

Calgary Public Library 2013 Achievements

Recovery from the flood, progress toward a New Central Library, and tremendous support for the Library through volunteer hours and donations made 2013 a very memorable year.

Serving a Community in Crisis

· Libraries serve as evacuation centres during the Flood

- Grow a Reader App wins Urban Libraries Council's Top Innovator award, Customer Experience category
 Century Homes Calgary 2012: Old Homes Tell Great Stories database wins Governor General's History Award, Community Programming

Reaching Out to the Community

- The City of Calgary's Poverty Reduction Initiative
 Safe Communities and Resources Centre
- Services for Newcomers in partnership with Citizenship and Immigration Canada

- · Quarry Park Library breaks ground
- New Central Library report presented to City Council

44,000 hours contributed by 2,100 volunteers

- Technology

 eBook collection increases in response to demand
- RFID technology replaces barcodes on books

- Literacy and Reading
 Freedom to Read Week
- · Summer. Read.
- TD Summer Reading Club
- · One Book, One Calgary

- Public Art is installed at Signal Hill Library
 First Artist in Residence in partnership with the New

- Calgary Public Library Foundation

 Calgarians donate 270,000 books to the 20,000 Books Under the Bow campaign
- · Donors contribute \$650,000 towards flood recovery

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Action Plan 2015-2018: Strategic Plan

Strengthen Neighbourhoods in a Growing City

Goal One: Play a unique and pivotal role in the planning and design of Calgary communities that positions the Library as a significant public place

Goal Two: Contribute to the social fabric of Calgary neighbourhoods by building community identity, interaction and cohesion

Bring the Library into More People's Lives

Goal One: Improve the experience, ease and convenience of using the Library

Goal Two: Reposition the Library as a relevant and essential community resource supported by all Calgarians

Focus on Services That Make a Difference

Goal One: Refocus our services and programs on the following literacies: early literacy and reading; numeracy; digital, information and civic literacies

Goal Two: Target services for priority populations: preschoolers and their families, newcomers, and students



Action Plan 2015-2018: Issues and Trends

Quality Library buildings

Responding to aging infrastructure, ensuring every library will be of the same caliber as the New Central Library

The Library in the community

In a growing city, taking the Library to the community, where and when the community needs us most

New technologies

In the face of rapid technological change, fostering the digital literacy of all Calgary residents, and making technology and content accessible and easy to use

Fostering reading

Developing lifelong habits of reading for all

Focus on those who most need the library

Supporting learning and skill development for children, families, newcomers and physically or economically barriered populations

Easy and convenient

In an era of competition, identifying and removing financial, operation, technological and physical barriers to using the Library

Action Plan

Performance Measures

Strengthen Neighbourhoods in a Growing City

Library square footage per capita

Population residing more than 3.5 km from a library

Patron rating of Library facilities and services

Bring the Library into More People's Lives

Patron rating of library experience, ease of use, and importance of the Library to the community

Households that use the Library

Calgarians who identify themselves as library advocates

Focus on Services That Make a Difference

Program capacity targeted at priority literacies and populations

Target audience and priority populations that attended a Library program

Program attendees that report the program goal was achieved

Targeted institutions enrolled in a Library visitation plan



2015-2018 Operating Budget

Operations (000's)	2015	2016	2017	2018
City of Calgary draft operating grants	42,525	44,113	46,957*	54,159**
Other operating grants	5,840	5,840	5,840	5,840
Earned revenue from operations	2,340	2,417	2,422	2,427
Donations & fundraising revenue	1,200	1,236	1,236	1,236
Operating expenses	51,905	53,606	56,455*	62,600**
Net of revenue and expenses	0	0	0	1,062***
Opening operating reserves	0	0	0	0
Ending operating reserves	0	0	0	0

^{*} includes growth funding for a library in Symons Valley

^{*** 2018} expenses do not include an estimate for negotiated salary increases. The current contract expires December 31, 2017



^{**} includes growth funding for a Library in Seton and for the new Central Library

2015-2018 Capital Budget Capital (000's) 2015 2016 2017 2018 Opening capital reserves 7,871 6,371 4,871 3,489 Requested City of Calgary lifecycle grants 1,874 2,044 1,905 1,755 Other City of Calgary capital grants 9,150 8,675 6,825 6,800 Other capital revenues 1,000 1,000 1,118 1,118 Capital expenditures 13,524 13,219 11,230 11,055 **Ending capital reserves** 6,371 4,871 3,489 2,107 **Action Plan**

Risks and Challenges Facing all public libraries **Finances** · Continuing technological change Provincial contribution to operating revenue based Acquiring and sharing digital content on outdated population data · Expanding role in public education and community · Declining Canadian dollar, especially for purchase of library materials · Growing inflation for fixed costs such as utilities and · Demand for more hours of service · Decrease in fine revenue as a result of increase in Lifecycle replacement and infrastructure use of e-products enhancement in community libraries · Patron security and comfort in the Central Library In Calgary · Transition to new models of service delivery and Population growth · Increase in number and proportion of young children new work methods · Anticipated staff turnover at senior and middle and youth management levels · Increase in net migration, mostly from Asia and southeast Asia · Labour market shortage **Action Plan**

Alignment with Council Priorities

City of Calgary Council Priority

A prosperous city

Calgary continues to grow as a magnet for talent, a place where there is opportunity for all, and the best place in Canada to start and grow a business.

A city of inspiring neighbourhoods

Every Calgarian lives in a safe, mixed and just neighbourhood, and has the opportunity to participate in civic life.

A city that moves

People and goods can move well and safely throughout the city, using a variety of convenient, affordable, accessible and efficient transportation choices.

Calgary Public Library Alignment

The Library is an attractive public amenity accessible to Calgarians of every age, ability, ethnic original and financial capacity. We support and promote literacy, skill and career development, entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation.

Community libraries are well located to be centres of revitalized neighbourhoods, and are used by community associations as meeting points. Libraries are great public spaces for building connections among citizens and adding urban vitality. The Library's target populations include new Calgarians, children and their families, and those with physical and economic barriers.

Community libraries are largely accessible by foot, bicycle and public transportation.

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Alignment with Council Priorities

City of Calgary Council Priority

A healthy and green city

We steward our air, land, and water while encouraging healthy lifestyles for all Calgarians.

A well-run city

Calgary's government is open, responsive, accountable and transparent, delivering excellent services at a fair price. We work with our government partners to ensure we have the tools we need.

Calgary Public Library Alignment

We are a leader in environmental stewardship with five LEED certified buildings. The Library enables Calgarians to "reuse" by borrowing or virtually accessing over 2 million items in a wide variety of formats. We help Calgarians become more informed about the environment and healthy lifestyles through our collections, programs, and partnerships. Community gardens at two community libraries provide important green space and collaborative educational opportunities.

We are a well-run and award-winning library, committed to service excellence, actively engaged in developing partnerships with community agencies and other levels of government, and creating opportunities for volunteers and philanthropy.



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