

St. Helens Public Library

Semiannual Report to City Council

August 2, 2023

Serving our Community

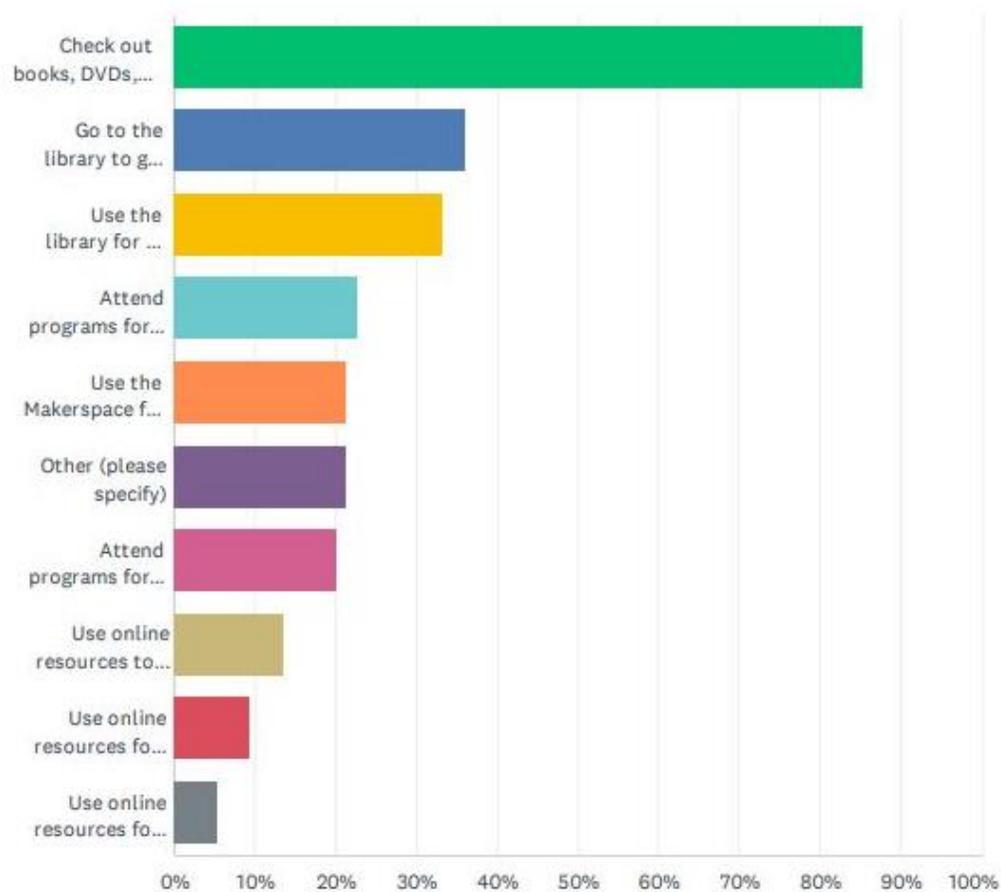
- Finding resources
- In-depth research
- Homework
- Employment and business
- Local history
- Active learning



Patron Use of Library Resources

Q5 What do you look to our library for? Choose all that apply.

Answered: 75 Skipped: 0



2023 - 2028 Strategic Plan

Goal 1: Develop the Library as the community's
“living room.”

Goal 2: Engage the community in lifelong learning.

Goal 3: Enhance access to library services.

Open Hours and Visits

Fiscal Year	FY 17/18	FY 18/19	FY 19/20	FY 20/21	FY 21/22	FY 22/23
Open hours	2,352	2,352	1,696	247	2,348	2,350
Population	13,240	13,240	13,410	13,915	14,371	14,380
Staff	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.5	6.00	6.0
Visits	54,249	67,477	42,982	9,077	25,500	37,390
Open hours per capita	0.178	0.178	0.126	0.018	0.163	0.163
Visits per capita	4.097	5.096	3.205	0.652	1.774	2.600
Visits per open hour	23.065	28.689	25.343	36.749	10.860	15.911
Staff per 1,000 residents	0.462	0.462	0.45	0.423	0.428	0.428

Database Use FY 22 - 23

Ancestry.com	1,247
Freegal	5,089
Library2Go e-audio	8,725
Library2Go e-book	4,867

New in the fiscal year

- A-Z Recipes
- Educate Station
- MediciTV

Youth Services

- Regular programming
 - Weekly storytimes
 - LEGO Free Play
 - Homeschool Meetup
 - STEAM Zone
- Special programs
- Outreach



The Makerspace



- Makerspace Tech funding
- Current use
- Plan

Find Your Voice! Summer Library Challenge

Registered Readers

- Youth 284
- Teens 57
- Adults 132

Logged Minutes

- Youth 79,117
- Teens 39,326
- Adults 79,292



Rivers of Wonder: Columbia County Genealogy Conference



- September 15 - 17, 2023
- Free
- 80+ attendees
- Hands-on sessions
- Presenters

Community Engagement

- Arts Guild
- Columbia County Museum Association
- Recreation department
- Columbia County Health Department
- Columbia County Mental Health



Library Staff

6 FTE

Library Director (1.0 FTE)

Adult Services Librarian (1.0 FTE)

Youth Librarian (1.0 FTE)

Cataloger - Library Technician (1.0 FTE)

4 Library Assistants (.5 FTE each)

Volunteers

25 active volunteers

Logged 752 hours since July 1,
2022

Shelving, book repair, preparing
items for use, and more



Library Board

Fatima Salas

New officers

- President Jana Mann
- Vice President Aaron Martin

Friends of St. Helens Public Library

Citizens' Day

Officers

- President Melisa Gaelrun-Maggi
- Treasurer Charlotte Hart
- Secretary Pam Benham

Thank you, Lynne Pettit



Thank you!

