



2023 Annual Report



Port Moody
**Public
Library**

Message from the Board Chair



I am thrilled to share the achievements of the Port Moody Public Library from the past year. We have been committed to renewal and revitalizing library services to fostering knowledge, reconciliation, community, and accessibility. Areas of key focus for the Library Board were the reworking of our Mission, Vision, and Values and creating a Territory Acknowledgement.

Our success is due to the commitment of exceptional staff, an engaged Board, and a strong relationship with City Council. We gratefully acknowledge the financial support of the Province of British Columbia through the Ministry of Municipal Affairs. Part of that funding came in the form of an Enhancement Grant which is helping us to address shifting demands for library services, collections, programs, and spaces. We continue to be grateful to the Port Moody Foundation for its continued support as it manages monies held in trust enabling the library to respond to the unique needs of our community. ~ Daphne Herberts, Chair

2023 Library Board



Daphne Herberts (Chair); Bill Lawrie, Amy Lubic (Council Representative); Valerie Simons, Brenda Seraphim; Jacquie Boyer; Kasturi Ghosh; Missing from photo: Jennifer Kasuya; Jennifer Smith (Vice-Chair)

Mission, Vision, Values

In 2023, the library adopted the following Mission, Vision and Values:

Mission: To be a welcoming and safe space to access lifelong learning and growth.

Vision: To inspire and open possibilities for all.

Values: Intellectual Freedom; Inclusivity; Service Excellence.



2023 Highlights



- We welcomed 4,802 Newcomer/ESL patrons to 224 programs; a 32% increase over 2022;
- Registered new library accounts for 1,812 Port Moody residents, and 1,434 non-residents;
- Added 14 additional patrons to our Accessible Services program and purchased 20 Envoy Connect devices to assist patrons with visual, physical or perceptual difficulties to access library materials;
- Launched a video game collection;
- Hosted Red Buffalo Nova Weipert and Eden Fineday in our Indigenous Speaker series;
- In collaboration with the City's Environmental Services, created a circulating Bat Pack with books, a tablet, an echo meter and other items to help citizens detect and identify bats;
- Purchased reusable cloth mailing bags for interlibrary loans to reduce paper and plastic consumption;
- The Teen Advisory group, with programming staff assistance, held a Career Fair to connect teens with individuals working in unique jobs;
- Implemented a bookable talking room for patrons to have small in-person or virtual meetings.



We would like to sincerely thank and acknowledge the individuals and organizations who generously donated to the library in 2023.

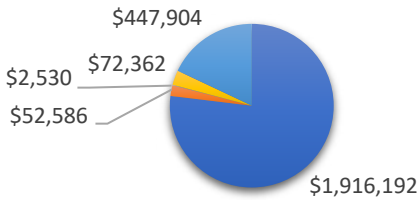
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The Numbers

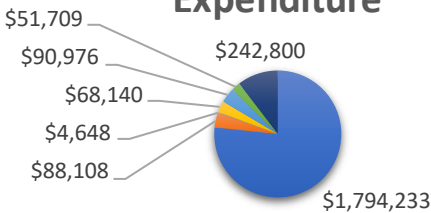


Revenue



- City of Port Moody
- InterLINK net lending
- Donations
- Fines and Miscellaneous
- Provincial Government

Expenditure



- Salaries & benefits
- Equipment & supplies
- InterLINK membership
- Books & library collections
- Other
- Operating Projects
- Capital Amortization