



# Township of Georgian Bay Public Library Annual Report 2013

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## **Our Mission**

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The Township of Georgian Bay Public Library is a community oriented partner that enriches community life by fostering the joy of leisure reading and life-long learning for all ages.

The Library preserves and promotes access to a wide range of knowledge, information and ideas in a welcoming environment.

## **Our Vision**

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The Township of Georgian Bay Public Library is a community destination enhancing literacy and learning through access to technology, programs and materials.

## **Our Scope of Work**

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The Township of Georgian Bay Public Library provides service to approximately 2,200 full time residents and approximately 16,000 part time residents. There are three branches- Honey Harbour, located at the Park Landing in Honey Harbour; MacTier, located in downtown MacTier; and Port Severn, located in the Community Services Building in Port Severn. A wide variety of services for all ages, are offered at each of the branches.

The year 2013 began with the development of a new Strategic Plan. The board looks forward to working towards achieving the goals and objectives of these strategic directions over the next 4 years.

We were the recipients of the Certificate of Accreditation for

Honey Harbour and MacTier Public Libraries. We also received a BEAM Grant, for development of accessibility in our website.

We have welcomed two new Trustees to the Board, bringing the total Board to eight members, to continue working to the end of the term, December of 2014.

We continued to offer an additional 4 hours at the Port Severn branch for the summer season. We see this as a positive addition of hours for the increased summer population in the Township.

Through the combined efforts of staff, volunteers, supporters of the Library and the Township Council, our Libraries continue to work towards bringing the best Library to you, our many patrons.

On behalf of the Library Board, thank you for your continued support.

Theresa Restemayer  
Board Chair

Barbara Swyers  
CEO

## **Accessible Library Services**

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### ***Goal:***

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*To broaden and highlight accessible library services in the community.*

### ***Accomplishments***

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- Hired website designer to update the website to meet Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities standards
- Received BEAM grant and hired a designer to develop a responsive mobile theme for the library website to be accessible on i and android devices
- Provided training for selected staff to update website
- Updated and reprinted the Library Service Brochure
- Purchased Library Aware for 2014 under Southern Ontario Library Service Tier 2 Consortium Purchasing

## Port Severn Pilot Project

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### **Goal:**

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*To maintain, monitor and enhance the Port Severn Library pilot project according to community needs.*

### **Accomplishments**

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- Compared committee's perceived needs for a new library in Port Severn with the current Library space in MacTier. Francine Albrough presented this to the Port Severn Planning Committee
- Based on population and current needs/use the Board agreed that the new library will be many years in the future
- The location of a new Library should be right off the highway on Lone Pine Road.

## Sustainability, Funding & Grants

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### **Goal:**

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*To ensure a high level of customer service and current technologies as a sustainable future for the library.*

### **Accomplishments**

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- Participated in the Just Add Water Festival
- Researched & applied for the BEAM grant re: funding for the mobile website
- Investigated the garden tour by contacting the Midland & Penetang organizers who are not interested in bringing the garden tour to this area at this time
- Decided to produce a community cook book
- Advertised for recipes by putting out flyers, website notification and facebook news in the community
- Researched various grants and partnership opportunities in and outside the Township



## **Volunteers**

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Brenda Baker Jim Curtis Gail Demkiw Joan Gabourie  
Kim Lashbrook Carol McCron Joan Wice

## **Donors**

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Francine Albrough MacTier & District Lions Club  
Murray & Ruth Miskin Family charitable Foundation  
Robert Nancarrow Ann Woods

## **Library Board**

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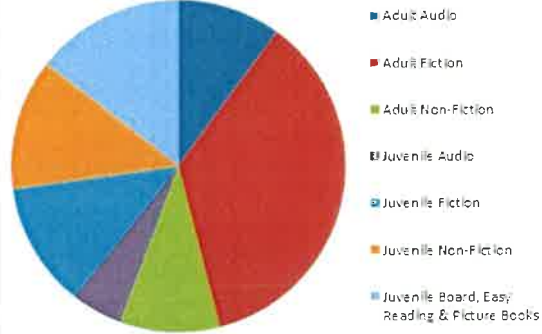
Francine Albrough Larry Braid Tracey Fitchett  
George Jones Theresa Restemayer Linda Shannon  
Susan Stokes Ann Woods

## **Library Staff**

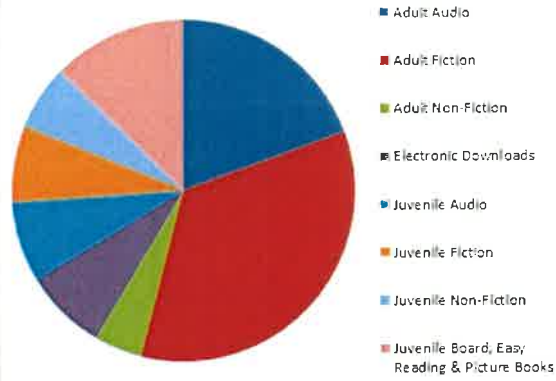
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Deb Barkley Jody Bressette Lorna Cramp Carol McCron  
Jennifer McCron Amanda Mills Barbara Swyers  
Nadine Triemstra Linda Williams

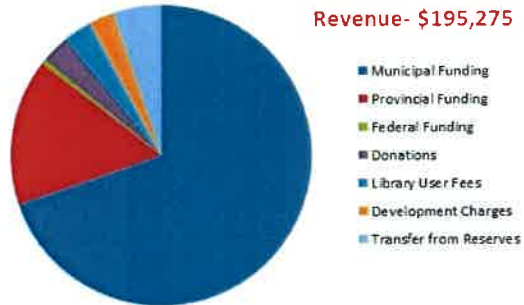
Collections - 19,268



Circulation - 29,457



Revenue- \$195,275



Expenses- \$194,592

