

2024 ANNUAL REPORT

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**160+ Library, Makerspace
and Store Volunteers**
contributed over
14,300 hours

2021 - 2025 STRATEGIC GOALS

Service Delivery

Develop and strengthen the library's human resources

Services

Expand access to programs, services, and collections

Facilities

Provide versatile, welcoming, and safe spaces for the community

Community

Engage the community in developing and promoting resources and partnership opportunities

2024 LIBRARY AT A GLANCE

Bridgenorth Library

836 Charles Street,
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Ennismore Library

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SPL Makerspace

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**Two New-to-You
thrift shops in
partnership with
Community Care
Chemung**

Causeway Treasure Trove

826 Ward Street,
Bridgenorth, ON
(705) 296-5065

Ennismore Community Thrift Shop

549 Ennis Road,
Ennismore, ON
(705) 292-8708

**NEW CARD
HOLDERS**

**NEWSLETTER
SUBSCRIBERS**

**MAKERSPACE
BOOKINGS**

**THRIFT SHOP
REVENUE**

1133

2300

803

\$37,155

*before 50/50 split with
Community Care

2024 ITEMS BORROWED

Total Items Borrowed	134,409
Physical Books Borrowed	95,453
Digital Checkouts (e-Collections*)	38,966

*Selwyn Public Library's e-Collections include:

- eMovies
- eMusic
- eBooks
- eAudiobooks
- eMagazines

*Special Collections

- Wifi Hotspots
- Puzzles
- Board Games
- Disc Golf Kits
- Pickleball Kits
- Ontario Parks Day Passes
- STEAM Kits
- Fishing Rods & Tackle
- Watt Reader
- Take & Make Kits
- Mystery Book Bags
- Bird Watching Naturalist Kits
- Children's Storywalks
- CO2 Monitor

New in 2024:

- Travel Collection

Our special collections provide access to a selection of recreational items at no cost to our patrons



The SPL Makerspace was opened in October 2022. This space is a collaborative workspace designed for making, learning, and exploring using high-tech and low-tech tools.

21 volunteers helped run the Makerspace in 2024. The SPL Makerspace held **68 programs** with **364 attendees**. The MakerShop, stocked with donated and volunteer-made products, made **\$6,327 in shop revenue** in 2024.

Makerspace Equipment:

- 3D printers
- Glowforge laser cutter
- Cricut vinyl cutter
- Sewing machines
- Sergers
- Embroidery machines
- Sound booth
- Heat presses
- Printers & scanners
- Digitization tools
- Sublimation equipment
- Button maker
- and more!

Overview
LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Children's Programs

169 Children's programs
5,649 Attendees

Programs include:

- Storytimes
- PA Day programs
- Concerts
- Homeschool Connect
- Silver Birch Reading Club
- STEAM Programs

Outreach

Selwyn Public Library staff and volunteers have connected with the public at a variety of local events in 2024, including:

Teen Programs

30 Teen programs
172 Attendees

Programs include:

- Teen Advisory Group
- Teen Newsletter
- Ugly Christmas Sweater Decorating
- Gingerbread House Decorating
- "Tayl-gate" Event

Adult Programs

55 Adult programs
481 Attendees

Programs include:

- Craft Workshops
- Wellness Workshops
- Book Clubs
- Art Display
- Sharing Dance Seniors
- Blind Date with a Book
- Community Anthology
- Shamrock Festival
- Lakefield Literary Festival
- Lakefield Farmers Market



FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Revenue

Grants	\$48,335
Operating Receipts & Fees	\$33,245
Fundraising Receipts	\$68,651
Municipal Contributions	\$752,664
From Reserves / Reserve Funds	\$12,879

Expenditures

Supplies & Overhead	\$86,187
Books, eBooks, DVDs, etc	\$91,447
Library Buildings	\$75,095
Capital Expenses	\$21,289
Salaries & Benefits	\$614,299



TWILIGHT GOLF FUNDRAISER

In 2024, Board members planned and executed a golf tournament fundraiser for Selwyn Public Library.

*Through a collaborate effort with library staff and organizers at the Quarry Golf Club, the board successfully hosted our first annual golf tournament and **raised over \$9,500 after expenses.***

*At the end of the night, **44 golfers** were joined by **28 additional dinner guests** to celebrate and bid on silent auction items donated by local businesses.*

*In total over, **38 local businesses and organizations sponsored this fundraiser** in way of hole sponsorships, contest sponsorships, table sponsorships, and donations of high-valued items.*

JOIN US FOR OUR 2ND ANNUAL TWILIGHT GOLF FUNDRAISER ON JULY 18TH, 2025

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

CONTACT ANY OF OUR THREE BRANCH LIBRARIANS FOR MORE INFORMATION



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