

*From the Director:*

Thank you for helping to make our full first year in our renovated library such a successful one! It is so much fun to work in such a vibrant community and in such a busy library. The number of library cardholders grew by 2,000 this year as well as the average monthly circulation by seven percent.

This fiscal year we were awarded a grant to begin the Strategic Planning Progress. This project is supported by the Institute of Museum of Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the office of the Secretary of State. The grant allowed us to hire a library consultant to lead the process and we hope to have an official plan complete in the 2012 Fiscal Year.

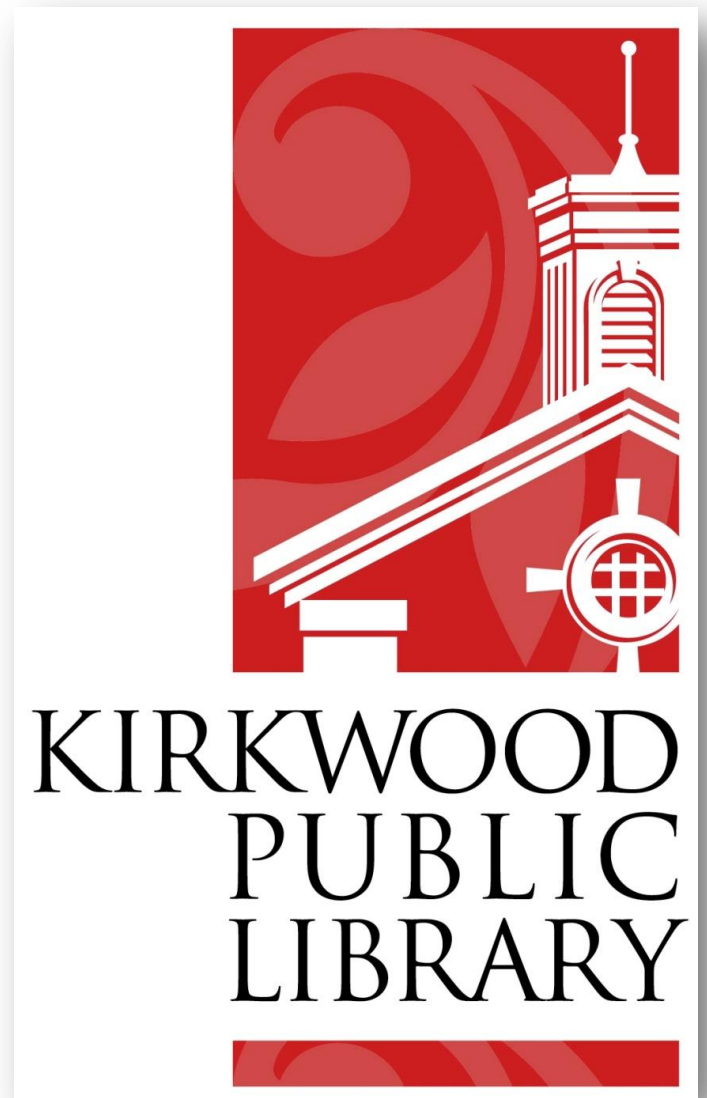
Our staff works hard to combine the library's mission of "providing information services and resources that enrich and enlighten the community" with outstanding customer service. This library belongs to you and we promise to continue to listen to your needs and wants. Please don't hesitate to tell us how we can better serve you.

Sincerely,



Sarah Erwin

Library Director



2011 Annual Report

July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011

YOUR KIRKWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

314-821-5770 [kirkwoodpubliclibrary.org](http://kirkwoodpubliclibrary.org)

## A Special Thank You ....

.....to the Friends of the Kirkwood Public Library  
for their extremely generous donation  
of \$ 33,500 in fiscal 2011.

### Board of Trustees:

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### Grants:

#### Grants this year included:

LSTA Summer Reading  
LSTA Descriptive DVDs  
LSTA Technology  
LSTA Teen Computers  
LSTA Strategic Planning  
Gates Grant  
Edward Chase Garvey Memorial  
Foundation Grant  
Gaylord Foundation

## Financial Highlights:

### Revenues:

Property Taxes:	\$2,126,838
Fines:	76,672
Gift/Donations:	49,884
Grant Funding:	26,254
State Aid:	13,219

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Total: \$2,292,867

### Expenditures:

Personnel:	\$811,660
Materials:	314,187
Administrative Services:	117,951
Utilities/Service:	117,100
Consortium Expenses:	31,565
Debt Service:	458,873
Capital Outlay:	48,610

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Total: \$1,899,946

### Our Generous FY 2011 Donors:

Quarterly, we recognize our donors in the library's print newsletter, Outlook, but because of their recent support we would like to let everyone know of the following gifts afforded by their generosity:

- \$1,165 in our Buy-A-Shelf Program
- \$3,717 in memorials and tributes which helped to purchase materials such as audio books, large print books, children's books, and helped pay for special programming.

We are grateful for their ongoing support of the library's mission.

## KPL by the Numbers:

### Fun Facts:

KPL Cardholders: 24,683  
Summer reading Sign-ups: 2,128  
Items circulated in an average month: 38,857  
Average % of collection circulating a month: 32.57%  
Passports issued: 995  
Total circulation in FY 2011: 466,285 (of KPL items)

### Computer Use:

Adult: 25,968 (average 2,164 /month)  
Teen: 1,842 (average 154 /month)  
Youth: 11,343 (average 945 /month)  

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Total: 39,153

### Children's & Teen Programming:

In-Library **Children's** & Teen Programs: **275** & 35  
In-Library **Children's** & Teen Program Attendance: **8,770** & 434  
Outreach **Children's** & Teen Programs: **305** & 30  
Outreach **Children's** & Teens Attendance: **10,358** & 357

### Top 5 Categories in Circulation:

1. Children's Picture Books
2. Hot DVDs
3. Adult DVDs
4. Children's DVDs
5. Children's Beginning Readers