MIDPOINTE LIBRARY SYSTEM

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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

At MidPointe Library System, 2018 will be remembered as a year of expansion and innovation.

The year was bookended by introducing two new options for patrons to visit. In January, MidPointe revived its bookmobile service, after a 30-year hiatus, bringing library services and materials to patrons living in areas without a library branch and also making stops at parks, schools, senior living facilities, community events and other locations throughout the MidPointe service area.

MidPointe's latest growth spurt came this past November with the opening of its fifth full-service branch at Liberty Center, the premiere shopping, dining and entertainment complex in growing Liberty Township. Located on the second floor of "The Foundry," across from Cincinnati Children's Discovery Center, the 3,681-square-foot branch houses roughly 10,000 items available for checkout. Like other branches, MidPointe Library Liberty offers wi-fi, public computers with internet access, printing and copying services and a drop-box for returns. It also hosts educational and entertainment programs for all ages in an attractive, colorful and comfortable setting.

Over 80% of MidPointe's 200,000+ population served has a library card.

We have remained devoted to updating and maintaining all MidPointe buildings to make them safe, comfortable and inviting to all patrons. MidPointe just concluded "Year One" of a multiyear facilities plan, and we look forward to debuting timely renovations in the near future. We also looked beyond our library walls, engaging more with the community than ever before. In addition to involvement with multiple local businesses, non-profit organizations, schools, clubs and more, MidPointe was also a proud sponsor of the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, the Middletown Fourth of July fireworks and the Books by the Banks Regional Book Festival.

Expansion of library programs and services continued, including: increased passport service hours, facilitation of a summer lunch program at two locations, the addition of databases including "Lynda. com" and implementation of an on-line tool for Library meeting room reservations, upgrading to an auto-renewal feature for most Library materials, an inaugural summer concert series and more.

MidPointe also devoted resources to preserving the past and celebrating local history. MidPointe Library Middletown now houses the Local History and Genealogy Gallery, where you can actually touch history on a 70-inch interactive touchscreen. Featured local history collections on this device included: the Marion G. Warner Collection, the Armco Ambulance Corps collection and an African American history timeline.

I hope you had an opportunity to visit the MidPointe Library System in 2018, and enjoyed your experience. If you haven't been to the library in a while, please plan a visit for 2019. We think you will be proud of what your local library has to offer.

Best wishes,

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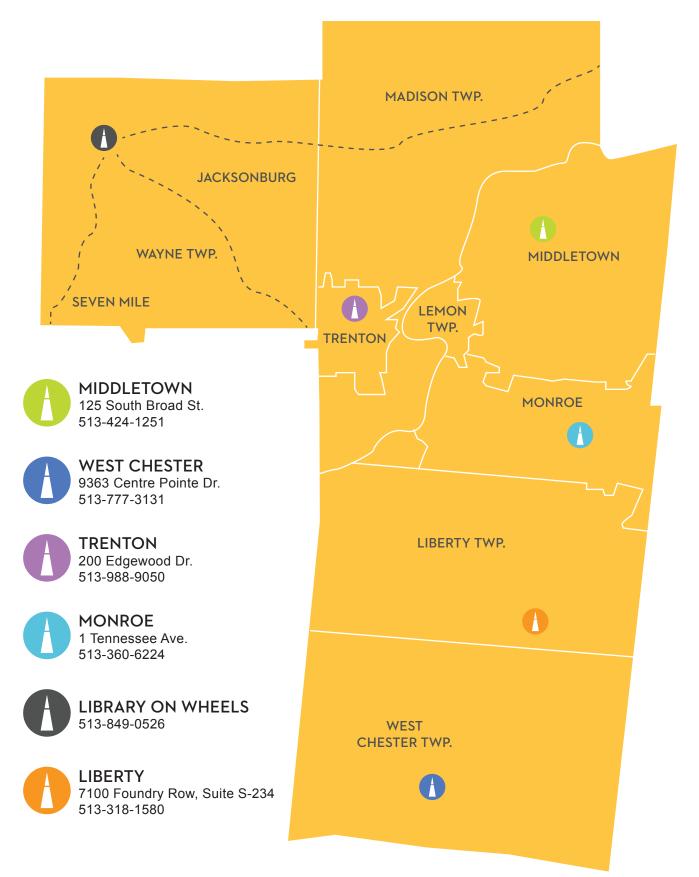


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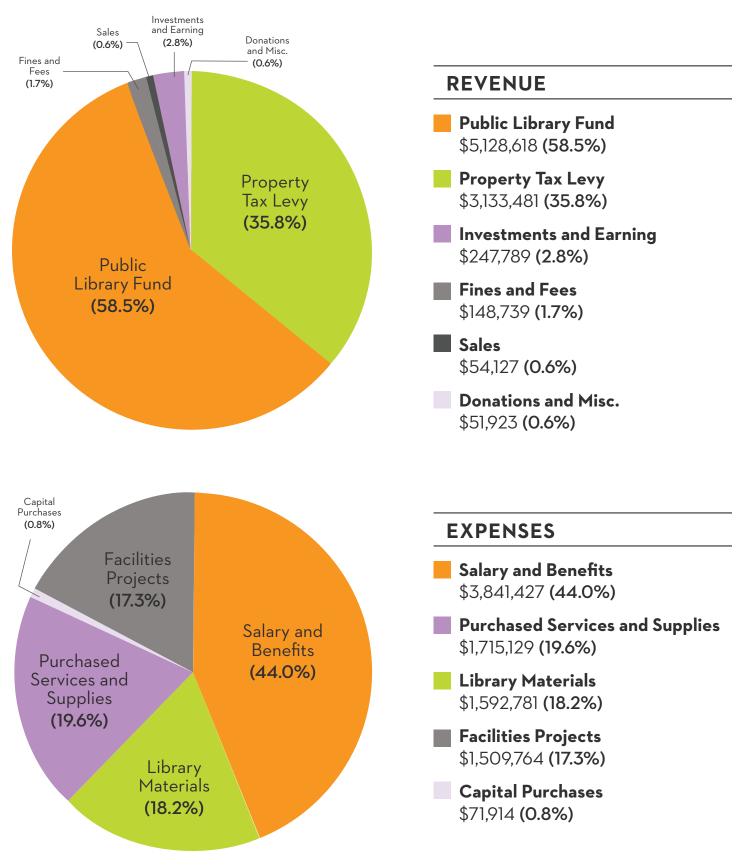


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MIDPOINTE SERVICE AREA



2018 BUDGET OVERVIEW



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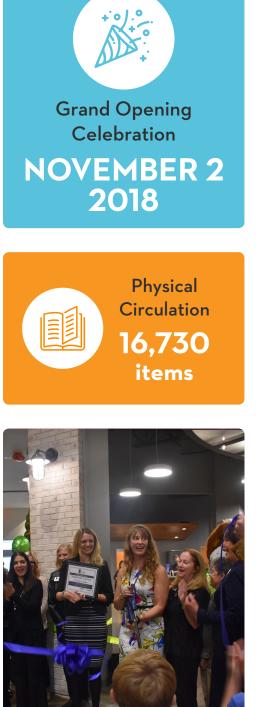
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