Goal 1. Being a Community Center

1. Open 341 days and a total of 3,187 hours during the year.
2. Served 155,686 visitors.
3. Offered 858 library programs with a total attendance of 21,134. 243 of these programs covered STEM topics and were attended by 3,754 people.
5. Introduced passport acceptance service in July and processed 425 applications and 329 passport photos.
6. Library meeting rooms were used 3,944 times by community groups, tutors and individuals.
7. Held 2 shredding events and 2 book sales hosted by the Friends of Easttown Library.
8. Proctored 27 exams for students in the community.
9. Hosted Main Line Health’s free flu shot clinic which served 85 people.
10. Hosted 2 blood drives with the American Red Cross.
11. Partnered with Representative Duane Milne to host a SEPTA Key Card program at which 43 seniors were registered.
12. Served as a polling place in May and November.
13. Continued to offer the First Friday Family Film and the Foreign Film series each month, and periodic family films during holidays and the summer. Also partnered with Berwyn Devon Business Association to host 3 Movies Under the Stars.
14. The Friends of Easttown Library offered the screwball comedy film festival and the Brainwash! Event at the Hilltop House, and WinterFest holiday craft and gift fair.
15. Hosted 4 Book Bingo afternoons for families and adults.
16. Continued our longstanding partnerships with the Main Line Genealogy Club, Tredyffrin Easttown Historical Society and Surrey Services.
17. Promoted library programming through newspaper articles, flyers, posters, plasma screen slides, bookmarks, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.
18. Informed the community about developments at the library through the quarterly news magazine IN Tredyffrin & Easttown.
20. Donated through library staff collections to: Trinity Presbyterian Church’s Caring Cupboard, St. Jude Children’s Cancer Research Center and Hospital, and the American Cancer Society.
21. Donated withdrawn and donated books to: Laundromat Library (Chester County), Philadelphia Reads (collected through Hebrew School), Surrey Seniors, Tredyffrin Easttown School District, Trinity House (Berwyn), Friends of Upper Darby Free Library, and local train stations (Berwyn and Devon).
22. Continued relations with T&E Care as a clothing drop-off location for their annual clothing sale fundraiser.

Goal 2. Advancing Literacy and the Love of Reading and Learning

1. With the exception of a few weeks during the year, at least one literacy class was held every weekday in 2018.
2. Circulated 341,358 items to people of all ages in a variety of formats.
3. Items in the library’s physical collection were borrowed an average of 4.87 times.
4. The library’s collection contained 50,789 items at the end of the year.
5. Continued circulating museum passes to 15 museums and cultural institutions.
6. The library purchased 1,504 ebooks and 233 e-audiobooks for the shared CCLS OverDrive collection.
7. Had 8,444 registered borrowers at the end of the year.
9. We expanded our grade school aged STEAM programming to twice a week. Once a week we rotate equipment such as Snap Circuits, Bee Bots, Cubelets and LittleBits. Dash robots were added this year. The other weekly program is craft-based and has included skills such as sewing, painting, and molding.
10. Continued early literacy programming, including 1000 Books Before Kindergarten (8 registered and 4 completed in 2018 and 87 submitted readings logs), Let’s Read Math, Exploration Station, a weekly music program, and passive activities for preschoolers. We added a Kindergarten readiness/enrichment program called PlayK.
11. Offered a variety of EITC-funded educational programs to local elementary school classes and through our summer reading program.
12. Continued to develop our tween and teen programming, including twice weekly STEAM-based programs and a monthly book club. We added Dash robots, Turing Tumbles, 3D pens and a Carvey machine to the programming offered. The second regularly scheduled program of the week is craft based and has included such skills as sewing, painting, and molding.
13. Maintained outreach relationships with Berwyn United Methodist Nursery School, Timothy School, the 3rd grade classes at Beaumont and Devon Elementary Schools, A Child’s Place, T/E Middle School’s ESL program, and the AARP Valley Forge Chapter. We developed a new relationship with the Cambridge School.
14. Planned and implemented a summer reading program with the statewide theme, Libraries Rock! 685 youth participated. Adults submitted 131 lists of 3 titles they had read.
16. Held morning and afternoon sessions of Science in the Summer.
17. Distributed a unique summer reading program t-shirt designed by local resident David Gerbstadt with the theme Reading Rocks!
18. Continued hosting a weekly Mah Jongg gathering.
19. Held 6 health literacy programs (including 3 on Medicare) and, mindful yoga, and ongoing chair yoga programs throughout the year.
20. Held 5 history/geography lectures on a variety of topics.
21. Held 3 gardening programs.
22. Held 3 theatrical performances: Eleanor Roosevelt, Mary Shelley and Oliver.
23. Held 2 science programs: stargazing with Derrick Pitts, Chief Astronomer and Planetarium Director of The Franklin Institute, and one about climate change.
24. Held programs with local authors Madeleine Miller and Brent Monahan.
25. Library staff members hosted 4 book clubs that met monthly.
26. Partnered with the Volunteer English Program in Chester County to offer weekly group conversational ESL classes.
27. Partnered with Longwood Gardens’ Community Reads program by hosting a discussion of the book *Lab Girl*.
28. Held our first coffee house combining music and local artists selling their creations.

Goal 3. Fostering Economic and Cultural Engagement

1. Held monthly exhibits, displaying collections of items in the 2 display cases as well as the work of local artists, including Dane Tilghman and a display of Conestoga High School student art in May.
2. Music programs included the Orchestra Concordia, Naturally Sharp Jazz, and Musicalia.
3. Held 2 financial literacy programs covering tax law changes and finding fulfilling work after 50.
4. Held 6 arts programs, including 3 hands-on activities (felting, mosaics, and painting), and lectures on Chuck Close, Wyeth and Rockwell, and publishing options.
5. Continued our partnership with AARP to provide tax preparation assistance to eligible citizens. 215 tax returns were prepared free of charge and e-filed from February to mid-April. 10 people had their tax-related questions answered and 3 people had paper returns prepared.
6. Continued the library’s active participation in the Berwyn Devon Business Association. The association funded QuickBooks training in March.

Goal 4. Offering Access to Technology

1. Library computers were used 15,248 times and there were 20,560 wireless sessions, for a total of 132,688 hours.
2. Circulated 5 Hot Spots enabling borrowers to access unlimited, high-speed WiFi service anywhere a T-Mobile signal can be received.
3. Held 2 iPad and 4 Libby (OverDrive app) group training sessions run by library staff.
4. Offered one-on-one technology training for customers with staff and volunteers, serving 20 people during the year.
5. Continued to provide access to the online resource Britannica Library.
6. Renewed the subscription to Real Simple and, together with 3 other CCLS libraries, paid for the subscription to The New Yorker through the electronic magazine service Flipster.
7. CCLS continued its regularly scheduled replacement of computer processors by upgrading 8 public and staff workstations during the year.
8. Distributed regular email newsletters and program alerts to 2,200 subscribers.

Goal 5. Following Sustainable Funding and Management Principles

1. Upgraded one of the part-time Reference Librarian positions to a fulltime position.
2. Upgraded the part-time Youth Services Librarian position to a fulltime position.
3. Renewed the Foundation’s EITC eligibility as an Educational Improvement Organization for 2018-2019 and received an $8,000 grant from Waste Management in support of educational programming.
4. Received a donation for nearly $913 from the 3rd Grade at Devon Elementary School raised through their read-a-thon to benefit the library.
5. Received $1,000 each from The Boland Investment Group, RBC Wealth Management, and the Friends of Easttown Library in support of the summer reading program t-shirts.
6. Received $1,000 from FLITE to support the purchase of additional copies of titles on the TESD required summer reading lists.
7. Expanded the teen volunteer program.
8. Volunteers donated 1,639 hours and members of the Library Board, the Foundation Board and the Friends donated 1,468 hours to further library operations.
9. The Friends of Easttown Library made a contribution of $34,000 in support of the library’s operating budget.
10. Continued to invest in the capital improvement fund while withdrawing funds to pay for improvements and computer equipment.
11. Ensured that the library’s sick leave accrual payout obligation is fully funded.
12. The Easttown Library Foundation Board Endowment Fund ended 2018 valued at $691,000.
13. Raised $108,500 from 599 donors through the Foundation’s Annual Fund.
14. Library Board Trustees and staff participated in CCLS-sponsored meetings, programs and training sessions. Staff completed 140.5 hours of continuing education.
15. The Library Director served on Easttown Township’s Village of Berwyn/Easttown Library Parking Study Advisory Committee.
16. Engaged Vaccara Environmental for an air quality study and McHugh Engineering for a study of the library building’s mechanical systems.