CHINOOK ARCH REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEM

2025 IMPACT REPORT

Look for quotes from Chinook Arch member libraries in this report.

Chinook Arch Snapshot

35 member library locations

40 municipalities served

37,456 library cardholders

29 staff members

Highlights from the Year

Library Collections

The Regional Programming Collection circulated

300 times to 25 libraries

"This brings fresh and exciting materials to our library, without the financial burden of having to purchase them for ourselves. It also gives good insight into what our patrons are looking for/responsive to."

Assisted 12 member libraries with collection development projects and plans.

Technology Services

Windows 11 upgrade of all computers in the region, ensuring stability and security on the network.

In-Library Programming

Over **320** people participated in a **region-wide book fair themed contest that took place in October/November.**

A successful Summer Reading Program

Our coordinators:

Visited **24** libraries

Delivered **45** programs

Collected over **200** entries in the Summer Book BINGO Challenge

Intermunicipal Collaboration

greatly increases the quantity and quality of library materials and services for those who call our region home.

"We appreciate knowing that help is just a phone call or email away. It's nice to have all the collective experience at our fingertips."

Sharing Resources

591,000
items moved between libraries

That's 3% higher than last year!

The system collectively provides access to over **1 Million** items.

Compared to the median collection size of 17,703.

40,432
items added to shared library catalogue

"I can't say enough good things about the cataloging department."

Direct Library Support

3,942
support consultations (in-person and virtual)

315
direct patron interactions

"The Chinook Arch team is always quick to respond and find a solution when we are experiencing difficulties."

Connection and Learning Opportunities

17 training events held

211 attendees

150
people connected at the 16th Annual Southern Alberta Library Conference

Online Services Management

169,627
online catalogue visits

15%
increase of library material checkouts on OverDrive/Libby

58% increase in Kanopy views

Kanopy is a video-streaming platform with 30,000+ shows for all ages.