

# Grand Valley Public Library

## Annual Report 2020

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The year 2020 has created many challenges with the COVID-19 pandemic throughout the world. Libraries were not immune to these challenges. Libraries all over the world proved how resilient and adaptable they are.

The Grand Valley Public Library met these challenges. There was a new learning curve for both customers/patrons and staff. Materials needed to be placed on hold using the online catalogue, items were then placed for customers/patrons to pick up curbside. Programs that have always been in house became virtual with staff creating, editing and uploading video for watching at home. Program Craft kits became available for pickup to be completed at home.

### New 2020

- 5 Internet Mobile Hotspots were added to the collection
- Pressreader – online database for current/back issue newspapers and magazine
- Website updates
- Virtual Programs and Curbside Craft Kits

### Quick Facts

2164 Card Holders 5% increase from 2019

1401 Town of Grand Valley - 4% increase from 2019

376 Township of Amaranth - 8% increase from 2019

220 Township of East Garafraxa - 3% increase from 2019

65 Summer Residence

102 Other



## Materials Borrowed

### 36,526 items borrowed

|                     |                              |
|---------------------|------------------------------|
| Children's Material | - 10,948                     |
| Adult Fiction       | - 7,495                      |
| Teen Material       | - 611                        |
| Audio Books         | - 309                        |
| Launchpads          | - 66                         |
| Chromebooks         | - 69 (provided by the UGDSB) |
| Hotspots            | - 140                        |

### Interlibrary Loans

478 Borrowed from other libraries  
370 Loaned out to other libraries

## Program Attendance

1,192 in person, virtual and program craft kit registrants

118 Videos with 570 views

**FUN FACT:** 50 Gingerbread House Curbside Kits (sponsored by the Grand Valley Lions Club) were available this year with 176 people participating in the program.

## Online Resources Available

- Research Databases
- World Book Encyclopedia
- Flipster – eMagazines
- Freegal – Streaming/Downloadable Music
- Ancestry Library Edition
- Chilton Manuals – vehicle repair
- Small Engine Repair
- World Information- Travel, Maps, Food and Culture
- Pressreader – Newspapers and Magazines
- Mango Languages – learn a new language
- Novelist Plus & Novelist K-8 – reading resource for book suggestions

**The Grand Valley Public Library Board and Staff are committed to our communities. The library will continue to offer a variety of programs and support to our communities.**

**The library always welcomes any comments and suggestions from the community to help improve the library.**