Crown Point Community
LIBRARY
CROWN POINT • WINFIELD

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of the
Crown Point Library
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Sale*
$1.00 Per Item

2022 *Year In Review*

READ DISCOVER CONNECT

Mission

The Crown Point Community Library is a community center for lifelong discovery.

Vision

The Crown Point Community Library provides a community center for information and discovery through innovative programming, diverse collections, and responsive services in a safe and comfortable environment. The Library is a gathering place to read, discover, and connect. The Library is an integral component in creating a strong community.

Guiding Principles

Access -
The Library believes in the freedom to read, learn, and discover.

Collaboration -
The Library develops and nurtures partnerships to help build a better community.

Promote Literacy -
The Library recognizes the importance of reading as a critical tool for the successful lives of individuals of all ages.

Responsive - The Library listens and responds to the needs of the community it serves.

Service Excellence -
The Library staff offers quality service to all individuals that are helpful, courteous, respectful, and value diversity.

Innovation and Learning -
The library values continuous learning and invests in staff development and technology to meet current community needs and anticipate future needs.

FUN FACTS IN 2022

3,808 adults attended **399** programs

8,257 children attended **378** programs

370 teens attended **20** programs

Visitors logged in over **16,016** sessions on our computers and nearly **252,226** WiFi sessions

504 non-library groups reserved the meeting rooms
2,249 uses for the study rooms

We proctored **12** exams

Our Reference librarians assisted with more than **21,475** inquiries

We welcomed over **149,536** visitors

Patrons checked out **309,416** physical library materials, and **36,123** eMaterials
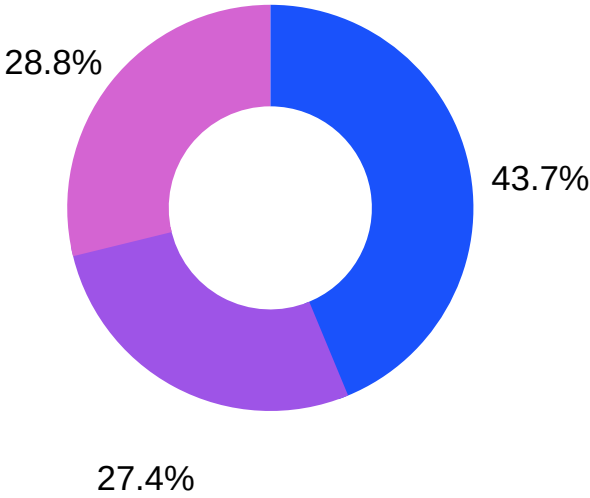
29,321 library card holders
5,843 are reciprocal borrowers

LIBRARY GIVING

General Donations: $40,962.69

Grants: $26,994.61

Friends of the Library Support: $25,688.93

TOTAL 2022: $93,646.23

28.8%

43.7%

27.4%

BECAUSE YOU CARE *your Library becomes a place where* **LEARNING THRIVES!**

FRIENDS
of the
Crown Point Library

MISSION:
TO ENHANCE AND PROMOTE THE USE AND ENJOYMENT OF THE LIBRARY. TO RAISE FUNDS TO SUPPORT LIBRARY PROGRAMS, AND SERVICES, AND TO HELP FUND ITEMS NOT GENERALLY COVERED IN THE LIBRARY'S REGULAR OPERATING BUDGET.

PROUD TO HELP THE LIBRARY

The Friends spent $25,688.93 supporting these library programs, services, and special projects

- New Library Tent for outreach events
- Newsletter printing supplies
- Craft materials for adult programming
- Book sale supplies
- Outreach event materials
- Pumpkin Walk candy
- Sponsorship for Summer & Winter reading programs for all ages
- Books for library book club programs
- Membership fees for staff to attend continuing education workshops and join professional industry organizations
- Book Baby Beginnings program materials
- Kindles for reading program prizes
- Lunch and new branded library apparel for library staff appreciation day
- Books and teaching aids for Story Time programs
- Movie Licenses for Movies In The Park
- Permanent Storywalk Installation at the Crown Point location
- Historic Tours of Crown Point on Molly The Trolley
- Madcap Puppet presentation at Bulldog Park
- Refreshments for Music Concerts at the Library
- Tumblebooks Digital Library Resources for Early Literacy
- Mahjong Game Set for Library Game Club

PARTNERSHIPS

The Library commits to strong partnerships with our city and local organizations in order to enhance the community's quality of life and maximize our efforts.

We acknowledge our current partners and look forward to increasing them in the future:

- Crown Point Community Foundation
- Crown Point Adult Learning Center
- Crown Point Lions Club
- Center of Workforce Innovation and WorkOne
- Crown Point Community School Corporation
- Businesses on the Crown Point Square
- Friends of the Crown Point Library
- Hometown Happenings
- Indiana State Library
- Town of Winfield
- Crown Point Rotary
- Crossroads Chamber of Commerce
- Crown Point Mayors Office of Special Events
- Crown Point Parks Department
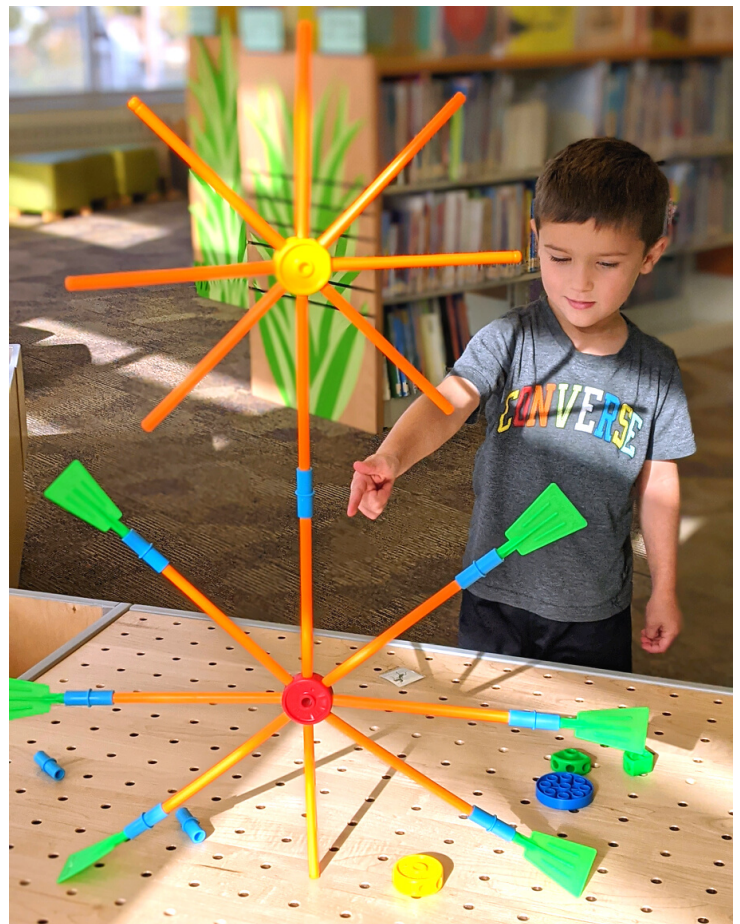- Lake County Courthouse Foundation

NEW eMATERIALS RESOURCE

The Crown Point Community Libary joined almost 200 other libraries throughout Indiana in partnership with the Indiana State Library and OverDrive to create a new collaborative sharing resource to benefit all eMaterial users in the state. This new resource is called the *Indiana Digital Library*. Our patrons will now have access to a wider selection of digital materials, including the addition of eAudio and eMagazines, with less wait time on holds! The recommended app to use to enjoy our digital collection will be Libby (OverDrive will phase out their app by the end of the year.) More information will be available on our website.

Coming soon...
OUTDOOR LIBRARY LOCKERS

The library was an award recipient of a grant through the Indiana State Library by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The $25,936.51 grant will partially fund outdoor remote library lockers. The remote locker system will extend library accessibility by offering self-serve options like pick-up and returns 24/7. Lockers will be available at both locations. Stay tuned for more details about this project and the expected installation date.

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS ON MAIN STREET

Library Director Julie Wendorf, along with Mayor Pete Land, city and library staff, Julie Olthoff State Representative, and members of the Crossroad Chamber of Commerce celebrated the 10-year anniversary of the Crown Point Library opening its building on Main Street!

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PARKING

The library has partnered with the City of Crown Point to enhance the parking available around the library. As part of the City's East Street parking improvement plans, the library combined its small north parking lot behind the library with the new larger municipal parking lot the City has created. This created a greater opportunity for library visitors to find parking around the library. In addition, the library will have 18 dedicated parking spots in the existing south municipal lot in front of the library. The addition of on-street parking in front of the police station will also be helpful for library visitors. The library is thrilled with the improvements in parking in order to better serve our community.

THE CHARLIE CART PROJECT

The library purchased a Charlie Cart with the assistance of a matching grant from the Crown Point Community Foundation and a gift from the Friends of the Crown Point Library. The purpose of adding the Charlie Cart, a kitchen on wheels, as a tool at the library is to provide the tools and equipment to develop and expand programming that supports the growing need for community health literacy. This unique cart is outfitted with equipment that enables the library to expand free culinary and health literacy programs for all ages in partnership with Governor Holcomb's goal of creating a healthier Indiana.

MAIN LIBRARY

122 N. Main St., Crown Point, IN 46307

Phone: 219-663-0270

Fax: 219-663-0403

Monday-Thursday: 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

WINFIELD BRANCH LIBRARY

10771 Randolph St., Crown Point, IN 46307

Phone: 219-662-4039

Fax: 219-662-4068

Mon., Wed., Friday: 10 a..m. - 5 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

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