

Grand Valley Public Library

Annual Report 2021


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The year 2021 was again very challenging with COVID-19 dominating everyone's thoughts and lives, the library has appreciated everyone's patience and resilience through it all. The Grand Valley Public Library has continued to serve the community through in-person visits and curbside delivery; programs included curbside craft kits, in-person and virtual programs. We started back with our in-person programming in September and we could not be more pleased with how the community responded. Kids, adults and seniors alike have enjoyed being in the library again, and we have certainly enjoyed seeing everyone, unfortunately the in-person programs were again put on hold in December.

New 2021

- 3 Internet Mobile Hotspots were added to the collection, 8 Mobile Hotspots now available.
- New Accessible front desk.
- Rearranged shelves for more accessibility, with a spacious layout.
- Tea/Coffee & Conversation, weekly program for adults and seniors.
- Niche Academy database for online tutorials, and videos.
- Vaccination Passports printed free of charge.
-  Instagram account - @grandvalley_publiclibrary

Quick Facts

1713 Active Card Holders, this means they have visited the library within the last two years

1813 Town of Grand Valley

316 Township of Amaranth

162 Township of East Garafraxa

49 Summer Residence

75 Other

500 Expired Accounts, have not used the library in over 2 years.



Materials Borrowed

36,075 items borrowed

Children's Material	- 11,872
Adult Fiction	- 7,302
Audio Books	- 292
Teen Material	- 694
Chromebooks	- 41 (provided by the UGDSB)
Hotspots	- 366
DVDs	-3976



Interlibrary Loans

955 Borrowed from other libraries
565 Loaned out to other libraries

Program Attendance

1432 in-person, virtual and program craft kit registrants

Fun Fact: 60 Gingerbread House Curbside Kits (sponsored by the Grand Valley Lions Club) were available this year with 204 people participating in the program.

GVPL Program information can be found @

<https://www.townofgrandvalley.ca/en/our-services/online-databases.aspx>

Online Resources Available

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- Research Databases
- Overdrive (ebook (print & audio), eMagazines)
- World Book Encyclopedia
- Flipster – eMagazines
- Freegal – Streaming/Downloadable Music
- Ancestry Library Edition
- Chilton Manuals – vehicle repair
- Small Engine Repair
- World Information- Travel, Maps, Food and Culture
- Pressreader – Newspapers and Magazines
- Mango Languages – learn a new language
- Novelist Plus & Novelist K-8 – reading resource for book suggestions

Moving Forward – New for 2022

- **Creative Bug** – online database with free & unlimited access to thousands of online art and craft classes that you can watch anywhere, anytime!
- **World Book Activity Centre** - thousands of low-cost crafts & activities for all levels of crafting from basic beginners to advance
- **Accessible Washroom Doors**
- **New Strategic Plan**

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.