

Impact on Adult Learning

- 334 English language-learning and conversation classes had an attendance of 4,500.
- 115 U.S. citizenship classes drew an attendance of 1,200.
- 235 sessions of adult education tutoring offered help with job readiness, GED preparation, life skills and more.
- The number of one-on-one job search consultations doubled.

Impact on Local Businesses

- 260 one-on-one help sessions were held with local entrepreneurs at the Central Library and eight branches.
- More than 70 business workshops and networking events drew 1,400 people.
- 40 community partners enhanced the Library's small business program, including the UW Entrepreneurial Law Clinic Workshops and the Islamic Finance Network.



The Seattle Public Library's 2019 Impact at a Glance

Impact on Cultural & Civic Engagement

- More than 1,200 people attended Seattle Reads events for Thi Bui's "The Best We Could Do."
- Peak Picks books were checked out 217,000 times.
- Two virtual reality exhibits explored topics such as the Great Seattle Fire.
- Indigenous youth from the Clear Sky Native Youth Council worked on oral histories supporting efforts to make Licton Springs Seattle's first-ever Native landmark.
- Legendary Children, a civic leadership project with queer and transgender artists of color, was attended by 1,600.

Impact on People in Need

- 675 Wi-Fi hot spots circulated nearly 8,000 times, and 250 additional Wi-Fi hot spots were checked out to neighbors most impacted by the digital divide.
- We made more than 909 social-service referrals for 775 people.
- Nearly 7,000 patrons received Tax Help.
- "Read To Me!" provided early literacy training to incarcerated parents, who recorded themselves reading stories for their young children.

Impact on Student Success

- More than 8,500 children and teens attended 270 programs and events.
- 70 elementary schools participated in Global Reading Challenge's 24th year.
- Homework Help sessions at 11 locations were attended 12,000 times.
- More than 2,700 story times were held, with a total attendance of 78,000.
- 200 Kaleidoscope Play and Learn sessions had a total attendance of 8,900.



The Seattle Public Library's **2019 Statistical & Financial Summaries**

Facilities: Central Library, 26 neighborhood branches and Mobile Services **Staffing:** 695 (585 full-time equivalents)

Physical circulation

Print	5.2 million
Media (CDs, DVDs, audiobooks)	2.5 million
Equipment (laptops, tablets, hot spots)	23,000
Total physical circulation	7.8 million

Digital circulation

E-books and e-audiobooks	3.4 million
Streaming and downloadable media	1.4 million
Total digital circulation	4.8 million
Total circulation	12.6 million

Collection size

Central Library collection	1.03 million
Branch collections	850,000
Digital collection	530,000
Total collection size	2.4 million

Patron visits

Central Library and branches	4.9 million
Online visits (website and catalog visits)	12.5 million
Total visits	17.4 million

Service levels and programs

Assisted Information questions answered	695,000
Holds placed on physical or digital items	5.2 million
Database sessions	345,000
Library classes, events or activities	9,200
Library programs attendance	275,000
Computer & Wi-Fi sessions	2.5 million
Volunteers hours contributed by 630 people	21,900

Meeting rooms

Private group rentals	540
Nonprofit groups used free meeting room spaces	140
Programs hosted by the Library in meeting rooms	900
Library staff meetings and staff trainings	900
Total meetings supported	2,500

Operating budget (does not include private gifts)

Personnel	\$56.2 million
Books and materials	\$7.9 million
Maintenance, security and utilities	\$3.5 million
Equipment	\$2 million
Supplies	\$670,000
Other	\$4.9 million
Total operating budget	\$75.2 million