THERE’S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Annual Report 2015
BUILDING ON OUR LEGACY:
Rooted in the Past, Growing Towards Our Future
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In an effort to strengthen our community, the library has pursued opportunities to engage and connect with the citizens we serve. We strive to continue to offer the materials and services in demand as well as expand into new arenas so that we truly have “something for everyone”.

While engaging in cooperative ventures and collaborating with other local service agencies, we want the Portage District Library to remain a true leader and key player in our community. The Library Board and Staff have taken time this year to work on a Strategic Plan to guide the direction of the library in 2017 and beyond. Join us at the library as we build on our legacy.

Christy Klien,
Library Director
New In 2015
In 2015, we saw some exciting new additions to the Library that will help us serve our community better!

Covered Drive-Up Book Drop
With the installation of our new covered book drop, you can conveniently return checked out materials any time!

LocalHop
We have uploaded our events to a new app called LocalHop. LocalHop lets you know about all of the fun events that are in your area. Available for most mobile devices and can be found wherever you get your apps.

Hoopla
With your library card, you now have access to eBooks, eAudiobooks, musics, television series, comics, and movies through the Hoopla App.

Zinio
You can browse over 90 titles of various periodicals and popular magazines on any device by logging into our new Zinio service. Sign up today to get a notification when your favorite magazine has a new issue available!
Coming In 2016
In 2016, we will pursue new ways to expand the library’s reach beyond our walls with:

**Youth Outreach Librarian**
With our new Outreach focused Youth Librarian, we will be making partners in the community and creating new innovative programs.

**BookBike**
With a BookBike, we’ll be able to take everything you love about the Library everywhere! Storytimes in the park and mobile checkout coming soon!

**GeekFest**
GeekFest is a comic book, gaming, and cos-play convention. We’ll work with a few other libraries in the area along with local artists, authors, and local game shops.

**Strategic Planning**
The Portage District Library board will create a Strategic Plan in 2016 to set the direction and goals of the library for the next five years.
2015 At A Glance
Items Borrowed
813,347

- Books & Magazines: 64%
- Movies & Music: 16%
- eBooks & eAudioBooks: 18%
- Games: 2%

New card holders: 3,599
Volunteer Hours: 6,034
Programs: 524
Did you know?
Your annual tax support for library services is $115. That’s $2.21 per week, which is less than a cup of fancy coffee.
Total Revenue

$3,767,335

- Library Millage: 88.77%
- State Aid: 0.82%
- Penal Fines: 3.06%
- Fines & Fees: 2.02%
- Other Revenue: 2.13%
- Grants & Donations: 3.20%

Total Expenditures

$3,767,335

- Operating Expenditures: 54.35%
- Library Collections: 14.37%
- Building Overhead: 5.87%
- Capital Expenditures: 9.11%
- Bond Payment: 7.06%
- Funding Future Initiatives: 9.24%