



# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

## The Monroe County Public Library Foundation Annual Report 2017

June 19, 2018

### Our Mission

The Friends of Monroe County Public Library support the mission, vision, and values of the Library. The Friends advocate for Monroe County Public Library and support library collections, services, programs, and staff development.

### Our Commitment

For 52 years, the Friends of the Library has raised funds to help the Library provide a wide range of opportunities for lifelong learning, enrichment, and enjoyment for everyone in the community. In 2017, 638 families and businesses made contributions to the Friends. As of December 31, 2017, 392 individuals, families, and businesses were members of the Friends of the Library, including 42 new members. In addition, Friends and community members made 407 donations to the Campaign for Excellence, and 143 general donations to the Friends.

### Campaign for Excellence

Thanks to the generosity of 407 families, the 2017 Campaign for Excellence raised a total of \$63,092 including some gifts received in 2018. The 2017 Campaign will fund a variety of books, supplies, and programming for children, teens, and adults at the Main Library, Ellettsville Branch, and Bookmobile. The Campaign provides equipment for the Learn & Play Space, funding for Math Homework Help, volunteer recognition items, and pioneer grants for Library staff to launch new services. Special thanks to our honorary co-chairs, Jeanne and Jim Madison, who value the Library's role in creating a bright future for our community. The Madisons shared their dedication and love of the Library to make this Campaign successful, assuring that our Library remains a dynamic center for literacy, reading, connection, and enjoyment for all ages in our community.

### Some of what the Friends of the Library made possible in 2017:

- *NEA Big Read*—Distributed 1,000 copies of *Everything I Never Told You* by Celeste Ng with 42 community book groups participating
- *Build A Better World*, the Summer Reading Program for 3,614 children
- First Story Walk in Monroe County installed at Reverend Butler Park with funds from Carol Nicholas Endowment featuring 16 frames of story and suggested activities set along walking path
- *The Power of Words* with Jamie Ford
- Big Read programs including *Amber Waves* photo exhibit and *Hidden Histories* films
- Coffee with Friends guest speaker series
- *Reading is the Foundation to Success*: Annual meeting speaker Angelo Pizzo, screenwriter, producer, and director,
- Launch of the Book Bike and free books to Community Kitchen summer lunch sites & more thanks to funds from Carol Nicholas Endowment
- Children's programs at Main Library and Ellettsville
- Programming and supplies for teens and adults
- *Every Child Ready to Read* materials. Sensory storytimes and other early literacy initiatives
- MCPL staff training/professional development
- Meet patron requests for books and AV materials
- MCPL Volunteer Recognition; Anabel P. Newman VITAL Volunteer Award; Staff recognition for years of service and retirement
- Support for VITAL workshops and tutor training,
- Publicity and signage for Library programs

### Our Thanks

We thank all who served on the Board in 2017 for their service to the community through the Friends. We thank our members who for 52 years have been committed to the public library with their generous gifts of both volunteer time and financial support.



Monroe County  
Public Library

Main Branch	Ellettsville Branch
303 E. Kirkwood Ave. Bloomington, IN 47408 812-349-3050	600 W. Temperance St. Ellettsville, IN 47429 812-876-1272



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**Friends of the Library**  
303 E. Kirkwood Ave.  
Bloomington, IN 47408-3534

## Friends of Monroe County Public Library 2017 Financial Summary

### Income

Restricted:	
Donations	\$272,903
Campaign for Excellence ( <i>received in 2017</i> )	59,722
Investments	31,098
Unrestricted:	
Bookstore Sales	99,621
Special Events	30,705
Investment Income	23,139
Memberships	20,266
Donations	5,325
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$542,779</b>

### Expenses

<b>Total Support for MCPL:</b>	<b>\$174,038</b>
2016 Annual Campaign Gift to MCPL	66,482
Nicholas Strategic Initiative Fund	50,000
Annual Grant to MCPL	43,000
Other Distributions to MCPL ( <i>Restricted gifts</i> )	13,543
Library Staff Recognition	913
Anabel Newman Award ( <i>VITAL volunteer</i> )	100

### Friends Expenses:

Friends Operations	
Staff	55,535
Operations	3,411
Bookstore	
Staff	34,895
Cost of Goods	2,216
Operations	4,670
Campaign for Excellence	3,821
Special Events ( <i>Power of Words</i> )	22,622
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$301,208</b>

### Assets

General Endowment Investment Fund	\$327,946
Carol R. Nicholas Fund	260,603
Marian Armstrong Fund	235,110
Archie M. Koon Fund	107,027
Non-Endowment Investments	52,951
Checking Account	47,408
Diane Breeden-Lee Fund ( <i>Children's Endowment</i> )	41,371
Hilliard Lyons Endowment ( <i>Collections</i> )	40,476
Ruthmarion Becker Endowment ( <i>VITAL</i> )	35,362
Judith Serebnick Endowment ( <i>Adult Services</i> )	31,859
Community Foundation	27,372
Paula B. Anderson Endowment ( <i>Power of Words</i> )	25,672
Sarah C. Thrasher Endowment	13,036
Sara Laughlin Endowment ( <i>Staff Development</i> )	12,372
Inventory for Sale ( <i>Bookstore gift items</i> )	4,122
Undeposited Funds	153
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$1,262,840</b>

### Our Library

In 2017 there were 934,022 visits to our Library (Main Library, Ellettsville Branch and Bookmobile) with a circulation of 2,677,417 items. Downloadable items account for 12% of total circulation. Staff responded to 102,206 reference requests. The Library had 65,950 cardholders, provided 2,010 programs to 52,635 people, and 168,482 public computer sessions. Volunteers donated 14,297 hours of their time. 8,094 meetings were held at the Library including use of study rooms and studio spaces. The Friends of the Library provided program funding, materials, prizes, and more to enhance patrons' visits. The Library received the 2017 ALA Excellence in Library Programming Award for *The Power of Words: March* with John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, and Nate Powell. This award recognizes programs that have community impact and respond to community needs.

### 2017 Friends of the Library Board of Directors

**President:** Patrick Murray

**Vice-President:** Brenda Aschliman

**Secretary:** Emily Bedwell

**Treasurer:** Jerry James

#### Board Members:

Tom Bitters	Marilyn Irwin
Jack Deinlein	Ann McEndarfer
Lori Dekydtspotter	Sue Polsgrove
Shirley Fitzgibbons	Sharon Pugh
Diane Gregory	Andrew Rhoda
Margaret Harter	Linda Ripperger
Stephanie Holman	Denise Shockley
Becky Hrisomalos	Patricia Steele

### Board Meetings of the Friends

The Friends of the Library Board has regular meetings on the 4th Wednesday of each month with a break in July.

### Friends Employees

**Bookstore Coordinator:** Mike Burns

**Office Manager:** Mary Jean Regoli

