CORPORATE PURPOSE
The Library plays an important role in supporting municipal strategies that build and strengthen communities by: supporting lifelong learning for all ages; providing technology and information literacy; offering resources and programs to occupy leisure time; supporting career development; and providing a safe and comfortable environment where people can meet and interact.

Mission Statement: Haldimand County Public Library provides high-quality, responsive library services and programs that enhance the cultural, educational, social and economic vitality of the community.

Vision Statement: Haldimand County Public Library is recognized as a community-oriented leader which satisfies 21st-century learning and recreational needs through services in physical and virtual environments.

KEY FUNCTIONS
- Lending print, audio-visual and digital materials.
- Providing high-speed and wireless access to the Internet, with staff trained to teach technology and information literacy as a life skill.
- Providing opportunities for creative use of leisure time.
- Fostering community culture with book clubs, social clubs, author visits, art displays.
- Providing online learning opportunities, such as access to six-week courses ranging from sign language to web page design to project management.
- Connecting people to government information and services.

HIGHLIGHTS 2016
- Achieved provincial five-year accreditation for all six branches.
- Selected and purchased a property for the new Cayuga Library.
- Increased opening hours at the Caledonia library without increasing operational budget.
- Joined Ontario Library Consortium to take advantage of annual license fee savings and numerous new software features including Portfolio archive hosting.
- Updated 3-year Strategic Plan.
- Updated all operational policies.
- Applied and was successful in the Canada Infrastructure Project CIP150 grant for branch renovations at the Jarvis library.
- Participated in CAP Committee, planning for Community Hubs in all library branches by spring 2019.

UPCOMING 2017 PRIORITIES
- Plan for closure and reopening of the renovation and expanded Dunnville branch.
- Initiate planning for new Cayuga branch.
- Complete Jarvis branch renovations, washrooms, local history room, study room and Community Hub space.
- Restructure staff working assignments to address 2017 vacant Deputy CEO position.
- Review and update 3-year Strategic Plan in light of staffing changes and new projects and priorities.
- Adopt ActivNet, adding library programs and registrations to the service.