

Annual Report

January 1 - December 31, 2016

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LIBRARY

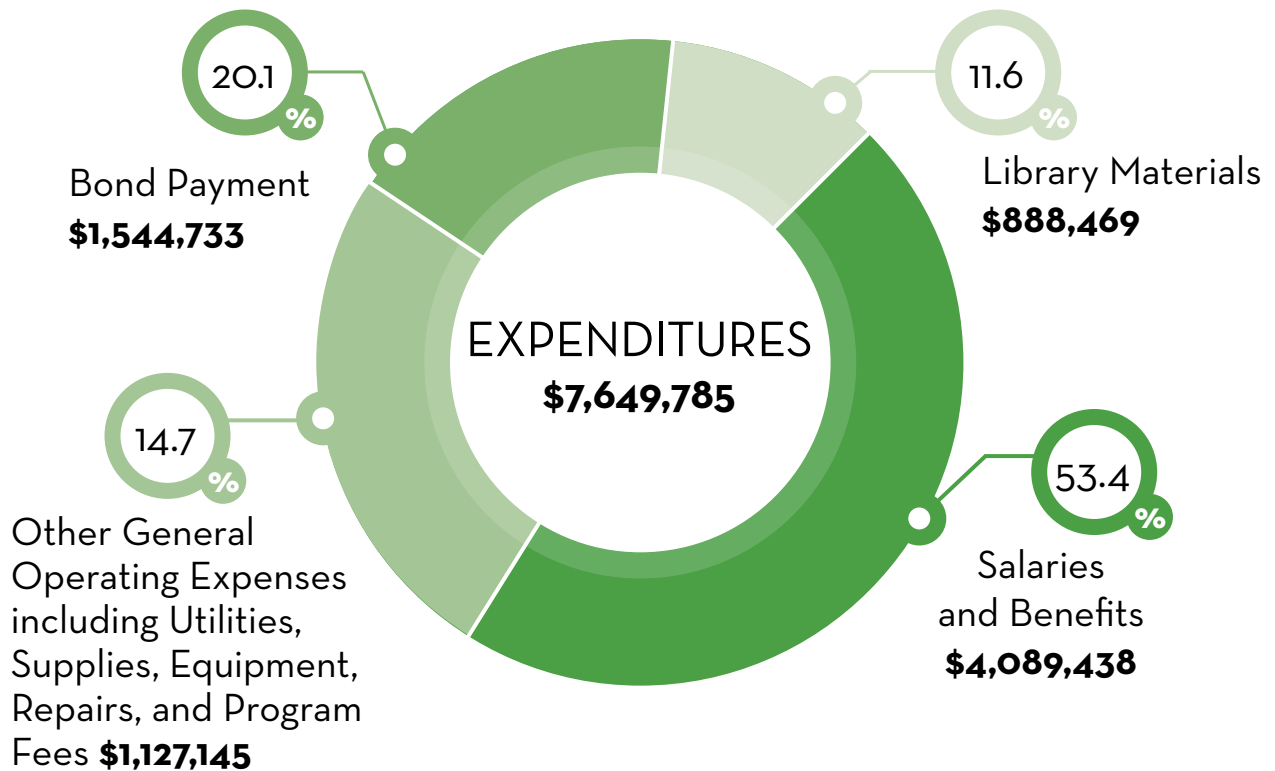
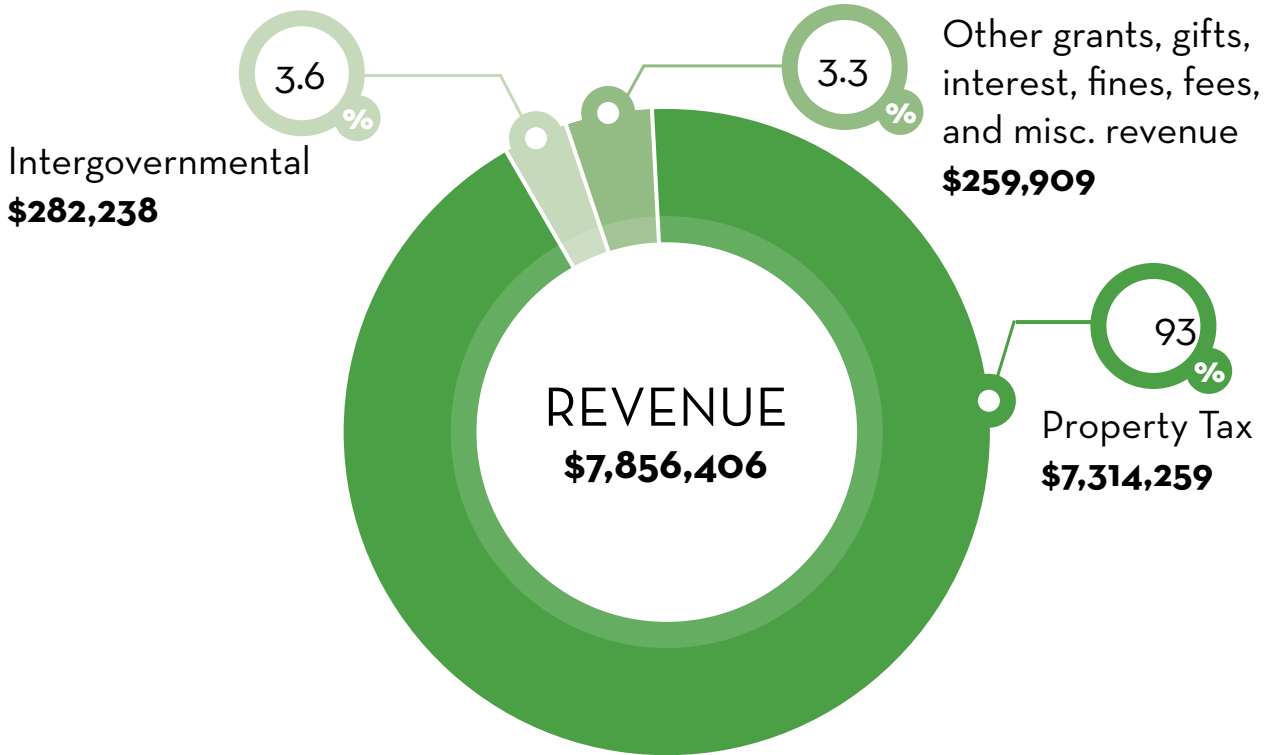


2016 at a Glance



- 26,682 active Elmhurst Public Library cards (unexpired resident cards)
- 598,836 people visited EPL
- 3,871,595 visits to elmhurstpubliclibrary.org
- 1,283,266 materials checked out.
- 96 public computers were used 298,112 times
- Summer Reading ran June 4, - August 13, 2016. A total of 4,716 kids participated. Teens read 439 books and adults read 4,589 titles.
- 61,448 people attended 2,205 Library programs
- Local groups gathered at EPL for 971 meetings
- The busiest month of the year was June 2016
- 77,820 reference questions asked
- 352,240 items in collection
- Group Study rooms used 16,334 times
- Highest rate of circulation: March 13, 2016: 1,418 items/hr.
- 100 Year Anniversary Party: 550 attendees
- Comic Con: 450 attendees

2016 Budget





2016 Collections



Books	229,154
Downloadable eBooks.....	43,591
Audiobooks.....	9,250
Downloadable Audiobooks	24,441
DVDs.....	24,577
Downloadable Videos.....	241
Blu-ray	1,530
Magazine and Newspaper Subscriptions.....	434
Electronic Databases	82
CD-Roms.....	184
Music CDs	17,328
Video Games.....	1,522
Playaway Audio	1,616
Kits (circulating and literacy).....	52
Toys	434
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Total.....	354,436



2016: Your Thoughts



Yep a 5 star ... as good as it gets. Why? - Simple! The people. The staff are so knowledgeable. I like that you can book a room. Now you can eat and drink at the Library ... seriously? My how things have changed since I was a kid. Love this Library.

-Yelp Review 1/26/16

A great library for reading and studying. Beautiful building, clean, and quiet.

-Google Review, 2016

I was born in Chicago, then brought back to my home in Elmhurst, and have lived here from then since now when I am 13. Out of every single place that Elmhurst has to offer, the library is one of the finest of them all. They have a wide array of services to provide for anyone, whether you be 2 years old looking for entertainment, 13 trying to find a place for Dungeons and Dragons, or 30+ looking for a good read or a movie to watch with the family, the EPL never ceases to provide. As far as the staff is concerned, everyone working here is kind and helpful, and I have grown to get to know some of them. Overall, I couldn't recommend the Library any more than I do.

-Google Review, 2016

As an infant, went to puppet shows. As a child, read lots of books and played in the library. As a current teenager, I spend multiple days a week studying/hanging with friends. If I were to stay in Elmhurst until I was elderly, I would still enjoy every aspect of this library wholeheartedly. Best library in any suburban town.

-Google Review, 2016

This is one big library. A very good collection of books, movies, games. Facility to use mobile app to listen to audio books is a huge plus. Staff is very friendly and helpful.

Google Review, 2016

A real gem. Lots of resources. Easy technology enabled returns and the people who work here are a real pleasure to work and interact with. The ONLY drawback here is parking but this place just creates a "fun" environment where my son does not want to leave. Keep it up!

-Yelp Review 12/24/16



2016 Accomplishments



- More parking available at the Art Museum
- Integrate ematerials into catalog
- 100-year anniversary
- Library Insiders Buddy Program

2017 Fiscal Year Projects

- Makery Installation
- Begin Kids' Library Renovation
- Update text notification system
- Brewpoint Coffee in Lobby
- Small business builder database



2016 Acknowledgements



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