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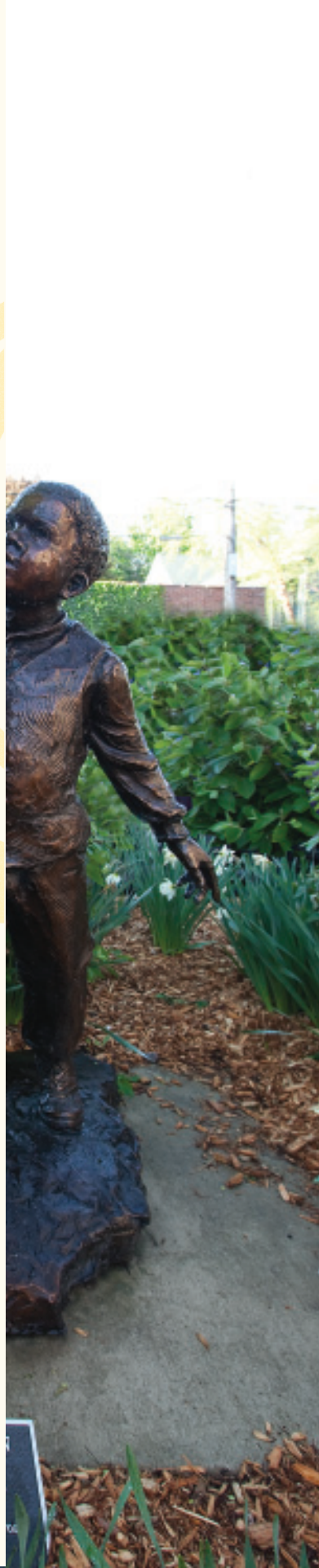
dreamer.”

—HARRIET TUBMAN



YPSILANTI DISTRICT LIBRARY

Annual Report 2010





“Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world.”

THE BRONZE STATUE of Harriet Tubman by Jane DeDecker in the Library Park Plaza at YDL-Michigan Avenue is a graceful reminder of our mission and the core values we strive for every day.

Known as the “Moses of her people,” this American heroine who led many slaves to their freedom on the Underground Railroad, represents perseverance, determination, and abiding resourcefulness. These are the qualities that serve as our model to inform and enrich lives through our many services.

As we look back over programs, events, and activities in 2010 at YDL, the one that stands out for us was the passage of the millage. With this inspiring vote of confidence, we will continue to serve our community by following the path others before us have helped pave.

Jill Morey
Library Director
Ypsilanti District Library





35,253 patrons attended 2,152 programs

196,258 users of public internet computers

**216,948 reference questions answered
by library staff**

531,918 visitors to YDL facilities

929,968 total annual circulation

Aspire. Then Achieve.

THROUGHOUT A LIFETIME, it is possible to chase many dreams. At YDL we encourage every patron to realize their personal potential by providing an abundance of materials, resources, and programs. Imaginative programming challenged and inspired presenters and participants alike.

Highlights included:

- **Linedrives and Lipstick:**
The Untold Story of Women’s Baseball
- **NPR contributor and author Sarah Vowell**
- **Community Health Fair—**
sharing resources about healthy living
- **Ypsilanti Songwriting Festival featuring Graham Parker**
- **Country in the City—**
a day for urban kids to experience country life





50 databases

Become a Part of Something.

YDL IS a tremendous community resource for anyone visiting our three facilities, climbing aboard the Navigator—our state-of-the-art bookmobile, or connecting with us by telephone or via our recently renovated website. In 2010, more than half a million patrons visited YDL facilities. They were welcomed by a staff well prepared to locate materials, answer questions, and help navigate the Internet and our databases.

In January, YDL began offering patrons the convenience of borrowing items from other libraries in the MeLCat statewide lending system which were unavailable in our collection. With MeLCat, patrons can access a staggering number of additional resources. In its initial year, 6,699 items were borrowed from libraries across the state — all delivered to patrons free of charge at their favorite YDL location.





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and personal growth...**



Commit to a Future.

THIS PAST YEAR the funding for the Teen Zone at YDL-Michigan Avenue was secured. Teens will find a place of opportunity and personal growth where they can study or explore our resources in their kind of space – interactive in nature, dynamic in design. It will be the perfect spot to plan YDL programming with other teens in TAG (Teen Advisory Group) or plan a career. Thanks to the support of so many in our community, we're creating a vibrant, after-school environment that teens and parents can both appreciate. We look forward to its completion in 2011!



Financials

Operating Financial Highlights 2010

This budget is an audited statement of actual revenues and expenses for the fiscal year beginning December 1, 2009 and ending November 30, 2010.

REVENUE		
Property Taxes	\$3,466,372	90%
Penal Fines	\$128,917	3%
State Aid	\$31,492	1%
Interest & Other	\$166,237	5%
Grants/Donations/Friends	\$51,365	1%
Total	\$3,844,383	100%
EXPENDITURES		
Salaries/Benefits	\$2,441,750	66%
Library Materials	\$359,392	10%
Contractual	\$104,105	3%
Automation/Capital Outlay	\$293,709	8%
Utilities/Repairs	\$286,742	8%
Other	\$192,292	5%
Total	\$3,677,990	100%

Appreciate. Be Thankful.

YDL is indebted to our supporters who are critical to sustaining our mission and excellent resources and services. We thank you for your support of the passage of the millage in 2010 and for your generosity in YDL fundraisers throughout the year. We also acknowledge the commitment of those individuals who made significant financial contributions to the YDL Teen Zone.

Teen Zone Donors 2009 - 2010 - 2011

African American Authors

Book Discussion Group

Francine Alexander

Cathy Allen

Eleanor Banyai

Barbara Bassett

John & Patricia Baxter

Donavin Bennes

Dinesh Bhushan

Steve & Nancy Bielak

Jonathan Blakey

Kristina Blanchard

Jim & Penny Blodgett

Harry & Pauline Bowen

Susan Brown

Susan Cameron

Caroline Charlesworth

Chi-Ming Chow

Joy Cichewicz

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Emmanuel & Petula Curry

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Angela Moloney

Jill Morey

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Brian Robb

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