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Annual Report 2024

Explore – Connect – Enrich

Highlights of 2024

The Grand Valley Public Library plays an important role in the community. The Grand Valley Public Library Board and the Staff continue to strive to bring new and innovative ideas to the community residents. This year we made great strides in meeting some of the goals of the 2022-2025 strategic plan.

Community Awareness: If there was an event we tried to be there. Duck Day Race, Farmers Market and the Fall Fair.

Inspired Opportunities: With the help from the Greenwood Family Fund and Dufferin Community Foundation, the library continued to provide cooking classes for children from grades 5-8, increasing the number of classes by 60% from 2023. The library was also able to create incredible opportunities for our summer programs. A TD summer reading launch party, a TD summer reading Closing Foam Party and an amazing prize for the child with the highest number of books read. We cannot forget the Tween Dance, which the library partnered up with the GV Agricultural Society's Fall Fair event where the children danced away for 2 hours of fun.

Service Excellence: Great customer service is a priority here at the library. Staff are continually improving their skills and education to help serve you better. The library had our first PD day, with all staff attending a day of training on customer service, reader's advisory and Indigenous Reconciliation Training.

Plan for the Future: The Library Board sub-committee presented to the Town of Grand Valley a functional program for the Council to plan on the size and future needs of the library in the upcoming years.

New 2024

- Adult Cooking Classes with Jex
- More Book Clubs
- More programs



Quick Facts

Approximately 35,376 entered the Grand Valley Public Library. That is equivalent to 107 people entering the library each day we are open.

Grand Valley Public Library has 2791 households in their service area. That means the average household use for the library is approx. 12 times.

1986 Active Card Holders, this means they have visited the library within the last two years.

- 1265 Town of Grand Valley
- 354 Township of Amaranth
- 186 Township of East Garafraxa
- 57 Summer Residence
- 124 Other
- 844 Expired Accounts, library card has not been used in over 2 years.

Facebook 1.3K followers to the library's facebook page

Instagram 893 followers to the library's Instagram page

Materials Borrowed

50,335 items borrowed (print & eformats)

HIGHLIGHTS

Children's Print Material	19,302
Adult Print Fiction	8,222
Audio Books	186
Teen Material	869
Chromebooks	85
Hotspots	382
DVDs	3338
Park/Museum Passes	116

Interlibrary Loans

919 Borrowed from other libraries
677 Loaned out to other libraries

Program Attendance

The library held 331 programs with an attendance of 4804.

There are many different aspects to a successful program. We would like to thank our many guest speakers for attending the Tea/Coffee and Connections and hosts for the Evenings at the Library.

We would like to thank all the community members, organizations and businesses in Grand Valley for their support of the Library.

Looking Ahead

March Break Programs: Canadian Raptor Conservancy “Birds of Prey”, Fireside Munsch, and Craig Douglas Comic Juggler

Evening at the Library: Adult Programs

More cooking classes

Creating new and exciting partnerships within our community.

The Grand Valley Public Library is the foundation of the Community, providing social and educational resources. The Grand Valley Public Library Board and Dedicated Staff are committed to serving our communities. The library will continue to offer a variety of programs, support and online resources to meet the needs of our communities. Comments and suggestions from the community to help improve our services are always welcomed.