



# PARKLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY

## 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

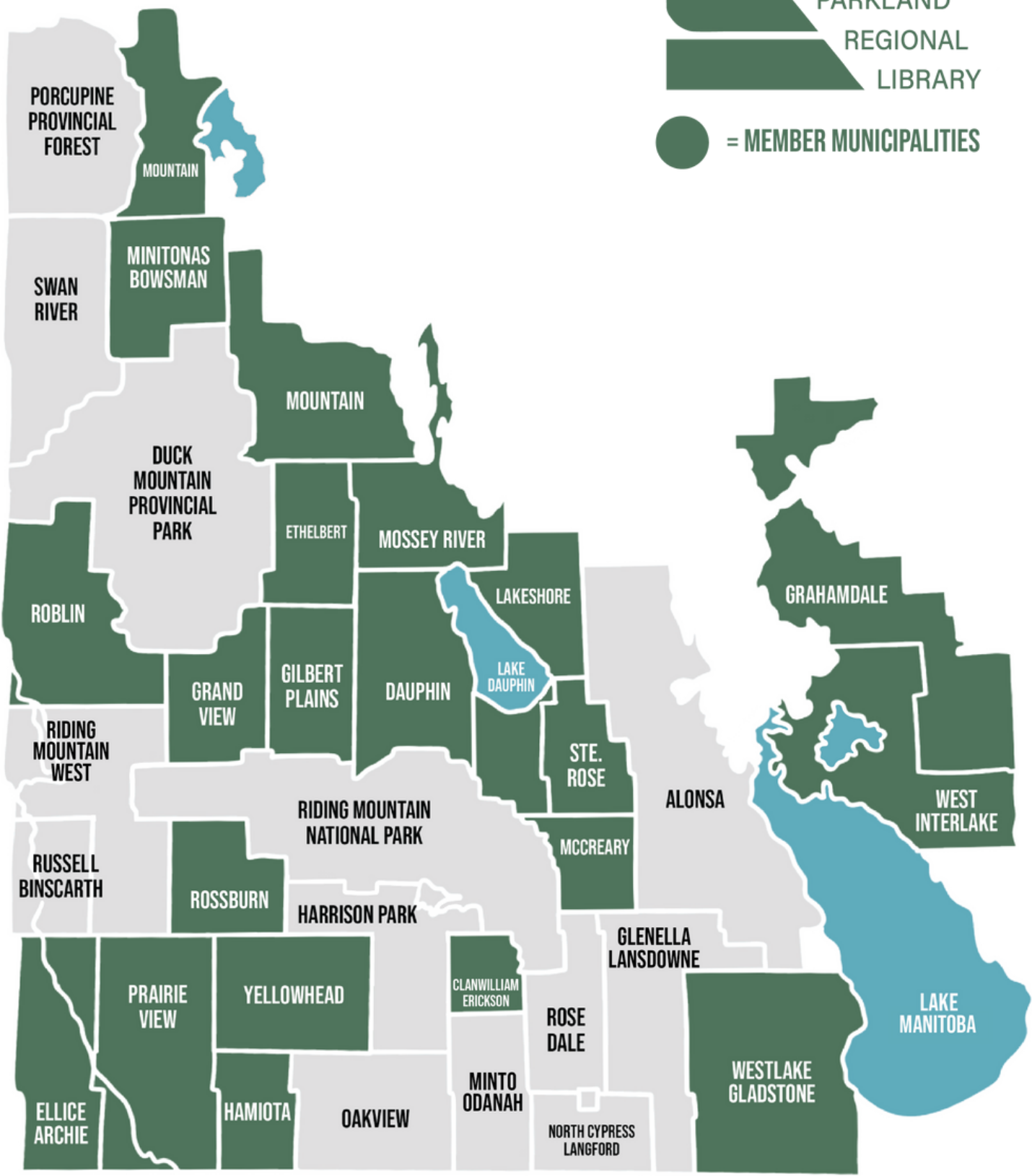


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## I Love to Read month

Branch librarian Alicia Grassinger is celebrating all things reading this February at the Rosburn Regional Library

By RACHAEL FURTOFF

The winter months are a great time to curl up with a good book. Branch librarian Alicia Grassinger is celebrating all things reading this February at the Rosburn Regional Library. Grassinger is the branch librarian at the Rosburn Regional Library, which is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year. She is also a member of the Rosburn Regional Library Board of Trustees. Grassinger is a avid reader and has been reading since she was a child. She has read over 100 books in her lifetime. She is currently reading "The Girl on the Train" by Lucy Farrow. She is also a member of the Rosburn Regional Library Book Club. The book club meets every month and discusses a different book. Grassinger is also a member of the Rosburn Regional Library Friends of the Library. The Friends of the Library is a group of people who support the library in various ways. They help with fundraising, book donations, and other activities. Grassinger is a very active member of the library community and is always looking for ways to help others. She is a great role model for children and adults alike. She is a true lover of reading and is passionate about sharing her love of books with others. She is a great example of how to make the most of your library. She is a true professional and is always striving for excellence. She is a great asset to the Rosburn Regional Library and the community. She is a true inspiration to all who love to read. She is a true professional and is always striving for excellence. She is a great asset to the Rosburn Regional Library and the community. She is a true inspiration to all who love to read.



## Libraries and Staff

Library	Librarian
Birch River & District Library	Gwenda Wotton
Birtle Library	Marlene Disher Mikayla Smart
Bowsman Library	Fern DeGroot
Dauphin Public Library	Glenn Irvine
Dauphin Public Library	Tara Elliott
Dauphin Public Library	Trent Pachkowski
Erickson District Library	Mary Hutchings
Eriksdale Public Library	Linda Lee
Foxwarren Library	Marlene Disher
Gilbert Plains Library	Sudesh Malik
Gladstone District Library	Shelley Ray
Grandview Library	Sherry Morran
Hamiota Centennial Library	Gwen Argue
Headquarters	Wendy De La Mare
Headquarters	Rita Dupley

Library	Librarian
Headquarters	Troy Luke
Headquarters	Agnes McLaren
Headquarters	Alison Moss
Langruth Library	Tristyn Everson
McCreary & District Library	Melissa Strynadka
Minitonas Library	Perla Turner
Ochre River Library	Jenine Norman
Roblin & District Library	Holly Hart-Harder
Rosburn Regional Library	Alicia Grassinger
Rotation Driver	Ray Farmer
Shoal Lake Community Library	Donna Charney
Siglunes District Library	Jude McCudden
Bibliotheque St. Lazare	Darlene Hayden
Ste. Rose Regional Library	Jessica LaBelle
Strathclair Library	Deb Summerscales
Winnipegosis	Deborah Falk



Parkland Regional Library works with 21 partner municipalities to offer library service in 23 branches. Our largest branch is located in Dauphin and is home to Headquarters where library materials are received, processed, catalogued and distributed.

## Board Chairperson Report

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Parkland Regional Library serves diverse communities across our large region. Our system is possible because of municipal partnerships and support. Our local Councils and Trustees have continued to demonstrate strong support for local librarians and branches, as well as for the collective partnership.

Many of our branches have continued to see updates and improvements that benefit our communities and area. I cannot imagine living in a community that does not have a library. Our branches have something for everyone. We see the diversity of region reflected in the items requested and the programming offered. A library plays a central role in the lives of community members from birth to old age.

In 2023, we saw a 3% overall increase to the circulation of collection materials. We have seen an increase in demand for e-resources, including magazines and our video streaming service Kanopy. We continue to prioritize access and accessibility, ensuring our services are inclusive and benefit residents.

I am looking forward to continuing to provide leadership and support for Parkland Regional Library in my capacity as both Chairperson and a regular library patron.

Kathy Bellemare, Chairperson



## Director Report

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In 2023, libraries continued to be a part of local conversations nationally and internationally. Libraries made the news because of unfortunate issues, such as censorship and book challenges. However, through these conversations libraries were celebrated as safe havens in our communities where everyone's rights should be respected and upheld. Freedom of expression and intellectual freedom are core values of libraries.

Coming together to share knowledge and actively support libraries protecting inclusivity was at the heart of 2023. For "every book its reader". Librarians are leaders in our communities. The library is a place where everyone's dignity and rights matter. Libraries are a safe space in our towns that arguably play a more important role today than ever before. I have continued to witness our staff acting with compassion and empathy when serving people who are experiencing life's challenges. A kind librarian can make all the difference.

I continue to marvel at how partners from 21 municipalities work together to support a strong rural library service. We are a model of resource sharing. More than 50 years ago, our region was chosen as a site for a three-year experimental project with the goal of effectively and efficiently making library service available to rural Manitobans. The model stuck in the Parkland. We are the largest rural regional library system geographically in Manitoba. We provide library service to 38,987 people across 25,430 square kilometers. Our system was built on a shared rotating collection. When a book starts its rotation across our 23 branches, it will not return to Headquarters for about nine years, unless it is requested!

Our success is possible because of our dedicated team of librarians and administrative staff. We would like to thank our municipal and provincial funding partners.

Alison Moss, Director

## Library Use

<b>Total Circulation</b>	<b>Physical Materials</b>	<b>Elibraries</b>	<b>Kanopy</b>	<b>Total Circulations</b>
<b>Y2022</b>	104,303	56,940	3,413	164,656
<b>Y2023</b>	104,166	60,616	4,653	169,453

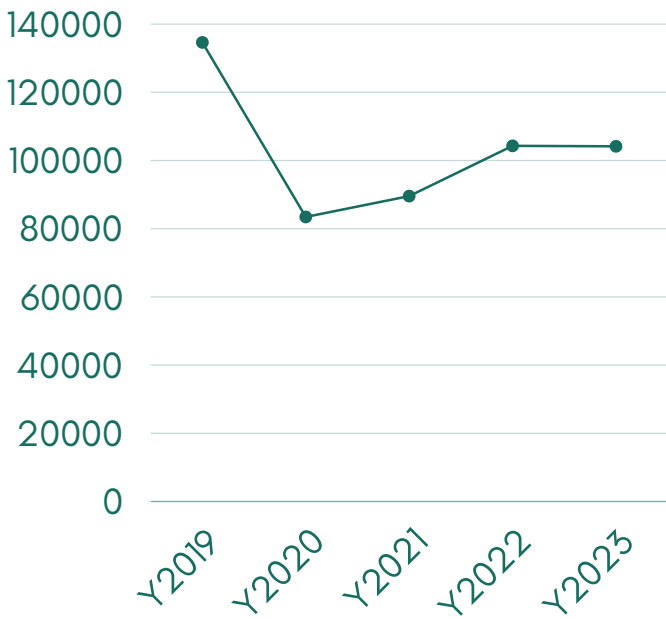
### Branch Circulation (Physical Materials only)

<b>Community</b>	<b>Y2022</b>	<b>Y2023</b>
Birch River	1,405	1,178
Birtle	4,236	3,615
Bowsman	1,693	1,845
Dauphin	35,655	34,683
Erickson	3,510	3,850
Eriksdale	2,805	2,542
Foxwarren	557	501
Gilbert Plains	3,529	2,786
Gladstone	4,518	4,695
Grandview	4,716	4,651
Hamiota	5,640	5,089
Langruth	687	652

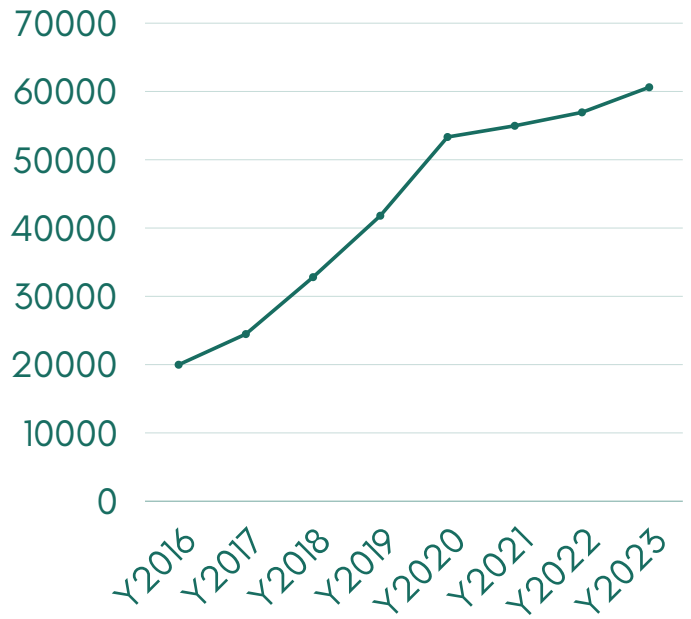
<b>Community</b>	<b>Y2022</b>	<b>Y2023</b>
McCreary	1,697	1,625
Minitonas	2,107	1,641
Ochre River	2,934	4,367
Roblin	5,255	6,502
Rosburn	2,092	1,857
Shoal Lake	4,393	3,932
Siglunes	3,148	3,758
St Lazare	1,382	1,704
Ste Rose	3,964	3,585
Strathclair	856	771
Winnipegosis	2,307	2,582
Mail Out	1,707	1,905

The chart above only includes data on the circulation of physical library materials. We have continued to observe recovery in circulation. It is important to note that the circulation of e-library materials are in addition to these numbers and are consistently distributed across the region. Circulation of our e-resources, including audiobooks, magazines and books has increased by 6.5%. The use of e-services is very diverse and we are pleased to continue growing this convenient service.

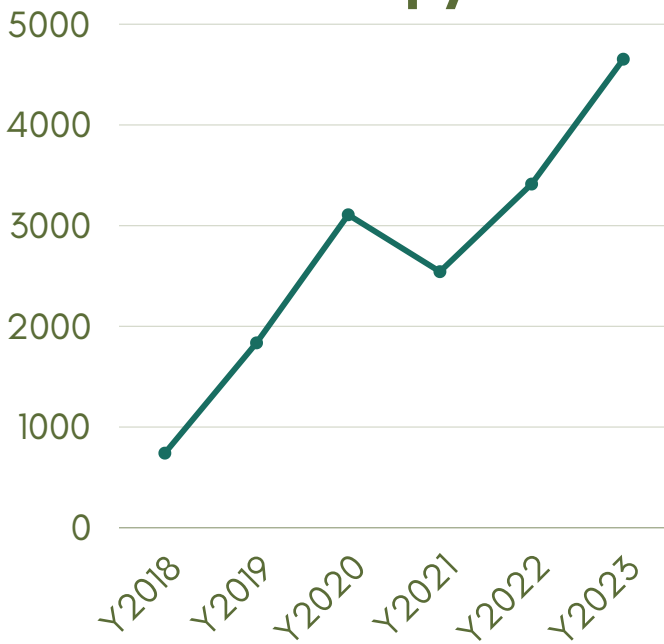
## Physical Circulation



## e-Books + e-Audiobooks

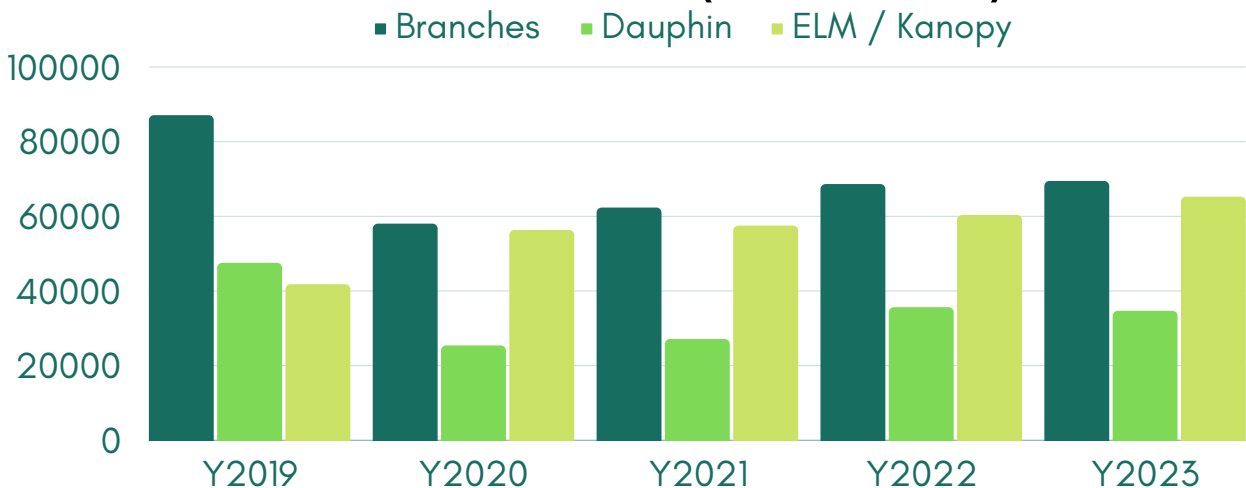


## Kanopy



Materials Collection	
Adult Fiction	20,879
Adult Non-Fiction	16,632
Junior Fiction / YA	22,057
Junior Non-Fiction	8,215
Picture Books	8,197
Large Print	5,564
Paperbacks	32,111
DVDs / Audio	5,725
French	1,802
<b>Total</b>	<b>127,847</b>
Items Added	5,990

## 5 Year Trend (Circulation)





## Circulation Notes

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We continue to see growth in our core business - books. In 2023, we saw total circulation return to within normal pre-pandemic levels. This is in part owed to the growth in our electronic services. Usage of e-books, e-audiobooks and the introduction of e-magazines has seen usage of Libby nearly double over the last 5 year period. Physical copies continue to remain ahead of electronic. Access to physical books remains a core tenet of our services as we continue to invest in our future. Kanopy has seen an even greater growth since its introduction, having increased nearly seven times since 2018. We note a slowing of circulation in our DVD collection, however, they are very important to some of our patrons.

Program Participants	In House	Outreach
Children	1,781	1,404
Young Adults	361	123
Adults	1,190	954
Seniors	427	44

Volunteers	67
Volunteer Hours	558

We would like to thank all of the dedicated volunteers and supporters of our library programs, we had a successful year of outreach and look forward to the next.



# PARKLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY SERVICE

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2023

	2023	2022
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Cash on Hand and in Bank	\$ 234,637	\$ 223,492
Short Term Investments - Note 3	200,000	200,000
Accounts Receivable - Note 4	10,430	15,300
Prepaid Expenses	-	123
	445,067	438,915
<b>LONG TERM</b>		
Long Term Investments - Note 5	80,000	80,000
Capital Assets - Note 6	269,894	266,844
	349,894	346,844
	\$ 794,961	\$ 785,759
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses - Note 7	\$ 9,068	\$ 7,927
Deferred Contributions - Note 8	20,000	-
	29,068	7,927
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Invested in Capital Assets	269,894	266,844
Unrestricted	495,999	510,988
	765,893	777,832
	\$ 794,961	\$ 785,759

Approved on Behalf of the Board

  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Director  
  
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(The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.)

# PARKLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY SERVICE

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Budget (Unaudited)	2023	2022
<b>REVENUE</b>			
Province of Manitoba -			
Operating Grant	\$ 523,861	\$ 524,230	\$ 523,861
Municipal Operating Grant - <i>see attached schedule</i>	646,346	640,806	614,857
McCreary SPHCC Grant			
Ochre River SPHCC Grant	676	-	2,412
Winnipegosis SPHCC Grant	-	-	3,000
Birtle Children's Area Grant	-	-	433
Bridge Grant	7,800	-	-
PLS Technology Grant	50,793	50,182	50,793
Non-Resident Memberships	2,140	1,425	2,140
Interest Earned	1,400	4,613	1,473
Other	1,500	2,022	1,643
Draw from unrestricted reserves	27,085	-	-
	<b>1,261,601</b>	<b>1,223,278</b>	<b>1,200,612</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Amortization	-	106,774	101,782
Bank Charges	300	255	268
Book Processing/Membership Cards	3,300	-	1,941
Branch Operations	298,392	292,852	271,994
Branch Staff Wages and Benefits	376,943	364,285	350,305
Building Rent	12,100	12,100	12,100
Building Repairs and Maintenance	9,000	4,111	3,933
Computer Maintenance & Support	15,000	13,234	11,963
DPL Operating Grant	135,886	135,886	131,925
Ochre River Grant Expense	676	263	1,736
Winnipegosis Grant Expense	-	-	2,906
Birtle Grant Expense	-	-	416
HQ Wages and Benefits	243,904	247,634	240,410
Internet	1,000	1,103	982
Janitorial Services	4,000	4,498	3,997
Job Search	500	1,070	399
Library Material Regional	108,600	-	2,247
Library & Office Supplies	11,000	12,685	11,534
License & Insurance	2,500	2,728	2,460
Memberships	500	2,247	483
Postage	10,000	10,844	9,303
Professional Services	5,500	5,350	5,350
Promotion	-	448	50
Staff Development	1,000	1,071	1,286
Covid Programming Expense	7,800	1,411	1,403
Travel	6,000	7,764	6,068
Utilities	1,200	1,102	1,214
Vehicle Operating	6,500	5,503	7,627
	<b>1,261,601</b>	<b>1,235,218</b>	<b>1,186,082</b>
<b>REVENUE OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (11,940)</b>	<b>\$ 14,530</b>

(The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.)

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## SCHEDULE OF MUNICIPAL LEVIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Base Levy	Branch Operations	2023	2022
<b>REVENUE</b>				
Clanwilliam - Erickson	\$ 8,987	\$ 6,873	\$ 15,860	\$ 15,086
City of Dauphin	74,308	78,407	152,715	139,720
RM of Dauphin	18,968	18,895	37,863	35,628
Ellice - Archie	4,991	13,631	18,621	20,037
Ethelbert	5,754	-	5,754	5,670
Gilbert Plains	12,610	5,493	18,103	17,984
Grahamdale	11,349	-	11,349	11,183
Grandview	12,601	8,527	21,128	19,788
Hamiota	10,958	12,090	23,048	26,002
Lakeshore	10,532	4,885	15,417	18,066
McCreary	6,642	7,960	14,602	13,032
Minitonas - Bowsman	14,093	15,243	29,335	31,208
Mossey River	12,876	5,619	18,495	17,761
Mountain	8,702	6,746	15,448	15,849
Prairie View	19,190	16,144	35,333	31,074
Roblin	27,430	11,723	39,154	37,400
Rossburn	8,640	5,501	14,141	17,152
Ste. Rose	14,128	24,675	38,803	35,932
West Interlake	19,785	27,237	47,022	38,584
Westlake - Gladstone	29,064	9,734	38,799	39,292
Yellowhead	16,348	13,468	29,816	28,409
	<b>\$ 347,956</b>	<b>\$ 292,851</b>	<b>\$ 640,806</b>	<b>\$ 614,857</b>