



HIGH RIVER LIBRARY

Year in Review

HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ 120 community members gathered at our Celebration of Foothills Book Clubs to hear local historical fiction author, Lecia Cornwall and award-winning Calgary author Sharon Butala.
- Refreshed Gadgets collection with a Government of Canada Community Services Recovery Grant, adding an apple/potato peeler, a food processor, a canning kit, a wood burning kit, a metal detector, and more.
- ◆ Launch of popular Afternoons for Adults and outreach to seniors' residences. Youth found a supportive and fun environment with new weekly meetups.
- Free cards in 2023, resulted in greater access to the library for community members.
- New eResources Brainfuse for live tutoring & job coaching, Kanopy for streaming video.

5,796
Cardholders

+7.6%

from 2022

70,898 +19.0%

Library Visits

from 2022

Tuesday was the busiest day of the week averaging **348** visitors



YOU'RE USING THE LIBRARY MORE THAN EVER



in 2023 3,512 **more** people attended library programs than in 2022. That's an astounding **54.5%**

increase!

LIBRARY EVENTS



children's programs

outreach programs

adult programs

28

62 multigenerational programs

take-home programs

teen programs

digital literacy programs









116,534 Items loaned out

90,411 physical items 26.123 e-content items

32,364 Interlibrary loans 17,467 borrowed, 14,897 loaned

5.8 FTE staff

Not including our talented Summer Reading Club/Book Bike team who work from May-August or July & August each year.

440 items checked out every day that the library was open

265 days in 2023 341 physical items/day, 99 e-items/day

Did you know that each library item is handled on-site 5 times?

LIBRARY

- Unpacking & check-in
- shelving cart or holds shelf
- shelved in-library or checked out
- checked back in
- shelved or sent to interlibrary loan destination



Over \$2.5 million

in value to High Riverites

TOP CHECKOUTS

Smart Hub

Chromebook



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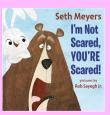














- items loaned
- program participation
- computer use
- wifi use
- information questions
- tech help

