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NORTH KANSAS CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Annual Report

2015-2016

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Library Mission Statement

It is the mission of the North Kansas City Public Library to be recognized and respected by all people as their welcoming doorway to a world of information. The Library will promote intellectual freedom, stimulation and curiosity for all by making every effort which is financially feasible to provide services that educate, enrich, entertain and inform. Every effort will be made to connect our diverse community to services and timely resources, in all formats, which meet the needs of the community.

Statement of Purpose

To be your welcoming doorway to a world of information. To provide an environment where the community can connect, explore, discover and grow.

Programming

North Kansas City Public Library continues to offer many programs and events throughout the year for individuals and families in our community. In addition to our weekly story-times and adult programs, a wide-range of special programs are offered for Library patrons of all ages. The following pages include highlights on a few of our programs and events.

❖ Art Exhibit

October 2015 – An art exhibit displaying work from artists in our community was held in the lower level of the library. This exhibit was held in conjunction with the Friends of the Library’s Annual Meeting.

❖ Veterans Day Celebration

November 2015 – For the second year in a row NKCPPL hosted a Veterans Day Celebration honoring those who have served our country. The event included opening remarks given by Mayor Stielow, posting the colors, positioning a wreath, special music and closing comments from Commander Bill Driscoll from Gladstone VFW Post 10906. Refreshments were served in the main lobby of the Library.

❖ Book Walk

May 2016 – This year NKCPPL began a new activity for children and families – a Book Walk. The Book Walk consisted of pages from a children’s book which were attached to signs. The signs were placed in the grassy area around the Library building and parking lot. The Book Walk was on display throughout our Summer Reading Program. The first book on display was *I Don’t Want to be a Frog*; followed by the book *Dad’s First Day*.

❖ Drawing Contest

June 2016 – NKCPPL joined NKC Kiwanis, the Northland Art League and NKC Country Club Bank in presenting the twelfth annual drawing contest to the children of the Northland. Forty-Eight children entered this year’s event with their drawing of *My Favorite Animal*.

Summer Reading Program

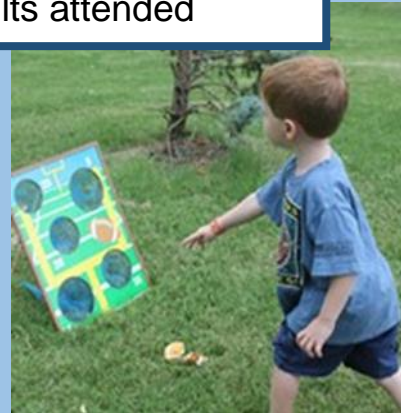
May 28 through August 6, 2016

Children's Program ~ "On Your Mark, Get Set – READ!"

- 317 children participants
- 168 daycare outreach participants
- ages 2 months -12 years
- 5,065 hours read
- 1,012 reading logs completed

Award Party ~ Macken Park

- 146 children attended
- 99 adults attended



Summer Reading Program

May 28 through August 6, 2016

Young Adult Program ~ “Get in the Game – READ”

- 56 young adult participates
- ages 10 - 16 years
- 634 books read
- averaged 11 books per participant
- 100 reading logs completed
- 33 book prizes earned

Award Pizza Party @ NKCP

- 10 young adults attended

Adult Program ~ “Exercise Your Mind – READ”

- 215 adult participants
- 1,745 books read
- averaged 8 books per participant
- 90 book bags earned

Lego Club



- ~ NKCPL's Lego Club meets once a month
- ~ Participants use their creativity and imagination
- ~ Children of all ages (including adults) enjoy building with Legos



Young Learners

- ~ Meet throughout the school year
- ~ Having fun while learning



Tween / Teen Workshops

Summer activities at the Library included workshops for our Tweens and Teens.

Tween Workshops ~ DIY Kites

- ~ Sports Sun Catcher
- ~ Ping Pong Cannon
- ~ Race Car Design
- ~ Extreme Dot to Dot Posters



Teen Workshops ~ Woven Racket

- ~ Bats & Bracelets
- ~ Sports Bracelets
- ~ Sockets & Socks
- ~ String Art



More Fun Times and Special Visitors @ NKCPPL



Four Star Library

North Kansas City Public Library received the
Library Journal Star Library Award



- NKCPPL received a Star Library Award for the sixth year in a row
- NKCPPL ranked 14th out of 1,414 in the \$400,000-\$999,999 expenditure range
- Rankings based on 2014 data for -
 - physical material circulation (172,181)
 - electronic material circulation (4,529)
 - library visits (188,728)
 - program attendance (7,513)
 - public internet usage (37,182)
- Six Libraries in Missouri received a Three or Four star ranking
- Total of 7,349 Libraries reviewed

New This Year

The Library continues to enhance or increase the services and facilities available for our community. This year enhancements included:

❖ Kansas City Star Image Edition

Access to a full-color digital version of the daily paper online through the Library website @ nkcp.org. The Image Edition is keyword searchable, optimized for printing, and has zoom or text enlargement options. The KC Star Image Edition is available remotely or in the Library 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

❖ OneClick Digital

We've expanded our resources to include another source for our patrons to access e-audiobooks and e-books. Adding this new platform increases our current digital collection by another 6,000+ titles, and we are continually adding new titles.

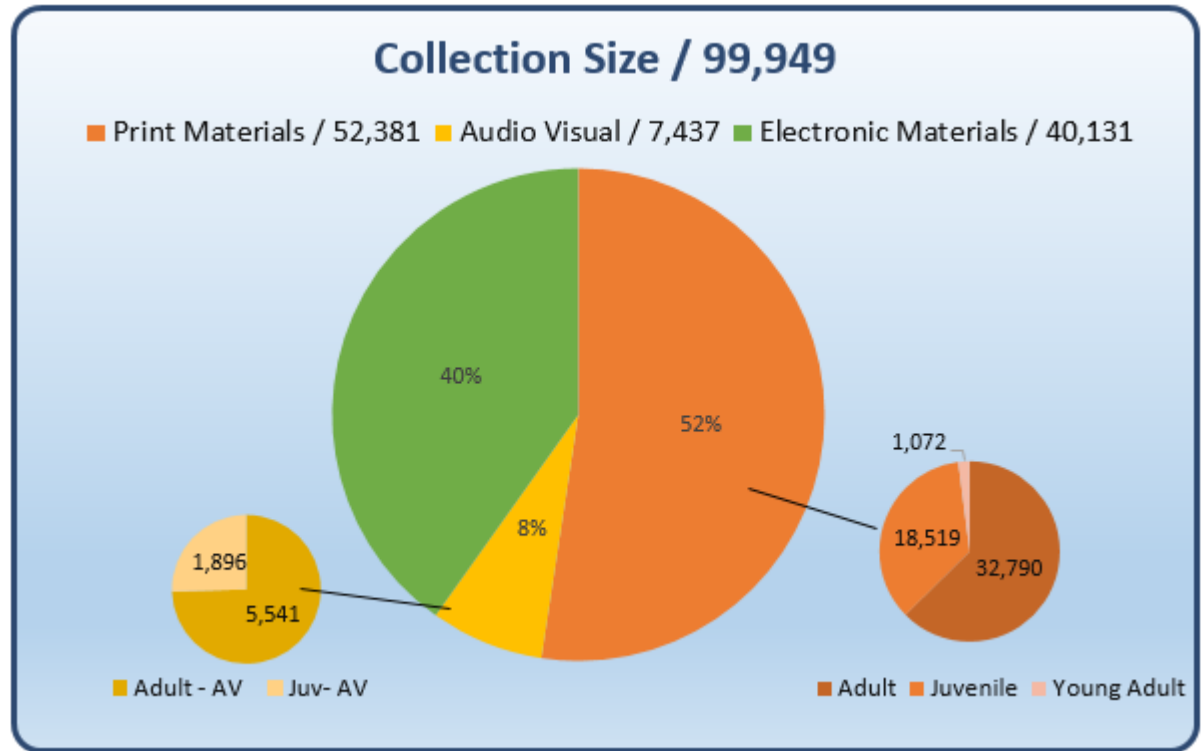
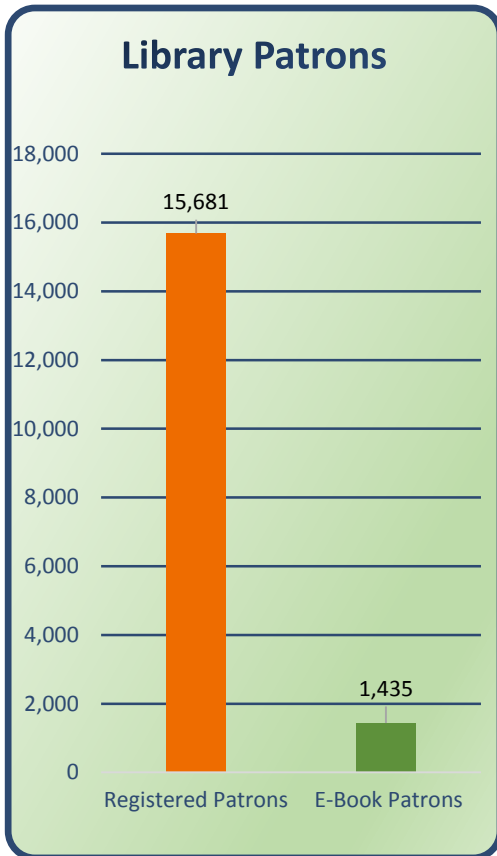
❖ Tutor Room

New this year, the Library has a tutoring or study room available for reservation. This room is in a quiet area on the lower level of the Library and reserved in advance.

❖ Building Roof

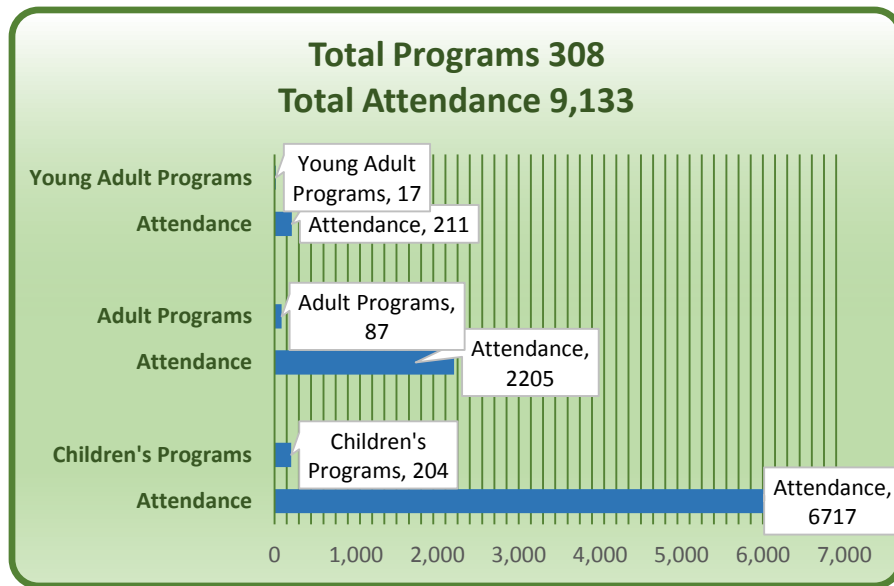
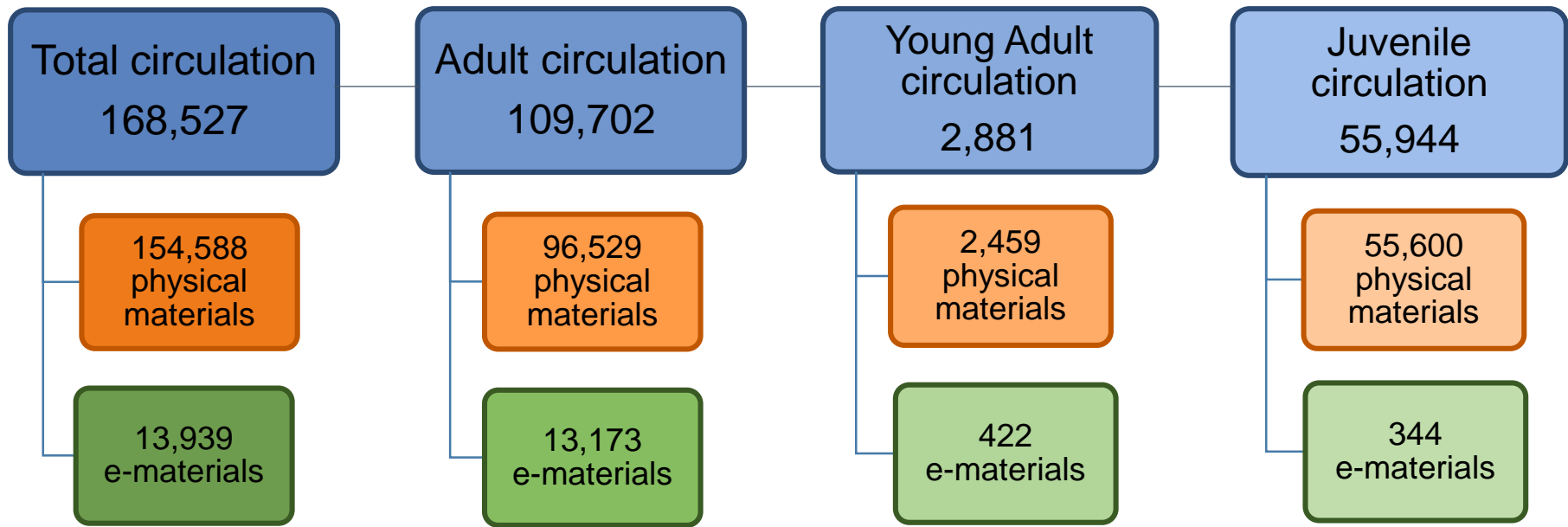
A new roof drainage system was designed specifically for the south (new) section of the Library Building. This project included installation of new guttering and downspouts.

Library Collection & Statistics



Collection Expenditures

Print Materials	\$82,392
Audio Visual Materials	\$14,367
Periodical Subscriptions	\$2,855
Electronic Books / Databases	\$28,425



Computer Sessions = 48,478
 Public computer sessions = 33,143
 Wi-Fi sessions = 15,335

Annual number of visits = 164,392

Annual virtual visits = 167,597

Items loaned to other libraries = 20,715

Items borrowed from other libraries = 15,207

Budget

Revenue	
Taxes	946,765
State Aid	5,475
Grants	78
Other	35,381
Total Revenue	987,699

Expenditures	
Salaries	532,145
Materials	128,039
Operations	324,463
Total Expenditures	984,647

