

A Message From Our Executive Director



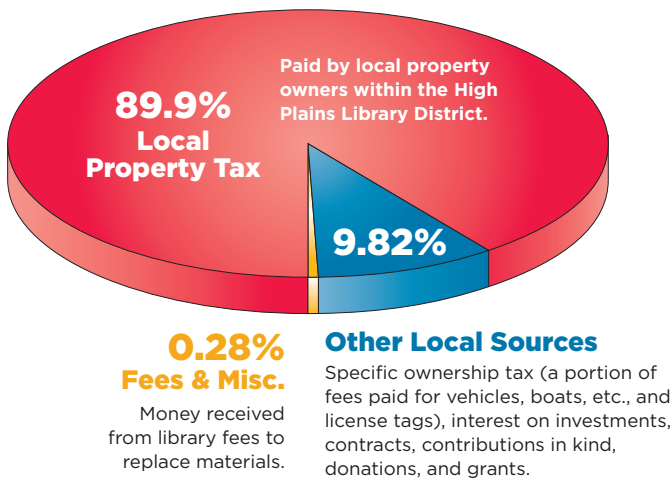
Dear Friends,

2018 was a year of change, accolades and planning for the High Plains Library District. We offered engaging programs, new and successful services and great staff achievement. During this time, I was honored to become the new Executive Director of the District. We spent much of the year working with the community on a strategic plan, which was unveiled at the end of the year and will push us forward in a bold new direction. Our focus for the upcoming year will be on building communities, developing new libraries, as well as expanding and innovating services. We will continue our history of outstanding service to the communities in the District and will strive for excellence in all we do.

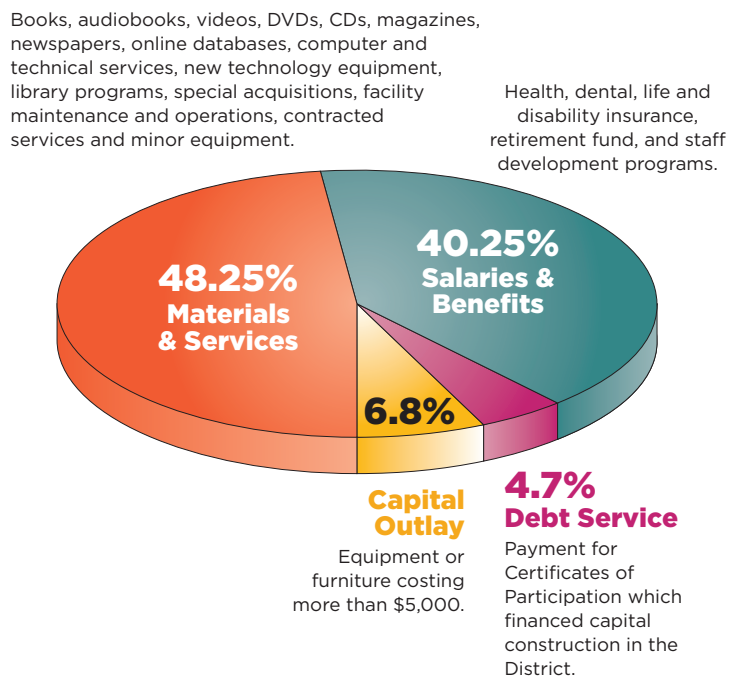
Dr. Matthew Hortt
Executive Director

2018 Financials

Where the Money Comes From Total: \$30,604,925



Where the Money Goes Total: \$23,361,107



2018 Highlights



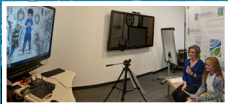
David Sheff

Our third annual Signature Author Event featured Beautiful Boy author, David Sheff, who gave a keynote speech, fielded questions, and signed books in service of highlighting the issue of substance misuse in our community. This all-day symposium galvanized meaningful change on individual and societal levels by offering TED-styled talks from community representatives and experts in the mental health and addiction fields.



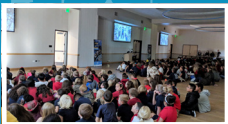
NASA Downlink

NASA selected HPLD, in collaboration with the Space Science Institute's STAR Library Network (STAR Net) and NASA@ My Library initiative, to host a live in-flight Education Downlink from the International Space Station with Colorado's own NASA astronaut Serena Auñón-Chancellor. Nearly 300 kids were part of this nationally-streaming event.



Malcolm X

This High Plains Chautauqua gave participants the unique opportunity to talk with historical figure Malcolm X (portrayed by Chautauqua scholar Charles Everett Pace) in order to discover how marginal outsiders can become influential insiders. Colorado Humanities offered this as part of their Black History Live Tour 2018. The event was sponsored locally by HPLD, Aims Community College, and the City of Greeley.



District 6 Kickoff Community Celebration

As a Premier Sponsor, HPLD staff signed students up for library cards, waived fees on their accounts, answered their questions, and provided an in-person introduction to our amazing libraries.

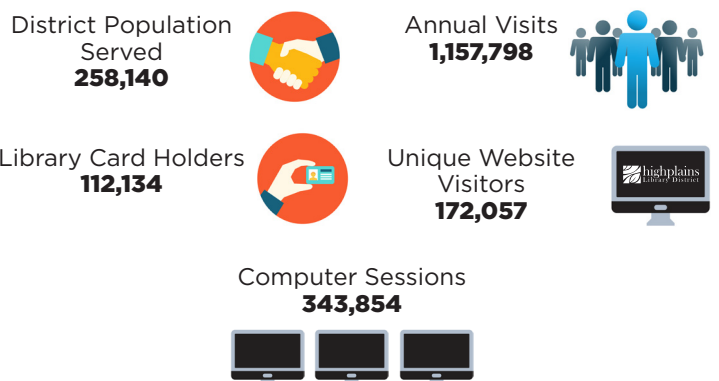


PopUp Library Launched

We added more vehicles to our fleet, including our very own prototype, a PopUp Library, which engages the community by bringing the library to them! Stay tuned and look out for this PopUp Library in your community!



Key Performance Indicators



Programs & Attendees



Annual Circulations

