

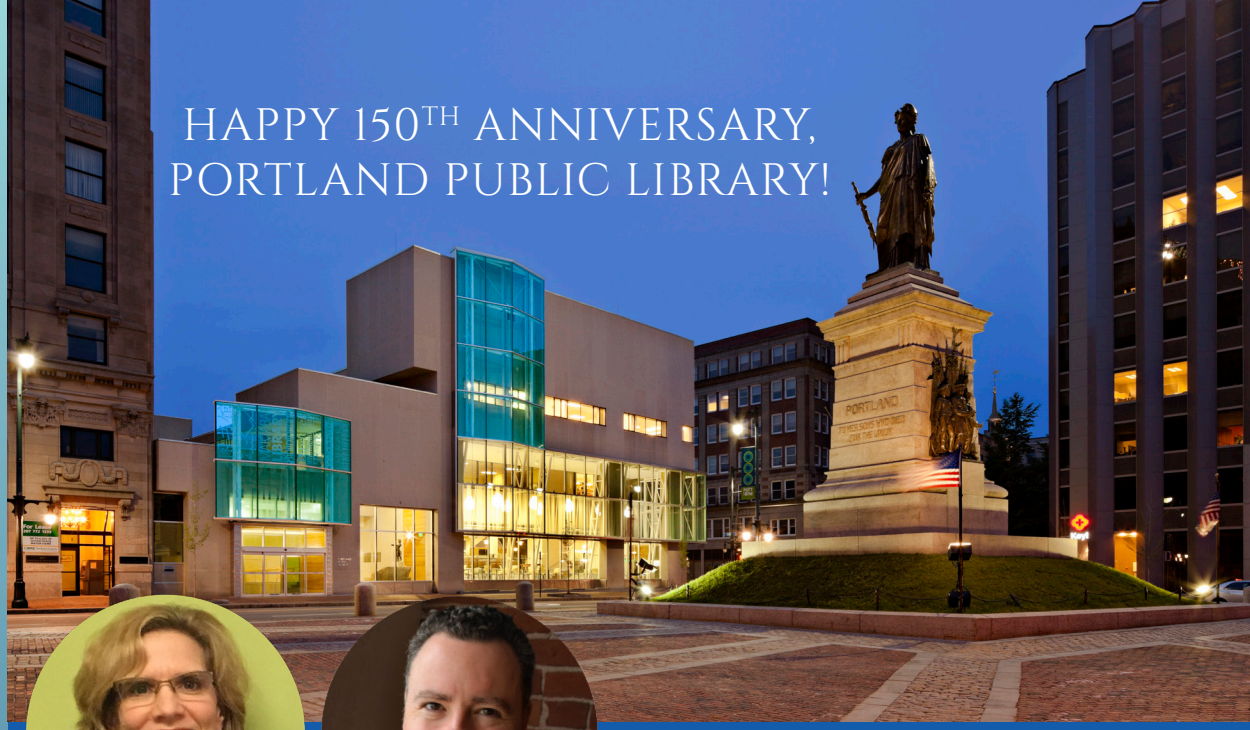


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HAPPY 150TH ANNIVERSARY, PORTLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY!



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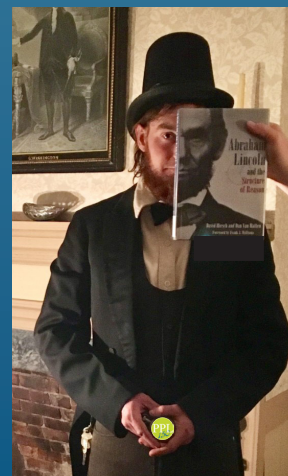
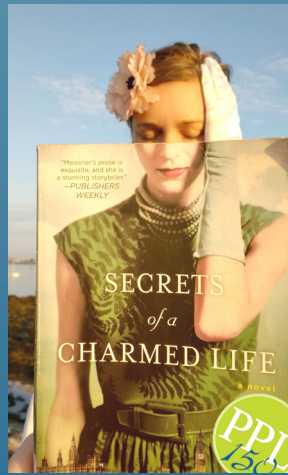
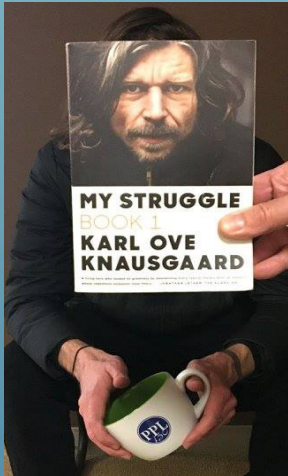
As our 2017 fiscal year began on July 1, 2016, we were reopening the renovated

Burbank Branch, deep into the planning for our Peaks Island Branch overhaul, and ready to launch *our 150th anniversary year (2017)*. What an exciting and important year we had with you, spinning the best of our traditions into our bold services and programs for today.

The Library began rooted in the *same ideals we live by today*. Immediately following Portland's destructive fire in 1866, City leaders declared that a public library was one of the greatest wants of the community. At the time, this was a radical idea for creating *shared public space* that would provide *opportunity, resources, and inspiration* for those who were curious, imaginative, and engaged. "What an atmosphere of philosophy, knowledge, and fancy," said then-Mayor Chapman at the Baxter Library opening.

While information comes in many more formats today, you can count on PPL to continue to provide *quality curation, unfettered access, equitable treatment, and trusted guidance*. In other words, Portland Public Library is always your place to prepare for, participate in, and pursue what delights and matters most to you.

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Throughout our 150th year, you may have joined us in our anniversary celebrations including the Booktoberfest Library Trivia night, read aloud to our visiting dogs, gotten your questions answered at Sustainability Series workshops, savored an art exhibit, shared in a book group or film discussion, joined our Teen Snack Chats, developed your business plan with our subscription databases, plunged into key issues with our pre-election ballot question panels, explored history with our Stonewall retrospective, built with LEGOs, printed an item in 3D, or enjoyed hearing from the year's most interesting authors and speakers. With more than 1,000 programs per year and extensive collections in print, audio, and digital formats, ***PPL will never stop reaching out to feed curiosity, awareness, and potential.*** As donors and supporters, you are essential to this work, and ***we are grateful for your partnership.***

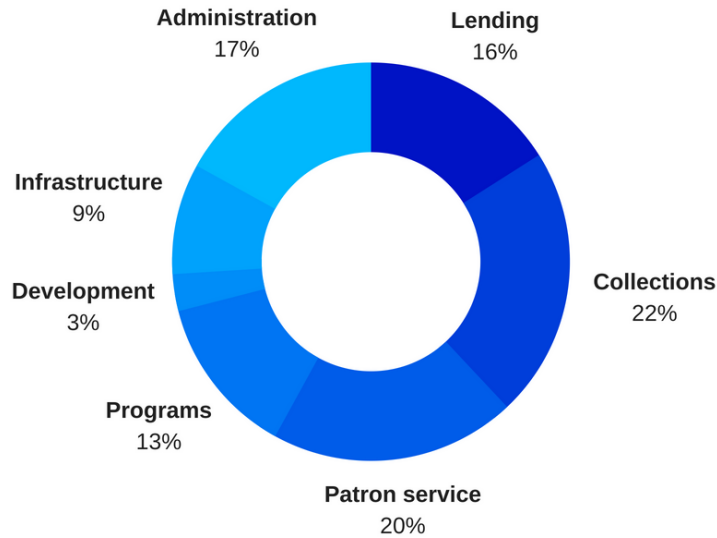
Mayor Chapman continued in his foundational speech that “true patriotism lies directly along the line of popular enlightenment... In this work the free public library from its very nature is a most potential agency. ***For nowhere else is to be found so veritable a home of true democracy.***”

It is our privilege—as PPL Trustees, staff, and volunteers—to embody our venerable founding 150 years ago and to strive daily to ***find new ways to connect our patrons with vibrant experiences and quality resources that cultivate individual and community vitality and integrity.*** We are ever grateful for the support and dedication of our supporters and donors. Thank you for serving as champions in building a City of Readers to be ever literate, informed, and engaged.

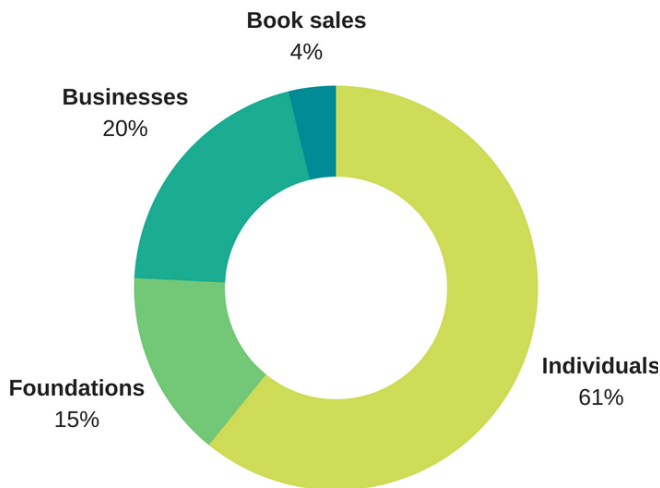
Warmly,

Sarah Campbell, Executive Director
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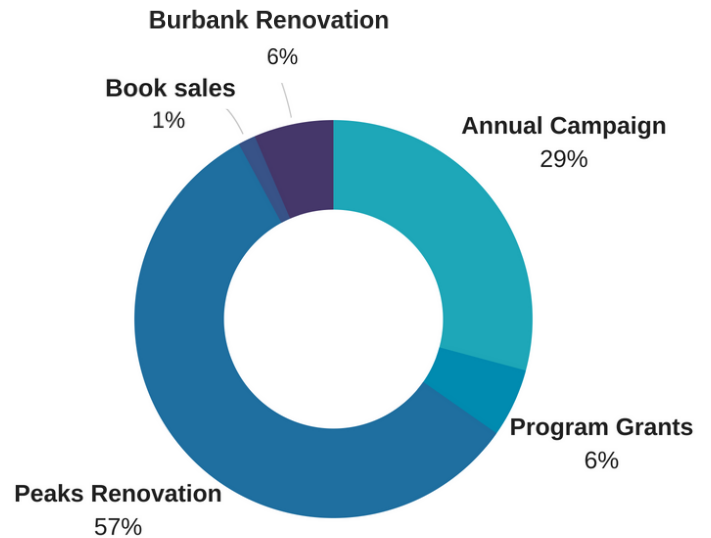
Income & Expenses



PPL expenses for FY17
Operating budget \$4.8million



Sources of private support in FY17
\$212,000 for operations



All private giving FY17
Operational and capital support of \$603,563