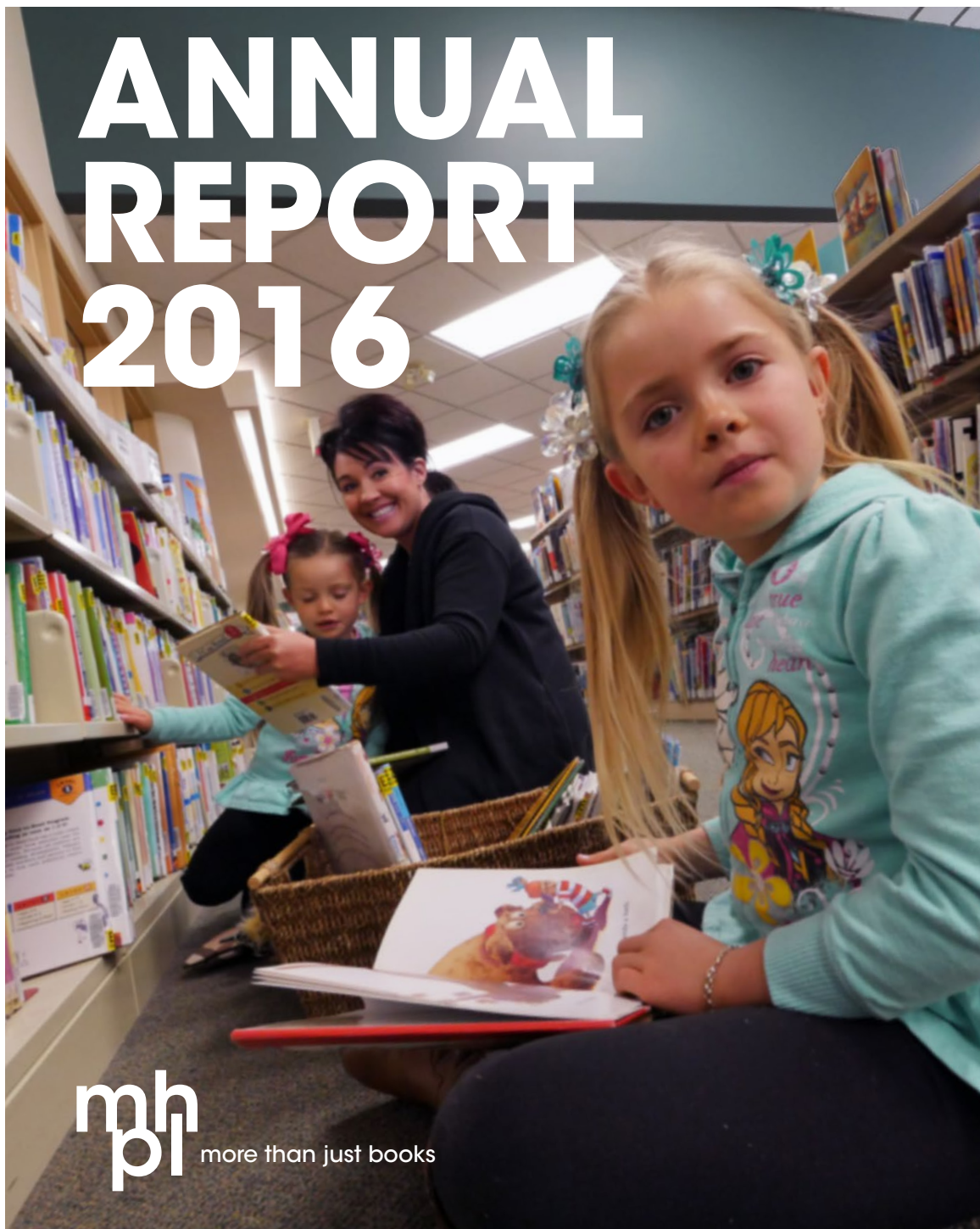


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mission & vision

VISION STATEMENT

That the Medicine Hat Public Library is a valued resource, fostering lifelong learning and enhancing the vitality of the community.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Medicine Hat Public Library serves as a community hub, providing equitable and convenient access to books, media, information and programs that help to educate, enrich, entertain and inform.



board members

Rose Sanchez, Chair

Grace Crisp

Janice Croissant

Angela Dunn

Tammy Gardner

Della Kirkham

Jamie McIntosh

Sue Masterman

Rick Redmond

Dione Todd



In 2016 the City of Medicine Hat Library Board was awarded the Alberta Library Trustees Association (ALTA) Award of Excellence for their hard work and dedication related to the Library's 100th Anniversary in 2015. Pictured (from left to right): Angela Dunn, Grace Crisp, Rose Sanchez, ALTA President Laura Ross-Giroux, Sue Masterman, Dione Todd and Janice Croissant.

in the community



**11 outreach events with nearly
2,000 people reached**

**129 school visits
3,393 children reached**

**514 questions answered
at the Farmer's Market
23 new memberships &
50 renewals processed**

**53 homebound clients
8 seniors residences
36 volunteers**



children's



31 grade 4 classes were visited to promote the Sunrise Rotary Ride the Road to Reading contest

632 students were reached

\$178.13 in fines forgiven



13,880 questions answered at the children's desk

**152 storytimes
4,287 in attendance**



**37 special programs
1,657 in attendance**

**2,780 kids took part
in summer reading
programs**

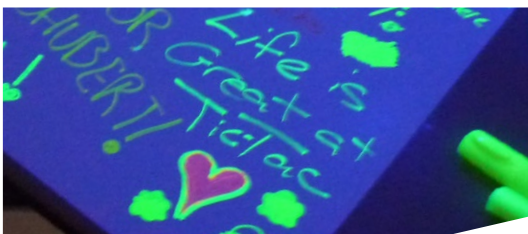
tween programs

658 tweens (ages 10-12)
attended 65 programs



teen programs

**1,227 teens (ages 13-18)
attended 38 programs**



adult programs



246 adult programs
7,051 in attendance

132 movies shown
2,822 in attendance

62 tech help classes
230 in attendance

37 human books
5 check outs



our volunteers



272 volunteers and Friends of the Library donated more than 2,500 hours of their time to the Library



our patrons



**12,429 active memberships
as of Dec 31, 2016**

241,208 visits to the Library

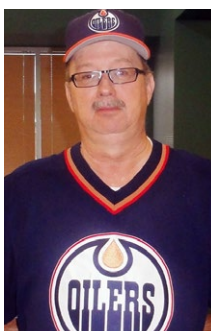
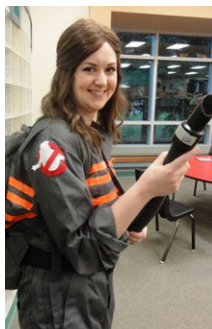


**28,539 questions asked
at the Info Desk**



our staff

**47 friendly
full and
part-time
staff**



the collection

672,248 items were circulated
543,808 times



154,471 items in our physical collection
517,468 items in our virtual collection



online presence



56,519 webpage visitors
175,058 pageviews

3,100 Twitter followers
2,782 Facebook likes
700 Instagram likes



3,402 users logged
25,675 hours on public computers



revenues & expenses

City of Medicine Hat	\$2,303,796
Province of Alberta	\$349,750
Summer Student Employment Grants	\$20,434
Shortgrass Regional Library System	\$15,214
Sales, service and other	\$109,475
Other grants/donations*	\$120,818

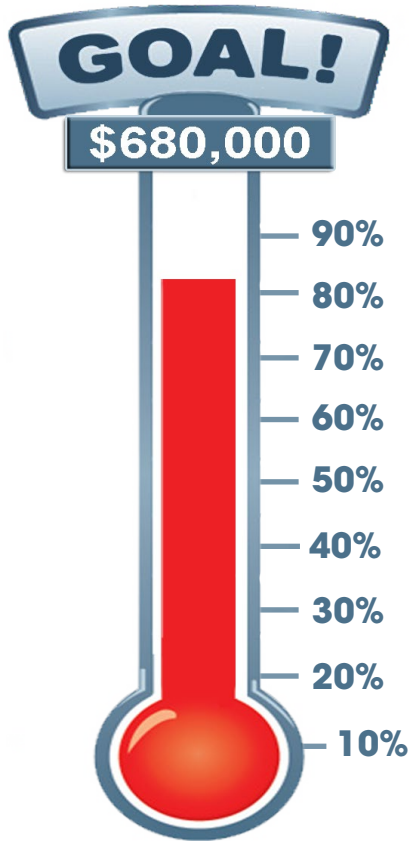
*donors listed on back cover

Friendly, helpful, well-loved staff (wages, benefits, WCB, etc.)	\$2,017,489
Materials and programs	\$454,033
Building, utilities, computers, maintenance	\$266,701
Everything else	\$79,634

Note: as per the Governance policy, all operating surplus is transferred to the Capital Asset Reserve. Monies in reserve are primarily allocated to theatre renovations.



renovation fund



A much needed theatre renovation is now underway! Funding for the project has been sourced by various grants, a generous donation from the TD Bank Group, other donations, and a loan provided by the City of Medicine Hat. While we are grateful for the loan, we would like to complete the project with as little debt as possible.

If you, your family or your business are interested in going down in history as a supporter of public programs and community meeting spaces, visit the Library or call 403-502-8527 to see how you can support this initiative.

thank you, donors



These are some of the generous donors who made contributions to our fundraising efforts in 2016.

If you're interested in going down in history as a supporter of your public library please contact us to see how you can help.

For more information call
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