

# Discover Connect Learn

## 2013 Annual Report



**Drake Community Library**  
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### Mission

Drake Community Library will be a community resource center striving to inform and empower every person in the community through responsive services, collections and programs. DCL will be a place where people have open access to the power of information and the joy of reading, a crossroads for social interactions and the exchange of ideas and cultural enrichment.

A community survey was conducted in November 2012 and a community task force was assembled in March 2013 to gather ideas and assess demand for the improvement and targeting of library services over the next five years. With this information, the Board of Trustees and Library Staff have established service priorities, goals, and objectives to guide service delivery and resource allocation of our library assets.

### Service Priorities

**Know Your Community & Your World**

**Connect to the Online World**

**Engage Readers & Learners**

**Empower Job Seekers, Entrepreneurs,  
& Non-profits**

### 2013 Highlights

#### Programming

Under an American Library Association (ALA) grant, four GHS students took part in the News Literacy Project, learning how to become smarter consumers of news and information. The students gave an awesome public presentation!

Our youth continue to choose DCL as an afterschool destination. Programming includes DASH (Drake After School Happenings), Lego Club and a story time with the STARS Galaxy group.

Aldo Leopold enthusiasts from the community collaborated with the library to produce a series of well-attended programs in the spring.

An ILEAD (Iowa Libraries Explore, Apply, and Discover) grant launched the Poweshiek History Preservation Project. PHPP is a collaborative effort with Grinnell College Libraries, enabling individuals to digitize their historical documents, resulting in a digital archive of life in this area.

The largest program attendance occurred during the annual Summer Library Program, with 230 patrons learning about reptiles with "Snakes Alive".

Registered SLP participants read a total of 4,084 hours and turned in 640 reading logs/cards!

## 2013 Highlights

### Facility Improvement

An engineering study of the HVAC system was conducted in Sep '12. This resulted in recommendations for improvements to the humidity control and energy recovery ventilation systems. FY14 funds have been allocated to perform improvements.

### New Online Resources

Thanks to funding from the Friends of DCL, the library now offers access to Ancestry Library Edition and Heritage Quest genealogy resources.

Freegal, a downloadable music service, was added to our online offerings this year. Freegal allows library cardholders to permanently download three songs per week from a catalog of nearly three million songs.

### Archival Services

The physical archive was accessed 180 times during the year. Two large historical collections were received from GRMC and the Jaycees, a former Grinnell organization. Great care is taken to assure records are preserved for current and future generations.

### Population Served

Grinnell Residents .....	9,202
Poweshiek County Rural .....	5913 (by contract)
Kellogg.....	599 (by contract)
Malcom .....	286 (by contract)
Oakland Acres .....	156 (by contract)

### Usage Statistics

	FY2013	FY2012
<b>Total Circulation</b>	<b>111,930</b>	<b>109,154</b>
Books, Magazines	98,916	99,733
Audio, Video	8,655	6,509
eResource Downloads	4,359	2,912

<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>90,981</b>	<b>81,513</b>
Physical items added	3,272	3,951
Downloadable items added	3,434	N/A

### Computer Use

Computer Sessions	31,699	34,295
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*Average 650 distinct users monthly + 210 guest users monthly.*

### Meeting Room Use

Total Events	955	906
Total Attendance	15,977	14,828

*Adult Senior Education provided by GRMC and the CEC is highly valued by the community.*

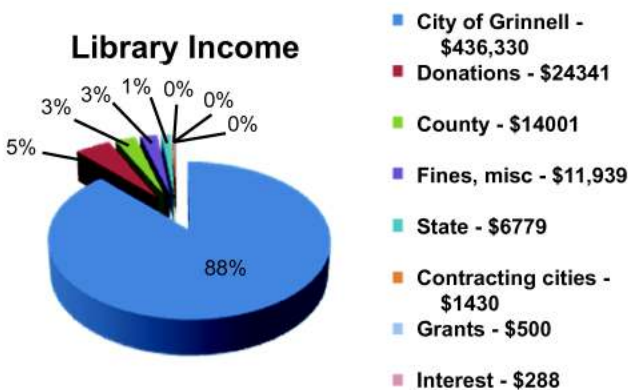
### Programming

Library Events Offered	442	377
Library Program Attendance	8,043	7,558

### Volunteers

An average of 25 generous individuals provide an average of 192 hours of volunteer service every month.

### Library Income



### Library Expenditures

