

Taylor County Public Library

Development Plan

July 2014 - June 2019

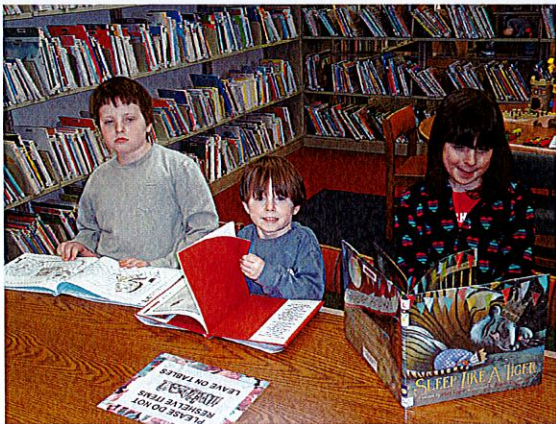
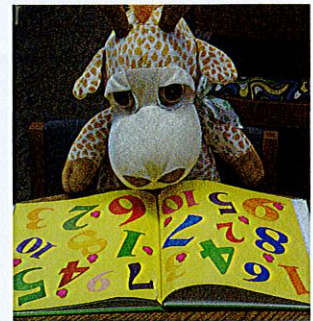
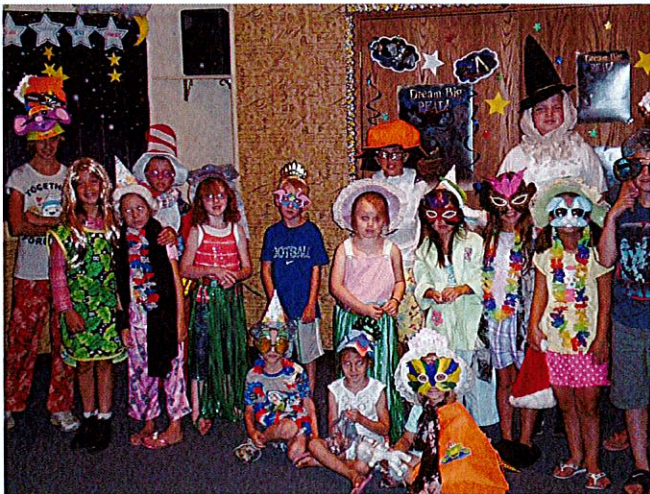


The Taylor County Public Library Development Plan was approved and adopted by the Taylor County Public Library Board of Trustees on February 24, 2014.

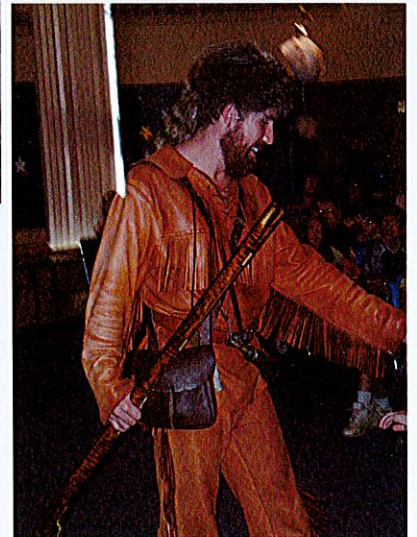
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Mission Statement

Taylor County Public Library is dedicated to inspire lifelong learning and to strengthen our community with free and equal access to information, knowledge and ideas.



*"The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library."
--Albert Einstein*



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Introduction

Taylor County Public Library (TCPL) has adopted a purposeful program of goals and objectives to define service priorities and initiatives to ensure effective use of the library's resources for the period of July 2014 through June 2019. The plan was devised by the TCPL Board of Trustees, administration and staff using the West Virginia Library Commission *Checklist for Development Plan* as a guide.

Questions and comments concerning the plan may be directed to Joyce M. Freeman, Library Director, 200 Beech Street, Grafton, WV 26354, 304-265-6121 or freemanj@clark.lib.wv.us.

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Goals 2014 - 2017

- Goal #1: Provide and promote access to library services and resources most desired by library users

- Goal #2: Provide a safe, welcoming and comfortable space for all patrons including persons with impaired mobility

- Goal #3: Enhance and improve library technology infrastructure, resources and training

- Goal #4: Provide a well-trained staff and administration to meet the needs of all patrons with superior service

- Goal #5: Build successful partnerships to increase community outreach and impact

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Objectives

Goal #1: Provide and promote access to library services and resources most desired by library users

Objective #1: Continue weeding of outdated materials to provide adequate and attractive space to store and display library collections

Objective #2: Conduct patron survey to analyze users' needs

Goal #2: Provide a safe, welcoming and comfortable space for all patrons including persons with impaired mobility

Objective #1: Explore options to improve access to the second floor (e.g., elevator, stairlift)

Objective #2: Upgrade furniture on main floor for comfortable and functional seating areas

Goal #3: Enhance and improve library technology infrastructure, resources and training

Objective #1: Provide laptops for in-library use for patrons

Objective #2: Implement wireless printing for patrons

Objective #3: Replace microfilm machine

Objective #4: Update audio/visual equipment in meeting rooms

Objective #5: Promote and encourage use of online databases

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Objectives

Goal #4: Provide a well-trained staff and administration to meet the needs of all patrons with superior service

Objective #1: Promote and encourage continuing education provided by WVLC (ABLE, SABLE), PLA, ALA and other recognized providers

Objective #2: Train all staff and administration to be effective promoters of library services and resources

Objective #3: Re-evaluate staff duties; shift some duties to allow children's librarian increased time for programming development

Goal #5: Build successful partnerships to increase community outreach and impact

Objective #1: Promote new partnerships with community groups, educators and businesses

Objective #2: Provide resources that support school curriculums

Objective #3: Promote the use of library meeting rooms

Objective #4: Support the work of local agencies and providers

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Executive Summary

Taylor County Public Library proudly celebrated its 90th year of continuous service as a successful, respected, public institution in 2013. TCPL strives to constantly evaluate its strengths and weaknesses and analyze local and national trends in public library service. The preceding development plan will enable the library to continue providing quality services and resources; to build on past achievements and to respond to changes in the library environment to address community needs.

Taylor County Public Library is dedicated to serving the community by providing appropriate and relevant services and resources in an effort to achieve its informational, educational and recreational goals. The development plan provides a framework for fulfilling these goals and linking community needs with library services.