



Patron Visits

14,708

Programs

285 Programs 5,478 ↑ Attendees

Did you know:

- Summer programs help prevent “summer slide” and prepare kids for the next school year
- The library hosts big screen movies, craft nights, and more for adults and seniors, for free!

Circulation

Physical 18,876 Digital 10,000 ↑

Amount Saved

\$506,691 \$34,615



- West Branch and rural Cedar County residents can get access to FREE ebooks, digital audiobooks (like Audible, only free), and digital magazines
- We set a new record for audiobook downloads this year!



\$245

The average library user saved \$245 this year by using the library instead of buying media themselves.

Collection

Physical items		Digital items	
923	269	16,982 ↑	152,874

295 ↑

Questions Answered

Including research, book/movie recommendations, technology help



- WBPL has two librarians with Master’s degrees who are certified by the State
- We have specialized training and undergo continuing education
- We offer notary and faxing services to help with official forms



Computer Use

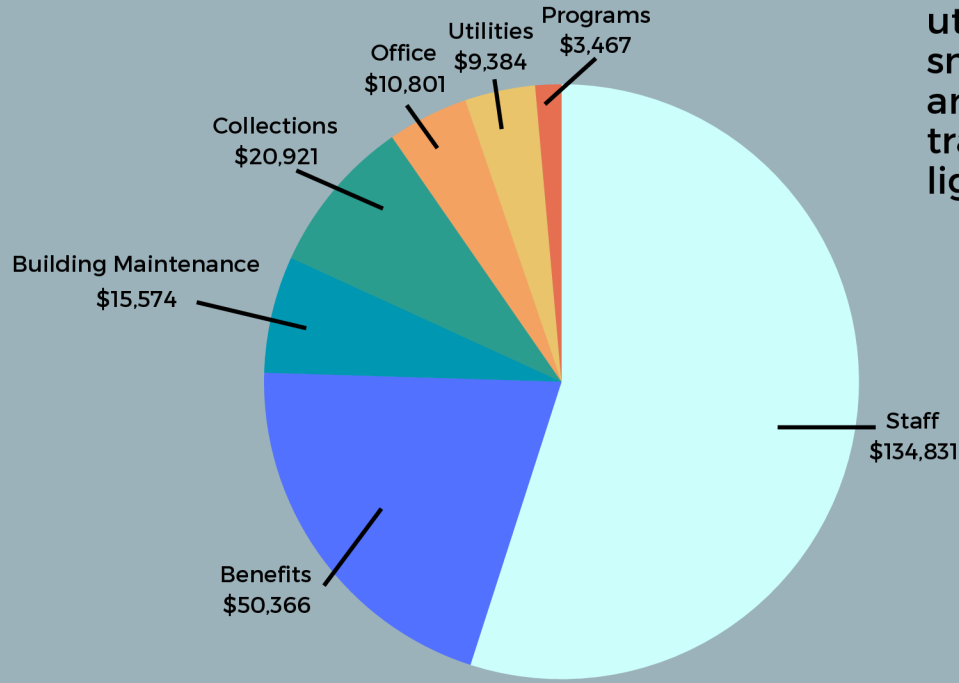
2,776 sessions ↑

Wifi Use

1,851 sessions

- Library computers have high speed internet, cameras, and mics
- Residents use our computers to apply for jobs, file paperwork, and attend digital meetings on Zoom
- Our wifi is on 24/7 and reaches all the way to our parking lot

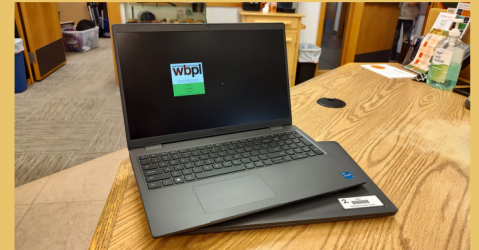
Expenditures



- We've saved on utilities by installing smart thermostats and beginning to transition to LED lighting

- Office: technology, office equipment, postage, office supplies
- Collections: books, DVDs, games, digital books, audiobooks, digital video

Condition of the Library



Recent projects:

- Finished outdoor spaces
- Replaced memorial gazebo with picnic table and planters
- Filled sinkhole
- New patron laptops
- Updated fire alarm system

Upcoming projects:

- Fix drainage around library to improve safety
- Platforms for picnic tables
- Update security camera system
- Repair east side sidewalks
- Interior painting
- Replace 2 patron computers



Staff

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