Public libraries by definition are open and accessible to the general public, so staff were thrilled and relieved to welcome patrons back inside after our lengthy pandemic closure. Despite constantly changing Covid protocols, 2021 saw the creative expansion of many services, and the impactful conclusion of an ambitious 5-year strategic plan.

When YDL officially kicked off library construction in Superior Township, the excitement was palpable. With skyrocketing construction costs and supply chain uncertainties, fundraising became even more vital to the project. The Next Chapter Capital Campaign garnered grants and donations of more than $1.4M to augment the $3.5M committed to date by the Library Board. Thank you to our partners, donors and patrons for their generosity. We can’t wait to open your new library!

Lisa Hoenig, Library Director
After more than a decade of anticipation, YDL finally broke ground on a new 7,800 square foot Superior Township library building. People across the community celebrated at the jubilant event on a beautiful day during National Library Week.

As the Next Chapter Capital Campaign continued to fundraise, a 2:1 challenge match from the Young Family Foundation got crowdfunding off to a great start.
**BACK TO BUSINESS**

**JUNE 21**
YDL-Whittaker reopened, ending a 14-month closure for COVID-19.

**JUNE 14**
Curbside Bookmobile service that began as an experiment in April was expanded.

**JULY 6**
YDL-Michigan reopened for patron browsing, computer use, and printing.

**JULY 19**
Installed new lockers at YDL-Superior. Patrons scan their cards to get their materials.
YDL works with more than 50 non-profit and governmental partners to address current needs and issues in our community.

**COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

**ELECTRONICS RECYCLING**
Over 17,000 pounds collected at our very first Electronics Recycling events.

**COVID-19 HELP**
Distributed thousands of masks and test kits at all YDL locations, courtesy of the WCHD.

**ANTI-RACISM**
More than 1,000 people attended a 2-day virtual conference we co-hosted with Washtenaw Faces Race in February.
Prestigious grants helped us connect with more teens and expand TALK across Michigan.

**BOOSTING SERVICES**

TAG members earned a $24,000 Generator Z grant to support teen mental health. The funds helped us distribute more self-care kits, hire teen interns, and develop a podcast for teens.

**GROWING TEEN LEADERS**

A $242,640 IMLS grant expanded TALK to serve children across the state. More than 160 libraries were reaching over 2,000 families by the end of 2021.

**TALK EXPANSION**
By the Numbers

99,422 Patron Visits

56,892 at YDL-Whittaker (Jun 21-Dec)

25,691 at YDL-Michigan (July-Dec)

15,839 Curbside appts (Jan-Dec)

Total Circulation 432,789

YDL-Whittaker 235,853

YDL-Michigan 53,000

133,117 E-products

1,326 Bookmobile

10,819 people attended 906 virtual and in-person events

11,957 digital items added to the collection (7,180 added in 2020)

1,169,258 website visitors

eProduct usage was up more than 36,000

Website visitors were up more than 338,000 from 2020
### REVENUE

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* $1.5M designated to Superior Library Building Fund