librarian in need of assistance, please contact the Library Development Office (LDO) or the Professional Development Office (PDO) by visiting www.in.gov/library/libraries.htm

Library Development Office: (317) 232-3697

Professional Development Office: (317) 234-5650

If you are a patron with a general question, please visit our home page at www.in.gov/library

Indiana State Library General Inquiries: (317) 232-3675; toll free: 1 (866) 683-0008

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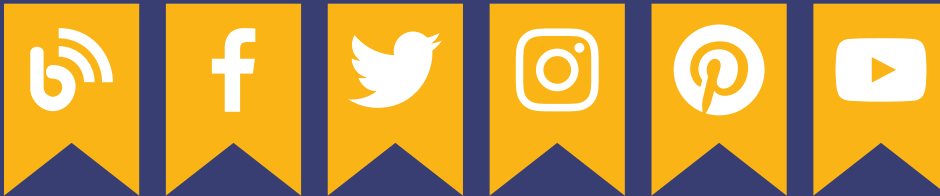
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