

Financial Overview 2020 (Unaudited)

GDPL REVENUE 2020	
Provincial Grants	\$55,181
Sunshine Coast Regional District	\$648,841
Revenue from fines & donations	\$12,970
Other income	\$22,103
Total	\$739,095
GDPL EXPENSES 2020	
Wages and Benefits	\$521,059
Collections	\$91,290
Library Management	\$49,399
Building Operations	\$41,316
Programs	\$12,444
Other	\$231
Total	\$715,739



We used social media like this post of our staff to stay in touch while we were closed in the Spring.



Gibsons & District Public Library

Annual Report 2020

The day of our re-opening July 6th.



2020 was a year unlike any other in decades. In face of the challenges and disruption brought on by the coronavirus pandemic, the Library's role proved to be more important than ever. Our mission—to

connect our community to the world of culture, knowledge, and ideas—was fulfilled in new ways as we refocused on digital resources. Even with being closed from March 18th to May 19th when we introduced a Takeout Service, circulation increased 18% over 2019 while database use increased during the year by 58%. We also increased our Wi-Fi bandwidth and made it available 24/7 to ensure more people in our community had connectivity. While we undoubtedly miss the numerous in-person gatherings at the Library that were provided before the pandemic, we pivoted online to maintain popular programs such as Conversational Language Classes, Story-times, and Open Microphone Nights. Plus, to enhance family learning and enjoyment at home, new STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) kits were developed to enable patrons to borrow resources they may not otherwise be able to access (thanks to a donation from the Gibsons Library Foundation). Based on a comprehensive COVID-19 safety plan that was overseen by the Board and supported by Staff, we re-opened our doors to patrons on July 6th. It was truly

a day of celebration as the magic and connection of in-person library visits returned. Throughout the year, our Library offered support, learning, entertainment, connection, and access to the resources people need to improve their lives. You can be assured that we will continue to be flexible, to change with the times, and to remain a vital part of our thriving community.

Heather Evans-Cullen
Library Director



On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I am happy to assure you that, despite the challenges presented by COVID-19, the Board has continued to provide good governance to your library. Although Board and committee meetings have been conducted online since March, we have succeeded in making steady progress on our Strategic Plan. We would like to thank the SCRD and the Town of Gibsons for their unwavering support, and especially recognize GDPL staff and our Library Director, Heather Evans-Cullen, for their dedicated and inspired service to the community during 2020.

Janet Hodgkinson
GDPL Board Chair

Patrons

In 2020, GDPL had 8,181 registered members



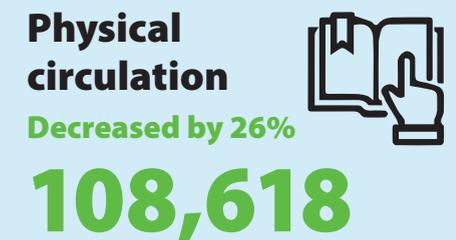
Website Visits

Increased by 17% over the year



Circulation – total digital and physical (books, CDs, etc.)

Circulation increased overall, with digital rising sharply and physical dropping slightly



Annual In Person Visits



Database Use

Increased by 58%



Computer Use



WiFi Use

