# St. Mary's County Library Customer Satisfaction Survey 

Response Counts

Completion Rate:

88.2\% $\square$

Totals: 1,099

1. Do you have a St. Mary's County Library Card?


| Value | Percent | Responses |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Yes | $99.1 \%$ | 1,026 |  |
| No |  | $0.9 \%$ | 9 |

Totals: 1,035
2. Which of our facilities do you use most frequently?


| Value | Percen | Responses |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charlotte Hall | 18.3\% | 3190 |
| Leonardtown | 38.3\% | 398 |
| Lexington Park | 37.9\% | 394 |
| Online: Digital collections and Databases | 5.5\% | 57 |

Totals: 1,039
3. How often do you visit the library or library website for each of the following activities?

|  | Never | Sometimes - 1-4 <br> Times Per Year | Frequently - <br> Weekly or <br> Monthly | Responses |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Browse the shelves at the <br> Library for reading materials | 36 | 354 | 627 | 1,017 |


| Count <br> Row \% |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Study or work <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 509 \\ & 50.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 313 \\ & 31.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 178 \\ & 17.8 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,000 |
| Pick up items on hold/reserve <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 149 \\ & 14.6 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 417 \\ & 40.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 453 \\ & 44.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,019 |
| Read newspapers or other periodicals <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 708 \\ & 70.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 232 \\ & 22.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 71 \\ & 7.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,011 |
| Access free WiFi from a personal device <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 609 \\ & 59.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 255 \\ & 25.1 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 153 \\ & 15.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,017 |
| Meet or gather with others <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 557 \\ & 54.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 351 \\ & 34.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 114 \\ & 11.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,022 |
| Conduct research <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 465 \\ & 45.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 444 \\ & 43.4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 113 \\ & 11.1 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,022 |
| Use the catalog on the Library's website <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 208 \\ & 20.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 350 \\ & 34.4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 459 \\ & 45.1 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,017 |
| Look or apply for a job Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 846 \\ & 83.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 134 \\ & 13.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 37 \\ & 3.6 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,017 |
| Ask a reference question Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 494 \\ & 48.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 434 \\ & 42.6 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 91 \\ & 8.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,019 |
| Find out about upcoming events Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 312 \\ & 30.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 463 \\ & 45.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 247 \\ & 24.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,022 |
| Download digital content such as ebooks, audiobooks, or magazines <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 509 \\ & 49.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 258 \\ & 25.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 254 \\ & 24.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,021 |


| Make a donation or support the library <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 561 \\ & 54.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 423 \\ & 41.4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 37 \\ & 3.6 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,021 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Find a library location Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 666 \\ & 65.8 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 306 \\ & 30.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 40 \\ & 4.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,012 |
| Get homework help <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 900 \\ & 88.7 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 91 \\ & 9.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 24 \\ & 2.4 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,015 |
| Read about new or featured items at the library <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 347 \\ & 33.8 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 496 \\ & 48.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 183 \\ & 17.8 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,026 |
| Totals <br> Total Responses |  |  |  | 1,099 |

4. How often do you attend the following types of events at the library?

|  | Never | Sometimes - 1- <br> 4 Times Per <br> Year | Frequently - <br> Weekly or <br> Monthly | Responses |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Programs or events to expand my skills <br> or expertise (computer skills, language <br> learning, personal finance) <br> Count <br> Row \% | $71.1 \%$ | $259.4 \%$ | 36 |  |
| Programs or events that foster my <br> love of reading (author visits or book <br> discussions) <br> Count <br> Row \% | $72.6 \%$ | $23.1 \%$ | 1,039 |  |
| Programs or events to learn more <br> about topics that interest me <br> (cooking, genealogy, knitting) <br> Count <br> Row \% | 707 | 284 | $4.5 \%$ |  |


| Programs or events as a source of entertainment (movies or concerts) <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 746 \\ & 72.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 240 \\ & 23.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | 47 $4.5 \%$ | 1,033 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Programs or events for children (story times, crafts, STEM, performers) <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 645 \\ & 62.6 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 255 \\ & 24.7 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 131 \\ & 12.7 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,031 |
| Programs or events for teens and young adults (college application help, book discussions) <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 873 \\ & 84.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 140 \\ & 13.6 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \\ & 1.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | 1,033 |
| Totals <br> Total Responses |  |  |  | 1099 |

5. Which statement best describes your use of eBooks, digital audiobooks, and other digital content in the past five years?
$13 \%$ I currently do NOT access
digital content and do NOT plan
to do so in the future.

29 \% I currently do not access digital content, but I plan to do so in the future.


32 \% I currently access digita content and my use has INCREASED.

22 \% I currently access digital

| Value | Percent Responses |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| I currently access digital content and my use has <br> INCREASED. | $32.0 \%$ | 317 |  |
| I currently access digital content and my use has remained <br> ABOUT THE SAME. |  | $21.8 \%$ | 216 |
| I currently access digital content and my use has DECREASED. |  | $4.4 \%$ | 44 |
| I currently do not access digital content, but I plan to do so in the <br> future. |  | $28.5 \%$ | 282 |
| I currently do NOT access digital content and do NOT plan to do <br> so in the future. |  | $13.3 \%$ | 132 |

Totals: 991
6. Please select the statement that best describes how you select your reading materials if they are not immediately available from the library.


Value
Percent Responses
I usually place a hold on the item I want

| I just wait for the item to become available |  | $9.9 \%$ | 98 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| I look for alternative titles rather than waiting for the item from <br> the Library. |  | $9.8 \%$ | 97 |
| I buy the item from a source outside the library |  | $3.8 \%$ | 38 |

Totals: 991
7. How important would the following possible enhancements be to your library experience?

|  | 1 - Very Important | 2 -Important | $3-$ <br> Neutral | 4 - Less <br> Important | 5 - Not as Important | Responses |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kiosks for checking out library materials OUTSIDE of the Library branches, such as at the grocery store, retail locations, etc. Count Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 79 \\ & 8.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 72 \\ & 7.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 183 \\ & 18.6 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 135 \\ & 13.7 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 514 \\ & 52.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | 983 |
| Easier or more convenient ways to download digital materials to personal devices Count Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 324 \\ & 33.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 189 \\ & 19.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | 217 <br> 22.1\% | $\begin{aligned} & 68 \\ & 6.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 184 \\ & 18.7 \% \end{aligned}$ | 982 |
| Increased availability of public computers Count Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 121 \\ & 12.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 90 \\ & 9.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | 224 <br> 22.8\% | $\begin{aligned} & 146 \\ & 14.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 402 \\ & 40.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | 983 |
| Shorter wait times for reserved items Count Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 223 \\ & 22.6 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 214 \\ & 21.7 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 260 \\ & 26.4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 116 \\ & 11.8 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 172 \\ & 17.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | 985 |

$\left.\begin{array}{|l|l|l|l|l|l|l|}\hline \begin{array}{l}\text { More meeting } \\ \text { rooms or group } \\ \text { spaces Count } \\ \text { Row \% }\end{array} & 92 & \begin{array}{l}114 \\ 11.6 \%\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}245 \\ 2.3 \%\end{array} & & 176 & 258 \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { Increased staff } \\ \text { interaction } \\ \text { Count } \\ \text { Row \% }\end{array} & 92 & 9.9 \%\end{array}\right)$
8. What kinds of print materials are most important to you? Please select ALL that apply.

9. What kinds of $A / V$ materials are most important to you? Please select ALL that apply.


| Value | Percent | Responses |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Music CDs |  | $21.4 \%$ | 192 |
| Audiobooks |  | $55.1 \%$ | 495 |
| DVDs |  | $72.7 \%$ | 654 |
| Other (please specify): |  | $3.9 \%$ | 35 |

10. Which kinds of digital materials are most important to you? Please select ALL that apply.


Value
Percent Responses

| eBook titles for adults |  |  | $68.8 \%$ | 591 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| eBook titles for teens |  |  |  | $22.1 \%$ | 190 |
| eBook titles for children |  |  | $17.6 \%$ | 151 |  |
| Digital Audiobook titles for adults |  |  | $49.5 \%$ | 425 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Digital Audiobook titles for teens |  |  | $14.4 \%$ | 124 |  |
| Digital Audiobook titles for children |  |  | $14.7 \%$ | 126 |  |
| eMagazines |  |  | $19.2 \%$ | 165 |  |
| Music to stream or download |  |  | $26.4 \%$ | 227 |  |
| Movies to stream or download |  |  | $36.9 \%$ | 317 |  |
| Other eMaterials (please specify): |  |  | $2.4 \%$ | 21 |  |

11. Which types of programs or activities are most important to you? Please select ALL that apply.


| Value |  | Percent |  | Responses |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Programs or events to expand my <br> skills or expertise, such as <br> computer training, learning a <br> language, or personal finance |  |  | $46.1 \%$ | 403 |
| Programs or events that foster my <br> love of reading, such as author <br> visits or book club discussions |  |  |  |  |
| Programs or events to learn more <br> about topics that interest me, such <br> as cooking, genealogy, or knitting |  | $33.6 \%$ | 294 |  |
| Programs or events as a source of <br> entertainment, such as movies or <br> concerts |  |  | $48.9 \%$ | 428 |
| Programs or events for children, <br> such as story times |  |  | $30.2 \%$ | 264 |
| Programs or events for teens and <br> young adults, such as collect <br> application help or crafts |  |  |  | $39.1 \%$ |
| Other (please specify): |  |  | $27 \%$ | 342 |

12. On a scale from 1 (Very Dissatisfied) to 5 (Very Satisfied), please rate each of the following library features. Select "N/A" if you have never used that particular library service.

|  | 1 - Very <br> Dissatisfied | $2 \text { - }$ <br> Dissatisfied | $3-$ <br> Neutral | $4 \text { - }$ <br> Satisfied | $5 \text { - Very }$ <br> Satisfied | N/A | Responses |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hours of operation Count Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 38 \\ & 4.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 45 \\ & 4.7 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 137 \\ & 14.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | 230 <br> 24.1\% | $\begin{aligned} & 487 \\ & 50.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 19 \\ & 2.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | 956 |
| Seating areas at library locations Count Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 29 \\ & 3.1 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 55 \\ & 5.8 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 201 \\ & 21.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 231 \\ & 24.4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 351 \\ & 37.1 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 78 \\ & 8.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | 945 |
| Staff assistance <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 27 \\ & 2.8 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 15 \\ & 1.6 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 69 \\ & 7.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 190 \\ & 19.8 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 635 \\ & 66.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 22 \\ & 2.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | 958 |
| Friendliness of staff <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 26 \\ & 2.7 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 15 \\ & 1.6 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 60 \\ & 6.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 162 \\ & 17.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 679 \\ & 71.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 12 \\ & 1.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | 954 |
| Safety at library locations Count Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 29 \\ & 3.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 40 \\ & 4.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 110 \\ & 11.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 234 \\ & 24.4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 515 \\ & 53.7 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 31 \\ & 3.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | 959 |
| General <br> condition and upkeep of the <br> library's <br> facilities <br> Count <br> Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \\ & 2.1 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 37 \\ & 3.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 139 \\ & 14.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 271 \\ & 28.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 478 \\ & 49.9 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 12 \\ & 1.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | 957 |
| Parking at library locations Count Row \% | $\begin{aligned} & 33 \\ & 3.5 \% \end{aligned}$ | 69 7.2\% | $\begin{aligned} & 172 \\ & 18.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 242 \\ & 25.3 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 430 \\ & 45.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \\ & 1.0 \% \end{aligned}$ | 956 |

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\(\left.$$
\begin{array}{|l|l|l|l|l|l|l|l|}\hline \begin{array}{l}\text { The library } \\
\text { website } \\
\text { Count } \\
\text { Row \% }\end{array}
$$ \& 14 \& 42 \& 142 \& 302 \& 399 \& 53 \& 952 <br>
\hline \begin{array}{l}WiFi access at <br>
Library <br>
locations <br>
Count <br>

Row \%\end{array} \& 16 \& 1.5 \% \& 14.9 \% \& 31.7 \% \& 41.9 \% \& 5.6 \%\end{array}\right]\)|  |
| :--- |
| Row |
| Public <br> computers at <br> Library <br> locations <br> Count |
| Row \% |

13. On a scale from 0 (Very Dissatisfied) to 10 (Extremely Satisfied), please rate your overall satisfaction with the library.

14. Please provide any additional comments you would like to share with the library here:

