Whatcom County Library System

fast facts

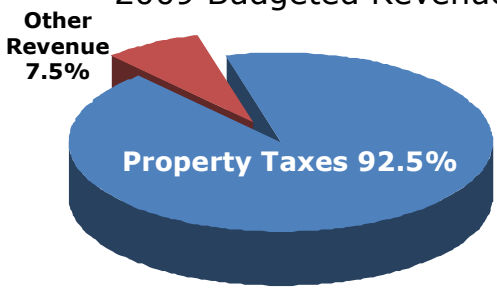
Established: 1944

Population of Service Area: 115,250
Whatcom county Library System serves all of unincorporated Whatcom County and the annexed cities and towns of Blaine, Everson, Ferndale, Lynden, Nooksack, and Sumas.

Service Opportunities:
WCLS offers 9 branches, 5 Bookmobile stop locations and our online branch, WCLS.org.

The Library System's Levy rate
has been steadily decreasing, from the maximum allowed of 50 cents per $1,000 of assessed property value to the rate of 33.8 cents per $1000 in 2009.

2009 Budgeted Revenues



2008 By the Numbers:

Materials checked out:	1,441,375
Materials in collection:	324,605
Library visits accommodated:	769,300+
Hours open per year for service:	19,279
Cardholders served:	38,637
New Cardholders in 2008	5,798

Programs and Services:

Summer Reading participants:	3,716
Number of visits to WCLS.org:	288,800+
Free programs presented to youth:	707+
Class visits to youth at school:	223+
Visits to homebound and jail:	1152+
Books & items exchanged with Bellingham Public Library:	301,969
Books & items exchanged through Interlibrary Loan Services:	12,876
Computers available for public use:	94

Wireless access at all branch locations
24 hour access to online library

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Branch Hours and Locations

Blaine 332-8146
610 3rd Street, 98230
Monday-Thursday ..... 10 to 8
Friday & Saturday ..... 10 to 6

Deming 592-2422
5044 Mt. Baker Highway, P.O. Box 357, 98244
Monday-Wednesday ..... 10 to 9
Friday & Saturday ..... 10 to 6

Everson McBeath 966-5100
104 Kirsch Drive, P.O. Box 250, 98247
Monday-Wednesday ..... 10 to 8
Thursday ..... 2 to 6
Friday & Saturday ..... 10 to 6
Sunday ..... 2 to 6

Ferndale 384-3647
2222 Main Street, P.O. Box 1209, 98248
Monday-Thursday ..... 10 to 9
Friday & Saturday ..... 10 to 6

Island 758-7145
2144 South Nugent Road, P.O. Box 90, 98262
Tuesday & Thursday ..... 2:30 to 8:30
Saturday ..... 10 to 4

Lynden 354-4883
and System Reference Center
216 4th Street,98264
Monday-Thursday ..... 10 to 9
Friday & Saturday ..... 10 to 6

Maple Falls 599-2020
7509 Mt. Baker Highway, P.O. Box 310, 98266
Tuesday ..... 10 to 6
Thursday ..... 10 to 7
Saturday ..... 10 to 5

Point Roberts 945-6545
1487 Gulf Road, P.O. Box 970, 98281
Tuesday ..... 2 to 8
Wednesday ..... 11 to 5
Saturday ..... 10 to 4

Sumas 988-2501
451 2nd Street, P.O. Box 215, 98295
Monday & Wednesday ..... 12:30 to 7:30
Saturday ..... 12:00 to 4:00

For Bookmobile schedule and stop locations, please call 384-3150 or go to wcls.org

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