



Annual Report to the Parish Council
December 11, 2017

The Year in Numbers

January 1 - December 31, 2016

► General Attendance

- 136,835 visits to our 6 branches
- Bookmobile made over 2,619 visits to patrons (↑ 6.9%)

► Program Attendance

- A total of 1,222 programs held for children, teens, and adults
- 21,825 attendees

The Year in Numbers, cont.

January 1 - December 31, 2016

► The Collection

- Added 36,425 new items

► Circulation

- Note - the majority of the West Regional Library collection was in storage and unavailable to patrons for $\frac{3}{4}$ of the year)
- Physical Materials: 208,616 (↓ 1%)
- E-books: 41,834 (↑ 17.4%)
- Total Circulation (all formats): 250,450 (↑ 1.79%)

The Year in Numbers, cont.

January 1 - December 31, 2016

► Technology

- Use of public computers: 51,987 (↓ 17.26% due to minimal number of computers available at temporary West location)
- Database Usage: 125,025 (↑ 28.5%)
- Use of free Wi-Fi: 27,577 (↑ 13.57%)

Building Updates

West Regional Library Renovation

- ▶ West Regional Library re-opened to the public on February 20, 2017
- ▶ Planetarium re-opened March 4, 2017
- ▶ Grand Re-Opening Dedication and Ribbon-Cutting held on Friday, April 7, 2017 with 52 people in attendance.
- ▶ Grand Re-Opening celebration continued on Saturday, April 8, 2017, with special library activities and planetarium shows

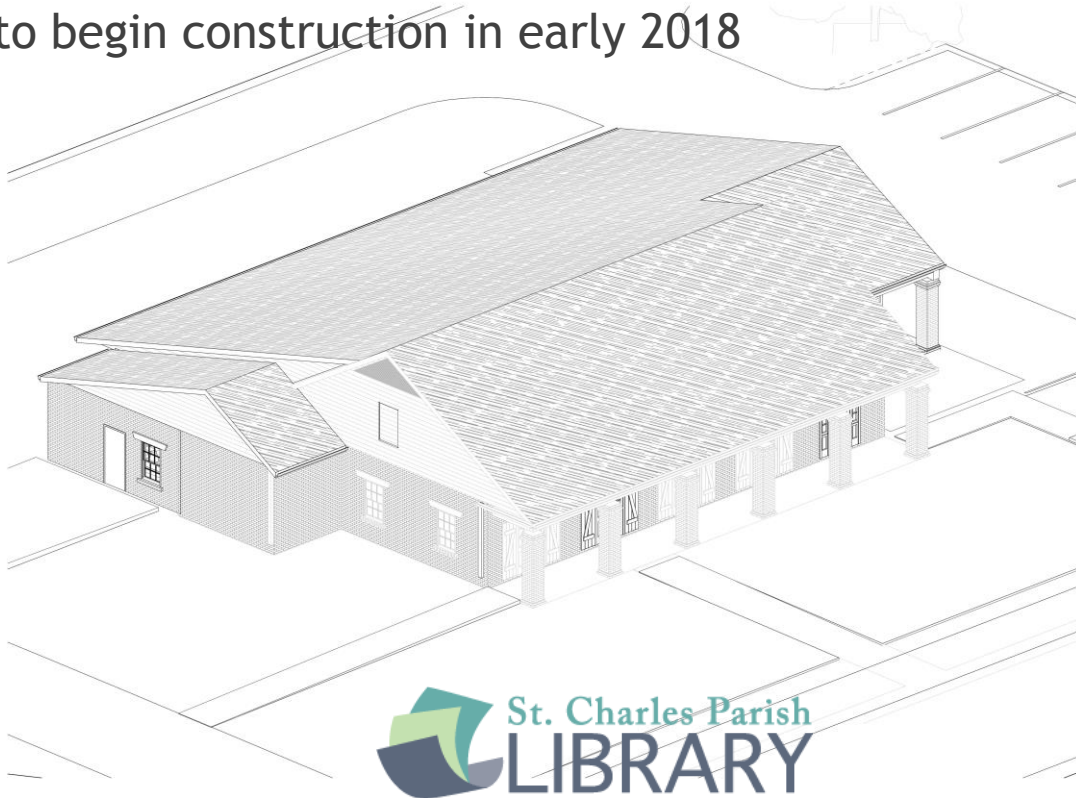




Building Updates

Norco Branch Status

- ▶ Bid Opening November 9, 2017
- ▶ In the process of awarding contract to low bidder
- ▶ Hope to begin construction in early 2018







Community Outreach and Partnerships



Summer Reading Program 2017

May 25 - July 31, 2017

- ▶ Summer Reading Programs for All Ages!
 - ▶ Children, Ages newborn-12
 - ▶ Teens, Ages 12-18
 - ▶ Adults, Ages 18 & up
- ▶ The challenge... to read at least 360 minutes in 2 months!
 - ▶ 2,176 Sign-Ups and 1,053 Completions
- ▶ 352 Programs in 2 Months
- ▶ 8,213 Summer Program Attendees

Summer Reading Program 2017

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► Thank you to our sponsors

- The St. Charles Parish Library received a \$64,600 grant from Entergy Waterford 3 to support the 2017 Summer Reading Program. Thank you Entergy Waterford 3!
- Thank you Friends of the St. Charles Library for your continued support of our summer reading program!





Thank you to the parish council for your support this past year. We invite you to stop in and visit us at any of our 6 locations and hope to see you at some of our upcoming programs!

Questions?