

HOW WE WERE FUNDED IN 2020

(unaudited figures)

Self-Generated Revenue	22.3%
Donations & Fundraising	20.9%
Other	1.4%
Municipal Funding	47.3%
Town of Rainy River	39.6%
Township of Dawson	5.3%
Township of Lake of the Woods	2.0%
Township of Morley	0.4%
Province of Ontario	19.3%
Public Library Operating Grants	9.1%
Other	10.2%
Other, inc. Transfer from Reserves	11.0%
TOTAL	100.0%

WHAT WE SPENT IN 2020

(unaudited figures)

Staffing Costs	49.3%
Programs & Services	12.5%
Collections	8.6%
Other	3.9%
Administration/Operational	4.0%
Physical Plant	28.4%
Rent	18.5%
Other	9.9%
Other, inc. Transfer to Reserves	5.8%
TOTAL	100.0%

The Library Board acknowledges everyone who donated time, materials and money to the Library in 2020. We couldn't do it without you. Thank you!

Rainy River Public Library Board (January 2021)

Donna Moen	Chair
Bob McGreevy	Vice-Chair
Mayor Debbie Ewald	Trustee
Donna McDonald	Trustee
Shawn Neilson	Trustee
Anna Robinson	Trustee
Sandra Whiffin	Trustee

Rainy River Public Library Staff (January 2021)

Michael Dawber	CEO/Librarian
Jodi Wittich	Assistant Librarian

Thanks and Best Wishes to Departing Staff and Trustees...

Coun. Andrew Hartnell
Robert Sinding
Emma Olson

Rainy River Public Library

*"A vital meeting place for culture-seeking
and culture-making..."*

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Tue/Thu : 1 pm – 6 pm
Fri/Sat : 10 am – 2 pm
Wed, Sun & Mon : Closed



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Our COVID-19 Story : 2020

In 2020, your public library...

- **Saved you \$111,522!** *Keep reading to learn how* →
- Loaned 14,276 items
- Registered 33 new members
- Added 1,500 new items
- Provided free internet access to 3,121 users
- Loaned 2,549 eBooks and audiobooks by internet download
- Held 13 programs attended by 109 adults and children
- Gratefully received 150 hours of volunteer assistance
- Logged 64,299 Facebook impressions, and 10,207 visits to our website

DID YOU KNOW... that by borrowing from the Library, our customers saved \$111,522 in 2020? That's what it would have cost to buy the items we loaned out last year. Each of our members saved about \$208 by borrowing. There's no better bargain than your Public Library!

THE CHALLENGES AND HIGHLIGHTS OF 2020

March 2020: The Library enters the first COVID pandemic lockdown. Patrons will not be able to re-enter the building until the first week of August.

June 2020: The Library Board makes the difficult decision to cut staff hours, collections and programming due to lost revenue.

October 2020: The Library holds its first on-line silent auction to comply with public health rules. The event brings in almost \$3,000.

December 2020: The Library holds successful Christmas Bird Counts for both Rainy River and – for the first time – Morson.

FROM ALL OF US AT RRPL...

We appreciate your patience and support while we navigate the pandemic. We hope to return to more normal services in 2021!

2020 IN PICTURES



The New Normal...
Curbside Service During Lockdown



LIBRARY CIRCULATION

2020 USAGE BY MATERIAL TYPE

Category	Loans	% Total
Adult Fiction	3,849	27.0%
Adult Non-Fiction	580	4.1%
Juvenile Fiction	1,080	7.6%
Juvenile Non-Fiction	296	2.1%
Young Adult (all)	121	0.9%
DVDs, Blu-rays	4,620	32.4%
Audio	440	3.1%
Periodicals	474	3.3%
Overdrive Audio+Video	1,088	7.6%
Overdrive eBooks	1,401	9.8%
Interlibrary Loans	267	1.9%
Axis360	60	0.4%
TOTAL	14,276	100.0%

The Library's 2020 circulation was badly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Between March and August, use of the Library was restricted to curbside pick-ups and/or books-by-mail. Curbside pick-up service was mandated again starting December 29.

For 2020, the Library sent 41 books-by-mail parcels to patrons across our service area. These postage-paid deliveries kept locked-down patrons supplied during the pandemic.