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Library Data Sheet for 2005
Southwest Ohio Public Library Return From Investment Study

The Lane Public Libraries

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Library System: 3 branches and Bookmobile Services

Population served in Legal Service Area: 180,000

Number of registered cardholders: 147,085

Number of books & other library materials borrowed in 2005: 2,196,754

Number of people who benefited from the library's fr s in 2005: 41,598

Number of answers library users received to reference questions in 2005: 210,607

Number of visits to the Library in 2005: In person: 919,698

Online: 12,811,188 (estimated hits to Lane's Web site)

Staff Size: 94.85 FTE

Operating Budget: \$6.2 million

Funding Sources: Library and Local Government Support Fund = 96%

Gifts, fines, etc. = 4%

Additional Services Provided: Public library facilities are open 7 days a week, 69 hours per week. Bookmobile Services made regular deliveries to 27 senior living centers and nursing facilities and 22 schools. Bookmobile also provided teacher collections to 16 schools, 13 preschools and 20 Head Start locations in our service area. Lane partnered with Hamilton High School to provide library materials and computer classes to community members through the school media center. Lane also partnered with the Fitton Center for Creative Arts to combine reading and the arts in quarterly programs for children.