



The library encourages young readers to become lifelong learners with research-backed literacy programming that empowers parents and caregivers as a child's first and most important teacher. People attended these educational events **14,683** times at the library this year.

Services

The library enriches lives by fostering literacy and creating opportunities.



530

Early Literacy programs



64,944

Computer sessions



40,823

Wi-Fi sessions



9,880

Reference questions

Library Hours

Kalispell

Mon-Fri
10am-6pm

Sat 10am-5pm

Columbia Falls

Mon-Fri
10am-6pm

Sat 10am-2pm

Bigfork

Mon-Fri
10am-6pm

Sat 10am-2pm



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Finances

\$2,058,320 total Operating Revenue:

\$1,941,159 Local Tax Revenue

\$48,041 State Aid

\$69,120 Gifts and Donations

\$2,616,559 Total operating expenditures:

\$1,881,736 Staffing

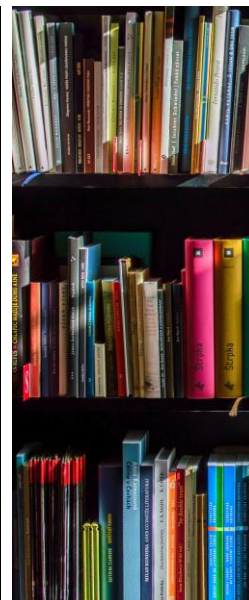
\$240,000 Collections and Databases

\$494,823 Technology & other expenses

Investment in the library provides invaluable access to knowledge, education, and community resources that help Montanans thrive. The library's revenue is **\$21.31** per capita.



The library's collection includes **79,062** books. With a library card, patrons can access these and many other resources for personal enrichment and educational pursuits.



Library Collection

Your library card grants you access to a physical collection with **91,141** items:



79,062 Physical Books



7,819 DVDs



2,943 Audio Books

Our Community Says...

"Best library ever! Friendliest staff and amazing resources."

—Flathead County Library Patron

Users and Visits

- **40,461** residents have a library card out of a community of **96,606** people.
- People visited the library **222,377** times this year. That's an average of **34** people every hour we are open.
- Patrons virtually visited the library Online to make **164,630** electronic checkouts.

Circulation

- Residents borrowed **540,421** books and media through the library, including **212,068** children's books.
- Using the average valuation of \$9 per book, borrowing from the library saved residents around **\$4,863,789**.