
Mission

Chestatee Regional Library System enhances our community's quality of life by offering lifelong learning opportunities and recreational materials to everyone in Dawson and Lumpkin Counties.

FY2009 Highlights

- 52% of the residents of Dawson and Lumpkin County hold active library cards.
- iPod compatible downloadable audiobooks became available to CRLS patrons.
- Lifelong Learning programs for the community continued, with participation of 14,061.
- More than 900 children and 170 teens registered for the 2009 Vacation Reading Program, and attendance at weekly programs topped 3,700.
- Volunteers gave 2,340 hours of service to the libraries in Dawson and Lumpkin Counties.

Library Boards of Trustees

County Commissioners appoint local residents to serve on the Boards of Trustees for the library system. The Chestatee Regional Library Board has the final authority for all services and policies of the library.

Chestatee Regional Library Board of Trustees

Susanne Neil, Chair
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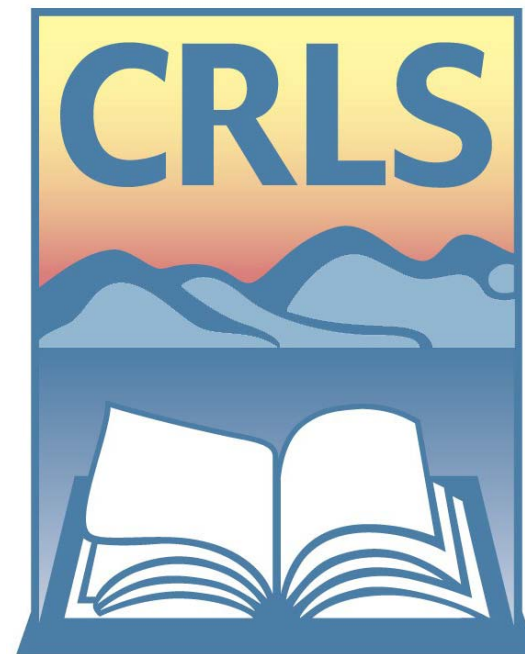
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If you are interested in serving on the library board, please contact the Library Director, Claudia Gibson, at (706) 344-3690, ext 11.

Annual Report

July 2008-June 2009



Chestatee Regional Library System

Serving Dawson and Lumpkin Counties

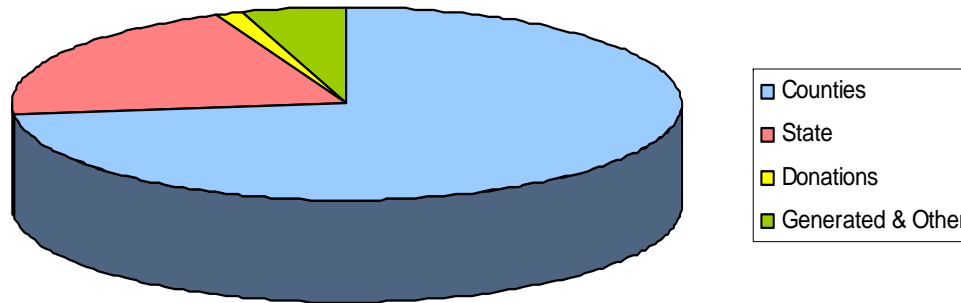
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Dawsonville, GA 30534
706-344-3690

Lumpkin County Library
342 Courthouse Hill
Dahlonega, GA 30534
706-864-3668

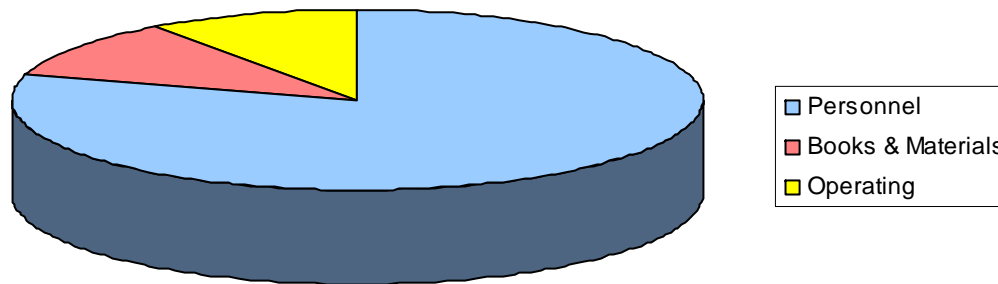
FINANCIALS: July 2008-June 2009

Revenues by Source



Counties	\$ 899,708	(74%)
State	\$ 251,022	(20%)
Donations	\$ 17,127	(1%)
Generated & Other	\$ 55,943	(5%)
Total Revenues	\$ 1,223,800	

Expenditures by Category



Personnel	\$ 910,166	(79%)
Books & Materials	\$ 123,754	(11%)
Operating	\$ 113,357	(10%)
Total Expended	\$1,147,277	
Encumbered/Reserved	\$ 76,523	
	\$ 1,223,800	

Facts & Figures

Items checked out	367,789
Visits to our libraries	210,635
Registered borrowers (52% of population)	26,050
Uses of Internet	39,557
Wireless Service Use	1,983
Library program attendance	14,601
Reference questions answered	14,809
Items borrowed for Chestatee users through PINES (up 30.4% over FY08)	33,650

Best Bargain in Town!

Every man, woman, and child in Lumpkin and Dawson Counties would have to spend about **\$200** per year on books and other materials to equal the value of the library's annual check-outs alone:

Items checked out	367,789
Times ave. value of item	<u>X \$28</u>
Equals	\$10,298,092
Divided by Population	<u>÷ 49,912</u>
Equals	\$206.33

*By sharing resources,
we all come out ahead!*