

Technology and Your Library

What Is and What's On the Way

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We exist in
more than one
world



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Lots is going on at FCPL

- 2.3 million items including 170,000 eBooks
- 1.3 million holds filled each year
- 2 million devices connect to wifi each year at libraries
- 422,000 card holders
 - 43% of card holders are under 35
 - 34% of card holders are 36-55
 - 23% of card holders are 56+
- 25 million catalog searches
- 2 million database sessions per month
- 10,000 to 20,000 people attend programs per month

Online resources

- Consumer Reports
- NoveList
- Morningstar
- ValueLine
- Mergent Archives and Mergent Intellect
- Ancestry
- Fairfax County Cemetery Survey
- Historical Newspaper Index

Technology that empowers

- Wifi
- Apps
 - Libby eBooks
 - Lynda.com
 - Mango Languages
 - Overdrive eAudio
 - RBDigital eMagazines
 - Reference USA
 - (Etc.)
- Classes
- Walk-in help
- Public PCs, wifi and flash drives
- Cards for reciprocal jurisdictions
- Constant change



Niche Tech

- AWE
- 3D Printers
- Services provided by Access Services for our disabled communities
- Spheros
- Drones
- Nature Backpacks
- Thermal Cameras
- Google Cardboards
- Mobile laptop kits

Use the internet to get off the internet

- Room booking
- Event registration
- Language learning
- Homework help
- Genealogy nights at the Virginia Room

Getting More Done With Less

- New door counters
- SharePoint (500K pageviews a month)
- Team sites (rapid development)
- Branch Coverage
- AUI
- Lending Library

On the Horizon

- New catalog (TBD)
- Online tech classes (Lynda.com)
- LibGuides
- Starlings (www.versame.com)
- Screencasting (WePresent)
- Memory Depot
- 3D printing services

How You Can Help

- Advocate with your representatives, such as the Board of Supervisors and Library Board of Trustees
- Donate your money, books or time
- Attend programs
- Make suggestions for improvement – start with the branch manager
- Make suggestions for purchase, via Overdrive or the catalog
- Come see us at offsite events like Centreville Day and Celebrate Fairfax
- Participate in the strategic planning process

Q&A

- Now's your chance

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