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The Pottstown Regional Public Library serves the Borough of Pottstown, Lower Pottsgrove Township, Upper Pottsgrove Township and West Pottsgrove Township. In addition, patrons come from Berks County and Chester County. This occurs primarily because the Library is located at the junction of three counties and is adjacent to a major commuter corridor.

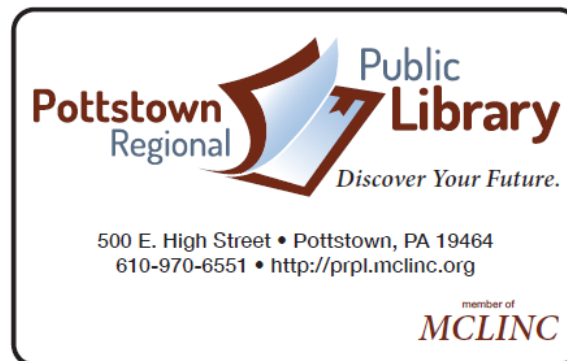
Mission:

The Pottstown Regional Public Library, serving a changing and diverse region, is a continually evolving and dynamic organization that inspires a lifetime of discovery through access to information, technology, social networking, and educational programming.

We value:

- ♦ Intellectual freedom
- ♦ Friendly, prompt, and accurate service
- ♦ Diversity
- ♦ Equal access to information
- ♦ An informed and educated community
- ♦ Effective stewardship of resources
- ♦ Community partners

The 2017 Board of Directors meetings of the Pottstown Regional Public Library will be held at 8:15 a.m. on the following dates: Jan 18, Feb 15, Mar 15, Apr 19, May 17, Jun 21, Jul 19, Aug 16, Sep 20, Oct 18, Nov 15, and Dec 20.



2016 Annual Report

2016 Statistics

Cataloged Items	61,523
Circulation of Materials	100,950
Electronic Content Use	30,491
Loaned from Other Libraries	15,224
Loaned to Other Libraries	13,940
Library Visits	124,767
Number of Programs	452
Program Attendance	14,352
Computer Use	27,526
Reference Questions	19,605
Registered Users	23,157
Public Service Hours	2,651

Hours of Operation

Monday	10 am - 8 pm
Tuesday	10 am - 8 pm
Wednesday	10 am - 8 pm
Thursday	10 am - 6 pm
Friday	10 am - 6 pm
Saturday	9 am - 4 pm
Sunday	Closed

Income

State	\$111,392
Pottstown	\$175,500
Lower Pottsgrove	\$65,007
Upper Pottsgrove	\$32,000
West Pottsgrove	\$20,000
Fundraising	\$79,973
Library Generated	\$89,632
Grants	\$65,130
TOTAL	\$638,634

Expenses

Personnel	\$408,227
Collection	\$80,441
Other Operating	\$130,004
TOTAL	\$618,672

Capital Expenses

Keystone Grant Payments (2016 matching funds)	\$177,418
Other Capital Improvements	\$68,126
TOTAL	\$245,544

Highlights of 2016

2016 was a arduous year: the main floor of the Library was closed for six months for renovation. But the results were worth the wait!

These capital improvements were made possible by the Pennsylvania Keystone Recreation Park and Conservation Fund, the Arcadia Foundation, the Pottstown Health and Wellness Foundation, and many individual and corporate donations. Thank you to the Borough of Pottstown for advising and administering this grant.

During 2016, Library staff worked to refine and improve materials and services. Some of the new services include ROKUs, wireless HotSpots, cake pans, and museum passes. Another major focus was a collection analysis to ensure multiple copies of items in demand, clean undamaged copies, and up-to-date relevant resources.

2017 holds more improvements! Some major donations are making it possible to plan improvements in the children's department, including new carpeting and additional public space. The Library is seeking additional sources of funding for these upgrades. We invite you to partner with us and discover the future.



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