

Mary Riley Styles Public Library Annual Report FY2018



We are a four star library! Mary Riley Styles Public Library was honored as one of the top 257 libraries in the nation out of 7,361 libraries for the eleventh year in a row by *Library Journal*. This year we are one out of two libraries in Virginia to receive a star rating. The rating is determined by analyzing statistics that describe library service outputs, such as number of visits by patrons annually, circulation, public internet computer usage, program attendance, and electronic materials circulation.

► Library Expansion and Renovation Project

- BKV Group architects were hired for the project and were active in confirming the programming elements and beginning design.
- We started the design process for the project with outreach to the staff and public to confirm programming elements.
- The Library Board recommends a plan that will place the children and teen areas on the lower level to maximize space and positively address safety concerns, and a corner entrance on Virginia and Park Ave.
- Funds were approved for the Construction Manager At Risk (CMAR) to provide services during the pre-construction phase.
- Construction is to begin in September 2019 and continue through December 2020.
- The library will be housed in a temporary location during the construction phase. Services and the collection available will be determined.

► Setting Another Record

- We had over 30,000 registered card holders and approximately 84% of City residents hold a card with the library! (Cooper Center 2017 Estimates Falls Church City population 14,269).
- Overdrive use increased dramatically! Circulation of ebooks and eaudiobooks went up by 83%.

► New Services

- The number of **thermal cameras** (used to determine house insulation adequacy) increased with a generous donation from Village Preservation and Improvement Society (VPIS)!
- **Adult programming** increased this past year with topics covering health, finance, gardening, and arts and crafts. Adults also enjoyed author talks and a film screening.
- **New items available for check out!** We added gardening kits and umbrella checkout to our object collections, which also includes the thermal cameras and nature backpacks.

► Reaching Out

- **Summer Reading** continues to be popular with over 2,400 adults, teens, and children registered! During the summer months we circulated 156,817 items!
- The **Read & Roll Bookmobile** rolled out this past summer into the community to provide free books and sign-up for summer reading and library cards. The library continues to partner with the Falls Church Police Department and the Falls Church Public Schools on this initiative.
- Library staff marched in the Memorial Day Parade with its acclaimed **Rolling Readers Precision Drill Team**.
- Youth Services Library staff continue to provide **regular storytime to Kidstretch Preschool and Jessie Thackery Preschool**.

► Thank you

- Thank you to Ed Rose for his many years of service to the Library Board of Trustees!

► Statistical Information

	FY17	FY18	Change
Items Borrowed	501,827*	476,669	-5.01%
Size of Collection	150,508	153,181	+1.78%
New Library Cards Issued	3,601	2,834	-21.3%
Registered Borrowers (TOTAL)	27,540	30,152	+9.48%
•City Residents	10,840	11,949	+10.23%
•Non-City Residents	16,700	18,203	+9.0%
Library Visits by Patrons	308,393	313,429	+1.63%
Web Site Visits	380,319	433,909	+14.09%
Reserves Placed by Patrons	20,732†	32,320	+55.89%
Overdue Notices Sent (TOTAL)			
• Overdue Notices by email	57,771†	N/A†	-----
•Reminder Notices by email	214,331†	N/A†	-----
Number of Programs	970	802	-17.32%
Program Attendance (TOTAL)	36,598	36,267	-.9%
Questions Answered	56,512	53,869	-4.68%
Materials Cataloged	14,058	13,169	-6.32%
Volunteer Hours Donated	3,048	3,330	+9.25%
Revenue (TOTAL)			
•City	\$1,877,057	\$1,936,775	
•State	\$145,120	\$144,430	
•Other (booksale/memorial)	\$23,953	\$18,090	

*FY2017 the change over to the new ILS.
†Transition to new ILS resulted in no statistics collected for June 2017; FY2018: the new ILS does not collect this type of statistic.
Overdue notices and reminders continue to be sent.

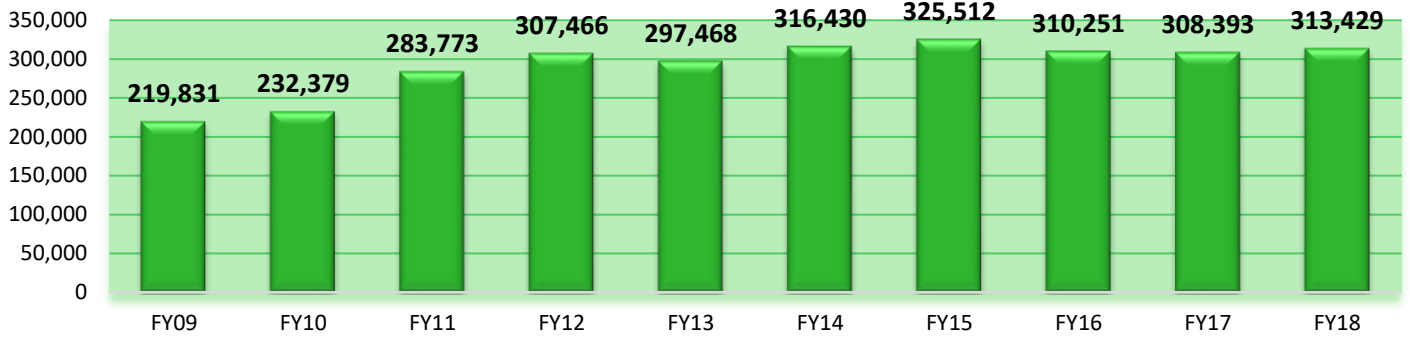
► Library Board of Trustees

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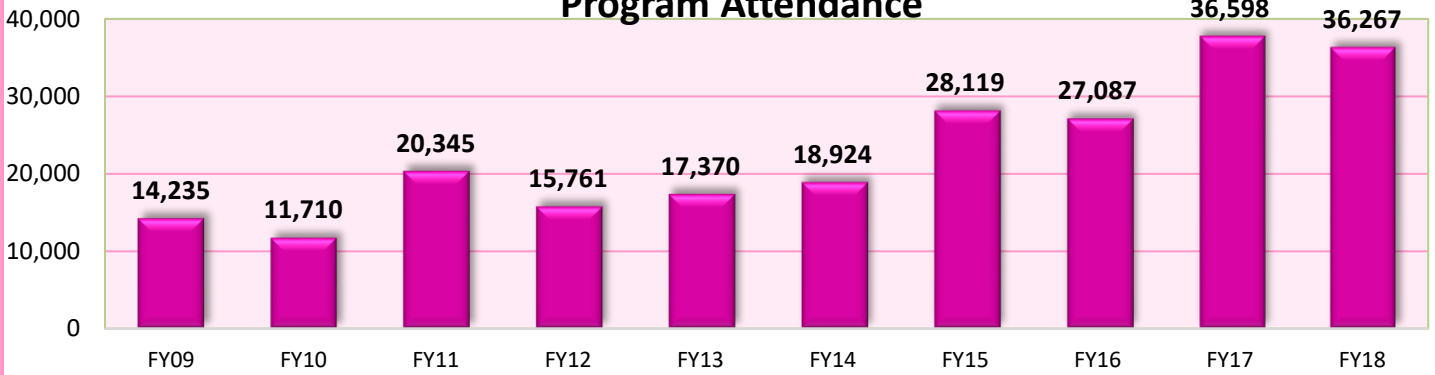
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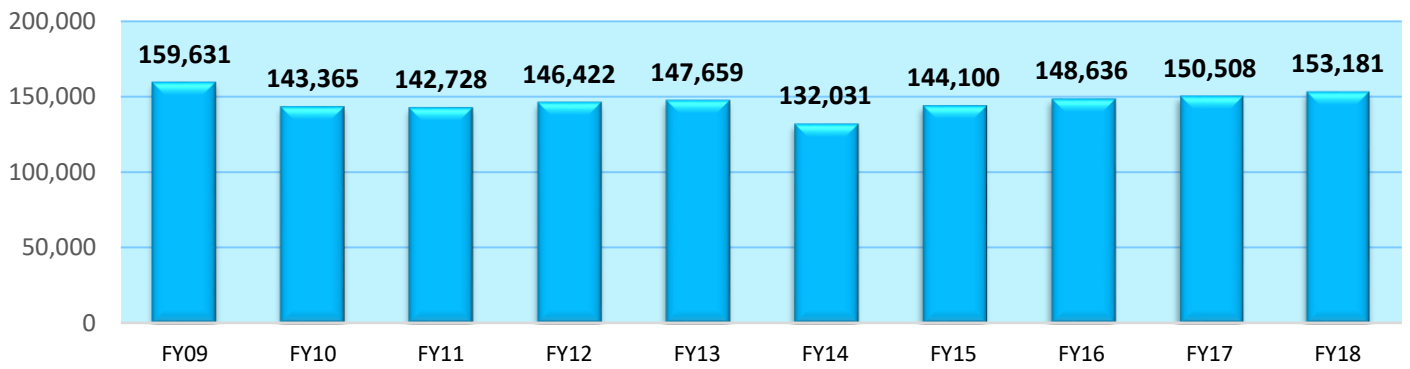
Library Visits



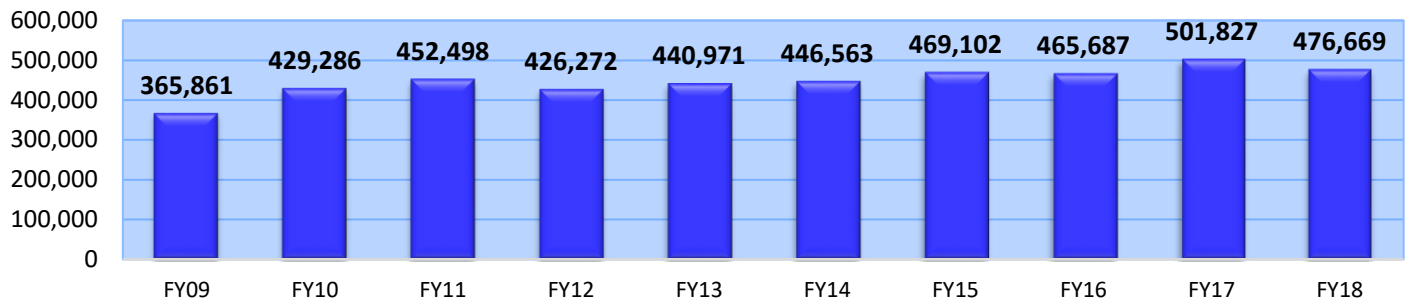
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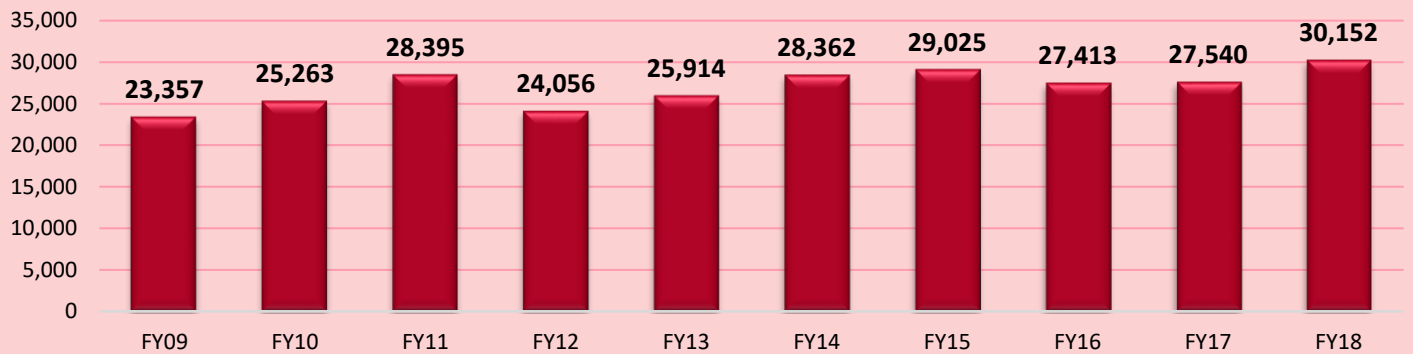
Collection Size



Circulation



Registered Borrowers



Questions Answered

