

# OUR MISSION IS TO BE FLINT'S GO-TO PLACE TO LEARN FOR LIFE.



We will forever remember 2019 as the year of resounding patron support. We are grateful to the residents of Flint, who renewed our essential operating millage for another 10 years. But even more than that, they approved a twelve-year bond proposal. That bond, along with extremely generous community support, is funding a \$27.6 million physical transformation for Flint Public Library!

We continued to focus on our three strategic priorities and accomplish significant milestones in those areas.

### EARLY CHILDHOOD LITERACY:

helping parents and caregivers prepare children to read, and exposing kids to STEM programming.

- We reached 1,349 students through our summer outreach programs, bringing story time and crafts to kids who otherwise might not be able to participate.
- We introduced *Little Explorers Sensory Exploration*. Children learn with their senses. This allows them to play with rice, pasta, water, finger paints, play-doh, slime

and much more. Brain development, social interaction and cognitive growth all come from this simple play strategy.

- We engaged 12,000 children and teens in reading and activities (and okay, prizes!) through our Children's Room and Teen programming.

**DIGITAL LEARNING:** filling the technology education gap by exposing students to aspects of computer science, and making technology accessible to the public.

- We introduced two new technology tools. Home movie conversion takes video from VHS or camcorder and digitizes it so that it can be viewed on a computer. Virtual reality goggles gave community members a chance to try out hot new technology.
- We enriched teens with exposure to many different tech resources, including a four-week summer Tech Camp.
- We provided 31,000 hours worth of computer access on our 70 desktop computers, in addition to making Wi-Fi available throughout the building.
- We introduced instant access to online Library resources with E-Cards. This

allowed people who do not have ID or who cannot readily get to the Library to start downloading books and music, and learn online through our web-based tools.

**COMMUNITY HUB:** we want to provide abundant and welcoming space where people can gather for learning, dialogue or entertainment.

- We hosted 350 groups in our meeting rooms.
- We welcomed 127,000 visitors (523 per day). In addition to browsing for books, they attended free concerts, plays, puppet shows, speaker presentations, holiday celebrations, town hall meetings, author visits and more.
- We partnered with local organizations to provide income tax assistance, a basic needs fair, and Ask a Lawyer sessions.

We sincerely and gratefully thank the residents of Flint who continue to demonstrate their appreciation for and support of Flint Public Library. The next year promises to be a bright and exciting one as we serve our community with essential programs and resources.

# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

(for the year ending June 30, 2019)



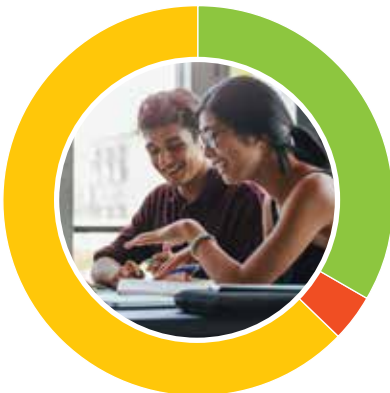
## Revenue

● Property Taxes *	\$3,009,606
● Grants, Memorials and Gifts	\$547,488
● State Aid and Fines	\$260,125
● Interest Income	\$45,418
● Other	\$34,023
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$3,896,660</b>



## Expenses

● Personnel	\$2,110,365
● Operations	\$652,257
● Maintenance	\$493,589
● Grants Expended	\$260,198
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$3,516,409</b>



## NOTE: Revenue in excess of expenses is assigned for use in FY 20 as follows:

● Grant purposes	\$127,070
● Capital Projects	\$15,000
● Operations	\$238,181
<b>Total assigned for use in FY 20</b>	<b>\$380,251</b>



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\* The Library is funded by a permanent 2 mill property tax. An additional 2.0 mill was approved by voters for 2012-2021, and renewed for 2022-2031.