



# Amherst Public Library 2019 Annual Report Highlights



On average, **2,311** people visited the library every week last year to check out materials or take advantage of the free services and programs that we offer.



We issued **1,257** cards to new library users of all ages.

We added **8,819** new items, including Wi-Fi Hotspots, Blood Pressure Machines, a Karaoke Machine, and Early Learning Backpacks.

We lent out **168,274** books, magazines, CDs, DVDs, Early Learning Backpacks, Wi-Fi Hotspots, and other in-library items.

Patrons also borrowed **31,798** downloadable books, magazines, music, and movies through The Ohio Digital Library, Hoopla, Tumblebook, and Flipster.

Our users stayed connected with **14,451** public computer sessions and **47,242** free wireless internet sessions.



Our free online resources, including databases like Ancestry, Chilton Library, Creativebug, Transparent Languages, and more were accessed **116,343** times.

**1,409** people took advantage of our additional services including Notary, test proctoring, obituary retrieval, and use of our community room for personal and organizational meetings.

Our outreach staff delivered **593** titles to community members, care facilities, and preschools.

We helped patrons locate hard-to-find titles with **694** inter-library loan requests.

**17,068** people of all ages attended art and craft classes, early literacy and reading enrichment programs, local history talks, health and wellness presentations, winter and summer reading events, local and regional author signings, Main Street Amherst events, book discussion groups, and more!

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