



TOWN OF BALLSTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

COMMITTED AND CONNECTED

2015 Annual Report to the Public



The Town of Ballston Community Library was able to complete renovations that include a new computer room, a reorganized staff space, a storage closet, and a new circulation desk with the help of a \$132,364 NYS Library Construction Grant, a \$5,000 Southern Adirondack Library System Grant, \$10,000 from Senator Hugh Farley, and \$5,000 from the Friends of the Library. Renovations started in November 2015 and were completed in February of 2016.

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Library Hours

Monday - Thursday 10 AM - 8 PM
Friday 10 AM - 5 PM
Saturday 10 AM - 2 PM

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Town of Ballston Community Library

2015 Year in Review

What we have



13,850 questions answered

47,923

Books

5,021

Audio-Books

11,489

Downloadable e-Books & e-Audio

3,484

DVDs

It's all about people



298 Children's Programs



113,000 Library Visits.



20 Teen Programs



6,834 People with Library Cards.



120 Adult Programs



9,425 People attended programs.

2015 Circulation

Adult and Teen Items Checked Out: 77,429



Children's Items Checked Out: 50,975

e-Books and e-Audio Checked Out: 6,119

Total Circulation 130,028

■ Children's Items Checked Out ■ e-Books and e-Audio Checked Out ■ Adult and Teen Items Checked Out



4,550 Library Computer Sessions

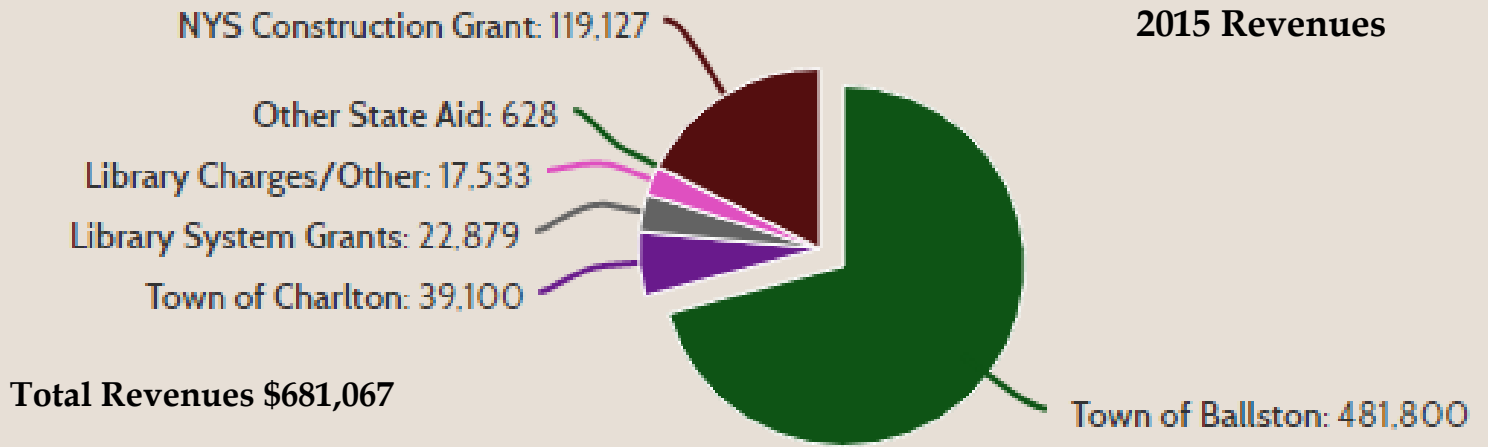


6,928 Library Wireless Sessions

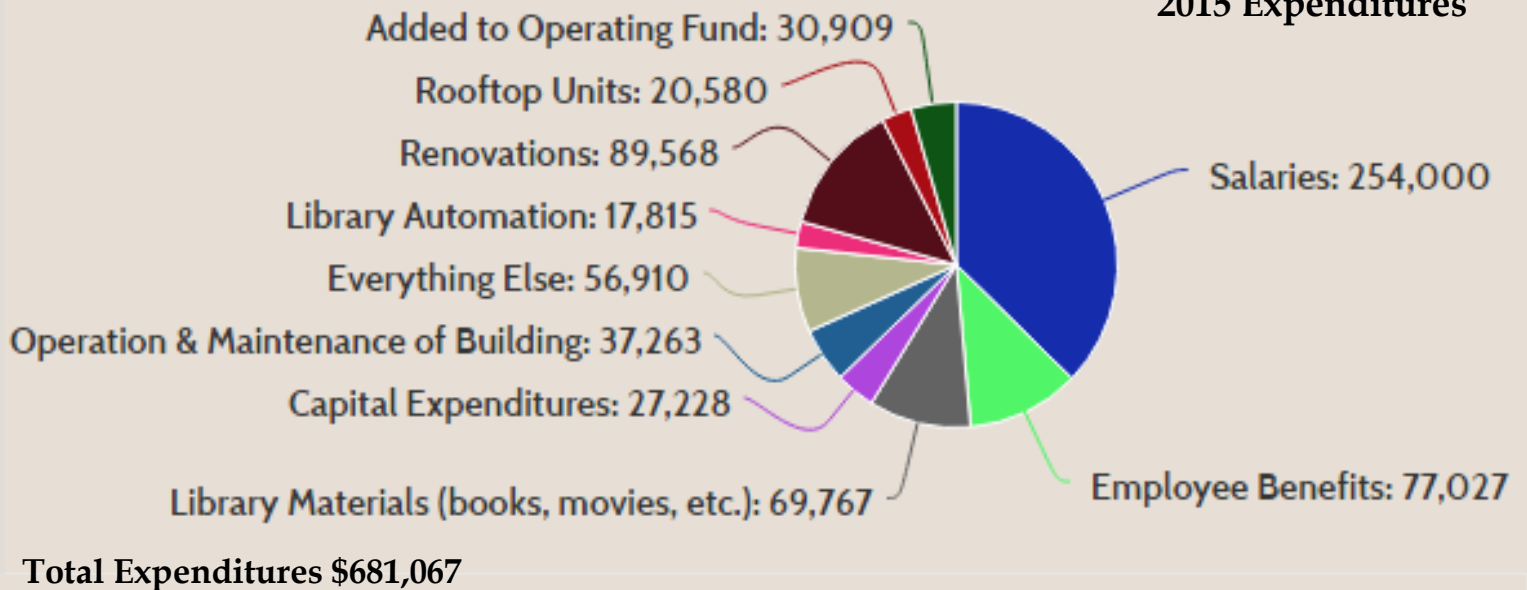


155,500 Visits to the Library Website

2015 Revenues



2015 Expenditures



Renovations 2015/2016

Revenues

2015

NYS Library Construction Grant	\$119,127
Bullet Aid (Senator Farley)	\$ 10,000

2016

SALS Construction Grant	\$ 5,000
Friends of the Library	\$ 5,000
NYS Library Construction Grant	\$ 13,237 (Anticipated)

TOTAL \$152,364

Expenditures

2015

\$ 89,568

2016

\$217,659

\$307,227

Rooftop Unit Replacement (two of six units)

Revenues

2016

NYS Library Construction Grant \$15,436 (Anticipated)

Expenditures

2015

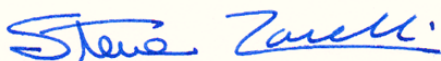
\$20,580

A Note from Steve Zarelli, President of the Library Board of Trustees:

Hopefully you have seen the new and improved Town of Ballston Community Library, which we unveiled in March. Renovations included an improved front desk to check you out more efficiently, an enclosed computer room and re-designed workspace to reduce noise and promote a quieter experience. When we surveyed the community several years ago, these are all things that were important to you. With solid planning and aggressive pursuit of grants, we have been able to turn these suggestions into reality.

You may have also noticed we now have three full-time librarians, Karen, Rebecca and Jenn. This ensures that there is always a professional librarian on duty — and it means more programs and computer classes.

The library offers important benefits to everyone in our community and we want to see it continue to grow as a valued asset in the Town of Ballston. To do this we need your continued support. Talk to the staff or attend a monthly Library Trustee meeting with your suggestions. What can we do to better serve you... what would you like to see next?



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We would like to thank Mr. Fred Baum for the generous donation of \$3,000 in memory of his wife, Helen Baum. His gift allowed us to offer the popular Memoir Writing Workshop, a week long kids' Robotics program, and more!

We are thankful for everyone who participates in our annual library mini-golf fundraiser—the BHBL Business and Professional Association, local business owners, the girl scouts, the Friends of the Library, and everyone who played a round of golf. Extra special thanks go to Dave Robbins for making the entire course!

Librarian Jenn Richard has moved from part-time to full-time with the Library as the new Head of Adult Services, and started the first of the year. Jenn finished her Master of Information Science at SUNY Albany in 2012. Currently, Jenn lives in Troy, N.Y. with her husband and two young daughters. When she's not working, she enjoys listening to audiobooks, playing with her daughters, camping, and watching Yankees games.

Library Trustee Tom Shaginaw has been named as a 2015 Southern Adirondack Library System Trustee of the Year in recognition of his dedication to the Town of Ballston Community Library. Tom helps with everything from budget creation to book case assembly. He spent many hours here before and during the library's three month renovation. Congratulations, Tom!

Judy Kaplan retired from her position as Senior Library Clerk after more than 25 years. You'll still find her working here two days a week and she is continuing to run our very popular Monday night book club.