

## Highland Park Public Library Highlights

### **For such a small town, we have a very active library !**

The New Jersey State Library analyzes comparative statistics for all the public libraries in the state. Highland Park rates very favorably in all the measures that reflect effective delivery of service: high circulation per volume held, high circulation per hours open, low FTE per population, high volumes added per cap, low expenditure per circulation.

Local Tax support for the Highland Park Library is \$58.59 per capita, close to average for towns our size, while the impact of that support is more of a burden to residents because Highland Park has a lower base of ratables.

### **In 2006, the library**

- circulated 189,552 items, or 13.54 per capita, twice the average for libraries our size
- circulated 17,271 videos and DVDs
- circulated 4,668 compact discs
- presented 142 children's programs, with 2843 participants
- presented 100 adult and community programs, with 1535 participants
- started offering Teen programs and formed a teen Advisory Council for the first time
- provided public word processing and printing services to more than 1000 individuals
- had over 200,000 hits on its website with links to the library's online catalog and databases
- **had over 181,645 people walk through the door, about 60 per hour, or 3493 per week**
- had over 13,000 registered borrowers
- provided over 21,000 public computer Internet use sessions
- served as a wireless "hotspot" for people to access the Internet using their own laptop computers
- sponsored art exhibits, author talks, a poetry series, concerts, technology classes and an international film series