MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

I came back to my hometown of Loveland Colorado in June 2017 to find a growing and thriving Loveland Public Library. I graduated from Loveland High School in the spring of 1987 and left for college in California that fall. In September 1987, a new Loveland Public Library building opened in the Civic Center, east of downtown. I grew up at the library on 6th and Cleveland, attending storytime as a child, participating in summer reading programs, finding homework help and resources through high school and just hanging out with my best friend during the summer, listening to books on cassette tape players and checking out a pile of books to read at home.

Loveland has changed a lot in the thirty years I've been gone. The population has more than doubled from 37,000 to over 76,000 today. The library has grown, too, through the expansion and renovation in 2011 and through offering a myriad of community programs, electronic resources and new technology that definitely wasn't part of my library experience growing up. Whether you’re coming to the library to attend a computer skills class, download the latest best seller on your e-reader, or use a 3D printer to create a prototype of your latest invention, the Loveland Library has evolved to meet the needs of the 21st century library user. And... we still have lots of books to inspire young minds, helpful staff to answer your questions, summer reading programs to keep kids engaged in learning when school's out and the best storytime around!

In 2018, we welcomed 401,000 library guests through our doors and checked out almost 700,000 items. 54,000 people attended programs like the ever popular nature series with Kevin Cook and Kathy Keeler, or dropped into a crafting class or book discussion group. Whatever reason you may have to visit the library, we hope you are informed, inspired and engaged.

Sincerely,
Diane Lapierre, Loveland Public Library Director

A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE LOVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

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FINANCIALS

Total Revenue: $4,529,169

2018 REVENUE

- City General Fund: $4,382,313
- Friends of the Library: $64,412
- Trusts & Donations: $63,369
- State Grant: $19,075

Total Expenditures: $4,344,088

The difference between total revenue and expenditures accounts for a savings to the City general fund.

2018 EXPENDITURES

- Salaries/Benefits: $2,470,203
- Administrative Expenses: $769,218
- Capital Projects: $466,000
- Operations: $238,085
- Library Materials: $207,451
- Electronic Resources: $113,719
- Programming: $79,412

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In the beginning of 2018, Loveland Public Library created a new strategic framework that aligns our work in three focus areas: Inform, Engage, and Inspire. We have also completed a feasibility study that has helped us make the case for a second library location to address the needs of a growing population and to bring library services to those who can’t make it to our downtown location. Throughout the year, we remained a vibrant and thriving community asset that brings people together to learn, explore, grow and connect.