

Garfield County Libraries 2012 Annual Report



Mission

We are passionate about making a difference in our community, one person at a time, by enriching lives and empowering people through relevant, accessible, high-quality library services.

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District Message



Amelia Shelley & Nella Barker

Your local libraries continued to grow through 2012, including opening new facilities in New Castle and Silt. People are visiting both these locations more than ever before and checking out significantly more books and materials. So far we

have received positive reviews all around! Both libraries have expanded spaces, meeting and study rooms, with special areas for adults, teens, and kids. We also began work on new libraries in Carbondale and Glenwood Springs which are set to open in 2013.

Our other branch libraries also saw growth in use, and we answered the demand with increased programming and adjusting hours so every other town had a library open late Monday through Thursday. Our staff levels and hours stayed steady, despite the continued impact of a state sales tax refund on our operating budget through 2012.

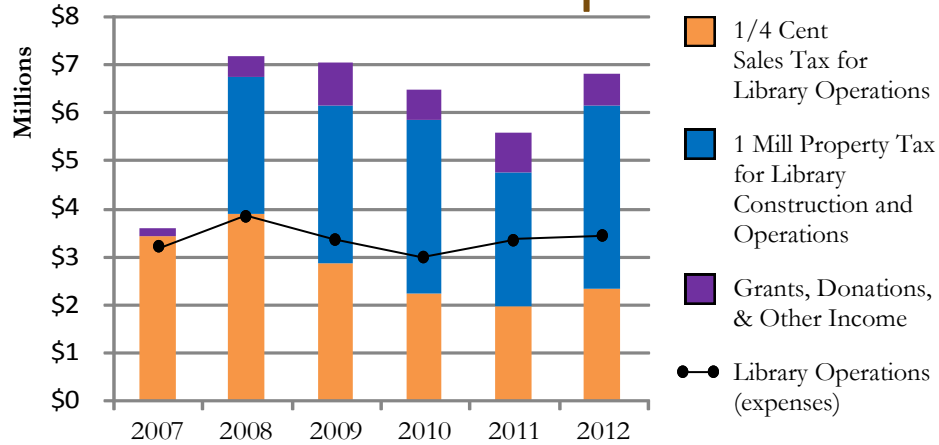
The Garfield County Board of Commissioners helped offset this deficit with another grant of \$247,500 and we continue to be grateful for their support. We were able to garner a number of grants and donations that helped us as well, and we appreciate that support.

Statistical Summary

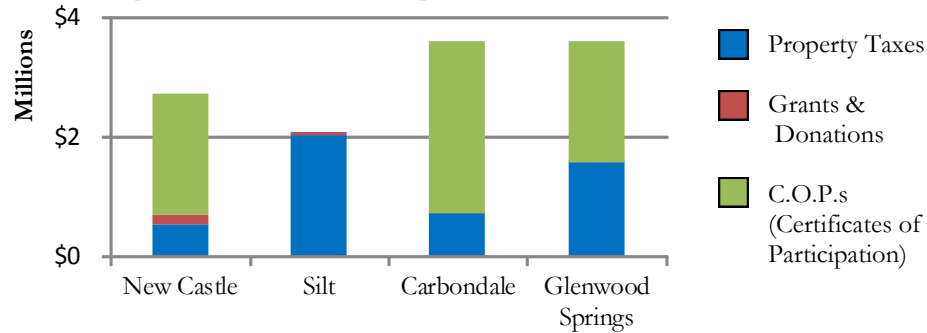
Number of Branches	6
Number of Staff	61
Board of Trustees	7
County Population	56,270
Registered Borrowers	38,088
Annual Visitors	573,665
Circulation of Materials	634,568
Reference Questions	100,497
Programs Held	1,292
Materials Added	30,456
Total Collection	184,064

Financials

Income & Expenses



Costs of Construction



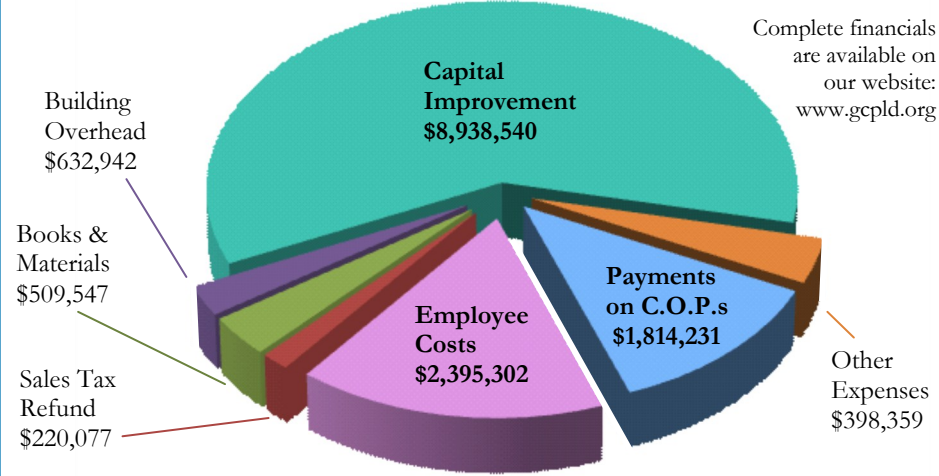
In 2012 we continued to see an expansion of our e-book lending in Overdrive and also our inter-library borrowing through Marmot and Prospector. All three of these services saw a double-digit increase. We began focusing on our "virtual" library services this year with a goal of making as many of our services as possible available online. We believe that we are the best place in our communities for people to learn something new, and we hope to reach out to every person in every community to learn what matters most to them and how we can help.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope to see you at the library soon!

-Amelia Shelley, Executive Director & Nella Barker, Board Chair

Thank You 2012 Donors

2012 Expenditures



Complete financials are available on our website: www.gcpld.org

- Adolph Coors Foundation
- Alpine Bank
- Nella Barker and Greg Valunas
- Anschutz Family Foundation
- Antero Resources
- Aspen Community Foundation
- Bill and Barbara Barnes
- John and Carol Bates
- B&H General Contractors
- Bessie Minor Charitable Trust
- BKS Family Foundation
- Coy and Mary Bretthorst
- John Brooks
- Colorado Governor's Energy Office
- Colorado Mountain College

- Colorado Special Districts
- Colorado State Library
- Sue Edelstein and Bill Spence
- Margot Eicher
- Encana Energy, Inc.
- Friends of the Garfield County Libraries
- FRs for Less
- Grand River Hospital District
- HP Geotech
- Hogback Pizza
- Holy Cross Energy Foundation
- Elissa Hutchinson
- Karen Lucas, CPA, Inc.
- Kathryn E. Williams Advised Fund
- Stan and Judy Kiser

- Library Services and Technology Act
- Mary Ann Ligon
- Kathleen Molitor
- National Endowment of the Arts
- New Castle Veterinary Clinic
- Ann and David Nicholson
- Jitter and Patricia Nolen
- John and Janet Parsons
- Peter Guy Family
- Pioneer Steel, Inc.
- Jayne and Bill Poss
- Hervey A. Priddy
- Daniel Quiat
- Rifle Community Foundation
- Sam Viersen Family Foundation

- Evelina and Michael Scott
- Shelley-Reuss Family
- Amy Shipley
- Jane Sutton Seglem
- Target
- Temple Hoyne Buell Foundation
- Walmart Foundation
- W. Paul Walton
- Wells Fargo Bank
- Larue Wentz
- Shirley and Eric Williams
- Wood Solutions
- Xcel Renewable Energy Trust
- Z. J. Kolber
- Dr. Ryan Zwelling

Food or Fines

February 2012

The Libraries again offered the Food for Fines program which brought in 4,407 food items & donated it all to Lift-Up.



April 2012

Lucky Day Books were introduced to get hot new titles into the hands of more people in Garfield County.

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February 2012

The libraries partnered with organizations around Garfield County for Read With Me Week for families with children 5 and under.



April 14, 2012

The New Castle Branch Grand Re-Opening!



May through August

The Rifle Branch hosted the traveling exhibit "Discover Earth" and held many nature and science events for all ages.



June & July
Over 3,600 people participated in Summer Reading!

Timeline

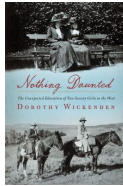


October 6, 2012

The Silt Branch held its Grand Opening!

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October 22, 2012
One Book, One Town in Carbondale brought in author Dorothy Wickenden to speak about her book, *Nothing Daunted*.



September 1, 2012

New operating hours were introduced to give easier access to libraries at night, Monday through Thursday!



October & November

The Silt Branch hosted a five-part course on the American Civil War.

October 2012

The 5th Element program began giving elementary students in RE-2 a chance to participate in fun and enriching activities on Fridays.

