Over 30,200 physical and downloadable items were added to the collection—including almost 2,500 items generously donated by community members.

The NOLS Gear collection grew—guitars, violins, strumsticks, and ukuleles are now available for checkout!

NOLS supported civic engagement by partnering with Clallam County Elections to place a ballot box at the Clallam Bay Branch Library.

NOLS partnered with Humanities Washington and Dry Creek Elementary to offer Prime Time Family Reading. Families met at the Port Angeles Library once a week for six weeks to read together, share a meal, learn, and connect.

579 volunteers contributed 3,891 hours helping NOLS in ways big and small. They repaired library materials, delivered items to homebound patrons, assisted at programs, stocked Tiny Olympic Libraries, and more.

NOLS invited public radio station KNKX to broadcast All Things Considered live from the Port Angeles Library living room. This was the first in a series of KNKX broadcasts presented in, and focusing on, communities around the region.

300 first graders kicked off the school year at the library with Celebration of the Book. Local celebrities, including the Port Angeles Mayor, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Coast Guard officers, and Olympic National Park leaders, volunteered their time to share their love of books and reading with the students.

Comfort, safety, and operational efficiency were enhanced at all branches. Capital maintenance projects included parking lot repair at the Port Angeles Library, sidewalk installation at the Clallam Bay Branch, lighting upgrades, and re-carpeting.

Outreach to the community of Neah Bay included monthly storytimes at Makah Tribal Head Start, monthly school visits, tabling at the Makah Health and Information Fair, and more!

Several re-cataloging projects improved access and tracking for archival maps and materials, and children’s books.

Staff aimed to increase awareness of the Washington Anytime Library downloadable service. The target goal of 100,000 checkouts in 2018 was more than met, with users downloading 101,458 titles by the end of November!

In the November General Election, voters overwhelmingly approved creation of a Sequim Library Capital Facility Area taxing district. Sadly, the companion funding measure to support the construction of a larger, modern library in Sequim failed by a narrow margin.

NOLS hit the high notes all year long, with fabulous musical performances by Red Yarn, Joy in Mudville, Canote Brothers, Neon Brass Party, Ants Ants Ants, Farmstrong, Harmonica Pocket, Kalan Wolfe, Squirrel Butter, and more!

Over 3,000 people of all ages signed up for the Summer Reading Challenge. Nearly 1,000 participants read for at least 30 days and earned a free “Libraries Rock!” T-shirt.

NOLS partnered with WSU Extension to offer event focused on reusing items in creative ways. Over 400 people crafted terrariums, musical instruments, and other repurposed art.

Storytime on the Road travelled around Port Angeles and Sequim to farmers markets, fire stations, a police station, Feiro Marine Life Center, and Railroad Bridge Park.

Humanities Washington Speakers Bureau presenters facilitated thoughtful discussion on various topics throughout the year.

Over 400 fifth and sixth graders met author Laurie Thompson, and learned about how to tell fact from fiction.

Over 230 fourth graders participated in the yearlong Battle of the Books program.

The much viewed and falling apart 1921 PA High School yearbook (Tum Tum) was digitized and is now available online through the Washington Rural Heritage website.

Students from the Quillayute Valley School District’s bilingual summer school program visited the Forks Library throughout June and July. The reading train was their favorite place to gather—all aboard!

Shape Note Singing School visited the Sequim Branch to share this fascinating traditional form of community singing.

Local artists worked together over many months to construct a “Giant Reading Person” sculpture in the heart of the Port Angeles Library. The statue, which celebrated community, art, music, and books, was ceremonially illuminated at the special “Reading Rocks” Art Blastapalooza.
FINANCIAL SUMMARY (2018 Actual)

OPERATING REVENUES
Property taxes and other government revenue $4,136,059
Fines, fees, goods, and services $62,202
Grants and donations $95,292
Miscellaneous $68,169
Investment interest $145,433
TOTAL REVENUES $4,507,155

OPERATING EXPENDITURES
Salaries and benefits $3,007,870
Books and other library materials $445,452
Supplies, services, utilities, and miscellaneous $689,035
SUBTOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES $4,142,357
Fund reallocations and transfers to reserves $364,798
TOTAL EXPENDITURES / REALLOCATIONS $4,507,155

CAPITAL RESERVES / CAPITAL BUDGET
2018 Timber revenues $282,479
Allocated to Capital Reserves
2018 Capital budget expenditures $345,018

LIBRARY USE & STATISTICS

CHECK-OUTS AND RENEWALS
Clallam Bay 28,490
Forks 110,383
Port Angeles 519,375
Sequim 448,172
Outreach to the Homebound 16,037
E-circulation 128,662
Total Check-Outs 1,251,119

CUSTOMER VISITS
Clallam Bay 15,693
Forks 97,793
Port Angeles 205,411
Sequim 138,792
Total Customer Visits 457,689

ACTIVE CARD HOLDERS 41,772
NEW CARDS ISSUED 3,889

LIBRARY PROGRAMS/ATTENDEES
Clallam Bay 68/1,240
Forks 198/3,223
Port Angeles 456/17,043
Sequim 283/9,730
Total Programs/Attendees 1,005/31,236

MEETING ROOM USE/ATTENDEES
Clallam Bay 28/74
Forks 387/2,043
Port Angeles 527/9,441
Sequim 558/6,666
Total Meetings/Attendees 1,500/18,224

COLLECTIONS (Books and Other Materials)
Clallam Bay 12,881
Forks 22,609
Port Angeles 112,395
Sequim 52,230
Online databases 37
Magazine and newspaper subscriptions 358
Downloadable and streaming titles 128,437
Total Items in NOLS Collection 328,947

HOURS OF PUBLIC COMPUTER USE
Clallam Bay 1,334
Forks 11,893
Port Angeles 40,730
Sequim 19,080
Total Hours 73,037

VIRTUAL LIBRARY
Visits to nols.org and catalog 345,567

STAFF (Positions/full-time equivalents) 64/53

VOLUNTEERS (Individuals/full-time equivalents) 579/2
Volunteer Hours Worked 3,891

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY DONATIONS (included in grants and donations, above)
The generous support of Friends of the Library groups helps to make NOLS great. Donations fund Summer Reading Program activities, supplies, and prizes; Art in the Library exhibits; speakers; author events; programs for all ages; and much more.

THANK YOU, FRIENDS!
Clallam Bay Friends of the Library $1,789
Friends of the Forks Library $2,000
Port Angeles Friends of the Library $46,000
Friends of Sequim Library $27,000

OTHER GRANTS AND DONATIONS
Jo Ann and Jim Roberts
(In support of reading programs for young children) $4,000
Phyllis McDonald Memorial fund $5,000
Prime Time Grant (from Humanities Washington) $3,050
Sequim Future Library Donations $425
South Dakota Community Foundation $1,000
Streett Memorial Gift Fund (year-end balance) $5,378
The North Olympic Library System (NOLS) is a junior taxing district serving all of Clallam County, Washington. NOLS is primarily funded through property taxes, with a 2018 levy rate of 49¢ per $1,000 of assessed property valuation. The Library also receives funding from fines, fees, investments, and miscellaneous charges. It is governed by a five-member governing Board of Trustees. Trustees are appointed at large by the Clallam County Commissioners for five-year terms.

The System consists of the main library in Port Angeles and branches in Clallam Bay, Forks, and Sequim, as well as outreach services for patrons who cannot travel to the library, and an array of online services. The NOLS collection includes over 300,000 items ranging from books and DVDs, to eBooks and streaming music, to musical instruments and community passes. The Library also offers WiFi access, public computers, a full calendar of programs for all ages, community meeting rooms, and more.

**MISSION**

_Nurturing imagination, connection, and understanding, to improve lives and strengthen community._

**CORE VALUES**

- Free and equal access
- Intellectual freedom and privacy
- Literacy and learning
- Community service
- Responsible Stewardship
- Power of knowledge, imagination, and exploration
- Flexibility, nimbleness, and adaptability to social and technological change
- Community partnerships—community vitality
- Transparency and accountability

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