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 2014 levy rate of 50¢ per $1,000 of assessed property valuation. The Library also receives funding from fines, fees and miscellaneous charges. It is governed by a five-member administrative Board of Trustees. Trustees are appointed at large by the Clallam County Commissioners for five-year terms.

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**STRATEGIC INITIATIVES 2015-16**
- Provide literacy, education and enrichment opportunities for people of all ages.  
- Provide resources and opportunities for personal empowerment.  
- Provide library facilities that are safe, comfortable, functional, and energy efficient.  
- Be the Third Place, where community comes together to think, meet, work, play, and create.  
- Engage with community partners; connect community resources to community needs.  
- Promote community vitality and economic development.  
- Be nimble, flexible, and adaptable in responding to social and technological change.  
- Utilize public resources responsibly.
FINANCIAL REPORT

OPERATING REVENUES
Property taxes and other government revenue $3,538,640
Fines, fees and other charges $79,395
Grants and donations $93,977
Miscellaneous $32,112
TOTAL REVENUES $3,744,126

OPERATING EXPENDITURES
Salaries and benefits $2,530,660
Books and other library materials $433,617
Supplies and services $514,248
Transfers and allocations $265,601
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES $3,744,126

CAPITAL REPLACEMENT ACCOUNT/CAPITAL BUDGET
2014 Timber revenues $560,618
Allocated to Capital Replacement Account
2014 Capital budget expenditures $297,026
Ending balance: Capital Replacement Account $1,739,254

LIBRARY USE & STATISTICS

Check-outs and renewals
Clallam Bay 20,725
Forks 81,083
Port Angeles 421,956
Sequim 371,260
Outreach program 15,688
E-circulation 62,105
Total check-outs 972,817

Customer visits
Clallam Bay 10,730
Forks 71,640
Port Angeles 239,319
Sequim 176,385
Total customer visits 498,074

Library programs/attendees
Clallam Bay 34/454
Forks 108/2,023
Port Angeles 383/16,094
Sequim 258/8,828
Total programs/attendees 783/27,399

Meeting room use/attendees
Clallam Bay 26/232
Forks 268/1,577
Port Angeles 276/5,062
Sequim 435/5,250
Total meetings/attendees 1,005/12,121

Staff in FTEs 53
Volunteers
Individuals 125
FTE equivalent 1.77
Hours worked 3,443
Card holders 43,757
Collections (books and other materials)
Clallam Bay 12,729
Forks 22,958
Port Angeles 129,038
Sequim 53,896
Online databases 24
eBooks/downloadable audio books 30,425
Magazine subscriptions (print) 352
Total items in all collections 249,422

Public computers
Clallam Bay 7
Forks 15
Port Angeles 43
Sequim 17
Total public computers 82

Virtual library
Visits to NOLS website and catalog 253,149
Hours of public computer use 104,072

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY DONATIONS
(included in grants and donations, above)
The generous support of the Friends of the Library helps make NOLS services and programs great! Thank you, Friends!

Clallam Bay Friends of the Library $2,271
Special events for children, teens, adults and families; Summer Reading Program activities and supplies for young people, and more.

Friends of the Forks Library $3,000
Summer Reading Program events for young people, storytime supplies, and more.

Port Angeles Friends of the Library $48,000
Programs for children, teens, adults and families, including the Summer Reading Program, Art in the Library exhibits, author visits, Battle of the Books, Poetry Walks, traveling exhibits, and much more.

Friends of Sequim Library $21,595
Programs for children, teens, adults and families, Summer Reading Program events and supplies, Art in the Library, teen volunteer program support, and more.

NORTH OLYMPIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION DONATIONS
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HIGHLIGHTS OF 2014

The Get Moving! series in Port Angeles engaged patrons with free yoga, Feldenkrais, and hiking workshops, in addition to storytimes in Olympic National Park.

Art in the Library exhibits continued to draw gifted performers and artists from around the region.

Local foodies learned about coffee, dairy, homebrewing, and gardening in Sequim’s Food for Thought series.

Cruisin’ the Fossil Freeway, an exhibit on loan from the Burke Museum of Seattle, was on display in Port Angeles and featured a visit and workshop from author-illustrator Ray Troll.

NOLS curated three Poetry Walks within Olympic National Park to celebrate National Poetry Month.

More than 200 people attended the annual Battle of the Books event in March, a culminating book club competition for 4th-grade students in Port Angeles.

The Port Angeles and Sequim libraries introduced new technology help sessions, where patrons received one-on-one guidance from library staff.

Between June and August, more than 3,300 people attended Summer Reading events at all four NOLS libraries.

Talking Trash @ the Forks Library explored recycling, upcycling, composting, and coastal cleanup.

The second annual Valentine’s Day fundraising event at Clallam Bay raised more than $500 for youth programs at the Branch.

Celebrate Science! in Port Angeles drew more than 300 5th-graders, who spent a day learning about science, technology, engineering, and math careers from real-world professionals.

Renovated meeting room spaces in Forks were more popular than ever, and monthly visits to the library outnumbered any year on record.

The 2nd Annual Skill Share Fair in Port Angeles featured more than a dozen local experts demonstrating skills like bike repair and seed-saving.

Nature Talks, a wilderness education series, drew crowds to Port Angeles for topics exploring Corvids, fungi and the Wilderness Act.

Kids Create Art in Sequim connected local youths with local artists to learn techniques like sculpting, painting, and drawing.

Increased social media presence brought new exposure to library events, programs and services.

Bestselling authors such as Suzanne Selfors, April Henry, and Jesse Joshua Watson visited Port Angeles to discuss their work and offer free workshops to more than 600 students and patrons.

New bike racks were installed in Port Angeles, energy-efficient windows were put in place, and the Raymond Carver Room received new carpet, seating, and technology upgrades.

Thanks to a generous donation, books and book bags were distributed to 69 Makah Tribal Head Start students, 54 Quillayute Valley School District ECEAP students, and 50 Quileute Tribal Head Start students.

Newly sealed and striped parking lots were installed in Port Angeles and on the West End, and a new book-drop was installed in Sequim.

The annual Rainfest Celebration in Forks hosted spinners, knitters, and quilters, as well as musician-artist-storyteller Dennis McGregor.

NOLS added more than 19,000 new items to the collection, as well as more than 6,500 downloadable titles!

New, non-traditional items were introduced for checkout at all branches, including: pool passes, birding kits, and map collections.

The Outdoor Summer Concert series in Sequim and Port Angeles featured both new and renowned musicians from around the region.

High-speed internet connections were installed in Clallam Bay, and the Library website was upgraded with a streamlined look and feel.

The exterior of the Port Angeles Main Library received a fresh coat of paint.

Community partners at Forks Elks Lodge #2524 helped restore the Forks Library reading train and donated 45 award-winning (and train-themed!) books to children.

Staff and volunteers delivered more than 12,000 library materials to homebound patrons.

Paula Barnes retired after seven years of service as Library Director, and NOLS welcomed Assistant Director Margaret Jakubcin into the Director’s role.