

Council Orientation
December 20, 2022



About the Library

- Who we are: Library Board
 Staff
- Where we are: Branches and service locations
- What we do: Mission and Vision
- How we do it: Budget
 Key stats and metrics
- Looking Ahead

Library Board

The Public Libraries Act R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 14

“A public library shall be under the management and control of a board”

- The Act directs the library board to provide a comprehensive and efficient public library service that reflects the unique needs of its community.
- Separates library governance from general local government
 - Similar in intent to police boards and school boards
 - Local citizens have input
- To ensure that library decisions were not made solely by politicians

Library Board and Staff



10 Board Members:

7 Citizen appointees, 2 Council Representatives, Mayor



35 Staff Members:

11 fulltime, 24 part-time

Service Locations



- 5 Branches: Burford, Glen Morris, Paris, Scotland, St. George
- 24/7 Kiosk in Onondaga
- Library Van

What We Do

Vision

Explore today, navigate tomorrow

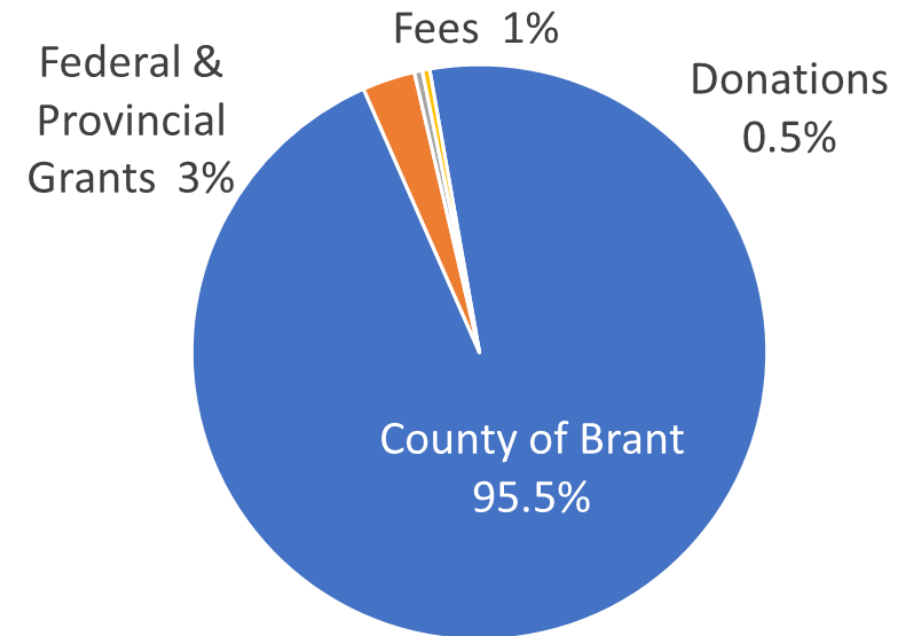
Mission

The County of Brant Public Library cultivates inclusivity and empowers lifelong learning







Library Finances

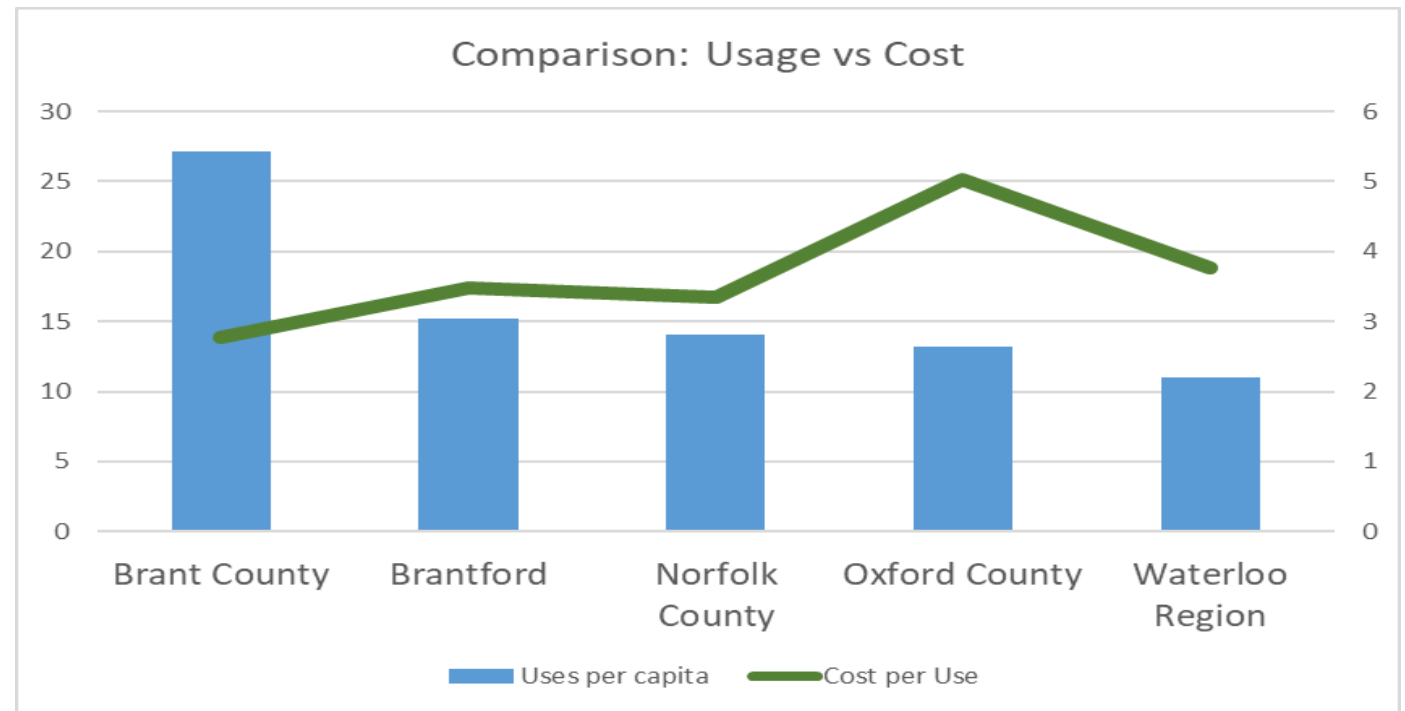
- Board sets the budget
- Council approves the budget
 - May NOT make governance or operational decisions
- As Board's biggest funder, Council is a close ally



Statistics & Key Metrics

2021 Provincial Statistics

-  21,100 Cardholders
-  266,671 Circulations (print and digital)
-  1,661 Programs
-  19,654 Program Attendees



Strategic Plan 2022-2025

Looking Ahead:

- New Main Branch in Paris
- Master Plan
 - Facilities Review
- Expand Access to Technology
- Eliminate Barriers to Access
- Further Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
- Promote Social Engagement and Lifelong Learning



Questions?

