

JOSEPH T. SIMPSON PUBLIC LIBRARY

2019 ANNUAL REPORT



**LIFELONG LEARNING.
COMMUNITY.
SERVICE.
ACCESS.**



Message from the Executive Director

Our 2019 Annual Report provides only a small picture of the many library programs, services, and activities that occur at the Joseph T. Simpson Public Library every day. Our work is made possible through the support of:

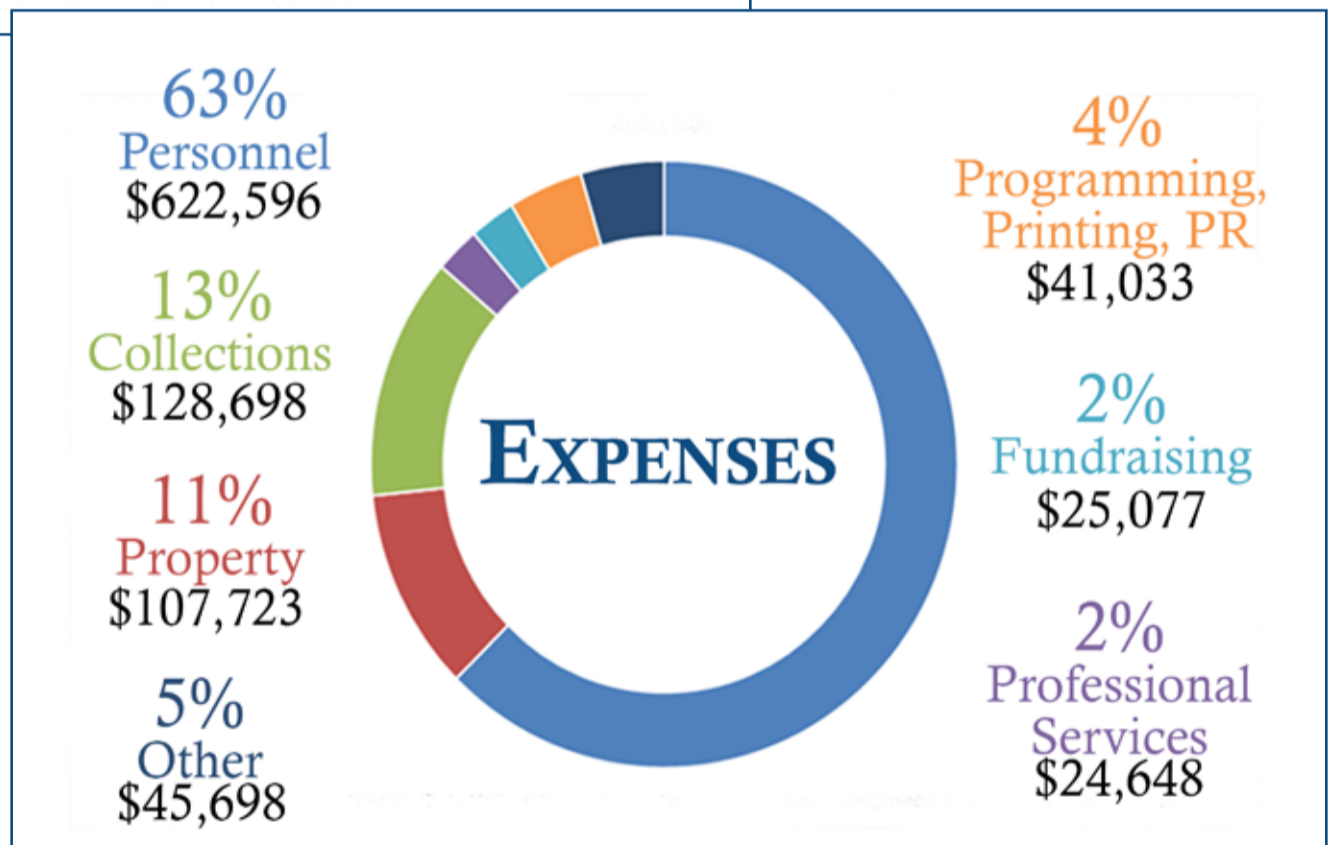
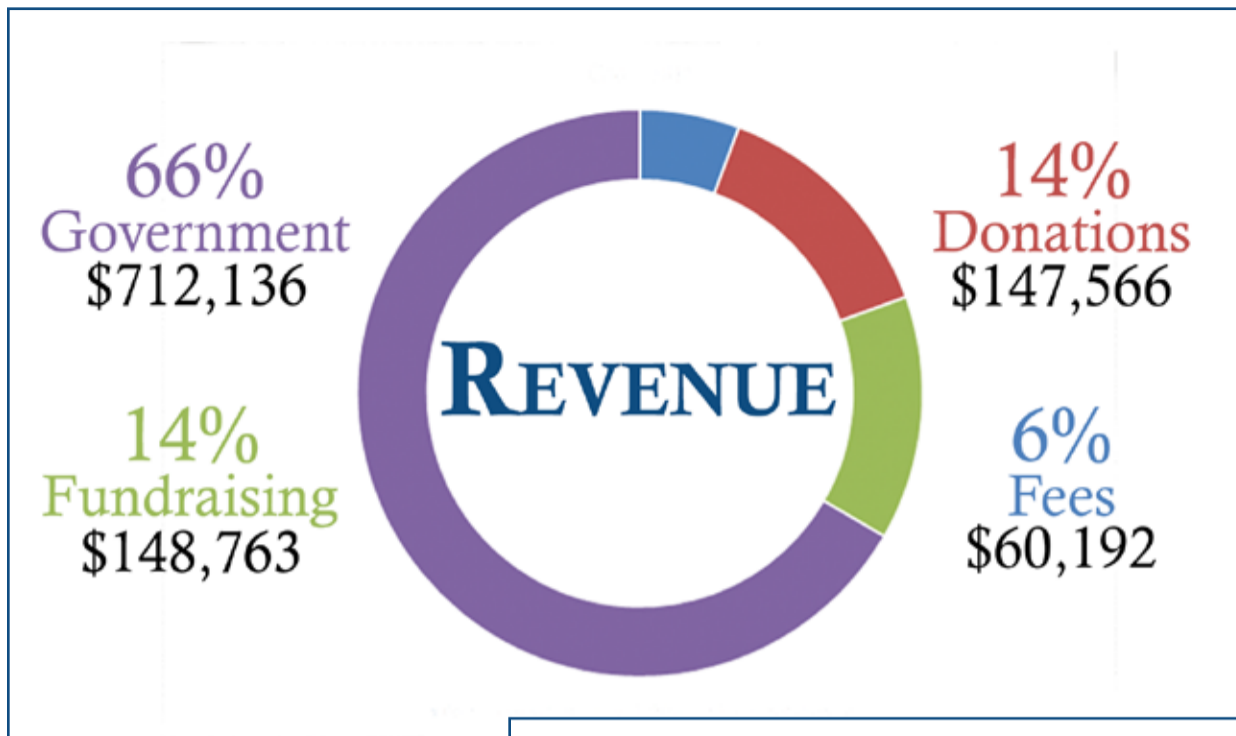
- Elected officials, businesses, organizations, and individuals who provide financial support;
- Employees dedicated to serving the public;
- Volunteers who work in the library, contributing nearly 4,000 hours in 2019;
- Members of the library board, Friends of the Library board members, and members of the Friends group; and
- Customers who use our resources and services, whether in person, over the phone, or digitally.

Working together, we are able to focus on our mission as a community center for learning and leisure. Thank you for the role you play in our success.

Sincerely,
Sue Erdman, Executive Director



FINANCIAL INFORMATION



OUR MISSION

Joseph T. Simpson Public Library is a community center for learning and leisure.

OUR VISION

Simpson Public Library is a dynamic community asset that inspires lifelong learning, advances literacy, and connects people with resources for knowledge, discovery, and enrichment.

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of Nonprofit Organizations (PANO)



NUMBERS OF NOTE

524,772 ITEMS CHECKED OUT

162,498 MEDIA

152,454 CHILDREN'S BOOKS

138,287 ADULT BOOKS

52,325 DOWNLOADS

3,171 MAGAZINES

409 MOBILE HOTSPOTS

I know we have access to a variety of information in different formats all for free.
-Karen C.

I come to the library 5 or 6 days a week...I use the computers, read newspapers [and] magazines, check out books.
-Kurt K

CARDHOLDERS IN 2019

26,520
Total Cardholders

1,908
New in 2019

26,520 LIBRARY VISITS



Every time I visit, the parking lot is busy and teenagers, elders, babies, young people are inside.
-Nancy A.

The library has a treasure of dvds and your favorite TV series from the past. I use the library as often as I can, I never get bored there!
-Lenny & Mary Z

A library is always important in every town, small or large. Your services are certainly comprehensive, and your volunteers are wonderful!
-Patricia G.

INTERNET ACCESS

21,980
Public Computer Sessions



12,810
Wireless Internet Sessions



My children love it! We try to go at least once a week.
-Tara T

The library is a great place for activities, classes, craft projects...I of course love the access to books.
-Kristin C.

PROGRAMS AND ATTENDANCE

60,207 Program Participants

3,485 Programs Offered

1,436 Summer Learning Participants