



**2019
Annual Report**

Collections & Circulation

Collection Development at LCPL

Our goal is to create a robust collection for the residents and visitors of Lake County. Refreshing the collection was a priority in 2019. We removed many outdated books and replaced others that were in disrepair. This doesn't mean that books that we don't still cherish old books, like the classics. Removing outdated books provides the space for new editions, like the new edition of *The Joy of Cooking*, and newly published award winners, like *Girl, Woman, Other*, co-winner of the Man Booker award. We also replaced a number of classic novels and monographs, including works by Mark Twain and books on the history of religion.

Lake County residents also utilized our Inter Library Loan service by requesting an average of 400 items per month from our partner libraries. As a Marmot library we have access 32 additional library collections across Colorado.

- Items added to the collection:
 - 600 Adult books
 - 135 Young Adult books
 - 320 Children and Juvenile books
 - 81 DVDs
- 28,295 LCPL owned items circulated
- 4859 items checked out through ILL
- 2310 items lent to other libraries from LCPL
- 446 new borrowers signed up
- Digital collections plan



Programming

Library programs for patrons of all ages support LCPL's mission to provide opportunities for learning and community gathering.

In 2019 we worked at evaluating and strengthening our existing programming, while also looking towards offering new programs.

- 4,381 people attended family and adult programming
- Early Literacy Programs
 - 1082 children attended the Summer Reading Program
 - 612 children attending Storyhour and Bilingual Storyhour
 - 83 classes from West Park and The Center visited the library for storytime.
 - 8 STEM classes, offered bi-weekly beginning in September, brought in 91 children
- 475 people attended local history, family, and adult programming



Computer services

Access to WiFi and computer services is critical for library patrons to access information and participate in 21st century society. To strengthen our computer services, in June the library signed on with Marmot's IT Services, which allowed for the following improvements:

- Upgraded hardware and network
- Consistency with computer services
- Expanded and strengthened WiFi network

Last year, our network logged:

- 4045.5 computer hours
- 6723 Wi-Fi sessions
- 86 people who received one-on-one computer help



Outreach Community Engagement Partnerships

The mission of Lake County Public Library is to be a partner in building community, fostering life-long learning, providing equal access to information and promoting diversity of ideas.

To carry out this mission our staff is active in the community offering joint programming, sharing resources, providing outreach to underserved communities and promoting the work our partners do.

Last year, the library partnered with:

- GOL!: Joint program with Rockies Rock and Summer Reading Program
- Full Circle: Language Exchange joint program
- Women's Empowerment Group: Outreach
- BOOST (Better Out of School Time): Cross-county collaboration
- Lake County School District: Panther Days programming and joint afterschool programming
- Office of Emergency Management: Partnership during emergencies, designated LCPL an evacuation point
- Lake County Build a Generation: Food Access Coalition & Resilient Lake County

Facilities

Our building is what makes what we do possible. This is where our collections live, where our patrons come to access our services, and where we hold much of our fabulous programming.

Our building also provides space for our community to come together.

With all of this in mind, providing a building that is welcoming is important to us.

Over the last year we have made a lot of changes to the interior of the library to give it a new look!

- Children's department
 - Repainted
 - Removed unused staff computer station
 - Replaced OPAC station with iPad stand
 - Added a selection of toys
 - Added new seating
- Added new shelving for Large Print
- Repainted several areas throughout the library
- Replaced chairs in reading area
- Installed new carpet throughout the library
- Installed new computer carrels



Staff Professional development

Improving on our skills, connecting with colleagues, and staying up on trends in libraries help us to continue to provide excellent services, collection, and programs to our patrons. We carried out professional development through attending state and national conferences, taking online classes, and attending workshops.

Professional development for staff in the last year:

- State and national conferences:
 - BOOST Conference
 - Oral History Association Conference
 - CLiC Regional Conference
 - Society of Rocky Mountain Archivists
 - Colorado Association of Library Conference
 - CO Chapter of REFORMA Annual Meeting
 - CO Public Library Director Retreat
- In-person and online workshops courses:
 - 2 day Successful Supervision Workshop with Pat Wagner
 - Online Collection Development Course - ALA
 - Equity and Diversity Workshop
 - National Endowment for the Humanities Regional Application – Writing Workshop
 - Archives 101 with Colorado Historical Records Advisory Board
 - Fundamentals of Preservation – ALA
 - Creating Local Linkages: George Mason University’s Roy Rosenzweig Center for History & New Media
 - Cataloging for Non-catalogers - ALA
 - Introducing Mango Language Learning Experience
 - Trusted Adult Training
 - Conflict Resolution
 - Career Online High school
 - The Transcultural Bridge