By the Numbers

Upper Dublin Cardholders: 11,121

2017 Program Attendance

Adult: 4,166
Teen: 2,834
Children: 13,972

DID YOU KNOW..? In the past ten years, the number of UDPL programs for all ages has more than doubled. Today, residents participate in more than 1,000 opportunities for enrichment and education.

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Our Mission
Connecting people and ideas to educate, inspire and strengthen the Upper Dublin community.

Early Literacy @ UDPL
Young children learn best through a combination of engagement with books and developmentally appropriate play. That’s why early literacy programs such as 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, Storytime, Dress Up Days, and Wee Build are a focus for the library. A lifetime of literacy truly starts here!

Interested in learning more about the future of UDPL: Today & Tomorrow?

www.upperdublin.net/520-virginia-drive-project/

Learning pre-literacy skills at a Wee Build workshop.
2017 Year in Review

From the Director

As we look back on 2017, it’s clear that we spent much of last year looking forward. What is the future of libraries in the digital age? Modern libraries are responsive to their community’s ever-changing needs. They provide opportunities to educate and inspire by offering well-curated collections, timely and relevant programs for all ages and spaces for communities to study, experiment and connect. After more than a decade of seeking solutions for meeting the needs of today’s library users, in November 2017, the Upper Dublin Board of Commissioners purchased a property at 520 Virginia Drive with a vision for developing part of it as a new and improved UDPL. I look forward to sharing this exciting project with you as we create the next generation UDPL.

—Cherilyn P. Fiory

DID YOU KNOW...? The UDPL’s 100 volunteers make up over 10 percent of the library workforce. We couldn’t do all we do without their generous offering of their time and talent.

Pre-school storytime at Head Start (Jarrettown Elementary). The UDPL participated in the development of Head Start classroom libraries in our region.

Finances

2017 Revenues

2017 Expenditures

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Author Jennifer Haigh, (left) and music legend Bobby Rydell (right)

Highlights

• Through our partnerships with area libraries, the UDPL connected readers with acclaimed authors, including Jennifer Haigh, Laura Vanderkam, Rick Steves, and Kathleen Barber.

• Plan ahead for your next museum visit! Reserve the UDPL’s popular museum passes for the dates you want to go at udpl.org.

• The UDPL hosted “Harry Potter’s World: Renaissance Science, Magic & Medicine,” a partnership with the National Library of Medicine/National Institutes of Health.

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Highlights continued

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Nicole Huggins, Girl Scout Troop #7092, built and donated UDPL’s 4th Little Free Library (Klosterman Park, Fort Washington).

Salaries & Benefits

91% Municipal

Collections 18%

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Fines & Fees 3%

Other 5%

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