ANYTHINK BLOCK PARTIES

In September 2016, Anythink celebrated community by connecting neighbors through a series of block parties held across Adams County. With entertainment, food and activities, these block parties created opportunities to foster friendship and community connections.

“It was really nice to just stop by our favorite park and see kids dancing, people visiting, and familiar faces. We have a good community.”

– Marianne, Anythink customer and attendee of the Anythink Block Party at E.B. Rains Memorial Park

SPACE MONTH

Throughout the month of March, Anythinkers of all ages explored the cosmos with special guest visits, interactive exhibitions and workshops that celebrated all things space science. Space Month was presented in conjunction with “Discover Space: A Cosmic Journey,” an interactive exhibition at Anythink Huron Street produced by the Space Science Institute.

WHAT EVERY AMERICAN SHOULD KNOW

Local thought-leaders joined community members for a powerful dialogue centered around civic and cultural literacy. A project of the Aspen Institute Citizenship & American Identity Program, this engaging community conversation was moderated by Rocky Mountain PBS.

“Through its dedicated staff, inspiring programs, enriching special events and more, Anythink provides the opportunity for our community to connect, learn and create.”

– Kyle Kreischer, Anythink Foundation

“Anythink equips the citizens of Adams County to better their lives through knowledge, imagination and experiential learning.”

– Kerry Glenn, Trustee
“I absolutely love this library. It’s a community hub. It’s a hangout for teens. It’s a fun place for children. It’s a quiet place for those who want to read or work on their laptops or study.”

– Devin, Anythink customer

EXHIBITIONS & SPECIAL EVENTS

“Discover Space: A Cosmic Journey” took Anythinkers on an interactive journey through the cosmos. Produced by the Space Science Institute and hosted at Anythink Huron Street, this all-ages exhibition showcased everything from space storms to asteroids and the universe beyond.

A special fundraiser for the Anythink Foundation, Beerology offered an in-depth look at the history of beer and brewing hosted by Great Divide Brewing. This sold-out event explored the complexity and significance of one of Colorado’s burgeoning industries.

Boyd Norton is one of the leading conservation photographers in the country and recipient of the 2015 Ansel Adams Award for lifetime achievement, awarded by the Sierra Club. A special exhibition of Norton’s work was curated for display at Anythink Wright Farms, featuring photographs of landscapes and animals from across the globe.

“I know I’ve said it before, but the fact hasn’t changed that we are so grateful for our library and the people we get to meet there. My kids get to see [Anythink Wright Farms Children’s Guide] Alice almost weekly, as she does the building club, LEGO club, Minecraft club, and many other activities they attend. Alice is so great with all the kids and mine look forward to seeing her whenever we are in. Today she stopped by just to hear some new facts he was learning from his pile of books on ferrets. Thank you, Alice. He really enjoyed sharing.”

– Kim, Anythink customer
ANYTHINK BY THE NUMBERS

- Service area population: 491,337
- Total number of visits: 1,200,700
- Library cardholders: 134,122
- Full-time equivalent staff: 124
- Items loaned: 2,199,127
- Books downloaded: 323,215
- Website visits: 950,423
- Computer usage (hours): 301,942
- Program attendance: 63,115
### WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM

- **Property Tax**: 88% - $13,927,139
- **Specific Ownership Tax**: 7% - $1,190,892
- **Grants, Donations, Erate, Misc.**: 2% - $294,833
- **Fines and Fees**: 1% - $242,111
- **Interest on Deposits**: >1% - $166,691

### WHERE THE MONEY GOES

- **Personnel**: 42% - $6,650,476
- **Library Materials**: 12% - $2,025,110
- **Debt Service - Principal**: 10% - $1,650,000
- **Debt Service - Interest**: 8% - $1,363,370
- **Professional and Technicals**: 7% - $1,197,981
- **Facilities, Vehicles and Equipment Expenses**: 6% - $1,018,358
- **Capital Outlay**: 5% - $894,686
- **Administrative Services**: 4% - $624,030
- **Library Services**: 1% - $170,843
- **Miscellaneous**: 1% - $204,419

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