



2021 Impact Report

Board

In 2021, we gathered again to celebrate our Grand Reopening and 121st Birthday Party! Over 1,000 library supporters, community leaders, and renovation partners joined us to mark this milestone with music and merriment. In addition to this grand event, we fully returned to pre-COVID hours in June, participants in the Summer Reading Program read more than 800,000 minutes, our team participated in several parades and outreach events throughout the summer and fall, and our Diversity & Inclusion Committee continued to make strides in warmly welcoming all kinds of humans to the library.

While we enjoy the refreshed playground for curious minds, we look ahead to updating the Children's department in the near future.

-Brad Sherwood, President



Friends

The year two thousand twenty-one found the Grand Forks Public Friends trying to adjust activities to align with an ever-changing world. We were thrilled to be able to bring back our most popular events: the Spring and Fall book sales. We continued the Teen Novelties Book Box program and the Six Word Story contest. Assisting with funding the Library's Summer and Winter Reading programs also happily resumed! The year ended on a positive note with The Friends being able to provide a portion of matching funds to a grant the library received from AARP for a new multi-generational musical playground.

If you'd like to be involved in this dynamic group, please consider becoming a member. Membership information can be found on the library's website.

-Debbie McLennan, President





Mission

To connect the community, inspire innovation, & encourage curiosity.

Vision

Grand Forks Public_ is a playground for curious minds.

We help people discover dreams, grow ideas, & change lives.

Revenue

	2021
City of Grand Forks	\$1,984,014
Grand Forks County	\$778,282
State Aid/Intergovernmental Grants	\$168,556
Library Fees/Services	\$28,000
Interest/Investments	\$16,471
Donations	\$16,987
Total	\$12,388
	\$3,004,700

Expenditures

	2021
Wages & Salaries	\$1,382,372
Benefits	\$547,765
Supplies	\$70,467
Utilities	\$68,831
Services & Contracts	\$190,811
Building Maintenance	\$82,496
Operating Expenses	\$54,713
Books & Periodicals	\$173,869
Capital Expenses	\$32,890
Total	\$2,604,218*

*COVID impact resulted in reduced operating expenses.



418 programs
29,875 attendees



2,337 new cards
26,194 total cardholders



98,700 visitors
318,706 items circulated



92,951 digital checkouts
171,790 wireless sessions



5,141 Facebook followers
165,851 website visits