



# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

## The Monroe County Public Library Foundation Annual Report 2018

May 22, 2019

### Our Mission

The Friends of Monroe County Public Library support the mission, vision, and values of the Library. The Friends advocate for the Library and support library collections, services, programs, and staff development.

### Our Commitment

For 53 years, the Friends of the Library has raised funds to help the Library provide a wide range of opportunities for lifelong learning, enrichment, and enjoyment for everyone in the community. In 2018, 642 families and businesses made 766 contributions to the Friends. Through your Friends memberships, Bookstore purchases, and donations to the Campaign for Excellence, the Friends provided equipment for the Learn & Play Space, funding for special guest library programs, Math Homework Help, volunteer recognition items, and pioneer grants for Library staff to launch new services like an Independent Game Development Day and a Fix it Fair where 100 participants received assistance fixing items such as bikes, zippers, lamps, and more.

### Our Thanks

We thank our Board and volunteers for their service to the community through the Friends. We thank our members who have been committed to the public library for 53 years with their generous gifts of time and financial support.

Special thanks to our honorary 2018 Campaign co-chairs, Pam and Jef Davidson, who value the Library's role in creating a bright future for our community. The Davidsons regularly attend meetings for community groups at the Library, check out materials, and attended programs with their children. They were proud to share their enthusiastic support to make this Campaign successful, assuring that our Library remains a dynamic center for literacy, reading, connection, and enjoyment for all ages in our community.

### Some of what the Friends of the Library made possible in 2018:

- *NEA Big Read* programs for teens and adults: *Everything I Never Told You* by Celeste Ng and companion title for children: *El Deafo*
- *Libraries Rock!*, the Summer Reading Program for 4,057 children
- New story and activities, *Don't Wake Up the Tiger*, installed in Story Walk at Reverend Butler Park with funds from Carol Nicholas Endowment
- Coffee with Friends guest speaker series, featuring Vivian Halloran, Pat Harbison, Greg and Candy Dawson, and Jim Capshew
- *Knowledge as Currency and the Power of Books*: Annual meeting speaker, Adrian Matejka, Indiana's Poet Laureate
- Book Bike outreach to Touch-a-Truck, Bloomington Bicentennial Celebrations, and more
- Free books to Community Kitchen summer lunch sites and Banneker Center thanks to funds from Carol Nicholas Endowment
- Children's programs at Main Library and Ellettsville like *Seusspicious Behavior*, story hours, musical workshops, arts, science, and nature programs
- Programming and supplies for teens and adults like the Human Library Project, Freshly Brewed Books, Fix-It Fair, and *Know Your Glow*, an after-hours dance party for 100 youth
- *Every Child Ready to Read* materials. Sensory storytimes and other early literacy initiatives
- MCPL staff training/professional development
- Meet patron requests for books and AV materials
- Book Club kits
- MCPL Volunteer Recognition; Anabel P. Newman VITAL Volunteer Award; Staff recognition for years of service and retirement
- Support for VITAL workshops and tutor training,
- Publicity and signage for Library programs



Monroe County  
Public Library

Main Branch	Ellettsville Branch
303 E. Kirkwood Ave. Bloomington, IN 47408 812-349-3050	600 W. Temperance St. Ellettsville, IN 47429 812-876-1272



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303 E. Kirkwood Ave.  
Bloomington, IN 47408-3534

# Friends of Monroe County Public Library 2018 Financial Summary

## Income

### Restricted:

Campaign for Excellence	62,337
Investments	37,911
Donations	\$18,849

### Unrestricted:

Bookstore Sales	105,391
Investment Income	23,630
Donations	22,181
Memberships	21,884
Special Events	4,081

**TOTAL INCOME** **\$296,264**

## Expenses

**Total Support for MCPL:** **\$125,125**

2017 Annual Campaign Gift to MCPL	60,000
Annual Grant to MCPL	45,000
Other Distributions to MCPL ( <i>Restricted gifts</i> )	19,506
Library Staff Recognition	519
Anabel Newman Award ( <i>VITAL volunteer</i> )	100

Distribution of Outside Grants to MCPL 5,000

### Friends Expenses:

Friends Operations	
Staff	50,281
Operations	3,314
Bookstore	
Staff	38,856
Operations	5,977
Cost of Goods	3,180
Campaign for Excellence	4,968
Special Events ( <i>Power of Words</i> )	4,089

**TOTAL EXPENSES** **\$240,790**

## Assets

General Endowment Investment Fund	\$299,232
Carol R. Nicholas Fund ( <i>Strategic Initiatives</i> )	258,509
Marian Armstrong Fund ( <i>Special Exhibits</i> )	225,939
Archie M. Koon Fund ( <i>Indiana Room</i> )	98,344
Checking Account	56,754
Non-Endowment Investments	52,982
Diane Breeden-Lee Fund ( <i>Children's Endowment</i> )	45,274
Hilliard Lyons Endowment ( <i>Collections</i> )	38,088
Ruthmarion Becker Endowment ( <i>VITAL</i> )	33,525
Judith Serebnick Endowment ( <i>Adult Services</i> )	28,932
Paula B. Anderson Endowment ( <i>Power of Words</i> )	25,581
Community Foundation	23,503
Sara Laughlin Endowment ( <i>Staff Development</i> )	15,210
Sarah C. Thrasher Endowment ( <i>VITAL</i> )	11,580
Inventory for Sale ( <i>Bookstore gift items</i> )	3,828
Undeposited Funds	152

**TOTAL ASSETS** **\$1,217,433**

## Our Library

In 2018 there were 821,112 visits to our Library (Main Library, Ellettsville Branch and Bookmobile) with a circulation of 2,477,922. Even with the Ellettsville Branch being closed from August through December for an addition and renovations, an average of 2,250 people visited each day, indicating the Library is a highly valued community resource and destination. The Library had 62,503 cardholders, provided 1,942 programs to 55,486 people, and 151,063 public computer sessions. Volunteers donated 12,223 hours of their time. 8,319 meetings were held at the Library including use of study rooms and studio spaces. The VITAL program received the 2018 Indiana Library Federation Tom Zupancic Literacy in Libraries Award for its community advocacy for literacy. The Library was certified as a "Dementia Friendly Business." The Friends of the Library provided program funding, materials, prizes, and more to enhance patrons' visits.

## 2018 Friends of the Library Board of Directors

**President:** Patrick Murray

**Vice-President:** Brenda Aschliman

**Secretary:** Emily Bedwell

**Treasurer:** Jerry James

### Board Members:

Tom Bitters	Ann McEndarfer
Lori Dekydtspotter	Sharon Pugh
Shirley Fitzgibbons	Andrew Rhoda
Diane Gregory	Linda Ripperger
Kris Harbison	Eileen Schellhammer
Margaret Harter	Denise Shockley
Chris Hosler	Patricia Steele
Becky Hrisomalos	Barbara Weinberg
Marilyn Irwin	Thomas Zoss

*The Friends of the Library Board meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month with a break in July.*

## Friends Employees

**Bookstore Coordinator:** Mike Burns

**Office Manager:** Mary Jean Regoli

