

King Township Public Library

Annual Report 2010



*Connecting residents to each other and their
neighbourhood, and to worlds of
imagination and discovery.*

Message from the Board

In 2010, the King Township Public Library continued its commitment to engage the citizens of King and contribute to the vibrancy and strength of the community. Our actions reinforce our priority of ensuring the library remains a catalyst for innovation and change, while also serving as a community hub for social interaction and engagement.

New technologies and services were introduced to meet the rapidly changing needs of our users. These include an iPhone app, giving users access to the library catalogue and their membership account via their smart phones, and increased access to a sizable provincial network of downloadable ebooks and audiobooks.

We conducted a user survey that showed high levels of customer satisfaction. Programs for people-of-all-ages were rated very high. Some of our more memorable events included a celebration of the 20th anniversary of our beloved Ansnorveldt branch; the launch of our Artist-in-Library program at the Schomberg branch, generously supported by The Leonard and Gabryela Osin Foundation; in partnership with Art Society King, we hosted the popular King Travel Diary Series; the Nobleton branch established a new community bookclub; and as always, our children's programs were well-attended and focused on promoting literacy, school-readiness and loads of fun.

These are just a few accomplishments we are proud to share for the 2010 calendar year. None of them would have been possible without our dedicated staff and Library Board, so we will take this opportunity to thank them all and most importantly, we are grateful to a supportive community that recognizes and appreciate the value of library service.

Library Board

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Councillor Jack Rupke

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The Year in Review



- Through a generous donation by The Leonard and Gabryela Osin Foundation, the library was able to offer an Artist in the Library program featuring Giovannina Colalillo, at the Schomberg Branch.

- A grant from Service Canada's Summer Jobs program allowed us to hire 2 students to assist the Manager of Children's and Young Adult Services run the Summer Reading Club and other programs.



The Library utilized lawn sign featuring "Reading Stars" as an incentive to encourage children to read.

- The Ministry of Culture announced on-going funding for provincial electronic databases.
- York Region Libraries joined together to host a reception for the Minister of Culture to celebrate Ontario Public Library Week.
- A debit card system was installed at the Schomberg Branch.
- Conducted an in-depth review and analysis of all Library Material to inform future collection development priorities.



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- Partnered with Arts Society King, Cold Creek, and the Dufferin Marsh Committee to present the Environmental Movie series.
- Partnered with Arts Society King to host the King Travel Diary Series: “I always wanted to go there”. Local King residents share their travel adventures.



- The local Tim Hortons made the Nobleton Library the recipient of the funds raised during their Smile Cookie campaign. The donation allowed the library to purchase additional children furniture and equipment.

- The Community Access Program funded two students who were tasked with digitizing newspapers and teaching computer courses.

- The Ansnorveldt Library celebrated their 20th anniversary with an Open House, where visitors were treated to an exhibit showcasing the history of the branch.



- A new software application called PC Reservation was made available, permitting patrons to reserve computers both electronically and remotely.
- The Nobleton Library joined the ranks of King City and Schomberg with the launch of a new Book Club.

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- Walter Rolling Online, celebrating an early black educator and roots in King, went live to the public.
- Xpress books, a service providing quick access to bestselling fiction books, was launched at King City, Nobleton, and Schomberg.
- Bookmyne App was introduced allowing iPhone and Android users to access the catalogue from their smartphones .



- Elevator & accessibility improvements were underway at the King City Library which included the front walkway and a wheelchair accessible washroom. The project is slated to be completed in early 2011.
- Karen Edmunds received a special Volunteer recognition award from the Township for her tremendous effort in raising funds for the library elevator.
- Conducted customer satisfaction survey.
- Provincial collection of downloadable ebooks were made available through the library website.



2010 Financial Statement

REVENUES

Municipal Contribution	\$1,113,623
Grants	
Province of Ontario	\$43,025
Federal	\$23,308
Other	\$ 2,152
Donations	\$23,260
General Revenue	\$42,294
Total Revenues	\$1,247,662

EXPENDITURES

Salaries, Wages, and Benefits	\$885,571
Materials & Equipment	\$ 55,900
Building Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 64,535
General Operating Expenses	\$ 89,853
** Amortization Expenses	\$167,709
Total Expenditures	\$1,263,568
** Net Expenditures	(\$15,906)
Opening Accumulated Surplus	\$628,600
Ending Accumulated Surplus	\$612,695

** The Library ended the 2010 financial year on budget. However, our financial position at the end of 2010 is shown as a net loss of \$15,906 due to the incorporation of new reporting requirements. The Library collection and computers are now deemed to be capital assets and subject to amortization.

Audited Financial Statements Available From CEO/Chief Librarian

Donations

The Leonard and Gabryela Osin Foundation
Nobleton Tim Hortons

The Library gratefully acknowledge the many friends that have made significant contributions of their time and financial resources.

Grants

Ontario's Ministry of Culture
Industry Canada
Industry Canada's Community Access Program
Library Strategic Development Fund
Service Ontario
Service Canada Summer Works
Canada Council for the Arts
YMCA –Student Exchange Grant

2010 Library Use Statistics

Patron Visits	158,000
Library Materials Borrowed	159,697
Questions Answered	25,700
Internet sessions	15,249
Website Visits	60,018
Program Attendance	8,733

Plans for 2011

- Accessibility upgrades across the system, including an automatic door opener in Schomberg and accessibility workstations in all branches.
- Elevator and accessibility improvements for the King City Library are to be completed.
- Plans to introduce social media applications, transforming your smartphone into your library card.
- Official launch of the writer-in-library program generously funded by The Leonard and Gabryela Osin Foundation.
- An emphasis on social networking media and other digital tools to promote and facilitate the delivery of library programs and services.
- Update the Library website to enhance functionality, making it more interactive and user-friendly.
- Introduce new digital devices into the Collection, such as ereaders, TAG readers, Playaways and Playaway Views.
- Contribute to and participate in the Township Sustainability Plan.
- Orientation of the newly appointed Library Board for the 2011-2014 term.