

# STEWART PUBLIC LIBRARY



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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Library Director: Rebecca Mitchell

Library Assistant: Michelle Day

Library Assistant: Amy McFee

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District of Stewart, BC Libraries Co-op, Northwest Library Foundation,  
Province of British Columbia & Ministry of Education



# About our Community

Stewart Public Library serves approximately 400 people in the immediate community of Stewart BC and Hyder, Alaska. Stewart is home to BC's most northerly ice-free port and is in the heart of the Golden Triangle. Being a very isolated community at nearly 350 km to the nearest city, the residents of Stewart heavily rely on the services and resources the Library provides.

2021 was a tumultuous year for the library. Covid-19 continued to affect library operations with reduced open hours and limited capacity.

During the summer, we had to abruptly move out of our library building and seek a new building for the library. The library was fortunate to find a new home, but it would need extensive renovations. The library opened a "pop-up" library for the Fall and Winter of 2021 while fundraising efforts were started. Throughout the year and through all the challenges, we remained committed to our services





# 2021 was the 2nd year of our 4-year strategic plan



**Stewart Public Library**

## Strategic Plan Summary ~2020-2023~

### Our Mission:

The Mission of the Stewart Public Library is to enrich the life of every person in our community by providing access to the world's ideas and information

### Guiding Principles:

Service  
Equality  
Inspiration  
Connections  
Collaboration



### Community Collaboration

Utilize services and skills in our community that can benefit our population as a whole through our programs

Support community initiatives through outreach and collaboration.

Continue to partner and provide outreach within our local schools.

Utilize available spaces within the community and explore options for increasing space for programming.



### Community Connection

Connect with all age groups within our community through programming and outreach

Strengthen relationship with the teen/young adult community by offering programs and services that are specifically geared towards their interests.

Expand programming aimed towards the adult population



### Community Technology

Utilize technology to the best of our ability to offer barrier free services, collection and programs

Use technology for operational efficiency within the library



### Community Capacity Building

Increase online educational opportunities through the library that will enhance skills in the community

Build and improve skills of staff and board through workshops, online classes and yearly conferences

### Measuring Our Success

Library use and membership ~ Items borrowed ~ Attendance at programs, webinars and workshops ~ Stat count use of technology & services ~ Partnerships and Collaboration ~ Staff and board training~ Output of initiatives, Outcome of initiatives,

# 2021 IN REVIEW



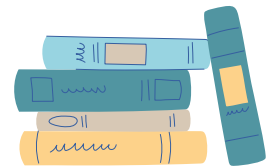
2127 resources  
circulated



249 active  
patrons



2755 library visits



13,693  
Total  
collection

## PROGRAMS & OUTREACH



Book Club



Boards & Brews



Pancake  
Breakfast



Tax Clinic



Summer Reading  
Club



Secret  
Ninja



Seed  
Library



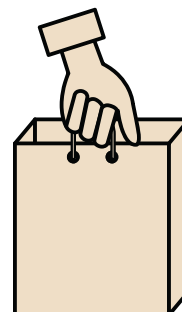
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Recreation  
Library



Tech  
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Take &  
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Book  
Delivery