The Mission
The Barberton Public Library will promote independent thought and community interaction by providing services and resources necessary for individuals to pursue educational, creative, personal, and professional interests.

A Message from the Library
As the new Director of the Barberton Public Library, I am honored to serve you and to continue the tradition of excellent library service to the community. I am struck by the diversity and strength of our community and am excited by the continued impact the Library can have on transforming, improving and enriching the lives of residents.

2019 brought new community collaborations, services and programs including:

- More than 200 Born to Read Bags were delivered to the Maternity Ward at Summa Barberton Hospital.
- 242 children’s outreach programs reached 11,482 students in preschool through middle school.
- Thanks to a collaboration with Barberton City Schools, BPL received a grant from the Barberton Community Foundation to purchase equipment to bring eSports to the Library.
- A new program called Craft Connections was introduced, offering creative, fun opportunities for individuals of all ages and abilities.
- In July, the first annual Potter Mania event was held followed by a Star Wars Celebration in December. Both events were well attended and enjoyed by all.

The Library ended 2019 with the continued dedication to be an integral part of the community where people of all ages can meet in a friendly, accessible, and comfortable environment.

As we look ahead, we will continue to develop new programs and services to meet the needs of our community.

A few new services you can expect to see in 2020:
- Grand opening of a Children’s Makerspace
- Launch of an eSports Program
- Addition of Passport services

In addition, in November the Library will be seeking renewal of our local operating levy which provides a substantial portion of our local operating funds.

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to serving you in 2020. If you haven’t been to the Library in a while, we encourage you to stop by. You’ll be amazed at what you’ve been missing!

Terri Masich & Ann Hutchison
President Board of Trustees
Director

Thank you to the Friends of the Barberton Public Library for their ongoing support and fundraising efforts.
**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Library Use**
- Items Borrowed: 370,833
- Library Visitors: 135,887
- Questions Answered: 26,021
- Computer Sessions: 18,242
- Wireless Use Sessions: 65,137

- Total Programs: 574
- Total Program Attendance: 11,243

- Registered Library Card Holders: 22,579
  - Adult: 18,234
  - Children: 4,345

**The Collections**
- Print Materials: 73,616
- Audio-Visual: 21,921
- eMedia: 1,872

- New Items Added: 11,391
- Items Available (CLEVNET): over 12 million books, movies, music, ebooks, and audiobooks

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**Expenditures: $1,554,461**
- Library Services
  - Public Services and Programs: $1,063,129
  - Collection Development: $181,861
- Support Services
  - Facilities Operation and Maintenance: $96,587
  - Information Services: $102,521
- Business Administration: $65,812
- Capital Outlay: $44,551

**Revenue: $1,701,517**
- Public Library Fund: $984,708
- Local Property Tax: $588,694
- Homestead: $71,130
- Fines and Fees: $23,225
- Gifts and Donations: $12,956
- Miscellaneous: $4,876
- Investment Earnings: $15,428

**The Collections**

- A young girl enjoys the Matt Jergens Juggling Show during Summer Reading Club.
- Friendly therapy dogs interact with program attendees during a new program called K-9 Connections.
- Ms. Alison takes a selfie with program participants.
- Officer Greg Stalder plays video games with a tween at Got Game.

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