

Mayor Jackie Clayton and Council
City of Grande Prairie
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February 25, 2025

Dear Mayor Clayton and City of Grande Prairie Councillors,

On behalf of the Grande Prairie Public Library, I am pleased to share with you our 2024 annual report, which reflects the tremendous progress we've made with your continued support.

Our community's engagement with library services has grown substantially, from an increase in digital resource use to in-person visits. This increase demonstrates the growing value the library holds in the lives of the growing number of people we serve, providing not only books and resources but also essential programs, services, and a space for connection.

Attached to this letter, you will find an infographic that visually summarizes key highlights, including:

- A 6% increase in the number of in-person library visits for a total of 214,206 visits through our doors
- An 86% increase in the number of library program attendees, including nearly 9,000 children's program attendees
- More than half a million items circulated to Grande Prairie Public Library cardholders (416,866 physical items circulated and 87,615 e-materials)
- Nearly 28,000 questions answered by library staff, a 9% increase over the previous year
- Nearly 24,000 library cardholders, of which 12,216 are active cardholders, an increase of 14% compared to the previous year

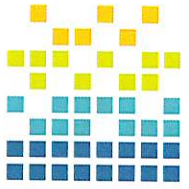
Funding from the City of Grande Prairie has played a key role in these accomplishments, and we are deeply grateful for your ongoing commitment to fostering literacy, learning, and community development in Grande Prairie. We look forward to another year of success building on the momentum we've created together. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the report in further detail, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Thank you once again for your invaluable support.

Sincerely,



Hailey McCullough
Director



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2024 Year in Review



23,590
cardholders

504,481
items were
borrowed



214,206
in-person
visitors

135,000
website
visits



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120,085
items in the
collection

64
staff superstars

51,087
staffing hours



28 FTE



27,971
questions
answered

35,544
computer
sessions

90,522
WiFi sessions



1,348
programs
offered

33,857
program
participants