Boulder Public Library is first and foremost...your library.

It’s a place where our community can come together to learn and to share. It’s not only about books and information. It’s about personal development, programs for children and teens, family activities, community discussions, concerts, films and art. Your library provides the opportunity to enrich your mind, to uplift your spirit and to create meaningful changes in your life.

— Jennifer Miles, Acting Library & Arts Director

Shining Moments from our Patrons —

Thank you for providing Toddler Time! It is awesome! — Anonymous

Thank you for your children’s summer reading program. It was a real motivator for my 8-year-old this summer. — Michelle

I feel blessed by having such a good library close by, about a mile away. I especially appreciate help in getting books not on the shelf, either by reserving one from Boulder or securing a copy from somewhere else. — Anonymous

I’ve used internet computer systems in dozens of public libraries in many states and the one here in Boulder Main is the best I’ve come across. I particularly like the orderly way patrons must request, use and stop using internet terminals. — Steven

I really appreciate that you show vintage films & have art exhibits. Films & Art are as much a part of our cultural heritage as the books are. Thank you for recognizing that and having such a great movie series and exhibits in the galleries. — Anonymous

Love, Love, Love the Wednesday morning meditation concerts!! Such a gift to the community. Thank you so much. — Shelly

I love your concerts, Books in a Bag, 5/$1 bookshelves, art displays, kid’s programs, helpful personnel, space for kids. — Jill
Included in this annual report is financial information for both the Library and Arts departments. Although these two city departments have separate budgets, they complement one another and are joined by similar, community-oriented missions, shared facilities, management and staff.

**2010 Library Budget**

$6,948,448

**Library Usage**

- Total Cardholders: 94,712
- New Cardholders in 2010: 14,659
- Library Visits: 971,493
- Total Circulation: 1,363,544
- Total Materials: 405,034
- New Items Added*: 34,373
- Holds Placed/Prospector Requests: 179,370
- Reference Questions Answered: 96,869
- Website Visits: 840,350
- Internet Computer Sessions: 178,196

*includes downloadable items and e-books

**Library Programs & Events**

- Attendance at Open Events: 56,722
- Individual Tutor/Training Sessions: 3,201
- Open Events or Programs: 2,363

**Community Support**

- Library Volunteer Hours: 24,198
- Library Volunteers: 1,810

**Arts Commission Grants**

- Arts & Business Collaborative Grants: 3
- Arts in Education Grants: 24
- Major Grants: 27
- Mini-Grants: 19
- Theater Rental/Marketing Assistance Grants: 14

**2010 Arts Budget**

$636,364

**Source of Funds**

- City of Boulder General Fund: 40%
- 0.15 Cent Sales Tax: 60%

**Use of Funds**

- Salaries & Benefits: 28%
- Major Grants: 21%
- Art Center & Museum Support: 17%
- Operating Expenses: 12%
- Other Grants: 11%
- Theater Grants: 6%
- Mini-Grants: 5%

- Library Volunteer Hours: 24,198
- Library Volunteers: 1,810
A special thanks to the Boulder Library Foundation for generously awarding $127,022 in grant funding in support of Library programs. Their support allows the Library to offer special events and programming absolutely free!

The Boulder Public Library Cinema Program received a $2,800 grant from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences.

The Boulder Public Library Bookshops earned over $22,000 in book sales.

The Boulder Arts Commission awarded new Arts & Business Collaborative grants, amounting to $45,000 for projects developed by local artists and businesses.

In partnership with the Boulder Public Library, NCAR and UCAR celebrated their 50th anniversary by sponsoring a lecture series at the Library focused on weather and the climate.

The Main Library opened its computer training lab to the Fourmile Fire victims so they could check their e-mail and use the Internet to keep abreast of developments and stay in contact with friends and loved-ones.

The Canyon Theater of the Main Library received updated audio-visual equipment.

Searching for a new job or career? The Library now offers Optimal Resume, “the ultimate job search package,” an on-line resume and career development tool.

Learn a new language! Try Powerspeak Languages, an on-line tool for learning foreign languages at your own pace.

Looking for books for your e-reader? Check out the new e-Books in our OverDrive Downloadable Library.

OverDrive’s Digital Bookmobile paid a visit to Boulder in May, giving patrons hands-on help using the Library’s downloadable library with portable media players and a chance to test drive several e-readers.

Library On-The-Go: a new mobile interface of the library catalog was launched in February: http://m.boulderlibrary.org.

New solar photovoltaic panels were installed at the Main Library as part of city-wide energy efficiency upgrades.

BoulderReads! and its partner, the Boulder Valley Family Literacy Program, administered 483 GED subtests to 303 people at the Boulder Library, an increase of 64% in tests administered and a 43% increase in testers over 2009.

Let Lynda.com help you sharpen your skills with all sorts of software applications, including Adobe, Microsoft and Apple, just to name a few. The Library now offers this self-paced, on-line tool with tutorials from beginner to expert.

Digital signs were installed in the Main Library to display up-to-date information about what is happening in the Library.

Donations were made to the Library in memory of the following people: Alexander Anderson Jr., Martha Barmes, Sheila Chaney, Russell “Bud” Chesebro, Morris Cohn, L. Hering, Jack Horkheimer, Katherine Lindeke, and Rev. James McKeown.
2010-11 Library/Arts Leadership

Jennifer Miles
Acting Library & Arts Director
Strategic Planning & Administrative Services Manager

Joseph Gaona
Library Applications & Systems Support Manager

Terri Lewis
Technical Services Supervisor

Melinda Mattingly
Reference & Collections Manager

Gregory Ravenwood
Acting Arts & Cultural Programs Manager; Acting Arts Commission Liaison, and Graphic Artist & Canyon Gallery Curator

Diana Sherry
Community Literacy & Learning Manager

Donna Gartenmann
Acting Library & Arts Director and Arts & Cultural Programs Manager (Retired 12/2010)

Matthew Hamilton
Library Innovation & Technology Manager (Resigned 09/2010)

James Marshall
Library Business & Finance Manager (Retired 11/2010)

Lynn Reed
Assistant Director, Public Experiences & Resources (Retired 11/2010)

Tony Tallent
Library & Arts Director (Resigned 07/2010)

Branch Locations

Main Library
1001 Arapahoe Avenue, Boulder, CO 80302
303-441-3100

Carnegie Branch for Local History
1125 Pine Street, Boulder, CO 80302
303-441-3110

George Reynolds Branch Library
3595 Table Mesa Drive, Boulder, CO 80305
303-441-3120

Meadows Branch Library
4800 Baseline Road, Boulder, CO 80303
(located behind Safeway) 303-441-4390

2010-11 Library Commission

Sam Fuqua, Chair, 2007-2012
Annette Mitchell, Vice-Chair, 2008-2013
Celeste Landry, 2010-2014
Anne Sawyer, Secretary, 2010-2015
Donna O’Brien, 2011-2016

Nadia Haddad, 2010 Chair, 2006-2011
James Zigarelli, 2009-2010

2010-11 Arts Commission

Janet Salmons, Chair, 2007-2012
A. Richard Turbiak, 2010-2013
Brandy LeMae, Vice-Chair, 2009-2014
Anna Salim, 2010-2015
Linda Haertling, 2011-2016

Elizabeth Nolan, 2010 Chair, 2006-2011
Mike Smith, 2005-2010

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