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SAINT PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY 2023 IMPACT REPORT

MISSION: To welcome all people to connect, learn, participate and grow.

VISION: A city that works for all, where libraries bring people together to experience hope and unlock new possibilities.

By the Numbers



Visits to libraries in Saint Paul.

2,747,894 from 2022

Items borrowed.

153,033 ^{128%} from 2022

Visitors used library computers.



Visitors used library's free Wi-Fi.

36,035 ^{+ 34%} from 2022

Community members of all ages attended library programs.

2,692 from 2022

Programs offered for all ages.

3,782,873

16% from 2022

Visits to the library's website and catalog.

22,475

↑ 5% from 2022

New library card holders.

192

Languages are represented in the collection.

184,917

Items checked out by students using Library Go, the virtual library card for students.



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Community-informed building designs were finalized for the transformations of three well-loved and well-worn libraries: Hamline Midway, Hayden Heights, and Riverview.
- An enhanced safety plan was launched that focuses on a more comprehensive approach to safety for patrons and staff in library spaces. It was developed through a community driven process.
- Hired and successfully onboarded two additional roles full-time Hmong and full-time Black African American community specialists.