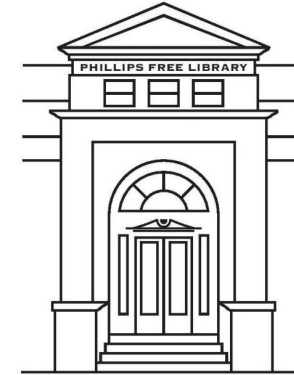


Phillips Free Library

Open our Doors



Statistics at a glance	
Library Visitors	34,355
Circulation	47,391
Programs	376
Attendance to Programs	3,731
Books in Collection	21,286
Audio Books	869
Videos	1,137
Downloadable books	6,266
Downloadable Audio	2,144
Public Computer Usage	2,596
Website Hits	14,275

A word about Funding

Phillips Free Library is funded through community support attained from the Town and Village of Homer, and the Homer School Ballot. These funds are supplemented from community members donations and grants. The school ballot acts as the vehicle for community members to vote to support the library. Funds from the school ballot do not come out of the school budget, rather library funding is a separate item on the ballot. The school ballot acts as the way the community can vote on library funding . As always, we thank the community for their support of the life long educational services we provide to all community members.



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Vision Statement of Phillips Free Library:

Phillips Free Library opens its doors to the community to create open access to information, open spaces for creative exploration, and open minds to explore possibilities. The library joins with residents of the Homer School District to make our community a strong, vibrant, inclusive place to live, work, and grow. At Phillips Free Library, we aspire to offer material, programs, and services that promote a love of reading, a joy of learning, and a place where people come together to share discovery, imagination, knowledge, and creativity.

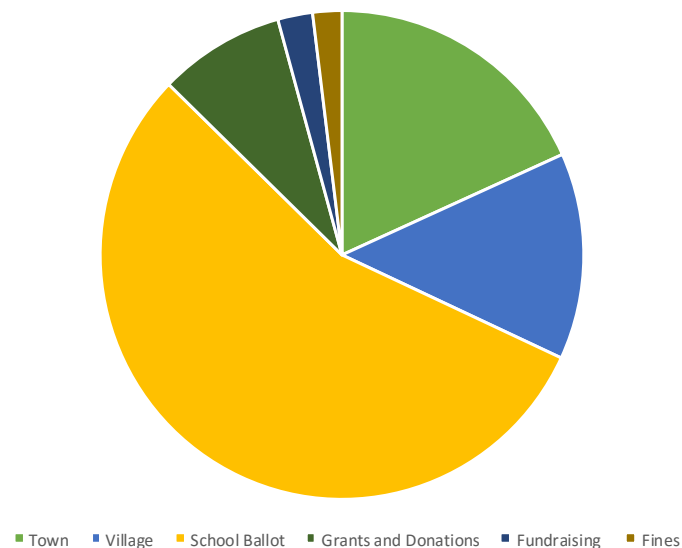


2016 was a busy year at Phillips Free Library!

Along with the regular circulation of library materials including books, audio books, videos, and downloadable materials, and our popular programs for children, teens and adults, this past year the library developed new programs and saw the expansion of some older favorites. Thanks to a donation from a community member, the library started TechExplorers, Technology and Engineering Exploration for children. This program includes several electronic and robotics programs for children, such as Little Bits and Cubelets, as well as coding classes. We also continue to offer programs in our *Wonder and Discovery Center*—including Demo Nights, Make and Takes, and Friday night Lock-Ins. Grants also allowed us to expand our book club offerings to include summer book clubs and allowed us to incorporate STEM activities into summer programming. 2016 also included the addition of gardening and sewing activities at the library. And we played host to three children and YA authors in 2016. Check out our website for more great programs at the library—www.phillipsfreelibrary.org



2016 Funding



2016 Expenditures

