

South Interlake Regional Library





2023

Our mission: Every day we enhance South Interlake communities through literacy by providing innovative, accessible and dynamic library services and programs.

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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Curtis McClintock, Councillor from the RM of Rockwood, served as the Library Board Chair in 2023.

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The year 2023 was marked by stable, steady pursuit of our strategic goals: strengthening core library operations, Bookmobile renewal, children and youth programming, sustainability, communications and technology. We were pleased to end the year in a fiscally strong position with a slight margin of revenue over expenses. The Board introduced several positive changes in 2023 including a 360 review process for the Library Director, a policy review schedule and regular Board education components at every meeting. I would like to thank outgoing Library Board members, Councillor Peter Bullivant and Desiree Gillespie, for their years of excellent service on the Board, and welcome Councillor Kim Newman and Karen Korchinski as new Board members in 2023.



MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Clint Curle, 2023 Library Director



The past year was a year of active growth for all our branches. The biggest change was in active library patrons. In 2022 we had 3,796 active patrons but in 2023 that number swelled to 4,880. This is a 29% increase in active patrons in one year! Our programming showed an even bigger jump, hitting 43% over target in 2023 with 8,321 program participants for the year, thanks to consistently high-quality and innovative programs in all our branches. We had good success in pursuing external grants in 2023, winning 11 grants excluding the annual provincial Public Library Service grant. I would especially like to thank our wonderful staff, veteran and new, who worked hard every day to make our libraries the welcoming hearts of our communities where patrons of all generations are included, educated, informed and inspired.





HIGHLIGHTS 2023





Highlights of 2023 included:

- The grand opening of Teulon Library's Outdoor Programming Space, thanks to Red River Mutual's Spruce up your Story grant.
- The launch of Baby Storytime at Stonewall Library, thanks to a generous three-year grant from the Winnipeg Foundation.
- The Bookmobile's Subscription Bag program which effectively encouraged reading among grade 7-8 students.
- Another successful year of our Kindergarten Readiness program.
- Teulon Library's intergenerational program with youth & seniors and its Indigenous Learning program (in partnership with the Teulon and District Metis Association), thanks to the support of the Healthy Together Now grant from the Interlake Regional Health Authority.
- Storywalk routes in Stonewall, Teulon, Grosse Isle and Stony Mountain.
- New public computers in Teulon & Stonewall libraries.





THE YEAR IN NUMBERS

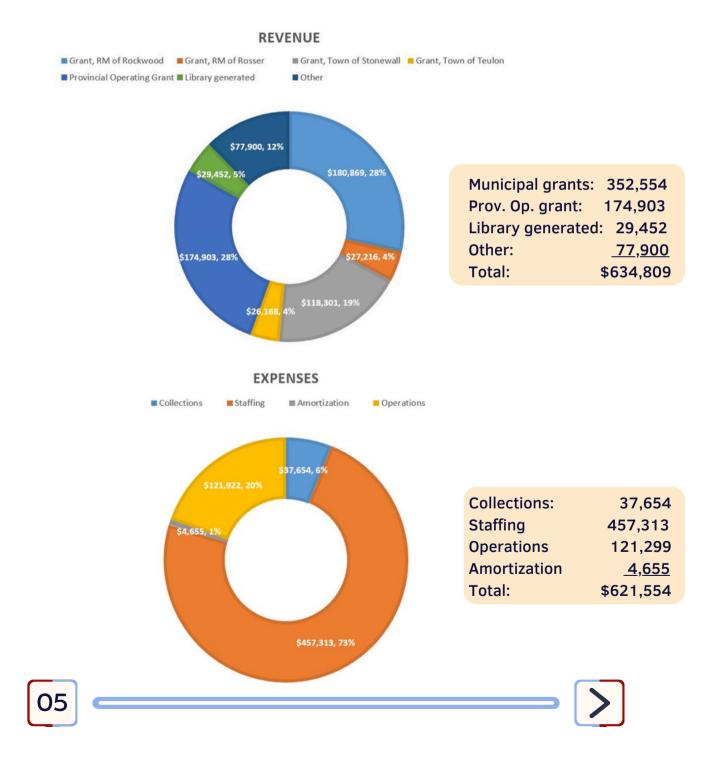
Return on Municipal Investment in 2023: 652%		
Monthly operating cost \$48,000	Monthly circulation 10,300 books x \$17	\$175,000
Monthly municipal contribution	Monthly programs 1,400 people x \$10	14,000
<u>\$29,300</u>	Monthly computer & internet use	
	200 x \$5 1,000 Monthly community space use	
	20 x \$50	1,000
	Monthly value	<u>\$191,000</u>

- Collection size: 64,422 + 54,604 digital through E-Libraries MB
- Materials borrowed in 2023: 123,422
- New materials added to collection: 3,190
- Active patrons: 4,880
- Annual participants in Library programs: 8,321
- Inter-Library Loans made: 4,960
- Inter-Library Loans received: 4,288
- Bookmobile Stops monthly: 32
- Visitors through our doors in 2023: 67,217





FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



THANK YOU!

We would like to express our sincere gratitude for the generous support we have received from the following granting organizations in 2023.

Interlake Community Foundation grant

Interlake Family Connections Coalition grant

Interlake Regional Health Authority, Healthy Together Now grant

Government of Manitoba

- Annual Public Library Service operating grant
- Collection development grant
- Technology sustainability grant
- Manitoba Accessibility Fund grant
- Urban and Hometown Green Team grant
- Building Sustainable Communities grant
- Arts, Culture & Sport in Community grant

Government of Canada

- Canada Summer Jobs grant
- Community Services Recovery Fund grant

Lions Club, Teulon & District

TOPS Teulon

Winnipeg Foundation

• Literacy for Life grant







OUR 2023 TEAM

Library Board

RM of Rockwood

- Councillor Curtis McClintock, Chair
- Brenda Martinussen, Vice-Chair

RM of Rosser

- Councillor Kelvin Stewart
- Deanne Johnson

Town of Stonewall

- Councillor Peter Bullivant (outgoing)
- Councillor Kim Newman (incoming)
- Desiree Gillespie (outgoing)
- Karen Korchinski (incoming)

Town of Teulon

- Councillor Michael Hepples
- Julie Leduchowski

Friends of the Library

President - Joie Van Dongen Vice President - Maddy Turbett Secretary - Christy Persoage Treasurer - Ronda Conrad Directors at Large:

 Jacquie Derewianchuk, Maria Glanfield, Aimee Nagy, Julie Penelton

Staff

Phil Brauen, Bookmobile Assistant Clint Curle, Library Director Catherine Desmarais, Book Processor Kelsey Dingwall, Library Clerk Tara Glaspey, Library Clerk Tanis Grandmont, Library Clerk Melanie Keppler, Tech Services Librarian June Makowski, Teulon Branch Librarian Stella McAuley, Library Clerk Leigh Nesbitt, Library Clerk Pam Palcat, Bookmobile Librarian Joan Ransom, Stonewall Branch Librarian Mariana Medina Riguelme, Library Clerk Samantha Schultz-Clarke, Library Clerk Sherry Wood-Weaver, Library Clerk Susan Young, Library Clerk

Volunteers

Abby P, Alex K, Arlene S, Ashley C, Cameron N, Cathy V, Gail S, Hannah W, Izzy D, Lindsay C, Mia S, Norma W, Scott S, Tyson G



