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### **Vaughan Public Libraries' 2023 Annual Report**

**VAUGHAN, ONTARIO** – Vaughan Public Libraries (VPL) is proud to release its 2023 Annual Report highlighting the achievements of staff for the year.

Here are a few highlights:

- We officially opened our 13th library with the arrival of VMC Express, while also progressing on our 14th and 15th at Carrville Community Centre and in West Woodbridge (Father Ermanno Bulfon Community Centre).
- We unveiled the FEB Express mini library – an innovative book vending machine at the Father Ermanno Bulfon Community Centre.
- We embraced our entire community with programs like Drag Queen Storytime, events like the Citizenship Ceremony, and initiatives like the unveiling of two Every Child Matters Crosswalks.
- We welcomed 1.63 million visitors through our doors, and 2.55 million to our website.
- Our collection now includes 598,666 items, ranging from databases, online learning accessibility resource.
- 2.8 million physical items were borrowed.
- Our programs were attended by 111,000 people and over half a million people used our Wi-Fi.

“As we reflect on the diverse meanings libraries hold for individuals, VPL stands as a nurturing space for young families, fostering the love for reading and lifelong learning,” remarked Margie Singleton, CEO of VPL. “Our commitment extends to providing dynamic collections, innovative programs, and inviting environments showcased through the milestones of 2023, including the opening of new libraries and community-centred initiatives like Drag Queen Storytime and Citizenship Ceremonies. With over 1.63 million visitors and a wealth of resources circulated, we invite you to journey with us into 2024, where we persist in reshaping the possibilities of library experiences.”

We invite you to read the 2023 Annual Report by clicking [here](#).

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#### **About Vaughan Public Libraries**

Vaughan Public Libraries is a leading community-centered library system dedicated to educate, excite and empower the community. With over three million visitors annually and 500,000 resources, advanced technology, and diverse programming, we offer lifelong learning opportunities. Our firm commitment to excellence, diversity, equity, and inclusion fosters a welcoming environment where all can thrive.



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