

### MISSION

The mission of the Durham County Library is to provide the entire community with books, services and other resources that inform, inspire learning, cultivate understanding and excite the imagination.

### POPULATION SERVED

**264,824** (Durham County)

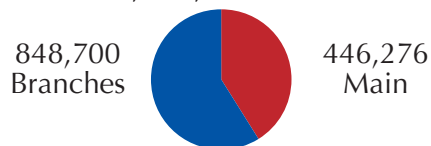
*Jan. 2008 Durham City-County Planning Dept. estimate*

### LIBRARY CARD HOLDERS

**146,696**

### VISITS BY THE PUBLIC

**1,294,976 Total**



### PROGRAMS FOR THE PUBLIC

1,166 for adults      822 for young adults  
2,935 for children      = **4,923 Total**

### PROGRAM ATTENDANCE

8,276 adults      12,711 young adults  
69,998 children      = **90,985 Total**

### MATERIALS OWNED

**577,481**

### PUBLIC USE OF MATERIALS

551,715 Main Library  
829,039 Branches  
69,161 Bookmobile      = **1,449,915 Total**

### INFORMATION QUESTIONS ANSWERED

**550,106**

### FACILITIES

Main Library, two full-service regional libraries (East and North), three branches (Parkwood, Southwest and Stanford L. Warren), two community libraries (Bragtown and McDougald Terrace) and two mobile units (Bookmobile and OASIS).

Capital Improvement Plan includes: South Regional (replacing Parkwood Branch, construction underway), expansion of Southwest Branch to a regional facility (construction underway) and expansion/renovation of Main Library (planning underway).

### COMPUTERS FOR PUBLIC USE

**153**

### LIBRARY COMPUTER WORK SESSIONS CONDUCTED BY PUBLIC

**520,020**

### EMPLOYEES

**121 Full Time Equivalent**

### VOLUNTEER HOURS

**5,825**

### GOVERNANCE

Durham County Library is a department of Durham County. The Library Board of Trustees is appointed by the County Commissioners and sets Library policies. Library Director Hampton M. "Skip" Auld reports to the County Manager and is an ex officio member of the Board of Trustees.

### PRIVATE SUPPORT

The Durham County Library is supported by two nonprofit organizations: Durham Library Foundation Inc. and Friends of the Durham Library Inc.

### DISTINCTIONS

- Awarded \$99,679 grant for Smart Investing @ Your Library by American Library Association and the FINRA Investor Education Foundation.
- Received \$42,500 grant from the Friends of the Durham Library. A portion of the funds will go to the purchase of a van to enable staff to bring early literacy programs to Durham's childcare family homes and storytimes to elementary schools and afterschool programs. The remainder of the funds will be used for digital display screens at Durham's five full-service libraries.
- Cover article "Going for the Green" in April 2008 American Libraries magazine, the professional journal of the American Library Association, about North and East Regional Libraries
- Stanford L. Warren Library received a Golden Leaf Award for Community Appearance, one of only six honorees out of 70 contenders.
- Developed Program Plan for Main Library renovation project.
- Finalized architectural design of South and Southwest Regional Libraries.