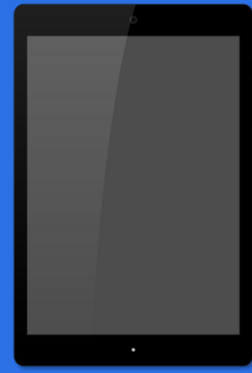
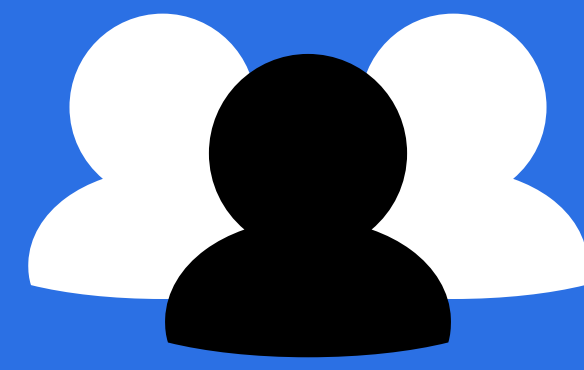


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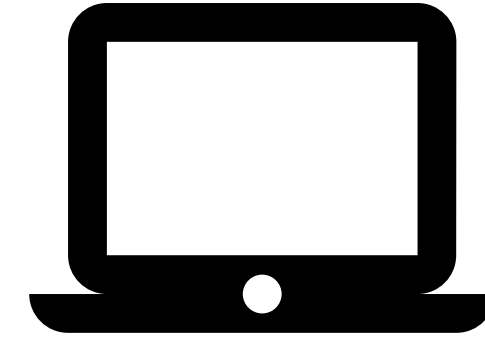
active card holders in
our legal service area of 16580 citizens in the
City of Wahpeton and Richland County ND and
reciprocal patrons from Lake Agassiz Regional
Library-Breckenridge

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in-person and online
visits to the library



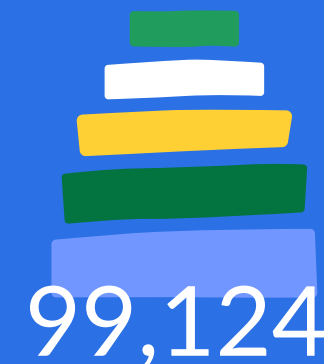
27354 physical items circulated
13847 electronic items circulated
1272 items shared between libraries



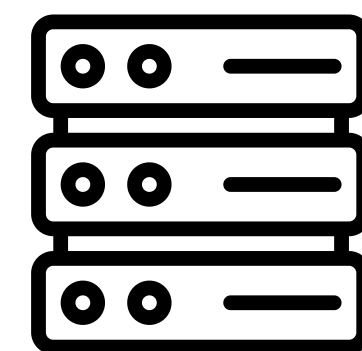
1680 total internet/computer
users
21667 WIFI sessions provided
16932 website visits



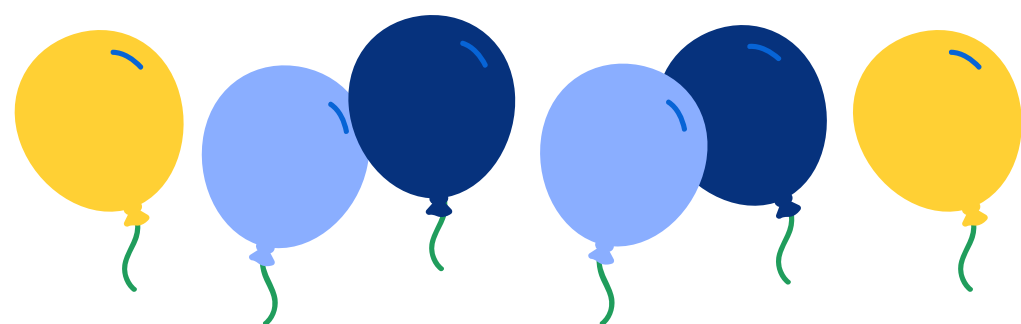
\$22925 received in very gracious gifts
and grants
\$4272 collected in fees and fines



99,124
Total number of physical and electronic items
in the Library's Collection
1336 new items added in 2022
118 items marked lost or missing



608
retrievals of electronic information
from the Online Library Resources
including Ancestry.com, Univeral Class,
Tumblebooks, Bookflix, and many others



1830
citizens attended in-person, virtual/
online and Outreach programs like Storytimes,
Author Visits, Performances,
Summer Reading Program, Craft sessions
STEM and STEAM classes



gave generously of their time and funding.
Projects supported by the Friends in
2022 include:
Newspaper digitization, Storywalk project
Chocolate Day and Book Sale
Grant writing for projects



Mission Statement

The Leach Public Library supports and fosters literacy and life-long learning by providing resources and services to meet the informational, recreational, and cultural needs of our community.

Vision

The Leach Public Library aspires to be a welcoming space within our community, where communication, connection, and diversity flourish.

Library Staff

Melissa Bakken, Director
Rachel Kercher, Youth Services Librarian
Sandra Willson, Library Clerk
Nicole Bigwood, Library Clerk

2022 Year in Review

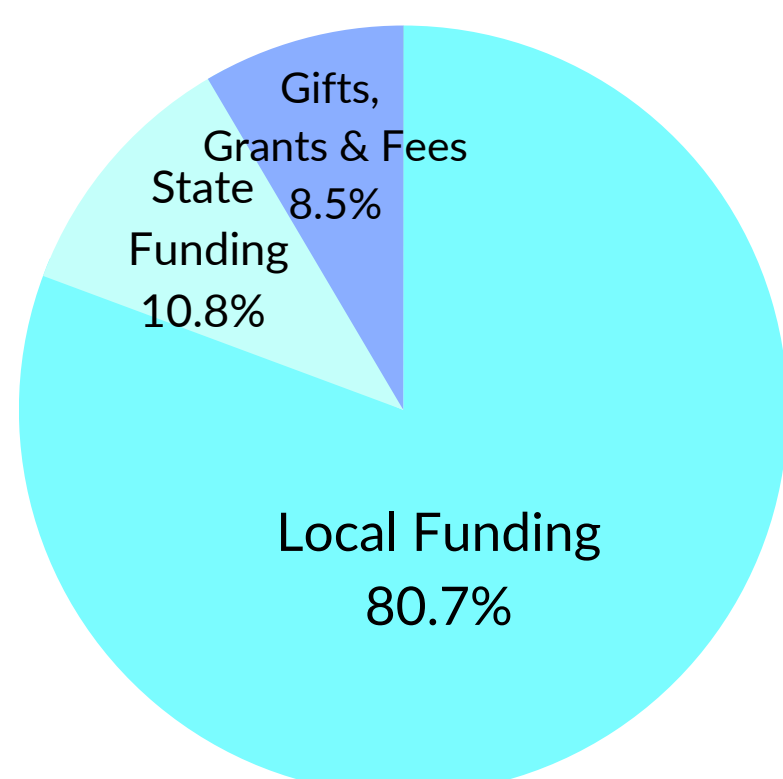
A gift from Orrin and Cora Leach in 1924, the Leach Public Library has stood the test of time, still serving the community in its original building. While listed on the National Registry of Historic Places, the library is in overall great condition, with only a few items on the repair list, including light masonry repair, and front step repair.

The Leach Public Library continues to be a vital source for the citizens of Wahpeton and Richland County to connect with over 99,124 items to enrich, entertain and educate people of all ages. In addition to the always popular traditional book collections, the library also offers audiobooks, movies, music, e-books, STEM kits, programming for all ages and so much more!

Revenue

- Local - \$282,264.18
- State - \$37,944.13
- Gifts, Grants & Fees - \$29,685.12

Total: 349,893.23



Expenditures

- Salaries & Benefits - \$187,265.00
- Collection - \$33,763.00
- Operating - \$61,390

Total: \$282,418.00

