2024 Year in Review

49, 588 visits to the library
5,223 active cardholders
1,064 new cardholders
27,870 electronic items borrowed
71,351 physical items borrowed

9,627 items sent through LiNC7,336 items received through LiNC894 programs10.025 attendees

163 interlibrary loans received116 interlibrary loans shared





Board Members

Michael Cooper, Chair (Until Oct. 2024) Bryan Ingram, Vice-Chair Councillor Mark Bagu Angie Desmarais Brian Beck Margaret Booth Harmony Cooper Cheryl MacMillan Amanda Smits (Joined Dec. 2024) Eman Tanini

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January/February

Implemented new hours to enhance service and access; Teams Phones installation project completed; New staff workstation; National Film Board of Canada partnership supports monthly Documentary Film program; Chess for Kids program begins



March/April

12,310 eclipse glasses distributed in collaboration with City of Port Colborne staff; 610 individuals participate in library March Break activities



2024 Highlights

May/June

Elevator modernization project completed; Library participates in City of Port Colborne's Communities in Bloom including seed distribution; Partners for MYAC's Self Care for Students Wellness Fair and Niagara Fire West's Emergency Preparedness Week

July/August

UV coatings for windows project completed; Auditorium flooring replaced; Main floor stairwell repaired; Atrium skylights replaced; PC Lions donate Wonderbooks collection





September/October

Roof replacement project started; Reciprocal Borrowing Agreement signed with St. Catharines Public Library; 5,500

"Libraries for Life" coasters distributed with regional libraries to celebrate Ontario Public Library Week (Oct. 20-26); Defy



Book Launch with Sara de Waard



November/December

"The Holly Jolly Roger" library float receives honorable mention in Santa Claus Parade; Erwin Taylor Charitable Foundation Library of Things expansion; Public Library Service Award nomination from Ministry TCG

