

West Grey Public Library Board

Mission Statement: The West Grey Library offers resources and services inclusive for all.

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Agenda

February 12, 2025, 7pm

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the agenda
 - 2.1. Moved by
Seconded by
THAT the Board approves the agenda as presented.
3. Declarations of pecuniary interest
4. Correspondence
n/a
5. Minutes
 - 5.1. Moved by
Seconded by
THAT the minutes of January 8, 2025, be adopted.
6. Business arising from the minutes.
 - 6.1. Board fundraising update
 - 6.1.1. 20 items to auction – how many do we have
 - 6.1.2. Half of the items needed by Mar 15th
 - 6.1.3. The rest by Apr 12th
 - 6.1.4. Piloting May 2025
7. Chief Librarian's report
 - 7.1. Moved by
Seconded by
That the Board receive the Chief Librarian's report
8. Report from Board and Council members.
9. Other business
 - 9.1. Election of Board Chair

West Grey Public Library Board

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9.2. 2025 budget

9.3. Year in Review

10. Closed session

n/a

11. Report from closed session

n/a

12. Open Board Discussion

13. Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 6 pm to be held at the Durham Branch.

14. Adjournment

West Grey Public Library Board Minutes

January 8, 2025

West Grey Public Library (virtual)

Present: Malcolm Beddoe (Chair), Scott Foerster, Doug Townsend,
Samantha Mund
Regrets: Stephen Townsend (Vice Chair), Yvonne Pelletier

1 Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2 Agenda

Moved by Samantha Mund

Seconded by Scott Foerster

THAT the West Grey Library Board approve the agenda as presented.

Carried.

3 Declaration of Interest

It is recorded that there were no declarations of pecuniary or conflict of interest or the general nature thereof.

4 Correspondence

None

5 Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Doug Townsend

Seconded by Samantha Mund

THAT the minutes of November 13, 2024, be adopted.

Carried.

6 Business arising from the minutes

6.1 Board Fundraising Update

Samantha provided an update on the contact she has made to date.

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6.2 MoU clarification

Relations with the Municipality are going well, so there is no need to complicate things by adding another layer. The process is already being taken care of.

7 Chief Librarian's report

Moved by Samantha Mund

Seconded by Scott Foerster

That the Board receive the Chief Librarian's report

Carried.

8 Report from Board and Council Members

A reminder budget will be discussed on January 14, 2025.

9 Other Business

None

10 Closed session

10.1 Minutes of the closed session of October 9, 2024

10.2 Minutes of the closed session of November 13, 2024

10.3 One matter pursuant to section 16.1 (4) (b) of the Public Libraries Act, regarding personal matters about an identifiable individual of individuals.

Moved by Scott Foerster

Seconded by Samantha Mund

THAT the West Grey Library Board move into closed session at 6:15 pm.

Carried.

Moved by Doug Townsend

Seconded by Samantha Mund

THAT the West Grey Library Board adopts the closed session minutes from October 9, 2024, and November 13, 2024.

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Carried.

Moved by Samantha Mund

Seconded by Scott Foerster

THAT the West Grey Library Board returns to open session at 6:20 pm.

Carried.

11 Report from closed session

Chair Malcolm Beddoe confirmed that only those items permitted were discussed in closed session.

Discussion was held regarding 10.3 and direction was given to staff.

12 Open Board Discussion

Samantha inquired about the use of Kindles with OverDrive - Libby.

Kindle eReader, a US-based Amazon product, cannot access OverDrive from Canadian public libraries. Kindle can only access US public libraries.

13 Next Meeting

Wednesday, February 12, 2025, 7 pm to be held virtually.

14 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 6:30 pm by Samantha Mund

Chair:

Date:

Chief Librarian/CEO Report
February 12, 2025

1. Administration

Important Updates:

Advocacy - focus on raising awareness of benefits, seeking support for growth - raising awareness of Library, activities, benefits, developments

1. Attendance at Library-organized and Library-represented events
2. In-person Budget presentation at Council
3. In-person presentation to Council summary year in review

Fundraiser – piloting May 2025

1. The board was asked to help us find 20 items that can be auctioned
2. ½ the items by March 15th
3. With the rest by April 12th

2. Operational updates

News:

For the month of February, the Durham Branch will serve as a pop-up location for Service Ontario.

Starting in March, South East Grey Services will assist with income tax returns. In 2024, a total of 71 returns were completed, resulting in \$211,784 in benefits received by individuals.

Kimm's poster presentation on WGPL's in-residence program at the OLA Super Conference went very well, with many logistical questions, compliments on the flexibility of the program's development and two follow-up messages for more information.

I met with various vendors at the OLA Super Conference, and we're excited to check out some new e-resources and technology for the library.

Chief Librarian/CEO Report
February 12, 2025

Starting in March, we will introduce fines for the following items: ILLO items, Yoto, C-PEN, and Wifi-to-go. \$1.00 per day for most.

Statistics: YTD

Here's a look at the final numbers for 2024. We set a goal to increase everything by 5% compared to 2023, and here's how we did:

- ****New Cards****: Our goal for 2024 was 466 new cards and we ended up with 448. That's a tiny 0.9% increase from 2023 (444).

- ****Circulation****: Our goal for 2024 was 60,076, and we ended up with 60,731, an amazing 6.1% increase over 2023 (57,216).

- ****Program Attendance****:

Adult Attendance: Our goal for 2024 was 2,800, and we ended up with 3,028, an awesome 13.5% increase over 2023 (2,666).

Youth Attendance: Our goal for 2024 was 4,769, and we ended up with 5,842, which is an awesome 22.4% increase over 2023 (4,541).

- ****Visit Statistics****: Our goal for 2024 was 22,139 visits for 2024 and we ended up with 22,457, which is an amazing 6.5% increase over 2023 (21,084).

Child & Youth – Kayla

Raising Awareness:

- Storytimes - trying themes to boost attendance - Cars and Trucks, Zoo animals, Dinosaurs, Knights and Princesses. We've gone up from 2-3 kids to 8 kids per week.
- Homeschool Group - handicrafts like finger knitting and hand-sewing.
- PD Day Fun Stations are becoming more popular.

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Innovative programs:

Jr. STEM Club program where school-aged kids can explore science, technology, engineering, and math through challenges, activities, experiments, and games.

Winter Watch Challenge is a reading challenge designed to introduce families to Kanopy Kids, a free resource that offers videos, documentaries, movies, TV shows, and read-along storybooks for children of all ages.

Adult – Kimm

Raising Awareness:

Approximately 145 adults took part in January’s programs and events.

Innovative programs:

We continue to develop innovative programming, with a Freedom to Read quiz, bake-offs in the branches (and thanks to those board members who are serving as judges), and Night-time Nature, which will address light pollution.

3. Staff

Upcoming staff meeting Friday February 28 from 9-12pm. The Durham branch will be closed until 12pm.

Interviews have begun for our library assistant positions.

Staff Anniversaries: Congratulations to Agnes and Jennie-Mae on their work anniversaries.

Agnes	Library Assistant	1 year
Jennie-Mae	Library Assistant	1 year

For Period Ending 31-Dec-2024

	CURRENT YEAR TO DATE	CURRENT BUDGET	VARIANCE \$	VARIANCE %
LIBRARY				
OPERATING REVENUES				
Transfer from Reserves	(1,107.66)	(700.00)	407.66	158.24
Grants Province	(24,190.00)	(24,190.00)	0.00	100.00
Grants Federal	(2,065.86)	0.00	2,065.86	0.00
West Grey Levy	(554,103.00)	(554,103.00)	0.00	100.00
Prov Revenue - Connectivity	(4,086.20)	(800.00)	3,286.20	510.78
Donations	(9,033.89)	0.00	9,033.89	0.00
Library Revenue	(2,034.75)	(1,250.00)	784.75	162.78
Service Fees Revenue	(2,327.90)	(1,250.00)	1,077.90	186.23
Total OPERATING REVENUES	(598,949.26)	(582,293.00)	16,656.26	102.86
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Wages	352,352.94	349,202.00	(3,150.94)	100.90
Benefits	82,056.83	76,708.00	(5,348.83)	106.97
Materials & Supplies	89.99	500.00	410.01	18.00
Office Supplies	6,229.14	4,500.00	(1,729.14)	138.43
Volunteer Recognition	479.49	500.00	20.51	95.90
General Memberships	325.88	600.00	274.12	54.31
Advertising	1,053.33	1,000.00	(53.33)	105.33
Building Maintenance	4,613.40	6,000.00	1,386.60	76.89
Mileage/Courier	1,561.83	3,000.00	1,438.17	52.06
Copier Lease	2,119.63	2,080.00	(39.63)	101.91
Program Development	12,053.14	6,000.00	(6,053.14)	200.89
ILLO Expense	184.32	312.00	127.68	59.08
E-Resources	16,539.30	12,138.00	(4,401.30)	136.26
KOHA Support	4,611.77	5,200.00	588.23	88.69
IT Support	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Hardware	5,745.18	6,400.00	654.82	89.77
Software	2,309.31	5,000.00	2,690.69	46.19
Book Processing Fee	4,845.16	3,425.00	(1,420.16)	141.46
Books	27,852.75	25,000.00	(2,852.75)	111.41
Collections	2,649.52	3,000.00	350.48	88.32
Conference/Training	2,118.41	3,500.00	1,381.59	60.53
Security	1,265.50	1,560.00	294.50	81.12
Library Board	16,785.00	19,855.00	3,070.00	84.54
Total OPERATING EXPENSES	547,841.82	538,480.00	(9,361.82)	101.74
BRANCH EXPENSES				
NEUSTADT BRANCH EXPENSES	10,298.00	9,675.00	(623.00)	106.44
NORMANBY BRANCH EXPENSES	9,482.86	8,890.00	(592.86)	106.67
DURHAM BRANCH EXPENSES	25,565.36	25,248.00	(317.36)	101.26
Total BRANCH EXPENSES	45,346.22	43,813.00	(1,533.22)	103.50
Total LIBRARY	(5,761.22)	0.00	5,761.22	0.00



For Period Ending 31-Dec-2025

	CURRENT	CURRENT	VARIANCE \$	VARIANCE %
	YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET		
LIBRARY				
OPERATING REVENUES				
Grants Province	0.00	(24,190.00)	(24,190.00)	0.00
West Grey Levy	0.00	(616,202.00)	(616,202.00)	0.00
Prov Revenue - Connectivity	0.00	(800.00)	(800.00)	0.00
Library Revenue	0.00	(1,250.00)	(1,250.00)	0.00
Service Fees Revenue	0.00	(1,250.00)	(1,250.00)	0.00
Total OPERATING REVENUES	0.00	(643,692.00)	(643,692.00)	0.00
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Wages	25,966.19	395,303.00	369,336.81	6.57
Benefits	9,731.26	80,509.00	70,777.74	12.09
Office Supplies	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Volunteer Recognition	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
General Memberships	0.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
Advertising	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Building Maintenance	0.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
Mileage/Courier	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Copier Lease	0.00	2,100.00	2,100.00	0.00
Program Development	0.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	0.00
ILLO Expense	0.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
E-Resources	0.00	13,000.00	13,000.00	0.00
KOHA Support	0.00	5,200.00	5,200.00	0.00
IT Support	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Hardware	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Software	0.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	0.00
Book Processing Fee	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Books	0.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
Collections	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Conference/Training	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
Security	107.40	1,560.00	1,452.60	6.88
Library Board	0.00	20,520.00	20,520.00	0.00
Total OPERATING EXPENSES	35,804.85	596,892.00	561,087.15	6.00
BRANCH EXPENSES				
NEUSTADT BRANCH EXPENSES	151.28	9,310.00	9,158.72	1.62
NORMANBY BRANCH EXPENSES	152.63	9,140.00	8,987.37	1.67
DURHAM BRANCH EXPENSES	630.81	28,350.00	27,719.19	2.23
Total BRANCH EXPENSES	934.72	46,800.00	45,865.28	2.00
Total LIBRARY	36,739.57	0.00	(36,739.57)	0.00

Staff Report

Report To: Council
Report From: Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer
Meeting Date: January 14, 2025
Subject: 2025 Budget

Recommendations:

THAT in consideration of staff report '2025 Budget', Council receives the report for information purposes.

Highlights:

- The 2025 West Grey budget maintains existing service levels, advocates for rural health care, plans for growth and commits funding for infrastructure.
- Estimated blended total tax increase (including municipal, county and education) is 8.6 percent.

Climate and Environmental Implications:

None.

Previous Report/Authority:

None.

Analysis:

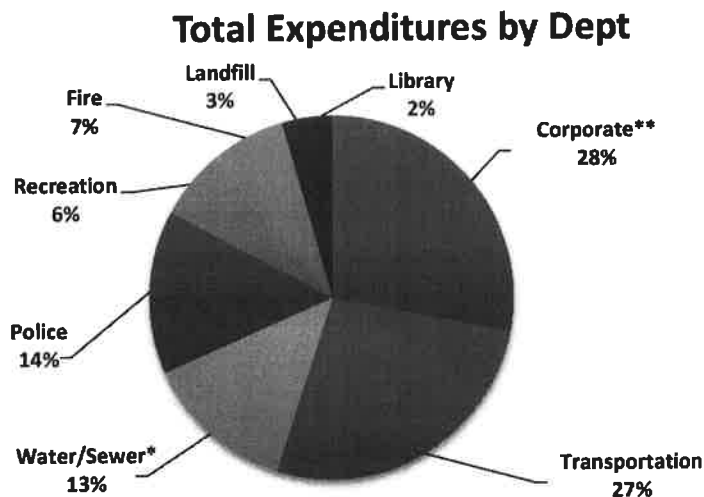
Council deliberated the 2025 budget during special council meetings held October 22, November 12, and December 10, 2024. The budget outlines the Municipality's commitment to balance the costs of providing services while ensuring long-term fiscal responsibility. The 2025 budget will focus on maintaining existing service levels, continuing to advocate for rural health care in our municipality, focus on strategic priorities, plan for growth and remain committed to funding our infrastructure.

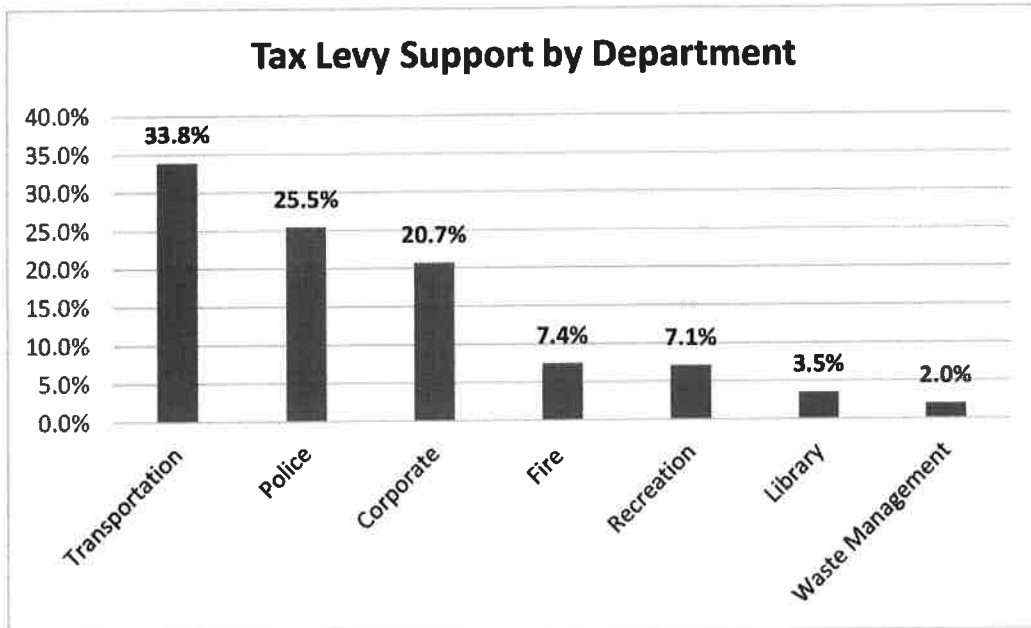
The BMA Municipal Study for 2024 ranks West Grey local taxes for the average residential home as “low” in comparison to other municipalities with populations less than 15,000. Within Grey County, West Grey property taxes rank 3rd lowest out the nine lower tier municipalities. When you consider the property tax burden as a percentage of average household income, West Grey ranks as the 4th lowest out of the nine Grey County municipalities and is considered in the “mid” range.

The 2025 operating budget represents a tax levy increase of 9.9 percent and incorporates various inflationary pressures, such as contracts, wages and benefits, insurance, legal, financing charges, etc. The 2025 capital budget represents a 1.5 percent tax levy increase. The capital budget includes completion of the new police station, a new pumper fire truck for the Durham station, replacement of Bridge 44 on the Northline in Glenelg, diesel exhaust removal systems for the Neustadt and Ayton fire stations and a new plow truck for the Bentinck public works depot.

Total Expenditures by Department

	2025	2024
Corporate	28.1%	26.3%
Transportation	26.9%	24.1%
Police	14.5%	17.4%
Water/Sewer*	13.4%	15.6%
Recreation	5.9%	6.1%
Fire	6.9%	4.7%
Waste Management	2.5%	4.0%
Library	1.9%	2.0%

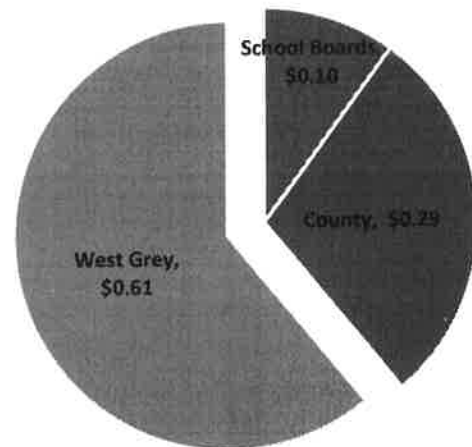




For every \$1 in residential taxes

West Grey uses that \$0.61 as follows:

Transportation	\$0.21
Police	\$0.16
Council/Admin/Corporate	\$0.11
Fire	\$0.04
Recreation	\$0.04
Other Protection	\$0.02
Library	\$0.02
Waste Management	<u>\$0.01</u>
Total	<u>\$0.61</u>



Financial Implications:

The 2025 West Grey budget represents a tax levy increase of 9.9 percent operating and 1.5 capital for a total local increase of 11.4 percent. When combined with the estimated upper tier (Grey County) and the education tax rates the total tax increase is projected to be 8.6 percent. Based on an average residential assessment of \$250,000 this would result in an estimated increase of approximately \$25 per month, or just under \$300 for the year.

On a per \$100,000 of residential assessment the increase is estimated to be \$10 per month or \$120 for the year.

Communication Plan:

Information will be provided on the website and in the property tax insert.

Consultation:

All departments.

Attachments:

None.

Recommended by:

Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer

Submission approved by:

Michele Harris, Chief Administrative Officer

For more information on this report, please contact Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer at kmighton@westgrey.com or 519-369-2200 ext. 223.

Strategic Planning Services from the OLS

1 message

Steven Kraus <skraus@olservice.ca>
To: Kim Storz <kim@westgreylibrary.com>

Fri, Jan 24, 2025 at 4:18 PM

Hi Kim,

A pleasure to speak with you this afternoon regarding strategic planning for 2025 for the West Grey Public Library.

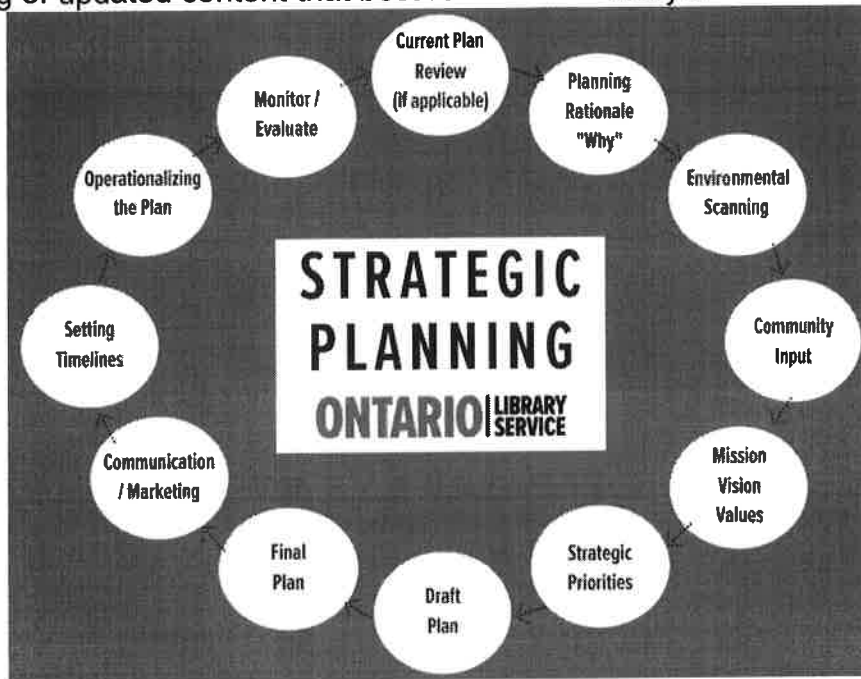
Please share the following details with the Public Library Board, to assist in their decision making around strategic planning.

In summary:

- a) Services from the OLS - You can find out all about our project scope and requirements here <https://www.olservice.ca/consulting-training/consulting/planning> , based on your 2021 Census population of 13,131, your library is eligible for "free" services for Strategic Planning, with a few exceptions, regarding multiple in-person work sessions, as described via the package linked above.
- b) In terms of the delivery of our support, we will happily provide a hybrid of Virtual Session(s) and live in-person sessions as part of this project roll out. We'll be illustrating all those details in the form of a work contract that will have all the details, work elements and timelines all set out to be agreed to by all parties pre-project start to ensure everyone is on the same page.
- c) Based on our current availability, we can offer a late **May - June 2025** project start date, for your consideration.
- d) Our process emphasizes a highly customized approach to planning. We want to ensure the results are tailored to your unique community and reflect realistic, current and reasonable expectations and goal setting. We will emphasize being timely, budget conscious and staff focused throughout the development of your plan with us.
- e) We recommend that the planning committee be comprised of both Board, CEO and library staff to ensure that a very comprehensive result is achieved. The selection of who will be present in that group is at your discretion. We'll take note at the beginning of the project to tailor our best results.
- f) As part of our development process and package, our Consulting Team will assist you in crafting and setting up a targeted user survey for the project to ensure valuable and pertinent data is available to best inform your strategic goals. This component is also free of charge. We will recommend that this type of data gathering occurs before the start of the planning process to ensure results are available in a timely fashion.
- g) As part of our pre-work process, the Consultant assigned to your project will ask for any historic documents like previous plans, recent reports or studies the library may have conducted within the past 5 years for reference and context setting. This review will give us a

better perspective of your library in your community and assist with identifying any transitional elements that may influence the direction of

- h) Below is a scope of the overall project work we'll support and facilitate, each bubble representing key modules of work, each will have a learning, hands on work and theoretical understanding element. This will allow for a thorough exploration of each topic, and the crafting of updated content that best reflects the library's current state and future vision:



- i) As a first step in the process, a general orientation session and learning session about the strategic planning elements will be conducted with the working group. This will ensure everyone has sufficient general knowledge on the topics covered and will have an opportunity to ask any clarifying questions specific to public library strategic planning techniques and best practices.
- j) As illustrated above in our guiding diagram, within each module there will be a variety of self-directed, collaborative and teamwork exercises that we'll inform on and conduct with you as part of the process. Think of it as participatory homework ... the exercises are designed to help streamline thoughts, directions and results. We will use every aspect of the work we do together to blend it all together to form a powerful and cohesive plan which best represents your community and library.
- k) As part of the final planning element, the OLS Consultant will supply the Committee with a full summary document of all the pieces designed and constructed together as part of the process. This summary document can then be handed over for graphic design. Unfortunately, this isn't a service the OLS can offer as part of our support package.
- l) Last but not least, once the project is complete, the OLS Consultant will work with the Library CEO to establish a matrix for tracking the elements established in the new strategic plan, and advise on the creation of realistic, timely and efficient performance measures to reflect the content of the plan. This is the final element of our work for a full service, facilitation of the strategic planning cycle project.

If you have any additional questions, concerns or need for additional information as you examine our information and the elements noted above, please don't hesitate to reach out.

We thank you for considering us as your guides to your next strategic planning process.

WGPL Usage Statistics

CIRCULATION STATISTICS

2024	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total	
													2023	2024
AYT	252	255	166	232	212	139	169	203	213	191	216	160	2,305	2,408
DUR	3,459	2,683	2,985	3,604	2,908	2,862	3,570	3,174	2,992	3,054	2,594	1,776	36,343	35,661
NEU	340	258	245	189	220	240	442	370	269	272	179	140	4,286	3,164

VISITS STATISTICS

2024	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total	
													2023	2024
AYT	81	93	96	162	74	83	122	101	81	89	87	59	1,163	1,128
DUR	1,686	1,513	1,686	1,733	1,765	1,596	2,077	1,687	1,712	1,976	1,708	946	18,667	20,085
NEU	94	86	110	81	103	93	111	140	121	135	115	55	1,255	1,244

NEW CARDS

2024	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total	
													2023	2024
AYT	2	4	1	7	-	3	8	2	1	-	1	-	32	29
DUR	32	36	34	30	31	31	42	42	25	32	34	11	376	380
NEU	3	3	6	1	4	2	3	5	3	4	3	2	36	39

COMPUTER USAGE

2024	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total	
													2023	2024
AYT	6	11	7	12					5	7	5	2	76	55
DUR	67	68	126	109	113	89	217	107	150	173	150	70	1,089	1,439
NEU	1	1	-	-	-	-	3	1	1	2	1	1	28	11

WIFI USAGE

2024	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total	
													2023	2024
AYT	7	6	6	13	13	8	10	6	3	4	10	4	161	90
DUR	94	117	197	169	170	153	200	182	153	218	185	78	1,502	1,916
NEU	4	1	6	-	11	5	3	8	16	9	4	4	53	71

E-RESOURCES STATISTICS

2024	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total	
													2023	2024
FACEBOOK FOLLOWERS	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,025	1,066	1,071	1,071	1,083	1,106	1,114	1,121	1,122	858	1,122
INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS	643	651	660	666	678	684	688	694	696	704	709	718	607	718
KANOPY VISITS	1,858	1,273	1,217	1,240	1,552	1,244	1,002	872	1,087	918	1,105	938	10,900	14,306
WEBSITE VIEWS	4,345	3,008	2,455	2,168	1,921	2,267	1,930	1,854	2,000	2,250	1,703	961	26,711	26,862
DIGITAL NEWSPAPER	-	-	-	-	202	205	182	228	232	229	397	144	3,990	1,819
NEWSLETTER - ADULT	1162	1162	1167	1,179	1,186	1,182	1,196	1,199	1,217	1,218	1,225	1,231	-	14,324
NEWSLETTER - GENERAL	1115	1115	1121	1,136	1,144	1,145	1,162	1,167	1,186	1,191	1,201	1,206	-	13,889
NEWSLETTER - YOUTH	1113	1113	1115	1,127	1,131	1,024	1,144	1,147	1,157	1,159	1,164	1,166	-	13,560

LIBBY CIRCULATION STATISTICS

2024	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total	
													2023	2024
E-BOOKS	725	761	714	893	1,040	755	1,051	1,065	659	749	1,031	1,129	7,337	10,572
E-AUDIOBOOKS	656	608	632	692	713	704	719	683	1,079	999	806	635	6,945	8,926
NEW MEMBERS	21	14	13	9	11	12	16	12	6	6	10	11	121	141

WEST GREY PUBLIC LIBRARY 2024



22,457

Total Branch Visits



60,731

Physical Items Checked Out



447

New Library Members



26,862

Website Visits



10,572

Digital Items Checked Out



1,495

Public Computer Sessions

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- **1600** Library Scavenger Hunt participants
- **500** Grab & Go craft bags (kids) and **300** Take & Make kits (adults) provided, with thanks to the Friends of the Library
- **150** attendees: Summer Reading Kick-Off Animal Show
- **3rd year** of Biindigin - Indigenous Cultural program
- **61** adult program topics, from tech help to repair cafe

FUNDRAISING

- Friends of the Library **Book Sales**
- **Trivia Nights** in Ayton, Durham and Neustadt
- **Jigsaw Puzzle Contests**
- Innovative fundraising partnership with Marathon of History Magazine (**Historian In-Residence**)

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- **600** Touch-a-Truck attendees; event partnership with EarlyOn
- Interacting with **775** kids and **857** adults at community events: Frazzlefest, Fall Fairs, Ayton Community Carnival, Neustadt Markt, local craft shows, and more.

PARTNERSHIPS & OTHER

- Income Tax Help: **71** returns, **\$211,784** in benefits received by participating individuals
- **For the Love of Reading:** Literary fair with all-local writing talent
- Private & non-profit **Literacy Tutors**
- **Grey Bruce Health Services** Mental Health Walk-In Clinic