

MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARY BOARD

The Hanover Public Library has been in existence in our community since 1906. Over the years, the library has experienced many changes. In fact, there are a lot of new faces on the board for the new term and there is a renewed enthusiasm for the library. The new board especially looks forward to implementing the Strategic Plan that was recently published.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our many loyal patrons, volunteers and community supporters, as well as our capable staff. The library is a safe place where people can feel comfortable and welcomed each and every day.

In closing, if you do not have a library card in your wallet yet, what are you waiting for? Consider these words by author Libba Bray:

"The library card is a passport to wonders and miracles, glimpses into other lives, religions, experiences, the hopes and dreams and strivings of ALL human beings, and it is this passport that opens our eyes and hearts to the world beyond our front doors, that is one of our best hopes against tyranny, xenophobia, hopelessness, despair, anarchy, and ignorance."

2019 Board members: Andrew Edgcumbe, Steve Fitzsimmons, Francis-Joseph Gross, Edwin Haas, Kathi Maskell, Susan Sakal, Mike Schierz.

2018 BOARD MEMBERS



Brenda Booth, Agnes Rivers-Moore, Debera Flynn, Francis-Joseph Gross, Edwin Haas, Susan Sakal, Terry Leis, Jenn Hillier, Steve Fitzsimmons

Hot Happenings in 2018:

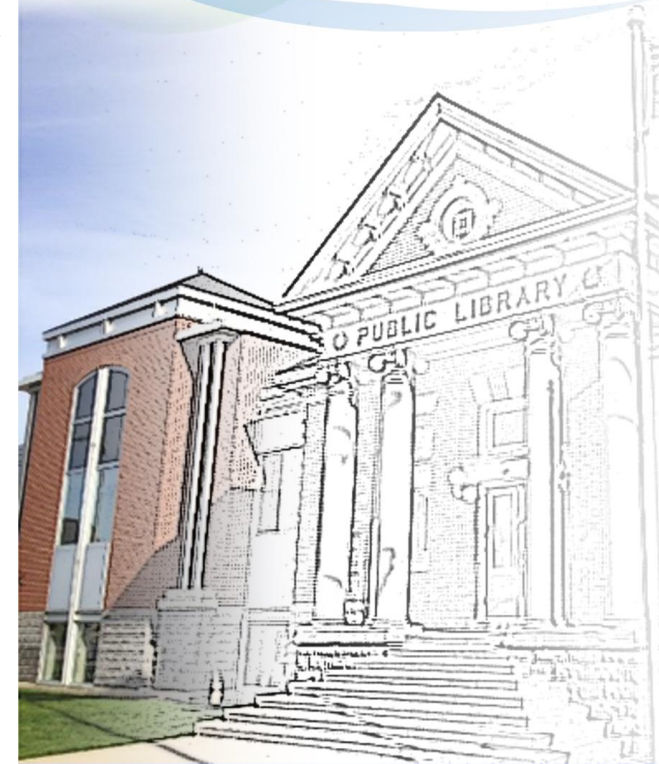
- New Children's Librarian, Stephanie Perkins
- Hanging Basket Sale fundraiser – best ever!
- New 5-year Strategic Plan
- First "Grey County Reads" contest
- Legalizing Cannabis - public info event
- Coding 4 Kids summer workshops
- Author events with *Debra Komar & Jennifer Robson*
- Regular drop-in computer help by William
- 2nd Art Gala fundraiser – a huge success!
- 2nd Guest for a night at Hanover Raceway

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

Hanover Public Library

2018

Annual report



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 (taxes)	\$ 544,500
Fees & fundraising	\$ 36,078
Reserve funds	\$ 0
Donations & bequests	\$ 15,047
Grants	\$ 28,908

Where The Money Goes

Building lease (to Town)	\$ 117,850
Consumables & Admin	\$ 154,511
Service Development	\$ 8,302
Saving/donation to Reserve	\$ 26,182
Materials & assets	\$ 60,737
Direct user service	\$ 262,750

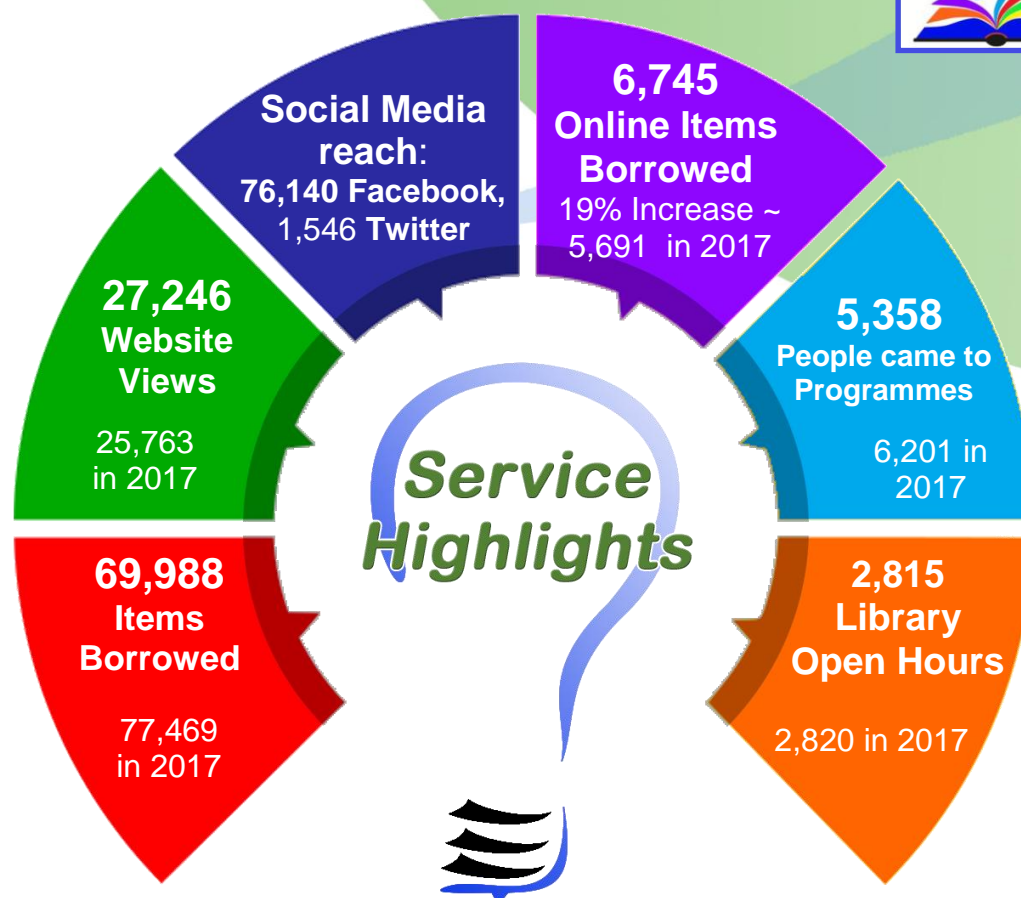
Impact:

Comment from a student: *Before, I used the library a lot for the computer and a meeting place. I now use the library twice a week for a school program. We usually use the Knechtel Room which is a nice, serene place to focus on school work and of course the staff is very helpful.*

A school tutor told us: *This has to be her favourite library of all the ones she travels between. She loves the varied programmes we run, the diversity of people that visit, the "reading" spaces that we have created and the "awesome decoration."*

How you can help – Donate!

In 2018 at the Library ...



Funding and costs:

	\$	\$	%
	2017	2018	Change
Town grant to supply library services:	\$ 524,400	\$ 544,500	+ 3.8 %
Federal and Provincial grants:	\$ 35,546	\$ 28,908	- 18.7 %
Library generated fees & fundraising:	\$ 43,032	\$ 51,125	+ 27.2 %
Total revenues:	\$ 602,978	\$ 624,532	+ 3.6 %
Local tax cost per resident	\$ 68.21	\$ 70.82	+ \$2.61 / 3.8 %

Notes: Fewer grants were available. Local tax funding increased by more than inflation. Wage budget increase because of minimum wage increase was offset due to staff departures. The Art Gala fundraiser raised \$8,100; a 77% increase over the 2016 gala.