

**Annual Report
2015-2016
High Point Public Library/ High Point Museum**

The mission of the High Point Public Library

*Nurturing the joy of reading
Sharing the power of knowledge
Strengthening the sense of community
Enhancing cultural and economic vitality*

The mission of the High Point Museum

*Sharing Greater High Point's history
Providing perspective for current issues
Strengthening the sense of community*

Facts and figures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016

Collection size	365,635
Library and Museum visits	336,630
Total collection use	782,596
Reference questions	98,060
Current cardholders	82,957
Number of Library and Museum programs	4,162
Program attendance	45,388
Number of Museum exhibits added/updated	14
Public Access Computer users	65,659
Wi-Fi users	18,806
Active community partnerships	158
Community groups using Library/Museum meeting space	258
Community group attendance	6,914
FTE staff	79
#FTE staff with Master's degrees in Library Science or Public History	18.5
# Volunteer hours	4,578
Operating budget	
City of High Point	\$4,396,949
Guilford County	\$ 359,960
State of North Carolina	\$ 82,308

Highlights for FY 2015-2016

Library

- Implemented High Point's first Community Read event based on *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline
- Held groundbreaking for new Arts and Education Plaza, a multi-purpose outdoor programming space
- Created new Business Center to support new small businesses and strengthen existing ones
- Increased circulation of e-content by 27.5%

Museum

- Moved Little Red Schoolhouse, an iconic High Point structure, to the grounds of the Museum
- Expanded hours to include Tuesdays all year and Sundays in the summer months
- Produced exhibits and programs marking the 125th anniversary of the High Point Fire Department