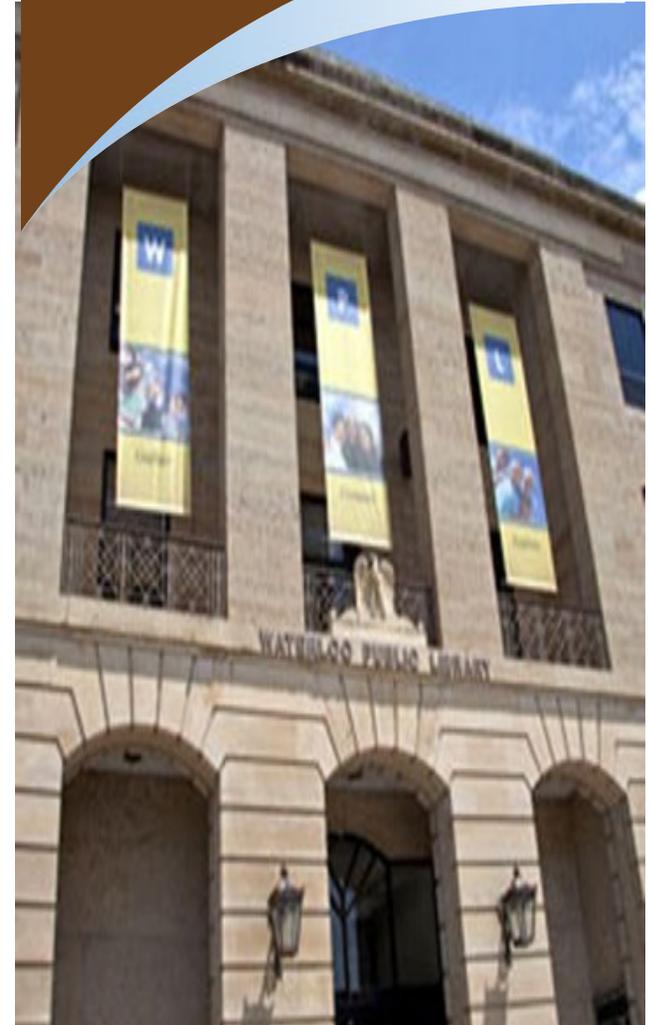


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The big news from the second floor is the new and improved arrangement of computers, displays, service desks and furniture. Library staff and volunteers moved computers and the collection to create a new and appealing library-scape. The computers are now far better organized with new network wiring that has significantly improved performance. The second floor now looks far better and is much easier to use.

Every three years WPL completes an accreditation process through State Library Services of Iowa. Not only does meeting these measures indicate we have a great library, it makes it possible to receive state funding. Everything from ADA accessibility to number of computers to number of children's materials to staffing levels is measured and reported.

Programming thrived at the library this year. In addition to regular storytimes, puppet shows, and Lego Labs, many special events were offered. Teens created jewelry and adorned their nails. Author visits, genealogy sessions, a gardening series, tax preparation and the paranormal were explored at the library. Many special history programs were offered to complement the traveling exhibit "Abraham Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War."

Material Circulation	405,341
Library Cardholders	42,013
Reference Questions Answered	61,977
Youth Summer Library Program Participants	1,042
Number of Volunteers	65
Volunteer Hours	4,623
Meeting Room Use	223
Library Visitors	263,261
Number of Internet Computers Available for Public Use	78
Number of Items Added to the Collection	26,843
Size of Collection	161,462
Amount of Fines Collected	\$33,815
Total Budget Expended	\$2,594,564
Total FTEs	30.73

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The Youth Department hosted author Ingrid Law for Cedar Valley's Youth Read. Fifth graders from Waterloo Schools attended.

WPL laid the ground works to add Burmese items to our foreign language collection.

WPL offered 217 free computer classes in English and Spanish to the public with attendance topping 2,020 patrons.

The Technical Services Department catalogued and processed over 27,553 items.

30 Public Access Computers (PACs) hosted 68,330 sessions averaging about 52 minutes each for a total of nearly 3.6 million minutes, more than 59,000 hours.

12 Teen, Express and Scanner computers accounted for an additional 14,362 sessions totaling more than 15,000 hours.

Patrons also made use of our printers: 129,174 pages in 41,825 jobs for a total of \$12,591 (End-to-end, 111,446 pages would stretch 23.44 miles!)