

#### WHITEFISH BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY 2014 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

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- in Milwaukee County for uses of downloadable items, such as Overdrive & Zinio per capita. in Milwaukee County for circulation of children's materials per capita.
- in Milwaukee County for % of cardholders 18 and younger.
- in Milwaukee County for % of active cardholders.

#### **ACCESS**



- 194,000 people came through our doors and checked out over 348,000 items
- Patrons love our selfcheck machine! We had 77,500 self-checkouts = 22% of total checkouts

#### **SERVICE**

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- 14,000 people got their questions answered by reference staff
- 16,000 people used our computers and untold numbers used our free wireless

#### COMMUNITY

- 376 programs with nearly 10,000 attendees
- # of programs and attendees increased significantly for adult and children's programs





**EDUCATION & FUN!** 



# Whitefish Bay Public Library Community Survey

~ 545 Community Members took our 2014 survey.

#### VALUE

An overwhelming majority of survey respondents (93%) strongly value the Whitefish Bay Public Library.

"High quality library, excellent staff, great events. We love visiting." ~Survey Respondent

#### What makes the Library something that is of value to our community?

# Gathering Place Programs Services with Materials Access Welcoming Building Opple of All Ages Staff Books Place

#### **CUSTOMER SERVICE**

Patrons are quite satisfied with our service. 92% rated service at all service points as Excellent/Good.

"The library staff is truly excellent! They are helpful and friendly each and every time I come in!" *~Survey Respondent* 

"I am always overjoyed to visit the WFB Library, as the staff is stupendous, and particularly accommodating to my son and his special needs!" - Survey respondent

#### **COLLECTIONS**

The Library's book collection is the highest rated part of the collection, scoring an Excellent/ Good rating. Other materials received Good/Average ratings.

In response to feedback we are focusing efforts on:

Look for these . improvements in the coming year! •

- Purchasing a variety of materials to meet the diverse and wide-ranging desires of the community
- Providing more instructional classes on how to access electronic materials and databases
- Enhancing the DVD and CD collections (We increased our DVD collections by 17% and our audio collection by 7% in 2014)

"Having books available is a necessary part of my life. It's great to have a very nice library that has a very friendly staff." *~Survey Respondent* 

#### **PROGRAMS**

#### WFB has the highest percentage of children under 18 of the Milwaukee County communities.

Survey results indicate the Library has done an excellent job meeting the programming needs of children and families. In an effort to provide excellent service and programming to all community members, we are working to provide more programming options for Senior Citizens and Young Adults. Feedback and suggestions are always welcome.



"My son and I just joined our first activity last month, and had an amazing time!" ~Survey Respondent

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**



The Whitefish Bay Public Library strives to be a cornerstone of the community by supporting an informed citizenry, promoting a love of learning and providing easy access to ideas, information, and resources for patrons of all ages.

# **2014 LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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GENEROSITY!

THANK YOU Susan Hopwood, Vice President Richard Foster, Village Board Rep For Your Anne Bittle Burroughs SERVICE

# FRIENDS OF THE WHITEFISH BAY LIBRARY

Friends of the Whitefish Bay Library continuously help the library excel. Here are some of their 2014 contributions:

- iPads for in-library use
- THANK YOU FRIENDS . Support for adult, children, and teen programming including "1,000 Books before Kindergarten"
  - Prizes for Adult & Children's summer reading programs

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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# 2014 SUMMER READING PROGRAM





Increased participation in SRP for children's and teens!



"The entire summer reading program is very impressive. I love to come to the special events, because they're all so entertaining!" - Survey respondent