

NEW CHAPTER TO A PROUD LEGACY



The Jan. 16, 2018, grand opening of our new Alexandria Branch served as a fitting tribute to Betty Lee Daniels (inset below), who passed away on Jan. 1 at age 93.

2017-18 Annual Report to the Community

By JC Morgan, Director

I've heard it said many times that there wouldn't be a county-wide library in Campbell County without Betty Lee Daniels and it's true. She passed away Jan. 1, 2018 at age 93. She didn't quite live to see the opening of Campbell County Public Library's Alexandria Branch. Through her commitment and tenacity, though, Mrs. Daniels inspired our long-expressed desire to serve the southern part of the county. We're proud that after 40 years, library service is truly county-wide.

Since the Campbell County Public Library system was established in 1978, our doors

have swung open more than **10 million** times for visitors. Just since 1990, our patrons borrowed more than **18 million** items.

I spoke to Mrs. Daniels a couple of months before she passed away. She was very excited to know Alexandria would be getting library service. I'm sorry that she couldn't attend the grand opening, but we're proud of the success at our Alexandria location since it opened.

Hitting the Ground Running

The Library signed a lease for the 3,000-square-foot space at 8333 Alexandria Pike in August 2017. We fill the entire first floor. It's on

the west side of US 27 South, about six miles south of the Cold Spring Branch, and completely ADA-compliant. Barry Jolly, owner of the building, generously did much of the remodeling work himself, one of many ways we minimized costs to open and operate the branch in a fiscally responsible manner.

The little-branch-that-could is doing remarkably well. With a very small onsite collection of **7,000** items supplemented by the collections at the other locations, about **40,000** items have circulated in just seven months. The staff there have enjoyed about **15,000** visits.

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While the services are limited, we've got the most popular ones available: laptops for onsite use, wifi, printing, faxing, scanning, and, of course, nice tables and chairs to use while enjoying the library. The free meeting room spaces have been used **80** times by various groups and individuals.

We have also had **180** programs in those rooms with a total attendance of more than **2,300**. We've offered programs for every age group and will be expanding those offerings in the coming year.

With only a fraction of the building space, collection, staffing and services as compared to our other branches, the Alexandria Branch is filling needs in southern Campbell that will grow as the community itself grows.

Community Involvement

Fulfilling Mrs. Daniels' dream for a library that serves the entire community extends far beyond the four brick-and-mortar branches. Some examples:

- One of the Library's new traditions, our fall **Drop Your Drawers campaign**, had yet another record year. Thanks to our donors, the third annual campaign collected **7,784** pair of children's underwear in November in December of 2017. The underwear packages were distributed to **11** public elementary schools in Campbell County. Keeping kids in clean underwear that fits during the school

day is a basic need that I think we all can understand.

- Through our ongoing **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten campaign**, with help from their parents and caregivers, **62** children met this awesome milestone. Since the start of the program, **925** reading logs have been turned in for a total of **92,500** books read and logged.



Madison Vogel, 4, shows off her 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten certificate and sticker.

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- Our **smartphone app** now has more than **14,000** users. The use of the app to search for materials in the collection is replacing the use of the Library's online catalog while also making other tasks like checking events at the Library easier. You can download it to your phone from any app store.

- If you just haven't made it to one of branches but you'd like to check out e-books or e-audiobooks, you can get a **"digital only" card** through our website. We're part of a consortium of 100 Kentucky libraries who share a large collection of materials (over twice the size of any of the physical collections at our branches!) that you can enjoy without ever coming inside a building. Our website is www.cc-pl.org.

Continuing a Legacy

The legacy of Betty Daniels is a library that we all can be proud to have in all parts of the county. If you ever have suggestions or comments, just stop by or call. We'll be happy to help you. Mrs. Daniels wouldn't have it any other way.

REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-18 & BUDGET FOR 2018-19

2017-18 ACTUAL

INCOME		EXPENDITURES	
Donations	\$30,702	Capital	\$229,247
Fees & Services	\$43,351	Collection	\$773,106
Grants & State Aid	\$188,783	Operating	\$1,168,822
Miscellaneous	\$34,333	Personnel	\$3,042,972
Transfer from capital campaign	\$131,815		
Tax Income	\$4,715,514		
Total	\$5,144,498	Total	\$5,214,147

2018-19 BUDGET

INCOME		EXPENDITURES	
Donations	\$31,000	Capital	\$91,000
Fees & Services	\$49,000	Collection	\$720,000
Grants & State Aid	\$184,000	Operating	\$1,141,935
Miscellaneous	\$31,135	Personnel	\$3,244,200
Transfer from reserves	\$90,000		
Tax Income	\$4,812,000		
Total	\$5,197,135	Total	\$5,197,135