

Library Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda Thursday, March 21, 2024, 6:30 PM Camas Public Library, 625 NE 4th AVE

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the public's opportunity to comment about any item on the agenda, including items up for final action.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the February Meeting Minutes.

V. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

VI. EXPENDITURES APPROVAL

Approval of February Expenditures.

VII. AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Johnston Architect Update.
- B. Annual Report Review.

VIII. REPORTS

- A. Friends & Foundation of the Camas Library (FFCL).
- B. Personnel
- C. Second Story Gallery (SSG).
- D. Trustee Reports.

IX. NON-AGENDA ITEMS

X. NEXT MEETING

A. The next meeting is April 18, 2024

XI. CLOSE OF MEETING



Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes Thursday, February 15, 2024, 6:30 PM Camas Public Library, 625 NE 4th AVE

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Emilia Brasier, Bonnie Carter, Samantha Horner, Rosemary Knapp, Christopher Knipes, Kerry Ticknor, Connie Urquhart, and Jessie Wimer.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the public's opportunity to comment about any item on the agenda, including items up for final action.

There were no public comments.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the November Meeting Minutes.

Rosemary made the motion to approve the November Meeting Minutes; Samantha seconded her approval. None were opposed.

V. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

Nary a one.

VI. EXPENDITURES APPROVAL

Approval of the November, December, & January Expenditures.

All expenditures were approved by Jessie and Rosemary prior to the meeting.

VII. AGENDA ITEMS

A. 2024 Officer and Committee Selection.

Chair: Samantha Horner Vice Chair: Kerry Ticknor Secretary: Emilia Brasier

The Committees stayed the same.

Rosemary made the motion to approve the 2024 officers; Jessie seconded her motion. All were in favor.

B. Library Work Plan.

Connie reviewed the 2023 Work Plan, assessing the progress we had made, and then looking forward to the Work Plan for 2024.

C. Johnston Architect Update.

Connie reviewed the Good, Best, Better presentation with the Board, receiving constructive feedback that she will share with Johnston.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Friends & Foundation of the Camas Library (FFCL).

- I. Elections are in April.
- II. Gail Burgess is shadowing Francher for when he steps down from his role.
- III. To date a new treasurer has not been hired.
- IV. Next book sale will be during Camas Plant & Garden Fair 2024 on May 11.

B. Personnel

Library Aide Syliva Cochrane has resigned. Interviews will be next week.

C. Policies

1. Community Rooms.

Rosemary made the motion to approve the updated Community Rooms Policy; Kerry seconded her motion. All were in favor.

D. Second Story Gallery (SSG).

Next month is *Fill the Gallery*, which will feature the artwork of local elementary students. In April the exhibit will be called *Homespun*, which will highlight items the Clark County Historical Museum has collected over the years.

E. Trustee Reports.

Nothing to share currently.

IX. NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no non-agenda items.

X. NEXT MEETING

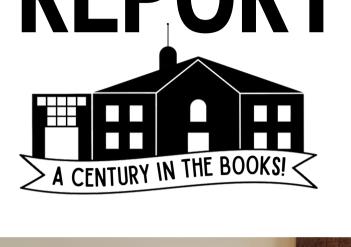
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XI. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 7:58 p.m.

Camas Public Library

ANNUAL REPORT 2023









Patrons enjoy the interactive exhibit at the Second Story Gallery in April.

Pathways to knowledge.

Look for our Library's guideposts from our mission, vision, values, and equity statement sprinkled throughout this report. They'll be in the purple left-hand column.

10,571 reference questions answered

Celebrating the past and the present

Wow, what a year! 2023 certainly was one for the books. We celebrated our centennial throughout the year and managed to squeeze in some other history-making events as well. Just a few of the ways we celebrated our 100th year included:

- 100 Book Challenge
- 100 Word Story Contest
- 1920s Murder Mystery Party
- · Birthday Party on April 4
- · Camas Days Parade
- Digitization of the Virginia Warren collection
- History Speaks! Series
- Memory Library
- Second Story Gallery exhibits
- Time Capsule

While we celebrated the past, we continued to offer the recurring, popular services that make the Camas Public Library the heart of this community. No doubt about it, this was a year we won't soon forget.

1923~2023

A CENTURY IN THE BOOKS!





Friends & Foundation of the Camas Library (FFCL) Members give away prizes to visitors on the Library's 100th birthday in April.

WELCOME TO THE LIBRARY

VISITORS

	2022	2023	CHANGE
In the Building	118,663	146,856	+24%
Curbside Pickup	396	128	-68%
On our App	13,673	16,526	+21%
Via our Catalog	54,167	42,985	-21%
On our Website	77.748	99,639	+28%

HOLDINGS

	2022	2023	CHANGE
Physical Items	98,283	97,469	-1%
Purchased	6,371	7,997	+26%
Donated	64	486	+659%
Withdrawn	6,198	8,855	+43%



Children's stuffies hide amongst the picture books at the Stuffed Animal Sleepover in November.

INTERLIBRARY LOANS

Loaned to other libraries: 619 Change from 2022: +4% Borrowed from other libraries: 531 Change from 2022: +20%

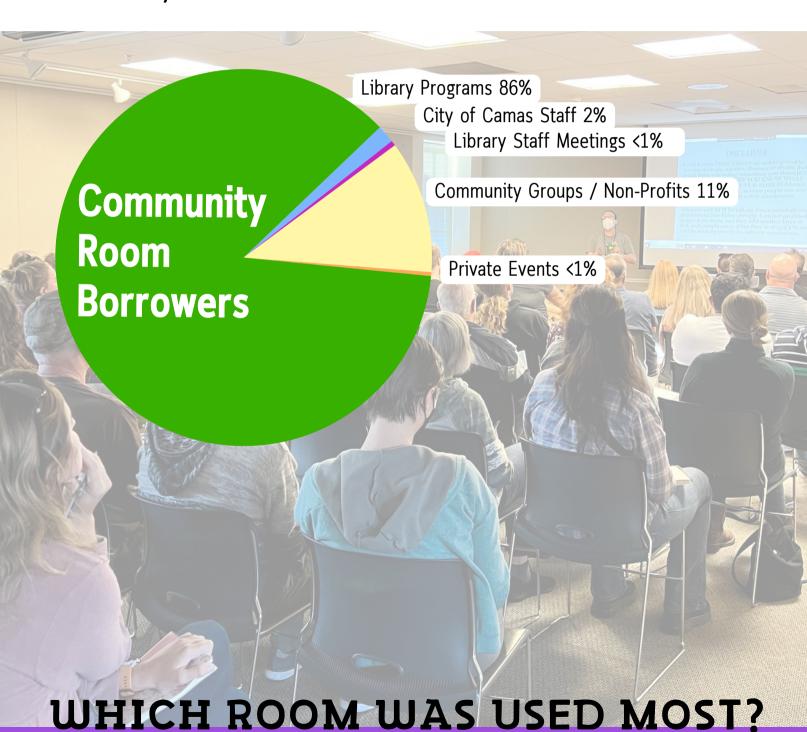


COMMUNITY ROOMS

2022 2023 CHANGE

Meetings 419 903 +116%

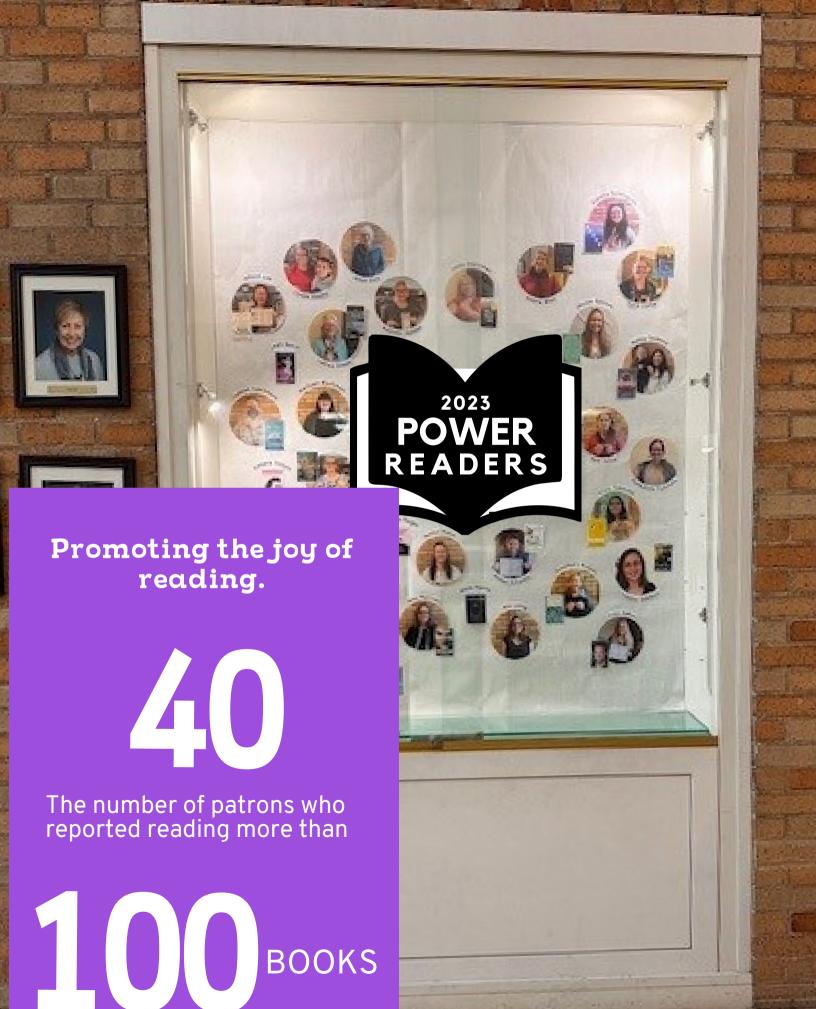
Attendance 8,411 22,221 +164%



EVA SANTEE 21%

NAN HENRIKSEN 8%

BOTH ROOMS TOGETHER 71%



The 2023 Power Readers display recognizing patrons who read 100 books or more in 2023.

CIRCULATION

Total

2022

2023

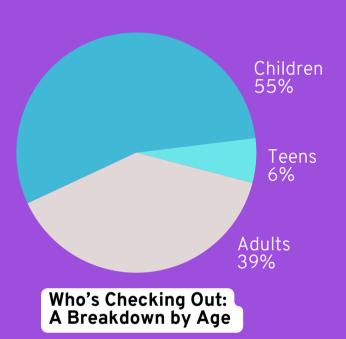
CHANGE

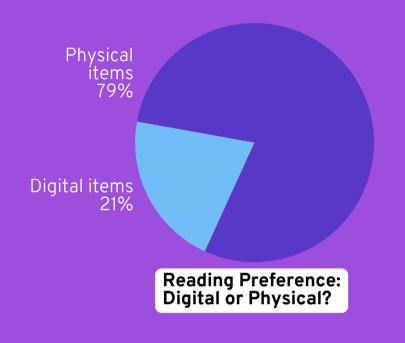
Checkouts

499,239

578,998

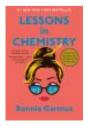
+16%



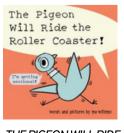


TOP CIRCULATING COLLECTIONS

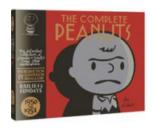
RANK	COLLECTION	CHECKOUTS	CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR
1	ADULT FICTION	112,943	+14%
2	PICTURE BOOKS	82,675	+6%
3	ADULT NONFICTION	70,607	+22%
4	CHILDREN'S FICTION	58,052	+56%
5	CHILDREN'S NONFICTION	55,221	+13%



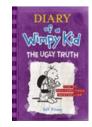
LESSONS IN **CHEMISTRY** 90 CHECKOUTS



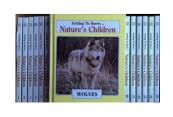
THE PIGEON WILL RIDE THE ROLLER COASTER! 108 CHECKOUTS



THE COMPLETE PEANUTS 175 CHECKOUTS

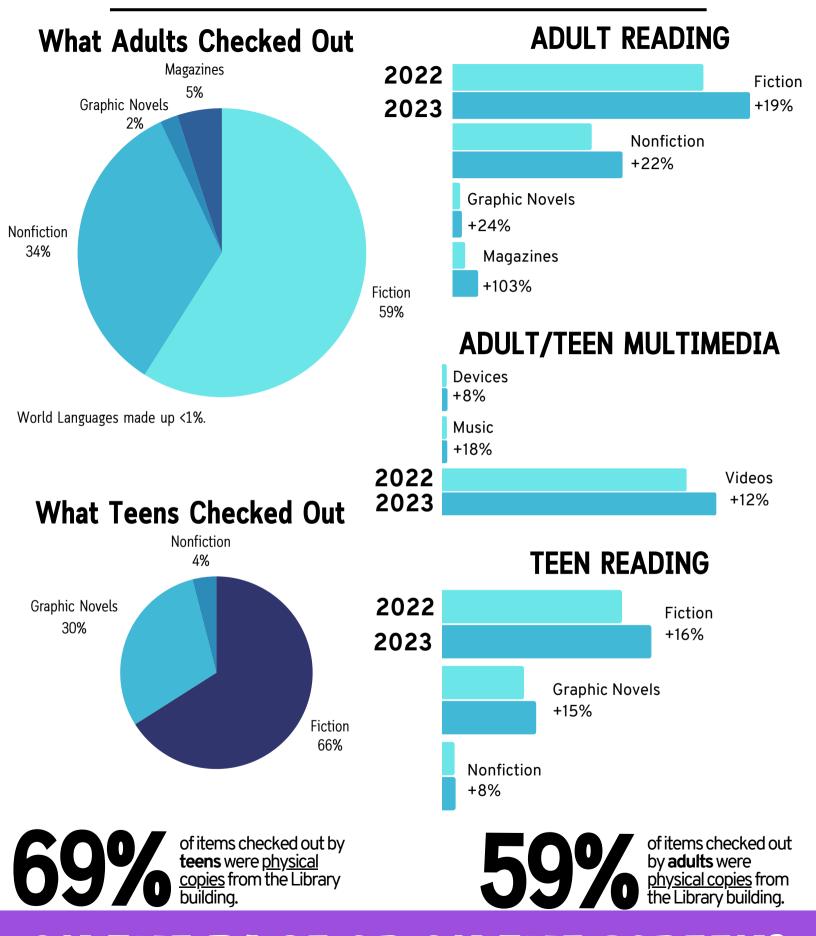


DIARY OF A WIMPY KID: THE UGLY TRUTH 159 CHECKOUTS



GETTING TO KNOW --NATURE'S CHILDREN 170 CHECKOUTS

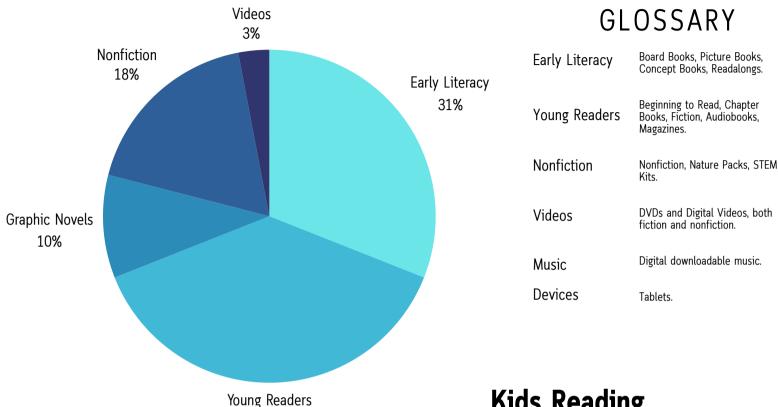
ADULTS AND TEENS



ON THE PAGE OR ON THE SCREEN?

CHILDREN

What Kids Checked Out



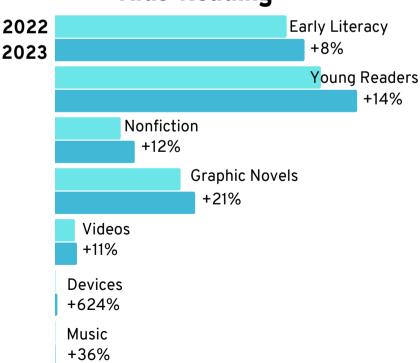
Children's Music, Devices made up <1%.



Storytime in the Park in June.

38%

Kids Reading



of items checked out by **children** were <u>physical copies</u> from the Library building.



READING PROGRAMS

This year we are looking at the number of people who finished each program, the finishers. Finishing the program (as opposed to registering only) can have the potential outcomes of improved reading skills, better critical thinking skills, increased interest in reading, enhanced comprehension skills, expanded vocabulary, increased confidence, and an overall improved academic performance.

READING DRAGONS



2022 2023 CHANGE

% of Program Finishers 41% 78% +37%

The highest
percentages in our
Summer Reading
history!

SUMMER READING

2022 2023 CHANGE

% of Program Finishers - Everyone	50%	58%	+15%
% of Program Finishers - Children	55%	57%	+5%
% of Program Finishers - Teens	44%	59%	+35%
% of Program Finishers - Adults	37%	60%	+60%



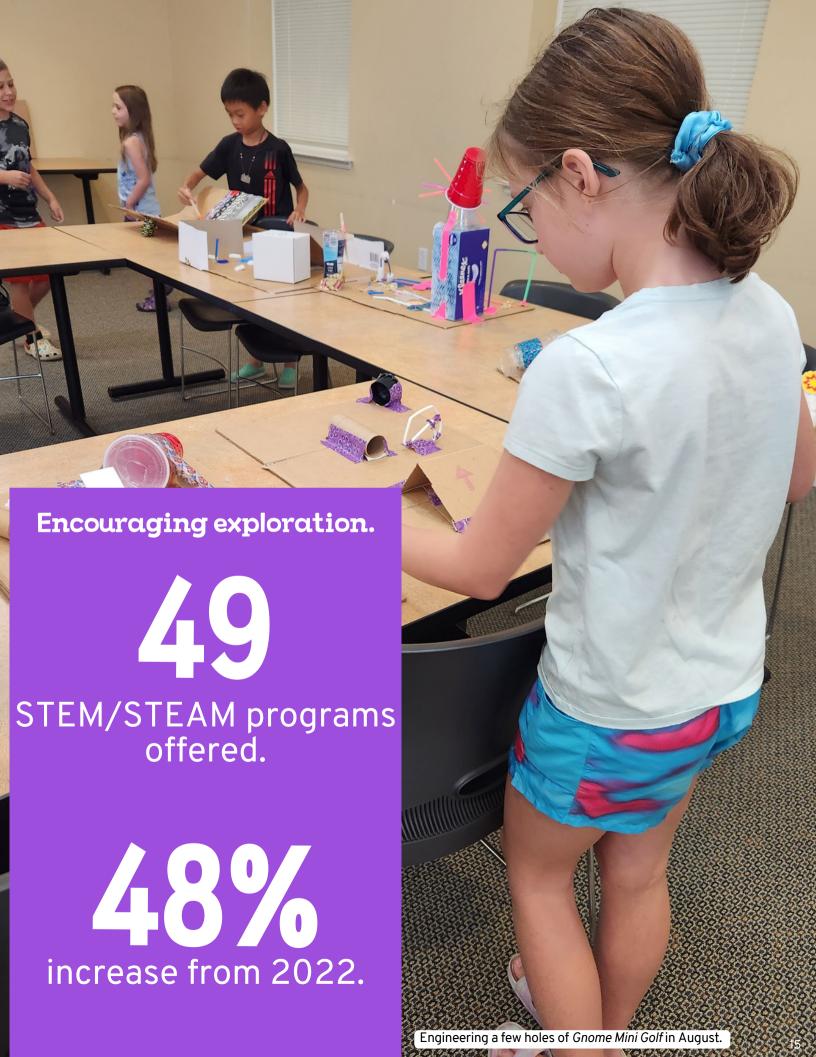




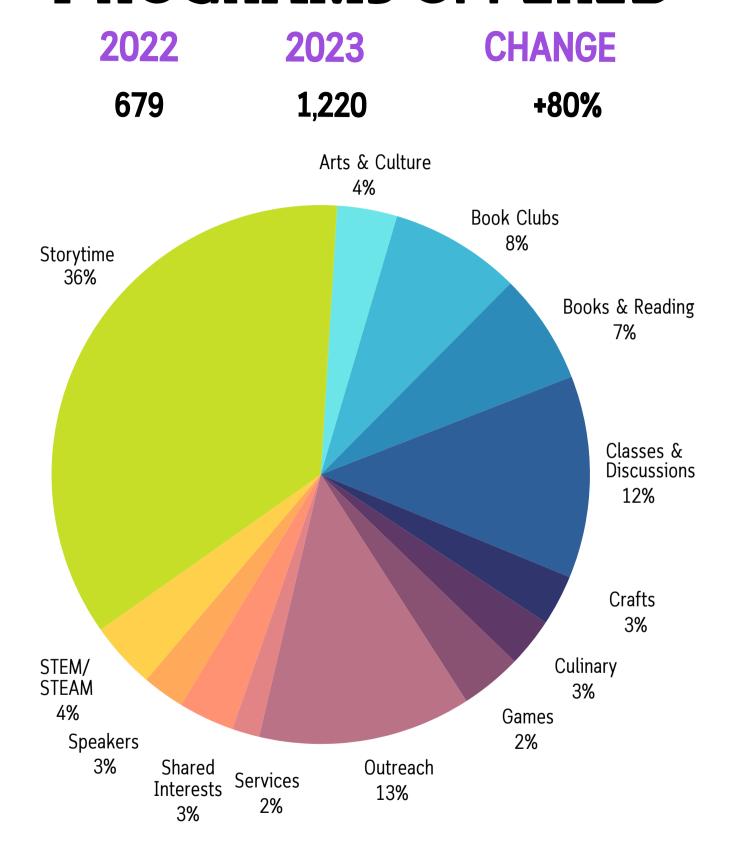
SIGN UP PARTICIPATE

WIN!





PROGRAMS OFFERED



WHO WERE AT THE EVENTS?

ADULTS 48% TEENS 6%

KIDS 46%





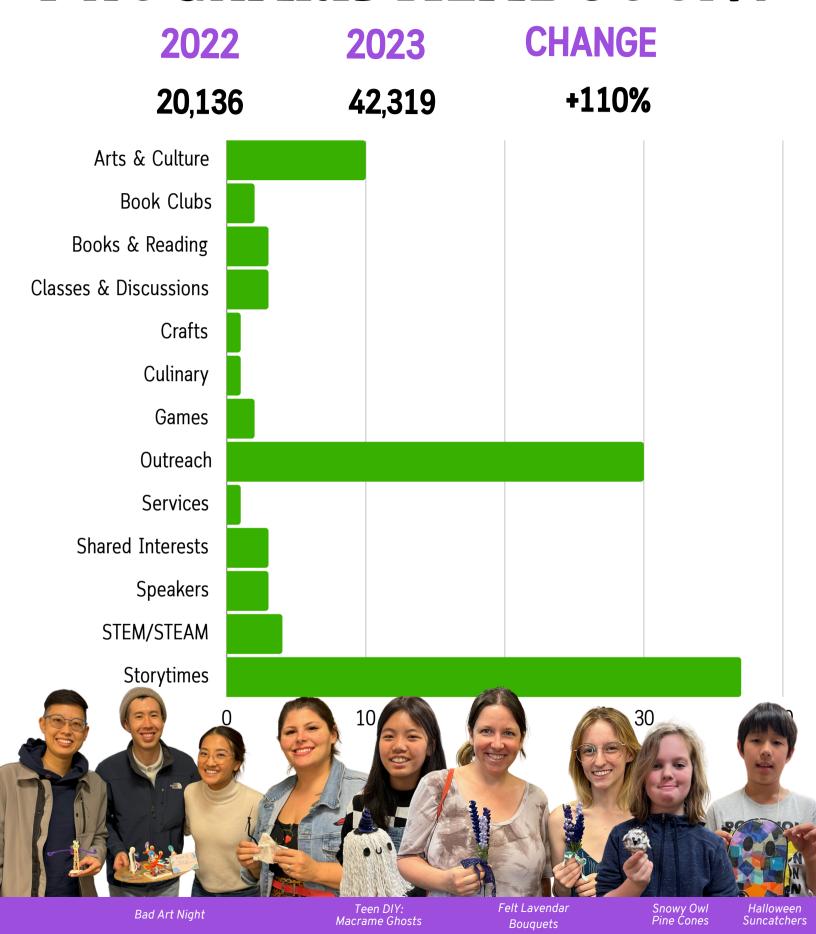
VOLUNTEERS

gave us, through:

- First Friday receptions
- Friends & Foundation of the Camas Library
- Internships
- Library Board of Trustees
- Special Events or Projects
- Summer Reading Program
- Teen Library Council



PROGRAMS HEADCOUNT





programs offered in 2023.

80% INCREASE FROM 2022





hublet

Free and equitable access to resources.

300

number of devices checked out last year.

BO/O INCREASE FROM 2022

DIGITAL NEWS



THE NEW YORK TIMES

The Library made *The New York Times* available digitally in June 2023. For the six months it was available, **168** articles were accessed during **328** sessions.

NEWSBANK

Over on the more general digital news database Newsbank, there was an 11% increase in use from last year. Users created 1,732 sessions and accessed 2,692 articles.

PUBLIC COMPUTERS

2022 2023 CHANGE
Unique Users 264 316 +20%
No. of Sessions 7,364 6,876 -7%

PUBLIC PRINTING



151

The number of

TRAININGS, WEBINARS, & WORKSHOPS

taken by staff in 2023.



WORK PLAN 2023 How'd We

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Bring the *History Speaks!* speaker series to Camas.

Mark the Centennial with a birthday celebration on April 4.

💢 Curate or create each exhibit in the Second Story Gallery with a centennial theme.

💢 Explore funding options for a mobile unit.

Complete programming audit.

Increase programs for ages 0-5 by 5%.

CONTENT DELIVERY

Curate oral histories and provide them through our website.

Digitize the Virginia Warren collection.

💢 Bring World Languages materials together to form higlighted collection.

🔭 Install Tablet Station in Children's Learning Hive.

Revamp parenting collection.

Research the City's history and provide timeline for City's website. Goal rolled over to 2024 Work Plan.

BUILDING & ADMINISTRATION

X Explore ways to make Teen Room more conducive to hosting programs.

Install new HVAC. Goal rolled over to 2024 Work Plan.

Finish roof project.

Children's Learning Hive completion rate: 50%. Goal rolled over to 2024 Work Plan.

Complete salary study and reorganization as appropriate.

Implement regular meeting schedule with Public Works and IT.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES KEY

ORANGE Remove barriers.

PINK Focus on early literacy.

GREEN Build or strengthen partnerships.

BLUE Encourage lifelong learning at every age.



2024 WORK PLAN

PROGRAMMING + OUTREACH

- Increase the number of remote lecture programs for adults.
- Research and purchase play options for the Early Learning Center.
- Create the Nature-Smart Library (programming/outreach).

CONTENT DELIVERY + USER EXPERIENCE

- Complete the City history project for the website.
- Create the Nature-Smart Library (collection).
- Execute Hoopla API implementation.

BUILDING + ADMINISTRATION

- Find more accessible solution for the doors at 4th & 5th Avenues.
- Complete HVAC project.
- Finalize ADA improvements, restoration work on building exterior.
- Raise additional funds for the Children's Learning Hive.
- Work with architects to finalize design for Children's Learning Hive.
- Implement recommendations from security audit.
- Select furniture for the building.
- Complete plan for lighting and flooring solutions.

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