



# LARAMIE COUNTY LIBRARY

## ANNUAL REPORT FY2019

JULY 2018 - JUNE 2019

Cheyenne  
Burns  
Pine Bluffs  
Bookmobile

[LaramieCountyLibrary.org](http://LaramieCountyLibrary.org)



## LETTER TO RESIDENTS

Your library had a year of high-profile events, outstanding special exhibits, and the launch of a major new service!

In the library's Cottonwood Room best-selling Wyoming authors C.J. Box and Craig Johnson read from their most recent novels and graciously signed books to large crowds; Indigenous comic book creator and publisher Dr. Lee Francis IV opened our eyes to Native American superheroes, and University of Wyoming professor Dr. Caskey Russell guided lively and important discussion of the film *Neither Wolf Nor Dog* in support of the *Native Voices* exhibit; popular character Pete the Cat charmed an audience of enthusiastic children; and world-renowned trumpeter Wynton Marsalis and Jazz at Lincoln Center were streamed straight from New York City into the library.

The exhibits *The Way We Worked* (Smithsonian's Museum on Main Street), *Native Voices: Native People's Concepts of Health and Illness* (American Library Association and National Library of Medicine), and *Steaming through Wyoming* (Children's Museum of Cheyenne) informed and educated our community. RSVP Artfest, LCSD#1 student art, and the annual Book Arts exhibit captured the imaginations of our diverse artists and library visitors.

The branch libraries in Burns, WY and Pine Bluffs, WY connected seniors with veterans and turned neighbors into friends with book discussions and movie nights.

Thanks to generous donations from individuals throughout the community, we launched our new service First Steps: Early Literacy Begins at Home, and had great success in developing a participating client base of underserved families.

Annual reports are often about numbers, but behind the statistics and figures is the story of us – of growing, learning, and engaging. Thank you for assisting in the library's pursuit of providing lifelong learning and adventure, and for making Laramie County Library System a part of your lives this year.

*Carey D. Hartmann*

## NUMBERS

Laramie County population	98,976
Patron registration	95,582
Registration percentage	96.5%
Total circulation	557,728
Circulation per capita	5.63
Children's circulation	234,674
Collection-print materials	277,244
Collection-audio materials	25,113
Collection-video materials	20,224
Magazines	201
Databases	81
Public Internet terminals	154
E Books	12,536
Downloadable Audio Books	33,928
Interlibrary loans-provided	3,645
Interlibrary loans- borrowed	1,986
Reference questions answered	13,083
Computer sessions	116,598
Wireless sessions	58,871
Hours of operation	6,872
Library visits	361,234
Volunteer hours of service	11,870
Total number of volunteers	220
Total number of employees	80
Program attendance/children	24,193
Program attendance/teen	1,087
Program attendance/adults	4,613
Number of programs	1,204
Summer Reading participants	7,653
Expenditures-staff	\$3,406,699
Expenditures- collection	\$304,939
Expenditures-other	\$1,630,299
Expenditures-total	\$5,431,937
Revenue-government	\$4,840,536
Revenue-other	\$620,843
Revenue-total	\$5,461,379

## PEOPLE

### Laramie County Commissioners

Linda Heath, Commission Chair and Ex-Officio  
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Manager, Information Technology Services  
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