

# Annual Report 2017-2018



Montgomery - Floyd Regional Library  
*One stop, unlimited possibilities*

## More Children Reading

Our Fine Free Kids initiative waives fines on children's cards if they read a book, and we have ended new fines on children's books. Over 300 kids are able to check out books again, and parents are bringing them in for more.



## Family READS

promotes early literacy for kids from families with limited English skills, while helping parents gain the language skills needed to support their children's success in school. In partnership with LVNVRV, with funding from a grant from ALA and Dollar General Literacy Foundation.



## Easy Book Neighborhoods

To make finding the books they want easier for our youngest patrons, we installed new face-out shelving at Blacksburg Library, and moved the picture books into subject-based sections for easy browsing.



## 2017-2018 Outputs

Items checked out	672,417
Visits	395,860
Computer use	41,855
Programs	1,477
Program attendance	27,033
Community room use	2,493
Website hits	421,602
Database use	87,783
Card holders	42,037
Total collection	217,814

## Christiansburg Library

- **Music on the Lawn** series drew twice as many people as 2016.
- Partnered with Montgomery County Animal Care and Adoption Center to present **Caturday**, where children can read to adoptable shelter cats. This program won a 2017 VaCo Award.
- Hosted monthly free **STI Testing and Counseling** in partnership with the Virginia Department of Health.
- Sponsored the reopening celebration of **Christiansburg Institute Smokehouse Museum**.
- Met over 1,200 patrons at our **Pop-up Library** at Christiansburg Farmers Market, Kiwanis Wilderness Trail Festival, and NAACP Juneteenth.

## Jessie Peterman Library

- **Floyd Moves It!** fitness program for seniors in its second year.
- Partnered with Floyd County Public Schools for **Crazy 8's** math program and **New Teacher Orientation**.
- Established **Miss Jessie's Gallery** to present local artists' work, in honor of Jessie Peterman.
- Hosted the premiere of **Front Porch to the Front Lines**, a DVD of oral histories that preserves the stories of Floyd's WWII generation.
- Monthly outreach to **Head Start** and **Skyline Manor**.

## Blacksburg Library

- New **World Languages** section to serve children and adults of Blacksburg's diverse community.
- Hosted **Teetotalers and Moonshiners, Prohibition in Virginia, Distilled**: a Library of Virginia Exhibition and related talk with local author **Clyde Kessler**.
- Hosted author talk with **Dr. Grace Toney Edwards** on the fiction of Emma Bell Miles.
- **Mill Mountain Zoo** visited with 100 people attending.
- Partnered with Friends of the Library to bring author **Sharyn McCrumb**.
- Programs and activities as Blacksburg **Sustainability Week** partner.

## Meadowbrook Public Library

- Initiated **Shawsville Middle School Outreach** to increase cooperation and support of their mission. Over a dozen cooperative events including library **Amazing Race** and **Trout Release in Spring Branch** event.
- **Trunk or Treat** attendance of 418.
- **Honoring our Veterans** program in cooperation with local VFW.
- **Annual Fall Harvest** Festival brings out the community more each year.
- Over 600 items were collected for **Salem Veterans Hospital**.