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PUBLIC LIBRARY

Centerville Library  
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**HALF-OFF  
OVERDUE  
FINES!**

Visit the Library April 20-25  
to pay half your outstanding  
fine balance and we'll waive  
the other half!\*

\*Offer good for up to \$10 in waived  
fines per Library account. Lost and  
damaged items excluded.



*5-STAR  
QUALITY,  
SUPERIOR  
COMMUNITY  
VALUE*

*FOR THE 3RD  
CONSECUTIVE  
YEAR, WASHINGTON-  
CENTERVILLE PUBLIC  
LIBRARY WAS RATED  
5-STAR BY LIBRARY JOURNAL.*

*THANKS  
TO YOU,  
WE ARE A  
5-STAR  
LIBRARY!*



## REASONS TO BE PROUD OF YOUR LIBRARY:

- WCPL is rated in the top 1% of public libraries nationwide.
- On average, citizens check out 27 items per year, three times the national average!
- Collectively citizens saved more than \$37 million per year by borrowing materials instead of purchasing them.
- WCPL has more than 380,000 items from which to choose.
- The renovated Woodbourne Library won the Honor Award from the American Institute of Architects.



## FIVE STAR COLLECTION

**HEAVILY USED COLLECTION** – Patrons check out more than 1.7 million items annually, making WCPL the 22nd busiest library in Ohio. To ensure the quantity and quality of materials patrons want, the Library spends nearly \$1.3 million a year (18% of total expenditures) on collections. In 2019, more than 32,000 new items were added for patron checkout.

**MORE DIGITAL CONTENT** – Usage of the eCollection grew by 13% in 2019. With more than 330,000 checkouts, digital items now account for 20% of total circulation. The Library participates in the Digital Downloads Consortia to get best pricing on digital content and to keep pace with growing demand.

**NEW COLLECTIONS** – Several ‘niche’ collections were added in 2019 including Launchpads, touchscreen learning tablets for kids, and Hi-Lo books featuring high interest content at a reading level for those with low reading proficiency.

## FIVE STAR SERVICE

**HASSLE-FREE RENEWALS** – Now many items renew automatically! This convenient service helps patrons manage their accounts and minimize overdue fines.

**CONVENIENCE SERVICES** – An upgrade to the patron WiFi means faster connections, and a new user-friendly scanning station gives patrons the ability to scan, store and send documents and photos. In addition, nearly 1,500 citizens utilize the Library’s passport processing services annually.

**FREE MEETING SPACES** – In 2019, citizens used Library meeting rooms more than 8,500 times. In response to growing demand, now community groups may reserve the Creativity Space at Woodbourne Library.



## FIVE STAR EXPERIENCES

**MORE VISITORS** – Nearly a half million citizens visited the Library in 2019, an 8% increase over the prior year. Visitors enjoyed special exhibits, like the Dayton Strong quilt exhibit, that add another layer of learning to the Library experience. More exhibits, on topics such as Dayton Landmarks and Climate Change are planned for 2020.

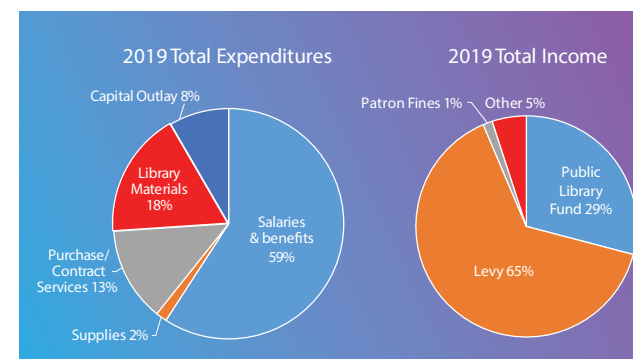
**MORE PROGRAMS** – The Library expanded program offerings by 44% in 2019, including new book clubs, maker events, and networking events. More than 72,000 people learned something new as a result!

**OPEN TO ALL** – More programs tailored for those with disabilities, like the Next Chapter Book Club and a series of AccessAbility programs, and facility accommodations like an adult changing table, make the Library inviting and accessible to all.

**WORKING TOGETHER** – The Library partners with schools, parks, recreation center, businesses and local government to make Centerville/Washington Township a 5-Star community with diverse opportunities for learning!

## FIVE STAR QUALITY

**RETURN ON TAX INVESTMENT** – High usage, combined with careful spending, result in a significant return on investment for local citizens. For every \$1 spent in taxes, the Library yields \$4.31 in value.



**DONATIONS PUT TO GOOD USE** – The Friends of WCPL made \$51,000 in grant-funded projects possible, including new collections and programs. In addition, money raised from the Woodbourne Library Sneak Peek Gala, funded an interactive wall in the Woodbourne Library Children’s Room.

**WELCOMING, ACCESSIBLE FACILITIES** – In 2019, Centerville Library saw several improvements including new lighting and upgrades to the Community Room. Work will continue in 2020 to update this 25-year-old facility, including a much-needed parking lot upgrade.