

# Rauchholz Memorial



## Library

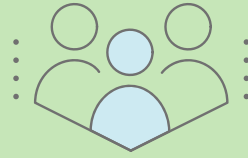
Annual Report  
2019-2020



The library had  
1,928 open hours



1,903 people have a  
card for our library



11,232 people visited  
the library



The library website  
had 18,870 visits



The library has 25,096  
items in its collection plus  
25 subscriptions to print  
materials



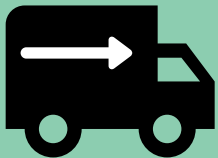
contributing to  
24,323 checouts!



17,400 books circulated



1,012 audiobooks  
circulated



1,502 interloans  
received



2,041 eBooks & downloadable  
audio circulated



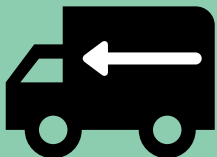
952 digital magazines  
circulated



We have 9 public  
computers



1,597 people used  
public computers



1,168 interloans  
sent out



915 movies circulated



138 music cds circulated



994 people used  
Wi-Fi



We offered 48  
programs for kids



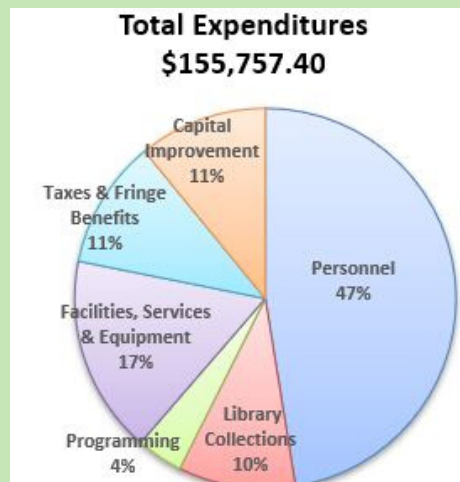
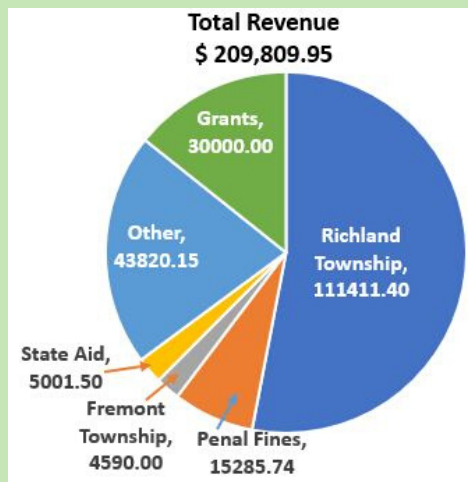
We offered 20  
programs for adults



We offered 21  
programs for families



1,322 people attended  
our programs



The library is supported by a millage from Richland Township. Remaining funds come from penal fines, state aid, and contractual services with Fremont Township.

There is currently \$1,038,327.93 in the restricted building fund.

## OUR STAFF

BillieJo Bluemer, Director  
Audrey Glass, Youth Librarian  
Valori Kade, Library Aide  
Emilie Peitsch, Student Page

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It has been a different year at the library with changes in staff and the unusual closing due to Covid-19. The Library Board created our first youth librarian position and Audrey joined the staff in August. She has been instrumental in developing and expanding our services to the children and teens in our community. Audrey was able to begin "pop up libraries" at both of the parochial schools, taking library items to the schools for their students to use in twice-a-month visits along with increasing family programs throughout the year. Life Size Candy Land, Chocolate Olympics, and escape rooms are just a few of the new programs Audrey created. During the year the library went FINE FREE, ended rental fees for movies, and began curbside pickup in an effort to improve services to the community.

Covid-19 really changed how the library operated by closing the library for almost 2 months during this fiscal year. Due to social distancing, the library began to offer virtual programming through our Facebook page in an effort to keep in contact with patrons and to offer a way to provide services. Audrey began a virtual Storytime for our kids, created an escape room, puzzles, and more to offer families and kids some fun activities to do at their "online library". As restrictions changed, the library adjusted and made the necessary changes to continue to serve the community. We are thankful for the support our patrons and community offered us during this strange time.

BillieJo, Director

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