

## MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARY BOARD

After a great year we are looking forward to closer partnering with Hanover council as we make improvements in our operations. We are excited to share our vision with the citizens of Hanover and how “*Your Library*” (as you do own in its success) can indeed be the meeting place of the town and truly become “*the living room of the community*”! We are very fortunate as a board to have dedicated trustees, library staff and volunteers. They help with the various fundraisers, programmes, and daily work of our library that provides so much and often exceeds expectations.

We also thank all the patrons of the library; without you there would be no us. For those who have not been to the Hanover Public Library, or it's been longer than you had planned, we would like to extend an invitation in the simple words of Hanover's founding father, Abraham Buck: “*It is good for us to be here.*”

**Heartfelt thanks goes out to:**



- Town of Hanover for local tax funding
- the many generous sponsors of our events
- the people who donate to our library
- all our hard working volunteers, including our magnificent trustees
- the staff who put their heart into our service
- and all the people who come, enjoy, grow and learn with us every day.

## BOARD MEMBERS

Debera Flynn, Brenda Booth, Susan Sakal, Ed Pepler, Jenn Hillier, Jeanne Lisenchuk, Edwin Haas, Terry Leis, Steve Fitzsimmons



### Hot Happenings in 2016:

“*Art Under the Stars*” Gala Fundraiser - Hanover Public Library Board and Saugeen Artists put together a fabulous show. Over 100 guests admired the wide variety of artistic creativity on display, while enjoying elegant refreshments and bidding on silent auction items. This new venture raised over \$4,500.



**Membership Drive:** With a grant from Community Foundation Grey Bruce we created “Join the library” clings for display all around town, and offered a ‘goodie bag’ to all new members. We gained 156 new members, an increase of about 27% over the same period in the previous year.



**You can Help!  
Donate, or leave a bequest  
to Hanover Public Library.  
We are a registered charity.**

## Hanover Public Library

# 2016

## Annual report



[www.hanoverlibrary.ca](http://www.hanoverlibrary.ca)

### Mission:

To be a welcoming, upbeat community hub, embracing the quality of life for all, empowering everyone to reach their potential through access to resources and activities for relaxation and lifelong learning.

## Financial Highlights

### Where The Money Came From

Town of Hanover	\$ 516,700
Fees & fundraising	\$ 33,772
Reserve funds	\$ 0
Donations & bequests	\$ 13,436
Grants	\$ 28,756

### Where The Money Goes

Building lease	\$ 115,154
Consumables & Admin	\$ 148,128
Service Development	\$ 7,180
Materials & assets	\$ 61,7960
Direct user service	\$ 241,772

### Impact:

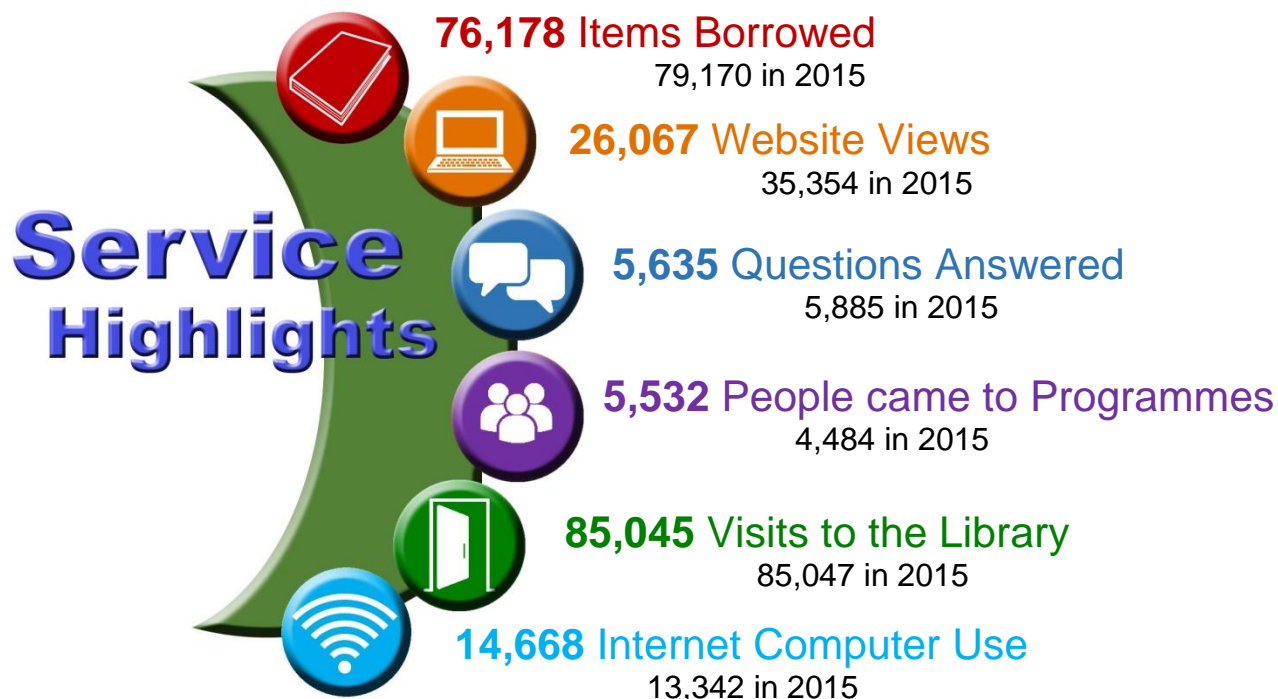
“The best thing that ever happened to me – we moved to Hanover and being able to use the library as often as possible for free. The most wonderful bunch of people I could ever work with.” E.S.

*About computer help:* “You saved me hours of frustration and anger.”

“Connor has been an absolute god send.”  
 “Thank you! I can send images to my kids, and talk to them wherever they are. You don’t know how great that is.”

“A heads-up to the Hanover Public Library trustees & Board members. This staff at the library is one of the best around – professional, patient, poised, witty and helpful. Their passion to assist people with resources is obvious – keep up the great work you are doing” R.F.

## In 2016 at the Library ...



### Funding and costs:

	\$	\$	%
	2015	2016	change
Town grant to supply library services:	\$ 513,600	\$ 516,700	+ 0.6 %
Federal and Provincial grants:	\$ 32,777	\$ 28,756	- 12 %
Library generated fees & fundraising:	\$ 40,139	\$ 45,860	+ 14 %
Total revenues:	\$ 591,121	\$ 592,664	+ 0.003%
Cost per taxpayer of library services	\$ 68.57	\$ 68.98	+ 41 cents 0.6%

### Notes:

Local tax funding increased by just 0.6%, and government grant funding was reduced. Cost of wages increased by 2%, and materials increased 6.4% (Consumer Price Index). Use is increasing but materials and services provided cannot be sustained in line with inflation.