

Inspiring Possibilities

Offer Chromebooks and Chromebook + Wifi hotspot bundles for check-out

Hosted a state-wide virtual program featuring bestselling author Lisa See for *One Maryland One Book*

Expanded hotspot lending program

Launched the Calvert Library mobile app

Partnered with organizations across Calvert County and the state to bring information on legal aid, domestic violence, racial injustice, COVID health and vaccines, early literacy and more

Redesigned the Baby Bag program that gives a new canvas Calvert Library tote, baby book and early literacy information to new moms at Calvert Health

Distributed free books, #calvertREADS summer reading t-shirts and gameboards/information at County and private food distribution sites

Added Cisco Networking Academy self-paced classes

Increased number of Kanopy and Hoopla checkouts

Provided one-on-one technical help at North Beach Senior Center.

Online events and classes for all ages, frequently with the option to attend from a library computer



Communications

During the challenge of the last two years, Calvert Library has expanded all of its communication platforms. Utilizing social media, our website, email, partners, in-house messaging and others to disseminate accurate and transparent information to our customers and staff.

Materials Available

Over 147,000 eBooks, eAudio, eMags, graphic novels, streaming movies & TV shows available for checkout.

204,898 physical items owned by Calvert Library:

167,171 books

16,059 audio units

21,458 videos

210 mobile hotspots, children's tablets, laptops & other equipment

359 subscriptions.

#calvertREADS

1,622 readers signed up for #CalvertREADS summer reading.

Our goal was to read
1.5 MILLION minutes – we read 1,700,157!

108 children logged 9,500 books for 500 by FIVE.



Circulation

Research

Tech Training

Mobile Services

76,571 search sessions occurred on library premium digital resources.

1,009 customers received technology training.

894 childcare, homebound, social services and community event locations were visited this year. That is approximately 19,564 customers.



186,370 eBooks, eAudio, eMags, digital music, graphic novels, streaming movies & TV shows checked out

547,856 physical materials checked out:
420,860 books & magazines
125,255 videos & audio books

1,741 mobile hotspots, children's tablets, laptops & other equipment checked out

2,766 items borrowed from other MD and US libraries

4,218 lent to other libraries in MD and US

tweens

movies

adults

teens

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> Your Library

The COVID-19 pandemic continued to present challenges that the staff of Calvert Library met head-on and with a grace and creativity that made the Board of Library Trustees and me very proud. Virtual programming was robust but we missed seeing faces in-person and we saw how important classes and events are to bringing people into the library. Electronic usage continued to be strong with the number of customers downloading ebooks and e-audio increasing by over 26%. Usage of print was down in Calvert as it was across the country even though curbside pick-up continued to be popular and librarians were busy putting together grab-bags and customized book bundles. Hotspots and Chromebooks were heavily borrowed to make connecting to the internet easier and faster. Calvert Library CRAB cards for students were also vital to students and teachers allowing anytime-access to our digital offerings and easy checkout in person.

Thank you for being our partner in making Calvert Library one of the best in the state!

Carrie Willson, Executive Director

Calvert Library by the Numbers

Events	Reference questions	Materials circulated
909	111,826	734,226
Event attendees	Computer uses	People through our doors
14,476	9,030	119,435

Income

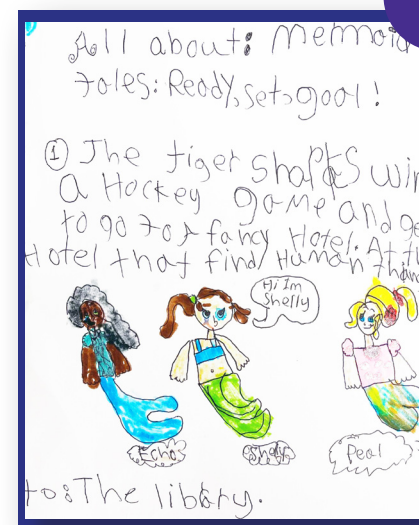
County	\$3,680,735
State	\$546,092
State retirement	\$420,069
Library Fines and Fees	\$2,018
Misc/other	\$22,575
Library Bank Account	\$5,231
Total Income	\$4,676,720

Expenses

Customer Service	\$756,609
Research & Instruction	\$1,356,678
Administration	\$495,709
State retirement	\$420,069
Materials	\$413,731
Operating	\$1,131,101
Capital Outlay	\$98,918
Library Bank Acct	\$1,326
Total Expenditures	\$4,674,141

Grants

MD Library Assoc. Conference	\$2,545
Staff Development	\$12,000
One MD One Book	\$250
Technology Lending	\$13,157
ARPA - County dollars	\$57,000
Cares Act - administered by SMRLA	\$18,937
Rural Broadband grant for hotspots	\$8,225



Calvert Library Connects

	# Events	Attendance
Adult	430	4,468
Children	200	3,283
Preschool	134	4,185
Teen	141	1,236
General audience	4	1,304

People @ Calvert Library

- 59 volunteers gave us 2,337 hours
- 54,596 cardholders
- 234 groups used our meeting rooms



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COVID-19 timeline

- 8/10/20 Expanded curbside to include grab bags for a mini browsing experience
- 8/31/20 Opened limited hours for in-building service
- 12/31/20 Temporarily reverted to Curbside and Virtual Service Only
- 1/27/21 Calvert Library re-opened for walk-in visits
- 5/14/2021 One-hour visit limit lifted and building capacity limits increased
- 6/1/2021 Increased building hours to 44 hrs/week & ended quarantine of library materials