2018-2019

ANNUAL REPORT

BLAIRSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

OUR PROGRAMS

This year we continued to increase our program offerings and branched out with some new programs for children and adults.

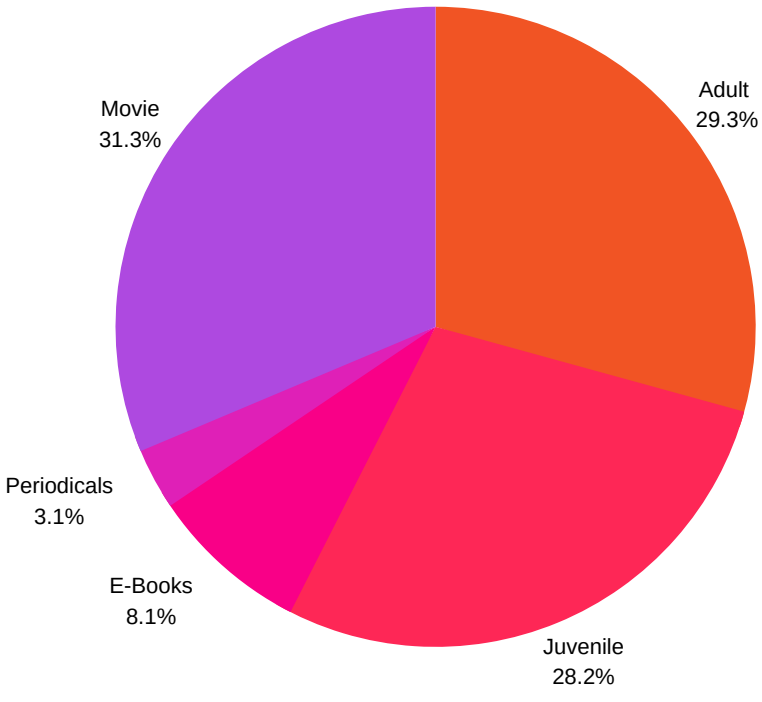
Our programming numbers remained consistent with last fiscal year. For fiscal year 2018-2019 we had 760 children, 488 adults and 26 teens attend a total of 124 programs at our library.

OUR PEOPLE

Our staff continues to offer excellent service and to develop programs for our community. We are committed providing the best service to those who visit our library.

OUR STATS

Our circulation dropped just slightly from last fiscal year. Our total circulation for fiscal year 2018-2019 was 11,192 items, down just 240 from the previous fiscal year. Our highest circulating items continue to be books and DVDs. However, circulation on our electronic materials increased another percent this year from the previous year.



ANNUAL SUMMARY

We had 1,274 people attend 124 programs at our library

We sent 59 items to other libraries in Iowa

We circulated 11,192 items

We had 14,306 people through our doors for services

We had 663 people use our public computers

We circulated 859 digital items

DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

I am so proud of our little library and all that we have managed to accomplish over the course of this year! We were able to meet the new standards set by the State Library of Iowa and successfully renewed our Level III accreditation for another three years. We also managed to begin work on a number of the goals that we had set with our strategic plan, including early literacy programming, technology planning and adult programs. Our staff continues to push themselves to innovate and plan new programs and services that they think will encourage our community to grow and learn. Finally, our board continues to encourage and support the staff, as we work to make our library the best it can possibly be.

Molly Rach
Library Director