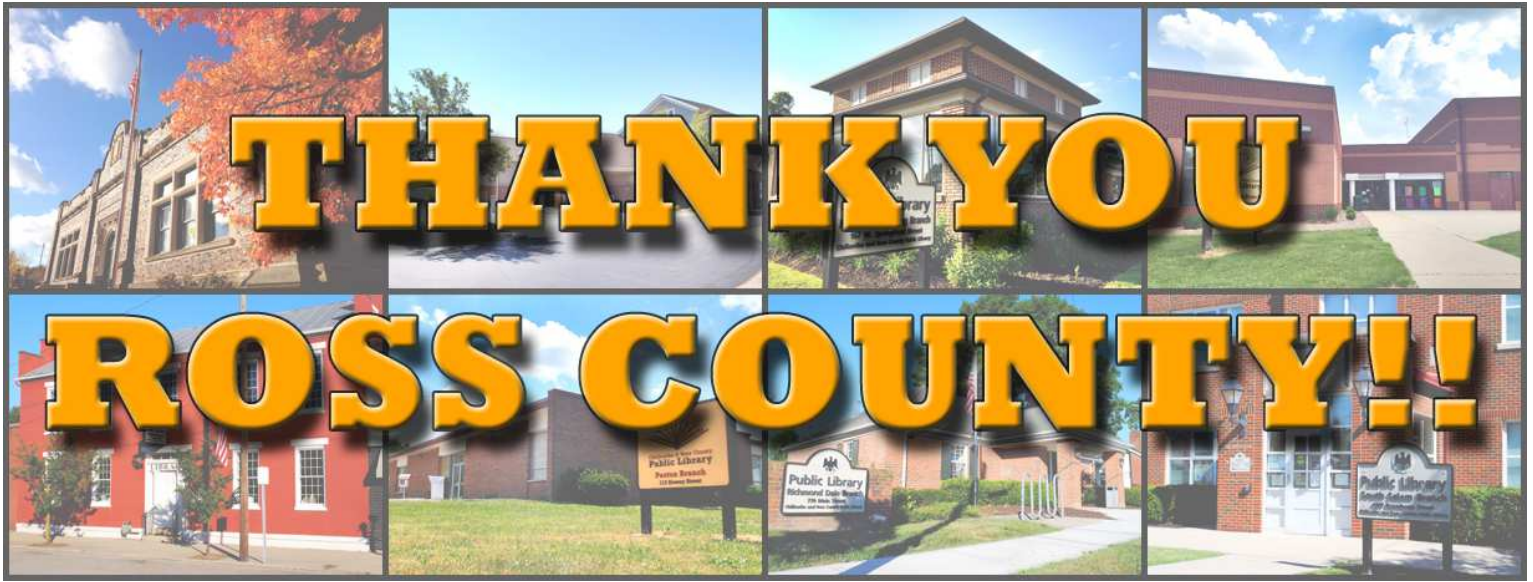


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Continued Community Support

In November 2015 Ross County voters approved a replacement levy with an increase to 1.5 mills for continuing support of library services. By doing so the voters recognized the ongoing value that the library provides to the community, both in actual economic benefit—every \$1 spent on library services in Ross County returns \$3 to the local economy—but also by the library’s presence in the community as the central place residents can go to get whatever information they need to be

successful and make our community a better place.

Passage of this levy allows us to continue our services in the community despite only small increases in state funding for libraries, and will ensure that for the next five years the library will be able to respond to the community’s needs and provide services whenever and wherever they’re needed.

We are extremely grateful for this statement of the community’s support and belief in our mission, and are committed to using these resources to help our patrons find whatever they need to improve their lives and make our community stronger.



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2015 STATISTICS

564163 Items Circulated

Adult Books:	149459
Juvenile Books:	78518
Audio Books:	13681
Music CDs:	12721
DVDs:	152692
eBooks:	22796
Other Materials:	47557
Materials Loaned to Other Libraries:	86739

219285 User Visits

Main	91108
Northside	67315
Frankfort	12450
Huntington	9604
Kingston	6544
Paxton	10822
Richmond Dale	6194
South Salem	15248

Other Library Statistics

Registered Borrowers	30099
Reference Questions	35824
Public Programs	1293
Program Attendance	18505
Public Meeting Room Use	1353
Public Computer Sessions	48083

Continued Support for the Community

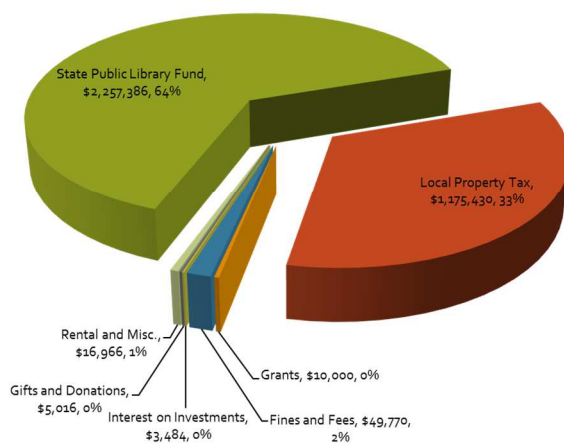
In 2015 the library continued its mission to help the residents of Ross County Explore, Connect, and Belong in their community. In particular, the library worked with many partners throughout the community to find ways to support many efforts and initiatives, such as:

- The library worked with the Convention and Visitors Bureau to bring Ohio Chautauqua to Chillicothe in June 2015.
- The library once again partnered with the Gazette and Adena to include a wellness program during the Bookworm Summer Reading program.



- The library received a grant from the Juvenile Court to support and expand outreach efforts at Sherman Park and other at-risk neighborhoods.
- The library hosted actors from "Tecumseh!" for a presentation on Shakespeare.
- The library worked with several other agencies to provide in-school tutoring for students in local elementary schools.
- With the assistance of all Ross County school districts, the library issued cards to all students that returned applications with their start of school paperwork, and issued electronic resource cards to all Chillicothe High School students.

General Fund Revenues 2015



General Fund Expenditures 2015

