

# Discover Opportunities





Holly  
Community  
Library



We dropped in this morning. It was a hive of activity!  
We are so happy to have a library close by. The staff  
were all so welcoming.







BPL on the  
Go



I really must give credit to the services you provide our community. I was fortunate enough to stumble across an outdoor event at the [Peggy Hill] Centre today...I've been a Barrie resident my whole life [and] I was so proud to have such a great service offered to our community.







Supporting a  
knowledge  
economy

“ I must tip my hat to the library. The [Creative Spaces] department is so fascinating! So outside the box. So well done. At 72 I had thought I had seen it all!

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+ 9727



Library Members

+3.7%



Digital Library  
Checkouts



Engagement  
and Impact



We take out 50+ books every week. I would go broke trying to keep up with my kid's reading!



## Budget Summary

Expenses	2022 Budget	2023 Budget
Salaries & Benefits	\$6,209,551	\$6,381,814
Library Materials & Programs	\$1,440,618	\$1,438,590
Contracted and other Services	\$2,306,900	\$2,393,889
Total Expenses	\$9,957,069	\$10,214,293

Revenue		
Other Grants, Fees	\$583,959	\$612,964
Municipal Grant Revenue	\$9,373,110	\$9,601,329
Total Revenue	\$9,957,069	\$10,214,293





## Community Outreach



Social infrastructure is crucially important, because local, face-to-face interactions...are the building blocks of all public life.

- Eric Klinenberg, *Palaces for the People*





# Heart of the Community



A library is the beating heart of the community, NOT just a collection of books!







Supporting our  
Community

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The staff are very helpful and accommodating. Thank you so much for all you did to make me feel welcomed in Barrie and in Canada. You made a big impact on my life. Thank you!

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Planning for  
the Future



The public library is a beautiful pillar of #Barrie and Ward 2. So proud of all the hard work done by the staff.





# Questions?



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UNDERRATED and  
gorgeous. This library has  
**everything** you could hope  
for. Thanks for existing.

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