

Adamstown Area Library

2016 Annual Report

*Serving approximately 31,000 residents in Adamstown,
Brecknock, Denver, and East & West Cocalico*

Mission Statement

Adamstown Area Library serves as a vibrant community hub utilizing extensive resources to provide innovative programming and services that engage and educate residents of all ages and cultures.

Dear Friends,

The Adamstown Area Library is a vital public resource that serves as a gateway to an expanding world of knowledge and has a regional reputation for exemplary customer service. We are committed to a welcoming and safe environment for everyone. As a resource center, its professional and dedicated staff offers helpful services and access to technology. As a community center, it provides educational and cultural opportunities for lifelong learning.

The future library, just a block away from its current location (110 West Main Street in Adamstown, PA), will combine the warm and friendly atmosphere that has become the hallmark of this unique community library with many 21st century updates. The new location will offer a long list of amenities including:

- ◆ State-of-the-art technology – including desktops, laptops and iPads
- ◆ Handicap accessibility
- ◆ An expanded children's learning center
- ◆ Family Place Workshops
- ◆ Comfortable reading areas
- ◆ Multi-use space for educational, civic and social events
- ◆ Plenty of off-street parking and convenient handicap access
- ◆ Tranquility Garden with seating area for outdoor enjoyment & relaxation
- ◆ Coffee service with a place to meet and visit

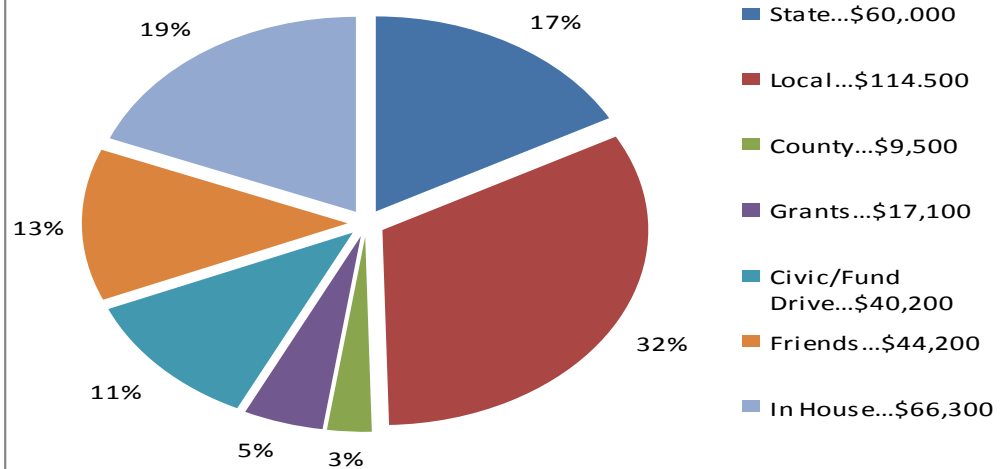
In addition, the former Brendle Coleman VFW will become the beautifully renovated Lancaster County House, a three storied building that traces its roots to the Civil War era when it was established as an end-point for trolley service from Mohnton. The library will also feature an open floor plan awash with natural light – a perfect hub for social and educational gatherings. We look forward to a very successful Room to Grow Capital Campaign in order to make this project a reality.

A huge thanks to the Board of Trustees, Staff, Friends, Adamstown & Denver Boroughs, Brecknock and East & West Cocalico Townships, Denver/Ephrata Rotary, Lion's & Women's Clubs, and the many wonderful people and businesses who have supported us, making 2015 a prosperous year.

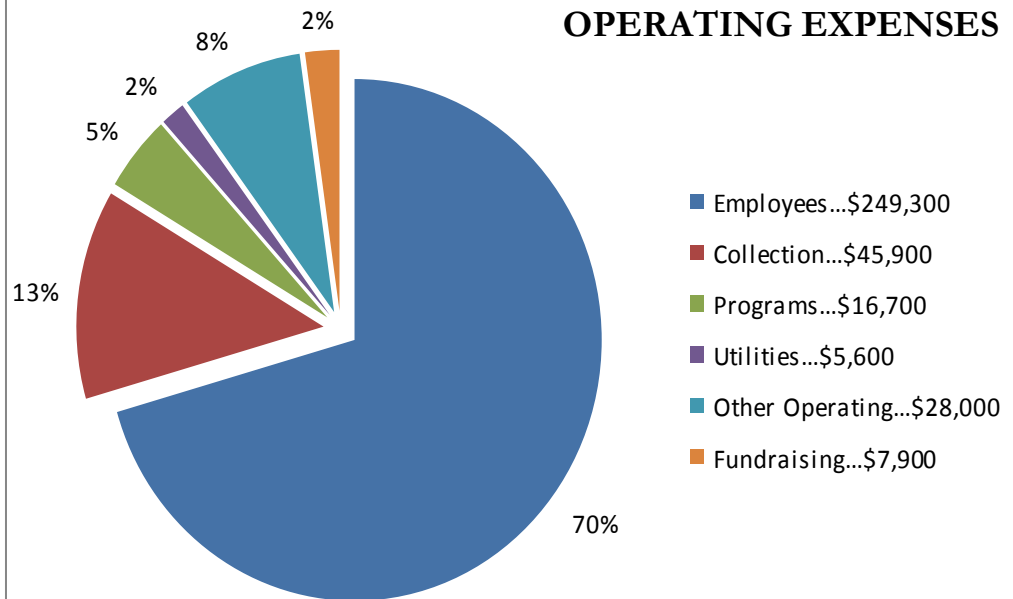
Warm regards,
Kathy
Kathy Thren, Library Director

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INCOME/REVENUE



OPERATING EXPENSES



	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
AAL Budget	\$302,000	\$312,000	\$320,000	\$321,000	\$328,000
Total State & Local Funding	\$177,000	\$180,000	\$182,000	\$183,000	\$184,000

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What we do for the community:

- ◆ Purchased the former Brendle Colman VFW for a new 7,500 sq. ft. library with enhanced community space, programming, and an outdoor patio.
- ◆ Friends of the Adamstown Area Library donated \$100,000 to kick off the *Room to Grow Capital Campaign*.
- ◆ Newly redesigned websites (for library and Friends' Group) offer better access to information & events.
- ◆ Offered a total of 418 programs with 7,034 people in attendance.
- ◆ Library staff trained to assist patrons with their technology needs.
- ◆ One-on-one computer training.
- ◆ Monthly workshops on how to use tech devices, Photo Shop, & photo editing.
- ◆ Photo Shop and photo editing software available on 4 public laptop computers.
- ◆ Patrons may check out materials using a smartphone and download an app that renews items and places holds.
- ◆ Monthly genealogy program chaired by Dr. Ken McCrea.
- ◆ Received a \$19,000 grant for Family Place programming.
- ◆ Morning storytimes for babies, toddlers and pre-school children.
- ◆ Magic Tree House and Reader's Café offered bi-monthly in the evening for children & tweens.
- ◆ More library users have discovered the power and convenience of our library's participation in the Library System of Lancaster Co. With the click of a mouse, DVDs, audios and books can be delivered from any other Lancaster Co. library to our library for pick-up.
- ◆ The library welcomed two new circulation assistants; Martha Freeman-Glass and Laura Russell.
- ◆ Free access to all 500 continuing education classes (CEUs) on Universal Class.

Number of Items Borrowed

Year	# of items
2015	194,000
2014	190,000
2013	191,000
2012	183,000
2011	182,000
2010	162,000
2009	132,000
2008	124,000

List of Services

BOOKS
 KINDLES
 IPADS
 BOOK CLUBS
 AUDIO BOOKS
 CHILDREN'S BOOKS
 MOVIES: DVDS
 INSPIRATIONAL BOOKS
 MAGAZINES
 NEWSPAPERS
 MP3 PLAYER (AUDIO BOOKS)
 WII & XBOX GAMES
 UNIVERSAL CLASS
 PUBLIC COMPUTERS
 ADULT—CHILDREN
 PROGRAMMING &
 SUMMER READING
 STEM PROGRAMMING
 MUSEUM PASSES
 PASSPORTS & PHOTOS (\$)

PROCTOR EXAMS (\$)

LITERACY TUTORING

COMPUTER CLASSES

ASSISTANCE FOR HOME SCHOOLERS

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Martha Freeman-Glass, new circulation assistant, poses for a picture.

Library Hours
Monday – Thursday
9:30 a.m. to 8:00
p.m.
Friday
9:30 a.m. to 5:00
p.m.
Saturday
9:30 a.m. to 4:30
p.m.
Saturdays in Summer
9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Staff Members

Kathy Thren, Director

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Librarian

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AAL's awarding winning Friends of the Adamstown Area Library donate \$100,000 to kick off the AAL's Room to Grow Capital Campaign.

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