Mission Statement

The St. Catharines Public Library Board is committed to providing all the citizens of St. Catharines with the highest level of library services, materials, and facilities within the resources available to meet their informational, educational and recreational needs.

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LIGRARY

CENTRAL LIBRARY

54 Church Street, L2R 7K2 905-688-6103, fax 905-688-6292

DR. HUQ FAMILY LIBRARY BRANCH

425 Carlton Street, L2M 4W8
Ext. 300

MERRITT LIBRARY BRANCH

149 Hartzel Road, L2P 1N6 Ext. 400

PORT DALHOUSIE LIBRARY BRANCH

23 Brock Street, L2N 5E1 Ext. 500

BOOKS TO GO & HOLDS TO GO SEYMOUR-HANNAH SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE

240 St. Paul Street West, L2S 2E7



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ST. CATHARINES PUBLIC LIBRARY 2018 ANNUAL REPORT



In 2018, the St. Catharines Public Library continues to provide access to information, leisure materials and cultural resources. The Library promotes literacy and life-long learning and partnered with individuals and organizations to deliver a variety of programs and services.

The Library provides a public space where individuals and groups can study, conduct research, hold meetings and attend seminars. The Library provides reference services in-house, via email and real-time online chat services.

The Library's website provides 24/7 access to the online catalogue, electronic full-text magazines, newspapers and reference sources, as well as downloadable audio books, eBooks, magazines, music, feature films, television series and documentaries.

QUICK FACTS		
995,426	Items borrowed and used in-library	
321,759	Patron questions answered	
897,968	Library visits (in person and online)	
172,863	Uses of online resources	
73,223	Internet workstations and wireless sessions	
10,853	Children's & Teens attended 770 library programs and class visits	
5,874	Adults attended 525 library programs and class visits	
3,052	New user registrations	
62,903	Library cardholders	



"I want to mention the great job the library does in providing all forms of material and especially the purchasing of such a wide variety of CDs; in particular, independent Canadian content. Great job!"

John Poots, patron (2018-05-14)

"And yet again we thank you for the great selection of digital magazines and books that are downloaded to our iPads before we head to the cottage. Great service, St C Library!"

Harry and Ida, patrons (2018-07-11)

Volunteers

In 2018, volunteers made 556 Visiting Library Service visits to deliver 4,332 books and resources to patrons who cannot get to the Library so they may continue to enjoy our collections.

Volunteers also assisted with writing clubs, crafting circle programs, chess clubs, and caring for the fish and their tank in the Children's and Community Services Department.



REVENUES			
Municipal Contribution	\$5,398,960		
Provincial Grant	228,616		
Miscellaneous Revenue	366,078		
Funds Transferred from Reserves	125,000		
Total Revenues	\$6,118,654		
EXPENDITURES			
Salaries and benefits	\$3,909,233		
Library Materials	1,021,758		
Occupancy Costs	562,581		
Library Services and Supplies	295,731		
Operating Capital	220,917		
Total Expenditures	\$6,010,220		