



# ANNUAL REPORT

STONE  
COUNTY  
LIBRARY 2019

## Library Board of Trustees **From the Director**

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Stone County Library is now fine free! In February of 2019 the Board of Trustees voted to end charging late fees to patrons. As director, this has been one of the most exciting changes to see at SCL! It allows us to be more focused on helping our patrons, and removes stress from those who struggle with transportation to the library. We have had a lot of positive feedback from our patrons who love this change, too!

## Library Director

Rebecca Payne

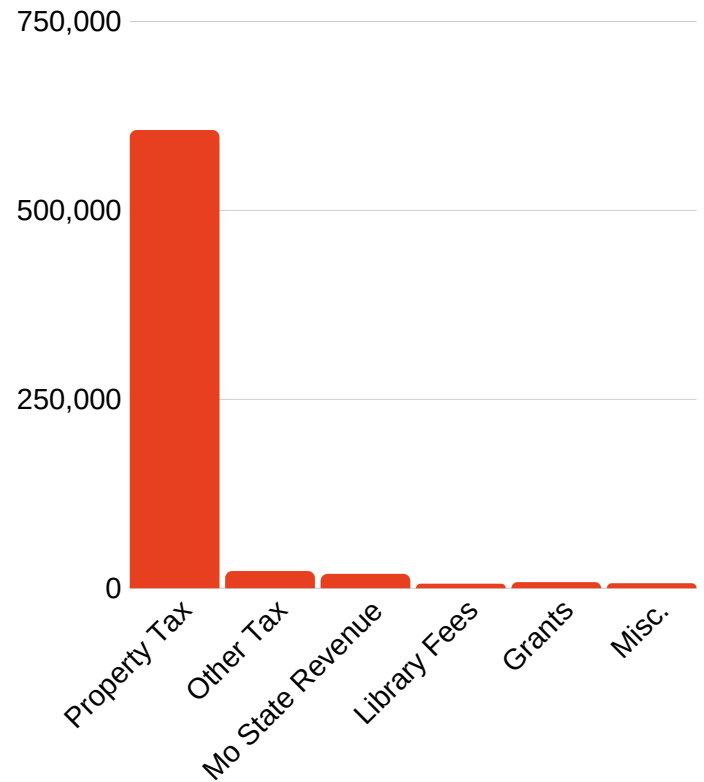
Over the past year, we have added staff at all of our branches to better serve the needs of our communities. The library also started updating many things including the website, servers, and more. On top of that, the library received \$7,530 in grants for our Summer Reading Program! We partner with 45 libraries across the state to share physical resources using the state courier company, and we partner with 109 libraries across the state to offer digital materials through Overdrive. That gives Stone County residents access to millions of books, audiobooks, videos and more!

Of course, our biggest project during the year was the work at our Crane Branch. We completed phase one which renovated the front of the building. Then, phase two began when the library hired GHN architects to plan the interior renovation and expansion of the building. Construction is scheduled to start during the first quarter of 2020, and should be completed during the summer of 2020.

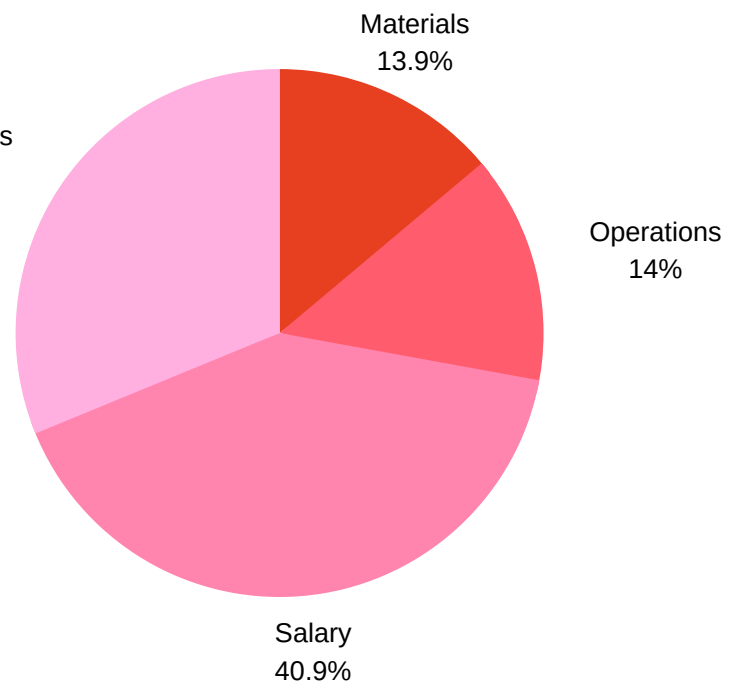
I can't wait to see what exciting changes 2020 will bring for the library and residents of Stone County!

# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

<b>Beginning Treasurer's Account</b>	<b>\$618,542.90</b>
Beginning Checking	\$95,194.51
2019 Revenue	
Property Taxes	\$605,744.19
Other Taxes	\$22,217.72
MO State Revenue	\$18,504.61
Library Fees (Overdues, copies, etc)	\$5,465.23
Grants	\$7530.22
Misc. Income & Interest	\$6091.88
Total Revenue	\$665,553.85



<b>2019 Expenses</b>	
Materials	\$99,463.56
Operations	\$100,192.76
Salary and Benefits	\$293,251.35
Capital Expenses	\$223,658.21
Ending Checking	\$6,522.56
Ending Treasurer's Account	\$651,003.76
Total Expenses	\$716,565.87



<b>Building Reserves</b>	<b>\$196,938.46</b>
Total Reserves	\$196,938.46

<b>Certificate of Participation</b>	<b>\$630,000</b>
Total Liability	\$630,000

# SERVICE REPORT

Library Card Holders 9,113	
Blue Eye	791
Crane	3,142
Galena	5,180
Items Checked Out 67,843	
Blue Eye	13,060
Crane	20,491
Galena	27,621
Online	6,671
Items Owned 58,448	
Blue Eye	11,957
Crane	15,044
Galena	30,733
Online	714
Computer Users 9,997	
Blue Eye	2,385
Crane	3,815
Galena	3,797
Library Programs 530	
Blue Eye	123
Crane	138
Galena	269
Community	133
Program Attendees 4,354	
Blue Eye	1,554
Crane	1,059
Galena	1,741
Community	813
Library Visitors 52,388	
Blue Eye	6,233
Crane	24,837
Galena	21,318

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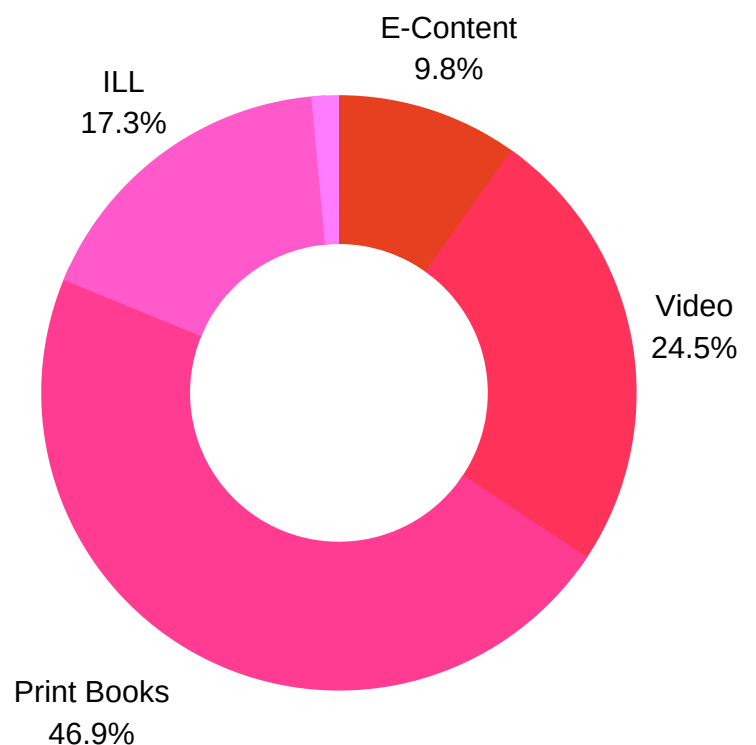
INCREASE IN  
CIRCULATION

6.2%

PATRON VISIT  
INCREASE

43%

PROGRAM PARTICIPANT  
INCREASE



# Library Mission and Values

## **LIBRARY MISSION**

To promote literacy among the people of Stone County and to facilitate lifelong learning and the appreciation of literature for all members of the Stone County community.

## **LIBRARY VALUES**

### **Good Stewardship**

The library is committed to responsible stewardship of all the resources with which we have been entrusted. We are accountable for ensuring the proper use of funds to deliver quality library services to the county.

### **Excellent Service**

The library is committed to our patrons and is responsive to their service needs. The community's opinion and input are welcome in all areas of library service. We consider the impact on the patron in all decisions and strive for fair and equitable treatment of all in the community.

### **Literacy and Learning**

The library is committed to being the focal point of learning and literacy in the community by providing a wide variety of materials, resources, and services to meet the educational, informational, and recreational needs in our community.

### **Growth and Innovation**

The library is committed to continuous learning and innovations in the pursuit of excellence. We respond to present situations and anticipate future needs.

### **Intellectual Freedom**

The library is committed to the right of its community to information representing all points of view, even when this information is controversial or offensive by others. The library endorses the American Library Associations' Bill of Rights.



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