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**ANNUAL REPORT** 

**Exploring Ideas | Expanding Knowledge Enriching Community** 



## **NEW & NOTABLE**

- **Exemplary Accreditation Renewed** A reflection of South Dakota State Library's highest level of library service.
- Community Space Updates A public grand-reopening and reception introduced the main floor reconfiguration. A bookstore model with an improved layout for enhanced browsing was unveiled, along with new shelving, carpet, and paint.
- **Grant Funding Database from The Foundation Center & Grants Research Assistance**
- **Adventure & Experience Themed Collections** Convenient bagged collections featuring books, instruments, and tools, for literacy enrichment and hands-on exploration.
- **Events & Classes** 
  - o Camp CHAOS: robotics, circuitry, 3D modeling, movie making, coding, and master building
  - o Summer Reading Literacy Initiative: a record of approximately 1,100 attended this annual event geared to prevent summer learning loss.
  - o Maurice Sendak Exhibition
  - o Solar Eclipse: Eclipse glasses giveaway and viewing event attracted an estimated 1,000 people.
  - o Literacy and STEAM Afterschool events
  - o Library Card Sign-Up Campaign
    - ♦ 549 new library cards | 1,277 renewed cards
    - ♦ 1,043 pounds of food donated to local charities

are doing here that is so different, but it's amazing, so please don't stop."





"Please communicate my gratitude and admiration to everyone for the vast selection the library has made available to us. Everywhere I've traveled, the library has been my companion and sanity. I've checked into other libraries, especially in metro areas, expecting to see a larger, more diverse selection. They cannot compete. Not even close. I don't know what you folks



689 events & classes



4,420 new cardholders



40,935

event attendance

**129%** 

total cardholders

77,519 social media community engagement



132,729

questions answered



digital library use

**15**% 146,325



85,065 computer hours education, job

searches, social connections





19,809 community connections



- A Fan Forever, Heather