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**NORTH KANSAS CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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# **Annual Report**

## **2016-2017**

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## Library Mission Statement

The North Kansas City Public Library is a welcoming doorway to a world of information. The Library promotes intellectual freedom, stimulation and curiosity for all with services that educate, enrich, entertain and inform. We connect our diverse community to relevant services and resources.

## Statement of Purpose

To be your welcoming doorway to a world of information. To provide an environment where the community can connect, explore, discover and grow.

# Programming

North Kansas City Public Library offers many programs and events throughout the year for individuals and families in our community. We offer weekly story-times, adult programs, and a wide-range of special programs for Library patrons of all ages. The following pages include highlights on a few of our programs and events.

## **New this year:**

### ❖ Common Threads Makerspace

May 2017 – Our new “mobile-for-the-moment” Makerspace first offered Sewing for Beginners followed by a series of Make-Your-Own sessions. The inaugural course provided participants with an overview of the sewing machine and sewing their own bookmark. Other projects included pillowcases, bags, wallets, aprons and more.

Opportunities will increase when a dedicated Makerspace area is completed within the next year. Eventually, offering instruction and materials to other textile-based skills, including knitting, crochet and other fabric arts, will be included in our offerings.

### ❖ Library Night @ the K

August 2017 – NKCPPL participated with other area libraries in this special event celebrating 2017 Summer Learning/Reading Program. KC Royals organization appropriated to local charities a portion of every ticket purchased for the KC Royals vs Seattle Mariners game.

## **Back by popular demand:**

### ❖ Veterans Day Celebration

November 2016 – NKCPPL hosted the third annual Veterans Day Celebration honoring those who have served our country. The event was held at Memorial Park and included opening remarks given by Mayor Stielow, posting the colors, positioning a wreath, special music and closing comments from Veteran Pamela Collins. Refreshments were served in the main lobby of the Library.

### ❖ Book Walk

May 2017 – The popular activity for children and families – a Book Walk – returned to the Library. The Book Walk consisted of pages from a children’s book attached to signs which were placed in the grassy area around the Library building and parking lot. The Book Walk was on display throughout our Summer Reading Program. The books posted were *Old MacDonald Had a Truck* by Steve Goetz and *There’s a Bear on my Chair* by Ross Collins.

# Summer Reading Program

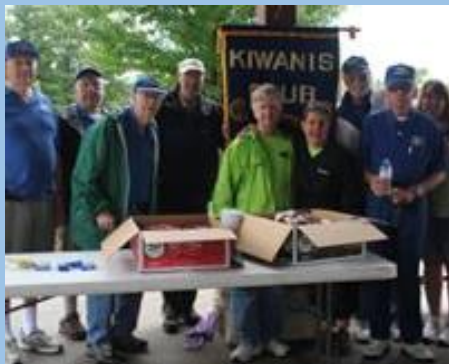
May 27 through August 5, 2017

## Children's Program ~ "Build a Better World"

- 304 children participants
- 186 daycare outreach participants
- ages 8 months -11 years
- 5,155 hours read
- 1,104 reading logs completed

Award Party ~ Macken Park

- 98 children attended
- 72 adults attended



*The rain won't stop us from having fun and enjoying the party!*

# Summer Reading Program

May 27 through August 5, 2017

## Young Adult Program ~ “Build a Better World”

- 65 young adult participates
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade to 11<sup>th</sup> grade
- 964 books read
- averaged 15 books per participant
- 143 reading logs completed
- 44 book prizes earned

Award Pizza Party @ NKCPL

- 12 young adults attended



## Adult Program ~ “Build a Better World”

- 209 adult participants
- 1,095 books read
- averaged 5 books per participant

## Lego Club

- ~ be creative
- ~ build your mind
- ~ build relationships
- ~ fun for all



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## Young Learners

- ~ meet throughout the school year
- ~ having fun while learning
- ~ Yes – I can do this!



# Fun Times and Special Visitors @ NKCP





# More Fun Times with NKC Fire Department & Sparky



## Four Star Library

North Kansas City Public Library received the  
***Library Journal Star Library Award***



- NKCPL received a Star Library Award for the seventh year in a row
- NKCPL ranked **15<sup>th</sup>** out of 1,443 in the \$400,000-\$999,999 expenditure range
- Rankings based on 2015 data for -
  - physical material circulation (168,972)
  - electronic material circulation (5,192)
  - library visits (193,187)
  - program attendance (8,567)
  - public computer internet and wireless usage (41,506)
- Six Libraries in Missouri received an America's Star Library ranking
- Total of 7,409 Libraries reviewed

## New Services This Year

The Library continues to enhance or increase the services and facilities for our community. This year enhancements included:

### ❖ OneClick Digital

OneClickdigital, an online service that allows patrons free access to more than 6,000 eAudiobooks and eBooks to checkout at home, in the library, or on the go. Included in this collection are best-sellers, Recorded Books exclusives, classics, selections for adults, children and young adults, and much more.

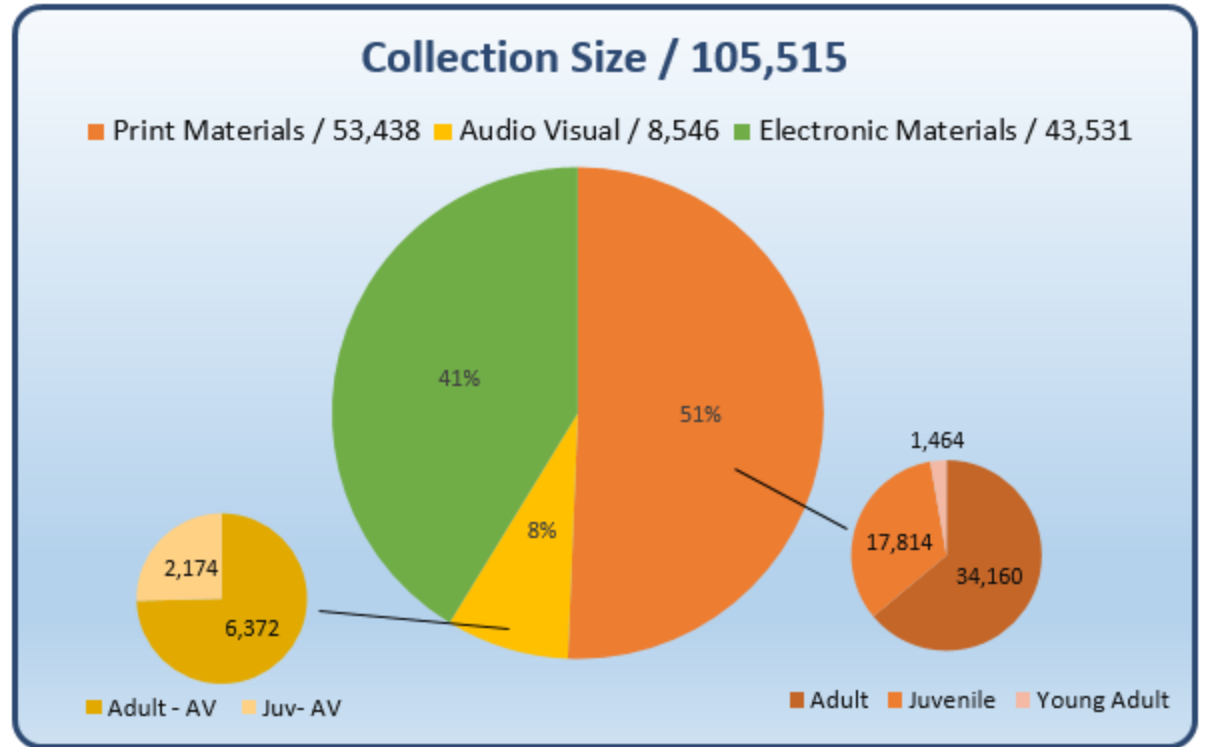
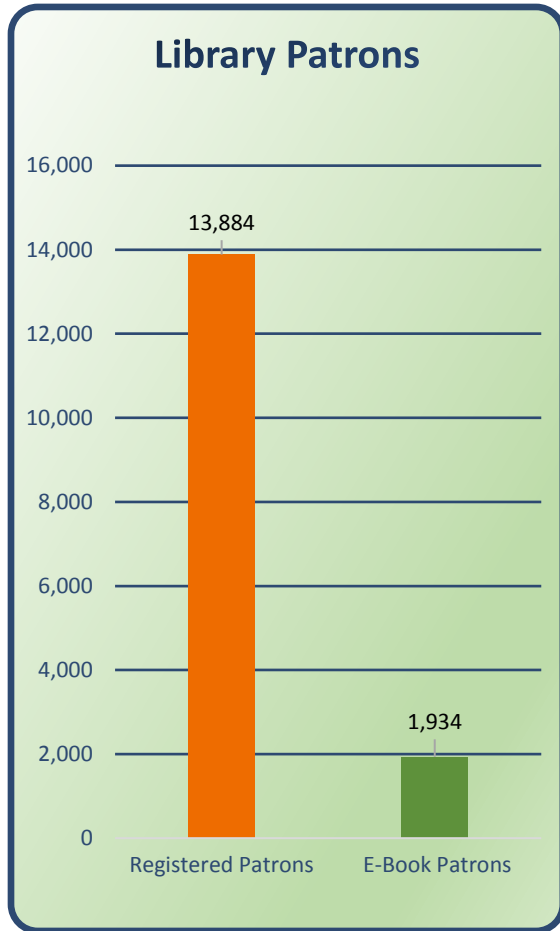
Many titles are multi-access so multiple users can check out a given title at the same time, eliminating holds. OneClickdigital is compatible with all popular listening devices, and mobile apps are available for the iPhone®, Android™, and Kindle Fire.

### ❖ Common Threads Makerspace

Noting the popularity of the Library's adult art and craft classes, creating a sewing-focused Makerspace has been a dream for several years. Thanks to the local NKC Rotary Club, Friends of the NKC Library and Missouri Association of Community Arts for their generous donations, we now have twelve sewing machines, yards and yards of fabric, thread and other notions needed to begin our "mobile-for-now" Makerspace.

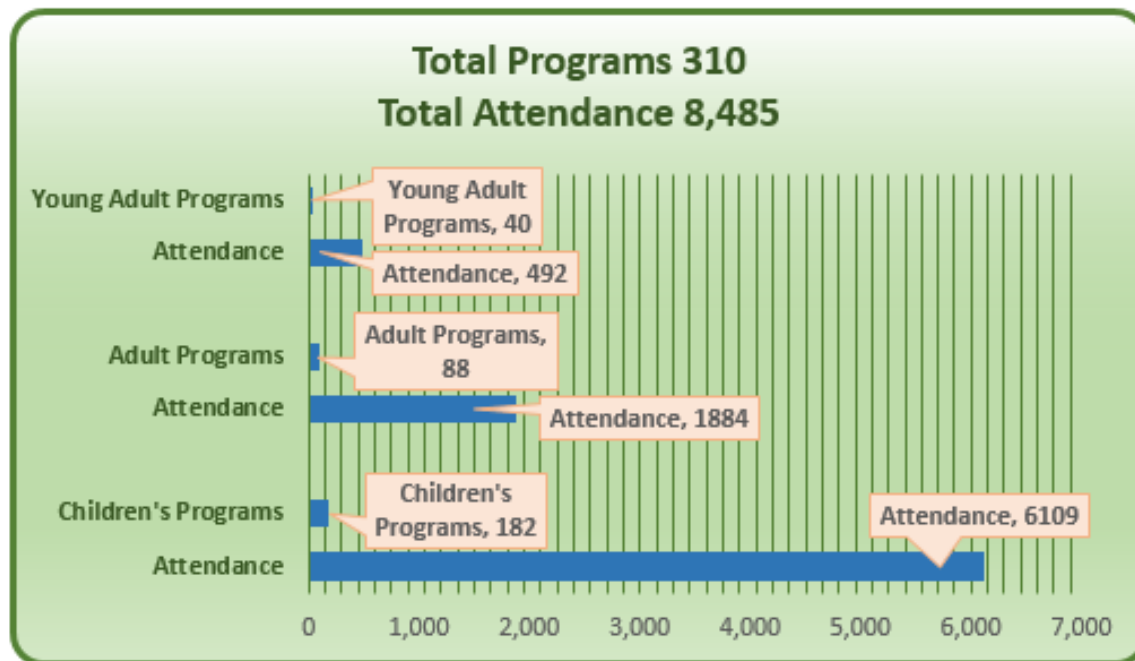
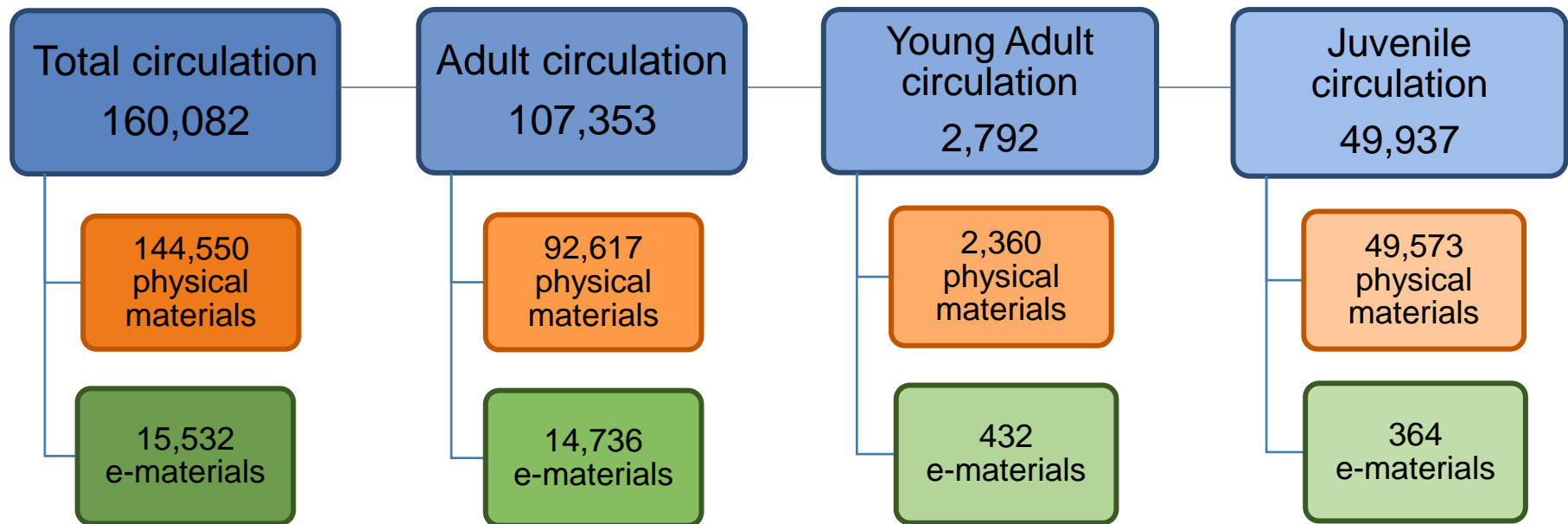


# Library Collection & Statistics



### Collection Expenditures

Print Materials	\$86,618
Audio Visual Materials	\$12,744
Periodical Subscriptions	\$2,716
Electronic Books / Databases	\$28,425



Computer Sessions = 42,084  
 Public computer sessions = 28,658  
 Wi-Fi sessions = 13,426

Annual number of visits = 148,527

Annual virtual visits = 167,325

Items loaned to other libraries = 24,425

Items borrowed from other libraries = 11,381

# Budget

Revenue	
Taxes	946,734
State Aid	5,105
Grants	3,905
Other	45,767
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>1,001,511</b>

Expenditures	
Salaries	540,184
Materials	136,719
Operations	300,526
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>977,429</b>

