

Message from the Board

The past year has been one of growth, connection, and momentum for the Hanover Public Library! We were pleased to host a newcomer event to warmly welcome new residents and we ran a vibrant Summer Reading Program for children to support families reading and learning together.

Partnerships remained a cornerstone of our success. We deepened our collaboration with the Hanover Lions Club, Rotary Club of Hanover, and other local service clubs - highlighted by Rotary's generous donation toward expanding our phonics collection for young readers. We also offered a number of meaningful community programs, including a Wills and Power of Attorney session, Coffee with MP Alex Ruff, and the 2025 Volunteer Expo, each helping to connect residents with information, services, local opportunities, and most importantly - with one another.

This past year also brought important improvements behind the scenes. Our updated technology and internal upgrades have made the library more efficient and better equipped to meet the community's needs. At the same time, our online presence grew significantly, allowing us to share more resources, updates, and programs with a wider audience across our social media platforms. These accomplishments reflect the dedication of our staff, volunteers, community partners, and the ongoing support of residents who value the library as a vital public resource.

As this board completes it's last year, we are grateful for the community's ongoing support. Your engagement helps our library grow, innovate, and remain a welcoming space for all.



- 3,202 library members
- 53,897 item checkouts
- 12,497 people attended events
- 3,790 people used a computer
- 41,254 visits to the library
- 17,709 online checkouts
- 349 free Brainfuse tutoring sessions accessed
- 2,139 seed packets distributed
- 24 outreach event interacting with 7,570 people

"I've used libraries for 50 years, the Hanover Public Library is a fabulous one. The staff are very knowledgeable and very courteous. They really try and help you if help is needed." - Community Survey 2025



HANOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Annual Report 2025



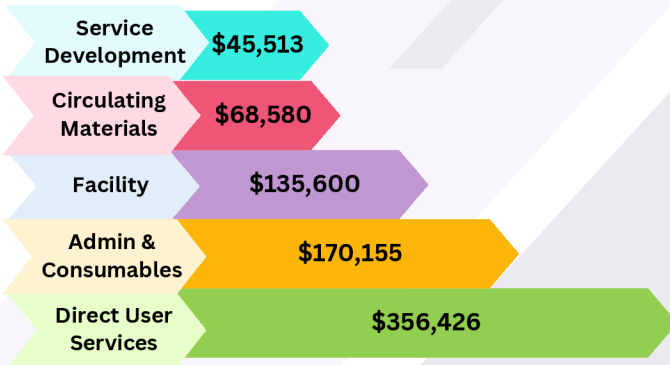
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Financial Information

Where did the money come from?

Town (Taxes):	\$669,400
Fees & Events:	\$31,412
Donations & fundraising:	\$31,197
Reserve:	\$0
Grants:	\$44,550

How was the money spent?



Admin and Consumables are what is needed to run the library such as licenses for software, services such as phone, background costs for fundraisers, as well as supplies and equipment

What is Direct User Service: Front desk staff assistance (wages), photocopying, internet/wifi, programs offered by the library, e-resources

Hot Happenings in 2025:

- Town Partnerships - included Newcomer Resource Centre and the Volunteer Fair
- Updated all staff and patron computers
- Raised 31k from fundraisers and donations including the Book Sale, Hanging Basket Sale and Loonies for the Library
- Expanded our Library of Things collection: to include board games, puzzles, snowshoes, Pickleball equipment, and Launchpads
- Bought a brand new phonics collection and purchased Brainfuse Helpnow for free online tutoring

“I am a very avid reader, borrowing books is very important to my life. We have a wonderful library and lots of reading selection.” - Community Survey 2025

BOARD MEMBERS for 2025

Brenda Booth (chair)

Laurel Douma Sue Paterson

Edwin Haas Jeannette Wilken

Kathi Maskell Lindsay Wilkin

Want to support your library?

Here’s how you can help:

- Get a library card
- Join our year-round volunteer group
- Donate – we are a registered charity
- Attend our events
- Follow us on social media
- Donate your used books to the book sale
- Apply to join the Library Board

