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Executive Director

“Reflecting on 2021, I am filled with gratitude for the growth of the library and the people who made it happen. I am also very excited about what the future holds for library service to our community.”

This snapshot of the past year represents hard work and innovative thinking by staff dedicated to excellence, even during challenging times. It also represents community members who value the library by making use of resources for lifelong learning.

In our 65-year history of service, the Board of Trustees, the Friends of the Library, the Library Foundation, donors, volunteers, community members, and staff have worked together to create the thriving library district we see today.

In 2022, I am eager for us to build on our legacy and continue to expand services and resources in creative, meaningful ways for all members of the community.”

# 2021 ANNUAL REPORT



## TECHNOLOGY USAGE

**551,156** minutes logged at public-access computer stations

**299,541** WiFi sessions logged at community library branches

## LIBRARY PATRONS

**114,439** library visitors

**21,344** active library cardholders

**3,961** new library card registrations

## CIRCULATION NUMBERS

**219,945** physical materials circulated

**78,093** digital materials circulated

**5,657** items delivered to home-bound patrons

**5,509** materials checked out to assisted living, nursing homes and school facilities

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**64** library employees

- **25** full-time positions
- **39** part-time positions
- **4** positions added in 2021



## NEW LIBRARY SERVICES

### Two Community Branches

Opened in Clever and Sparta

### Community Connect Partnership

Offered free public WiFi access points in the county

### New Research Tools

Introduced Consumer Reports and Gale Legal Forms Databases

### Library of Things

Added musical instruments to the Library of Things collection

### Outdoor Concert Series

Hosted five outdoor concerts featuring local musical artists

### StoryWalk®

Children's books installed along walking trails in Nixa and Ozark

### Patron Notifications

Improved library access with automatic renewals and library card expiration reminders

### Chadwick Community Stop

Community Pick-up and return location added in Chadwick

### Flu & COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

Offered four vaccine clinics in Clever and Sparta



# \$96,391.81

## AWARDED IN GRANT FUNDING

- **\$46,375** toward digital resources, WiFi hotspots and internet services  
*Library Services & Technology Act*
- **\$25,032** for new computers and technology equipment  
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- **\$21,780** to provide more WiFi hotspots for patron checkout  
*Library Services & Technology Act*
- **\$1,750** to fund musician's fees and event supplies for concert series  
*Missouri Association of Community Arts Agencies*
- **\$1,000** to stock the Shared Shelf pantry with food and toiletries  
*Walmart*
- **\$454.81** for participation in a Public Library Director conference  
*Library Services & Technology Act*

## OUR MISSION

“Engaging Christian County through expanding access to innovative, community-driven facilities, services, and lifelong education opportunities.”



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